



# FOOTNOTES

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Dear soon-to-be Friends,

Pastor Bastien's closing words in the November *Footnotes* were: "It has been a privilege and an honor to be your pastor." Let me say, it is a privilege and honor to be your interim pastor, though February 27 may be the last time we use the word "interim."

"Interim" = acting, provisional, short-term, temporary. I'm not acting, nor do I come to you provisionally, but whole-heartedly. And, no one knows how long it will be until you find a full-time pastor. So, now I am, simply, your pastor. Pastor Bastien (whose *Footnotes* column I've often read) and I have different, but overlapping styles, interests and emphases. If you are married, you and your spouse are different people, even if, as they say, you've begun to look alike. If you have children, each is different, yet you love them all for who they are. Peter Bastien earned and deserved your love, and it is my hope that on my last day with you, we will be able to say the same.

This is a time of change for both of us. Change is the norm. Life flows like a river. You cannot step twice into the same river, but change makes possible the existence of new things (Heraclitus). We embrace the opportunity for new challenges.

I look forward to this as a time of growth – individually, collectively, spiritually, intellectually, morally. When I was fresh out of seminary, I was asked to teach a Council of Churches Bible study in the small town where I was starting a mission parish. It was embarrassing to learn that the laity knew the Bible better than I did. Now, I will learn from you and you will learn from one another and from me. There will most certainly be surprises, discomforts and delights.

There are several theories about how this transition might go. One is my 100-year-old mother's "sweep me off my feet, Tim" and another is John the Baptist's tendency to "make them miserable." I'll explain on February 27. Please bring your sense of humor.

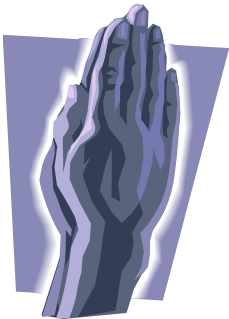
We are many voices, called together, from many places to bear witness in this time and at this place to the love of Christ. Let the church say AMEN!

Pastor Hoehn



## March Prayer Concerns

Jim Austin  
Jean Bonald  
Justin Brunce  
Donna Clagett  
Margaret Condon  
Steve Garvey  
Sam Gates  
Dave Gearing  
Dorothy Gerald  
Arturo Gomez  
Mike Jacobson  
Nancy Lang  
Tim Larkin  
Barbara Lashof  
David Lashof  
Margaret Lipe  
Thomas Lipe  
Rich Markwart  
Lauren Sue Masoero  
Pr. John Muller  
Althea Nottingham  
Joyce Pacheli  
Ron Pacheli  
Ingse Petersen  
Bob Petersen  
Lorna Pool  
Jane Rhine  
Ronny Schaul



## CTS Council Meeting Summary February 14, 2011

**Interim Pastor**— The council approved the interim ministry covenant with the Rev. Richard Hoehn. His service will begin on Sunday, February 27, 2011.

**Lent and Easter offerings**—Council agreed to split the designated Lent and Easter offerings between Mar-Lu-Ridge and the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

**Farmer's Market**—Tony provided a full report of his meeting with Peggy Mark of the Montgomery Village Foundation to discuss a proposed farmer's market in the CTS parking lot. The market will be on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm from May 7 through October 15. Council approved this use of our parking lot.

**Call Committee**—Council will have a special meeting on Sunday, February 20, to continue discussion of the call committee.

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### Introducing Pastor Hoehn

We are very pleased to announce that the Reverend Richard Hoehn will serve as our Interim Pastor, beginning February 27<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Hoehn (pronounced Haine) earned his MDiv at Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio and his PhD in Ethics and Society at the University of Chicago. He has previously served on the staff of Bread for the World and BFW Institute, taught Church and Society at Brite Divinity School of Texas Christian University, been a chaplain for Lutheran Social Services of Illinois and founding pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Brunswick, Maine. He currently serves as Associate Faculty at The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars. He has published various articles, reviews, and books, including *Up From Apathy: A Study of Moral Awareness and Social Involvement*. He is now completing a manuscript on social and political spirituality. He actively blogs about faith, family and citizenship at [faithandcitizenship.blogspot.com](http://faithandcitizenship.blogspot.com).

His wife, Carole Zimmerman has been a communications professional for the past 30 years and currently works at Howard University Medical School. She also teaches English as a Second Language at Howard Community College. In October they will have been married for 20 years. They have five children and two grandchildren. Both have taught at LCC International University in Klaipeda, Lithuania under the auspices of ELCA World Mission.

Please welcome Pastor Hoehn and Carole as they join our community.

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### A Call for the CTS Outreach Committee: Connecting Ideas

"When we welcome others, we extend God's welcome." This was a quote by Dr. Amy Oden, Professor at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington DC, who helped lead the *Together in Mission* ELCA event at King of Kings church in Fairfax last January, and was attended by a few CTS members. Workshops included discussion on why we are called to be welcoming and how we can become more hospitable. CTS Outreach

## Readings for March

### March 6

*Transfiguration of our Lord*

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalms 2 or 99

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

### March 9

*Ash Wednesday*

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Psalms 51:1-17

Corinthians 5:20b—6:10

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

### March 13

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent*

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Psalms 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

### March 20

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent*

Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalms 121

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

### March 27

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent*

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

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Ministry is asking ourselves these questions and how we can work together to attract visitors and improve integration of new members.

If you have ideas to share on this topic, and an hour to meet one night a month, then the new *Outreach Committee* at CTS has got a spot for you! Our progress, of this and other topics, will be guided throughout the year by a framework of the 3 E's:

1. **Educate** people of CTS' compassion, love, and understanding of others;
2. **Encourage** people to visit CTS and become more involved in our ministries;
3. **Engage** CTS with the community helping to shape, guide and influence.

We are currently bringing together members for this new committee. If you would like to become involved, please see Hunter Tjugum or Carson Fehner to find out more, or contact Hunter at email [hatjugum@gmail.com](mailto:hatjugum@gmail.com) or phone 240-672-8092.

### Thank you for serving the Ladies at Community Based Shelter. It is not too late to help out.

I would like to thank each one of you who agreed to serve the ladies at the Community Based Shelter during shelter week. The meals were very much appreciated by all of the residents. I especially thank those who served at the shelter for the first time this year. We truly strengthen the body of Christ when we reach out to serve our sisters and brothers in need. For those who did not have a chance to sign up, we are in need of donations to cover the cost of supplies and breakfast food provided to Community Based Shelter during shelter week. Please make checks to CTS and write "Shelter Week" on the "note" line.



### Thank you for serving our Guests at the Lamb Center

As director of the Lamb Center and on behalf of our guests, it is my pleasure to thank our youth who traveled to Fairfax City during their 30 hour fast to serve our guests. It is always a pleasure to see our youth helping in the kitchen, laundering our guests' clothes in the laundry room, organizing our supplies and joining our guests at the main table to feast on the Word during morning Bible Study. One of our guests expressed to me how touched she was that our youth would travel such a long distance and be around the good food we have at the Lamb center while fasting and be willing to serve people they had never met. Thank you all for your Servants' Hearts. To follow the Lamb Center ministry, go to "The Lamb Center" and click "like" to become a virtual guest.



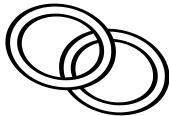
Your brother in Christ, Dave Larrabee

### Happy March Birthdays to:

Susan Garvey	3/1
Ernie Graf	3/5
Bob Andersen	3/6
Edima Elinewinga	3/7
Wilma Garvey	3/7
Kirsten Petersen	3/10
Kimberly Hagen	3/15
Anna Mayer	3/19
Diamondra Reilly	3/21
Michelle Backus	3/22
Steve Garvey	3/22
Bob McMichael	3/23
Bridget Duru	3/24
Gini Bergtold Wood	3/27
Michael Larrabee	3/28

### March Anniversaries

Vern Toelle &	
Nida Saavedra	3/12
David & Beth Lashof	3/28



### Words of Appreciation

Dear Christian Brothers and Sisters of CTS,

My family and I are very pleased to take this time to express our heartfelt gratitude to you for your financial, materials and moral support to our family reunification process over the last 8 years. We are especially grateful for your massive support over the last two months that has kept us going smoothly in these gloomy days of our lives. Given our limited abilities to reward you for so much, we pray that our Good Lord will instead reward you million times.

Our connection with CTS started with my coming to the US in 2003 and leaving my family behind to follow later. While in the US, and being a Lutheran, I decided to set out to find a Lutheran Church to join. In this process, after passing by CTS several Sundays, I decided to begin my search there, since it was closer to me. So, one Sunday morning, most likely in April, I entered CTS. Upon my first visit, I found CTS to be very impressive, especially the friendly faces that greeted me and encouraged me to come back.

Outstanding among the friendly faces that I met at CTS that really impacted and influenced me to stay and become a part of this wonderful family at CTS was the late Rev. Clinton Kersey (Butch). May his soul and the faithful departed rest in peace. Rev. Clinton Kersey was a very compassionate person. Upon hearing about the crisis in my country, Liberia, at the time, and the circumstances of my family, he visited me several times and encouraged me. Given the seriousness of the situation with my family, Rev. Kersey decided to get CTS involved to help get the family over. He made several contacts, including one with a representative of the Lutheran Refugee Program and Mrs. Ramona Lessen. In addition to Rev Kersey, Connie Graf, our Quarter Backer, and the CTS Council have been a pillow of support for me and the family.

Following the long awaiting period of 8 years, I am pleased to announce that the Lord has done it for us. In November last year, three of my children were united with me. The three children that came are, Marvina, age 20, Beatrice, age 13, and Jerry, age 9. Beatrice and Jerry are now in middle and elementary schools respectively. Marvina was accepted at Montgomery College. Following the arrival of the children, my wife, Esther, came in December. What a blessing! Thank you for making all this possible, CTS. May God continuously bless you.

The Keller Family

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday, March 8

6 – 8 PM

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Pancakes

Sausage

Applesauce

Juice and Milk

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Donations will support Youth Ministry Programs



## Lenten Adult Forum and Wednesday services

Pastor Hoehn's Lenten Adult Forum theme will center around The Seven Deadly Sins and Godly Virtues. Beginning March 13<sup>th</sup> these will be the theme of Adult forum and Wednesday Lenten services. Pastor Hoehn will lead us in thinking about how these sins and virtues apply to our own personal concerns and actions and how they can then enter into the area of social justice as well. Please join in this exploration of this Christian theology.

For those of you interested in more information, Pastor Hoehn recommends the book, *Sinning Like a Christian: A New Look at the Seven Deadly Sins, 2005* by William H Willimon.

### The Sins and Virtues for Adult Forum

	<u>Seven Deadly Vices</u>	<u>Virtues</u>
March 13	Gluttony	Temperance, abstinence, self-control
March 20	Envy	Love of God, love of neighbor, love of enemy
March 27	Lust	Chastity, continence
April 3	Greed, avarice, covetousness	Liberality, mercy
April 10	Anger Sloth	Patience, meekness Fortitude, courage
April 17 (Palm Sunday)	Pride	Humility

### Parish Life Events for March - April 2011

**Family and Friends Fun Night** will be on **Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**. The purpose of this evening of fun is to let our hair down prior to Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent. This year we will have **Karaoke** and perhaps **Dancing** led by Kim Painter's friend, Tom Socey. Since you can't have Karaoke without pizza, this is the meal I am planning for this evening of fun. Tom has a list of over 600 songs sorted by song title and artist. I will make this list available in advance so you can practice in the shower, in your car, or if you feel brave on Metro Rail. Please feel free to invite your family, friends, neighbors, class mates and total strangers if you feel so led. As always, we won't be complete without you.



We will have the five **Lent Soup-Suppers** at **6:30pm** prior to the Lent Vespers Services on March 16<sup>th</sup>, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, March 30<sup>th</sup>, April 6<sup>th</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board.

On **Easter Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**, we will have our traditional **Easter Brunch** and fellowship. This brunch will be in the Parlor between services. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in early April. Bring some food to share if you are able but more importantly, bring yourself.



On **Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**, we will have an **After Easter Feast** as a way of breaking our Lenten fast and also to enjoy good food and good company. Check the April Footnotes and the bulletin board in early April for more information.

Your brother in Christ,  
Dave Larrabee

## Forest Oaks Film Buffs Presents

In March, the Film Buffs will be screening *Amélie*, a uniquely imaginative and whimsical tale that is at once comedy, fantasy, and romance. *Amélie* is the story of a naive yet mischievous young Parisian woman who becomes determined to anonymously bring love and magic to the many needy and broken people she encounters...while perhaps neglecting herself in the process.

*In French, with English subtitles*

### Amélie (2001)

**(Le fabuleux destin d'Amélie Poulain)**

Directed by: Jean-Pierre Jeunet

Starring: Audrey Tautou

When: Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m.

Where: CTS Parlor

Also, mark the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month in your calendar for upcoming Film Buffs screenings:

*The Reader* (2008).....April

*Focus* (2001).....May

**Join the Book Club in a discussion of**

***Suite Francaise*  
by Irene Nemirovsky**

**Sunday, March 27 in the Parlor, 7 pm**

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**Faith Talk: Confirmation at Home:** This spring we will be studying the Apostle's Creed. Last month we talked about the First Article of the creed; this month, the Second Article, which begins: "I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord...." What does this mean? Again, start by reading Luther's explanation in The Small Catechism (which can be found in the back of the ELW), and then talk about what this means for you. There are two inseparable themes: Jesus' divinity and Jesus' humanity. Use these as conversation starters: "I believe that Jesus Christ..." "Jesus Christ is true God because....and he is true man because..." "Jesus Christ has freed me from ..." Listen to U2's song All Because of You. Bono sings of a saving presence that rescues from brokenness and gives life meaning. The personal nature of the song suggests he could be singing about the person of Jesus. Why (and how) does Jesus' becoming human amplify the depth of God's love for us? And what does this mean for us?!

**Souper Bowl of Caring:** We collected \$32 and 81 cans of soup / stew / chili for Gaithersburg Help - Thanks! Please try to remember to bring something for the Help baskets every week and fresh fruits and vegetables for Manna on the first Sunday of the month - the need is great!

**Mar-Lu Ridge & Caroline Furnace Summer Camp Information** Looking for a summer camp experience at one of our local Lutheran camps? Check out the Information flyers on the table in the Narthex or websites - [www.mar-lu-ridge.org](http://www.mar-lu-ridge.org) and [www.carolinefurnace.org](http://www.carolinefurnace.org). Both camps offer a wide variety of programs that provide growth experiences for people of all ages - including adults! Financial assistance is available also!

## March Activities and Events

*in addition to Christian Education every Sunday at 9:50 am*

### Sheepdogs

*Wed, Mar 2; 8:00 - 9:30 PM / CTS*

Parents of youth in grades 7-12 are welcome as we share with and encourage each other in our ministry to our children. We will continue with the topic we began in January - discussing *Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mom*; please join us!

### Family Fun Night - Karaoke!

*Sat, Mar 5; 7:00 - 9:00 PM*

Come and sing! Look for details elsewhere in Footnotes or listen for announcements!

### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

*Tue, Mar 8; 6:00 - 8:00 PM / CTS*

We need ALL Jr and Sr High youth (and some parents!) to help with this event - set-up, cooking, serving, clean-up. We also need pancake griddles - let me know if you have one we can borrow. We will begin setting up about 5:00, cook and serve from 6:00 to 8:00, and, if everyone helps, are usually finished with cleanup by 8:30. This is an important Youth Ministry event - we need everyone's help to make it a success!

### Ash Wednesday Service

*Wed, Mar 9; 7:30 PM / CTS*

### Soup Supper / Lenten Vespers

*Wednesday evenings during Lent*

Come for supper (6:30) and stay for vespers (7:30).

### Shekinah

*Fri, Mar 18 - Sun, Mar 20 / Front Royal, VA*

Metro DC Synod retreat for Confirmation youth. Nine youth - Sarah, Beatrice, Bridget, Joel, Brenden, and Jericho - are joining MaryAnn, Barbara and Tony for an AMAZING! weekend, learning about God's grace. We will leave from CTS at 3:30 on Friday and will be back Sunday by 3:00 PM. You will need to bring clothing for the weekend, sleeping bag and pillow, towel, toiletries, and your Bible; you will also need some money for dinner Friday (fast food). The worship offering will go to support Outdoor Ministries - if you'd like to contribute, please see Barbara by Sunday, March 13.

### Gaithersburg Help

*Thurs, Mar 24, 4:30 - 6:30*

Watch your email, check the CTS website calendar, and listen for announcements - and then volunteer!

## Upcoming Activities

*Add these dates to your calendars so you can join us!*

### Spring Confirmation Retreat - Pre-Retreat Session

*Sun, Apr 3; 1:00 - 4:00 PM / CTS*

All confirmands and their parents are invited and expected! We'll start with lunch - please bring something to share; I'll take care of the drinks. In addition to Session #1, we will discuss details of the weekend and answer any questions.

### Spring Confirmation Retreat

*Fri, Apr 8 - Sun, Apr 10 / Summit Lake*

Topic: Apostles Creed

More details at the Apr 3 meeting.

### De-Rally Sunday

*Sun, June 5, 9:30 AM*

### Pentecost

*Sun, June 12, 9:30 AM*

Affirming their faith this year: Sarah Bender, Paul Mayer, Ellie McMichael

### Chi Rho

*Sun, July 10 - Sat, Jul 16*

Metro DC Synod Servant Week for Sr. High Youth.

Information and registration forms are posted on the YM bulletin board.

## Servants' Lists for March 2011

### March 6, 2011 Transfiguration of Our Lord 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion

Acolyte .....Carson Fehner  
Altar Preparation.....Sandy D'Angelo  
Communion Assts .....Ron Backus  
(Vest) Steve Garvey  
Communion Bread ..... Wilma Garvey  
Lector..... Joyce Backus  
Prayer Leader..... Terry Fehner  
Usher ..... Mr. Terry Fehner  
Welcomer ..... Terry Fehner

### 11:00 a.m. High Mass

Acolytes.... Thurifer.....Joel Ndumbalo  
Crucifer..... Jericho Martin  
Bookbearer..... Bridget Duru  
Bannerbearer..... TBD  
Altar Preparation..... Joann Eastlack  
Communion Assts ..... Tony Kerlavage  
(Vest/Process) Barbara Harner  
Communion Bread ..... Severynse Family  
Lector.....Cristina Stern  
Prayer Leader..... Chuck Eater  
Usher ..... Amos Keller  
Welcomer ..... Amos Keller  
Hospitality..... Ndumbalo Family  
Flowers given today by ..... Polly Brody

### March 9, 2011 Ash Wednesday Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion 7:30 p.m.

Acolytes..... Rob Palmer, Hunter Tjugum  
Altar Preparation..... Wilma Garvey  
Communion Assts .....Dave Larrabee  
Roger Rasnake  
Lector..... Barbara Harner  
Prayer Leader.....Inge Harman  
Usher ..... Chuck Eater

### March 13, 2011 First Sunday in Lent 8:30 a.m. Matins

Acolyte ..... Steve Garvey  
Lector..... Scott Kuester  
Usher ..... Will Severynse  
Welcomer ..... Cathy Kuchinsky

### 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Acolytes..... Tom Eastlack, Brenden Austin  
Altar Preparation..... Barbara Harner  
Communion Assts ..... Pat Andersen  
Joann Eastlack  
Lector..... Melanie McMichael  
Prayer Leader..... Tom Eastlack  
Usher ..... Roger Rasnake  
Welcomer ..... Hunter Tjugum  
Hospitality.....McMichael Family

### March 16, 2011 Lenten Vespers 7:30 p.m.

Acolyte .....Joanne Eater  
Lector..... Tony Kerlavage

### March 20, 2011 Second Sunday in Lent 8:30 a.m. Matins

Acolyte ..... Joyce Backus  
Lector ..... TBD  
Usher ..... Bob McMichael  
Welcomer..... Connie Graf

### 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Acolytes.....Rob Palmer, Sarah Bender  
Altar Preparation.....Joanne Eater  
Communion Assts ..... Chuck Eater  
Hunter Tjugum  
Lector .....Cristina Stern  
Prayer Leader ..... Roger Rasnake  
Usher ..... James Alfano  
Welcomer..... Frank Ndumbalo  
Hospitality..... Mayer Family

### March 23, 2011 Lenten Vespers 7:30 p.m.

Acolyte .....Vernon Toelle  
Lector..... Chuck Eater

### March 27, 2011 Third Sunday in Lent 8:30 a.m. Matins

Acolyte ..... Tom Lipe  
Lector .....Vernon Toelle  
Usher ..... Steve Garvey  
Welcomer..... Joyce Backus

### 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Acolytes..... Tom Eastlack, Roger Rasnake  
Altar Preparation.....Kasia Palmer  
Communion Assts .....Joanne Eater  
Rob Palmer  
Lector ..... Edima Elinewinga  
Prayer Leader ..... Dave Larrabee  
Usher ..... Tony Kerlavage  
Welcomer..... Pat Andersen  
Hospitality..... TBD

### March 30, 2011 Lenten Vespers 7:30 p.m.

Acolyte ..... Barbara Harner  
Lector ..... Dave Larrabee

Launder altar linens..... Wilma Garvey
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