

# **BREAD & WINE**

News from  
HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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## **LENTEN SERIES - OUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS**

As you know, during the Lenten season we normally have a series of guest speakers as part of our Lenten supper. This year we are going to feature the same speaker for four sessions. Dr. Faheem Younus, is a doctor at Upper Chesapeake and a devout Muslim.

Originally from Pakistan, Dr. Younus, has lived in the US since the mid 1990's and has given courses or lectures on Islam for many years. Chasity met him while she was doing chaplaincy training at UCLC and we asked him if he would be willing to spend some time with us educating us on Islam, the Koran, Muslims, and Moslem culture.

There are more than a billion Muslims in the world, several million living in the US among us as neighbors. There have always been tensions between Christians and Muslims, but there also have been times when we have lived together in peace. Because our faith tradition descends from Abraham and we believe in Abraham's God, Muslims consider us "people of the book", and sisters and brother in the faith. Christians worship freely in Iraq, Syria, Egypt, Morocco and Indonesia, as do Jews in all predominantly Moslem lands. Of course, there are tensions but there is a recognition that we have much in common and share a religious sympathy.

Since September 11, 2001 and our recent wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, we Christians have come to see Muslims as "others" as never before. Stereotypes prevail that Muslims are violent, intolerant, sexist, backward and a host of other negative images. They have become

our "enemies" yet Jesus calls us to love our enemies. Love begins when we talk and come to understand one another. I think you will find Dr. Younus an amazing spokesman for his faith. His passion for God and love of God literally shines through him.

We want to begin building his talks around your concerns and interests. The first talk on Wednesday, February 29 will be on Islam's five "pillars" and the role the Koran plays in informing the life of Islamic people. From then on, for the following Wednesdays evenings, we will develop lectures based on what you want to know.

We live in a world that is increasingly growing closer and closer together. God calls us to build bridges of peace and understanding. Please join us this Lenten season as we work to construct one with our Moslem sisters and brothers.

On the last night of our Lenten series Wednesday, March 28 we are going to open the discussion and invite colleagues, schoolmates or friends who are Moslems to eat and to worship with us as an outreach into our community. If you know Moslem folk, this would be a great time to welcome them to know us better too.

Lent is a holy time, a holy season. "Holy" means set apart by dedication to God. Let this Lent be a blessing to you.

***In Christ, Pastor John***

## TODDLER & CHILD SAFETY

The newborn is almost a year old now and into everything. Toddlers and young children need continued safety at home and in their world. Toddlers by nature are very curious; take a minute and get down on the floor, how does the world look from this angle? Below is a list of safety musts for every home with children.

### Fire and Burn prevention:

- Install and maintain smoke detectors on every level of your home.
- Doors and windows should be free from heavy objects.
- Keep matches, lighters and flammables locked away.
- Plan and practice a fire escape plan with the family including the child.
- Keep portable heaters out of reach.
- Set water heater to no more than 120 degrees.
- Make the stove a kid's free zone. Do not leave your child in the kitchen unsupervised.
- Cook with pots and pans on back burners with handles turned away from the front.
- Cover all electrical outlets.



### Choking and Suffocation:

- Keep small objects out of reach (buttons, coins, marbles etc.). Hint if the object is small enough to fit through a toilet paper roll it presents a choking hazard.
- Do not allow young children to eat hard, small or round foods. Children should sit and eat quietly, chewing food completely.
- Make sure toys are age appropriate; no small pieces or removable parts.
- Do not allow child to play in poorly ventilated spaces (car trunks, dryers).
- Avoid clothing with drawstrings; do not dress with scarves, necklaces, etc.
- Do not allow small children to sleep on soft surfaces.



### Fall prevention:

- Place all furniture away from stairs and windows.
- Install safety gates at all stairs.
- Keep play toys down low in easy to reach places.
- Install safety guards on windows and keep locked if closed.
- Any child riding on wheels should have a helmet on at ALL times.
- Supervise children playing on playground equipment. Play surface should be covered with a material such as mulch or rubber materials.



### Poison Prevention:

- Lock up all medications; up high and out of sight.
- Keep all cleaning and other products in their original containers and stored out of reach.
- Read labels on all chemicals and use correctly; Use products when child is not around.
- Use child resistant packages.
- Install carbon monoxide detectors.



- Never run or warm up a car in an attached garage.
- Install cabinets lock when necessary.

### Drowning prevention:

- Keep toilet lid shut and use lock.
- Best practice is to keep bathroom doors shut at all times.
- Never leave a child in the bathtub attended; a child can drown in one inch of water.
- Empty all bathtubs, buckets, containers etc. immediately after use.
- Install safety fencing around all pools and keep locked.
- Supervise all children when swimming; use life preservers for all water activities.



This list is by no means complete. For more information see: [www.homesafetycouncil.org](http://www.homesafetycouncil.org), [www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org) and/or [www.whattoexpect.com](http://www.whattoexpect.com).

*With blessings, Barb Huber RN, PHN*

## NEW COUNCIL

THANKS to everyone who attended the Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 15. Council had their monthly meeting on Monday, January 16 and elected Carl Henderson as President and Dave Warren as Vice President. Margaret Frieman is Secretary and Jan Warren Treasurer.

## WOMEN'S RENEWAL COMING IN APRIL

### HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL WOMEN OF FAITH GATHERING

**A WOMEN'S DAY OF RENEWAL!**

#### OUR THEME

**"CLEANING SOUL-UTION FOR THE COBWEBS IN OUR SPIRIT"**



Ideas for the perfect cleaning SOUL-ution against the sins that create stains on our spirit, and muddies our relationship with God.

**WHERE:** HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

**WHEN:** SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2012

**TIME:** 8:30am - 3:00pm

**SPEAKER:** CHASITY WIENER  
HCLC PARISH ASSISTANT

**REGISTRATION:** February 26 - April 6

**COST:** \$20 PER PERSON  
(includes continental breakfast and lunch)

**INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!**

## BIRTHDAYS in FEBRUARY

02-01 - Deborah Hiob  
02-03 - Krystal Gaines  
02-04 - Jean Tacka-Shaw  
02-09 - Heather Rudolph  
02-09 - Jim Lolley  
02-10 - Daniel Ebsworth  
02-11 - Alexandra Huber  
02-12 - Jeff Hoffmann  
02-12 - Karen Wiley  
02-13 - Carl Mangold

02-14 - Doug Mueller  
02-16 - Amanda Appel  
02-19 - Michael Lynch, Jr  
02-20 - Len Burrier  
02-23 - Rachel Jones  
02-24 - Joann Horn  
02-24 - Bruce Amrein  
02-25 - Linda Eddinger  
02-25 - Diane Romain  
02-26 - Wayne Parris  
02-26 - Samuel Burk  
02-28 - Dustin Kisner



## LOVIN' LIFE SENIORS

Our goal is to "Reach out and share Christ's love" through service projects in the community while offering friendship and support to each other through social events. **Please join us! Invite your friends!** Our 2012 schedule and sign up sheets for upcoming events are posted on the senior's bulletin board in the hallway. **Please read** the **Sunday bulletins** and **Bread and Wine** for any changes to the schedule below.

### **February 13 - Monday - 12 noon**

Meet for lunch at *Mamies* - Beard's Hill Aberdeen

### **WATCH FOR DETAILS CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING EVENTS**

#### **March 23 - Friday**

Turkey Hill Experience - Lancaster

#### **April 28 - Saturday**

Serve Fest

#### **May 14 - Monday**

Fort McHenry

#### **June 14 - Thursday**

Friendly Farm

#### **July 16 - Monday**

Kitchen Kettle - Lancaster

#### **August 14 - Tuesday**

Tea By Two

#### **September 11 - Tuesday**

Crab Feast

#### **October 18 - Thursday**

Dutch Apple Theater - Lancaster

"Second Helping--Church Basement Ladies Part II"

#### **November 8 - Thursday**

News Museum - Washington, D.C.

#### **December 3 - Monday**

Annapolis

We are always looking for new ideas and new members. If interested contact: Nancy Campbell - 410-836-7688; Frances Gosnell - 410-893-4622; Jeanette Hastings - 410-893-7590; Pat Kellermann - 410-679-4624; Ellen Priebe - 410-679-8655

## HELPING THE FALLSTON ANIMAL RESCUE

Thank you to the congregation for your support of the Fallston Animal Rescue Movement. We will be collecting again on **Sunday, March 4.**

Please save your old sheets, towels, small blankets, and rugs. They always need money for vet bills and can use cat food (wet and dry), no dog food.



Every three months, on the first Sunday of the month in **March, June, September and December** there will be a collection for the shelter. So start putting your old sheets, blankets and towels in a bag or box and bring them to church on the **first Sunday of March, June, September & December**

2012 - Collection Sunday **March 4, June 3, September 2 and December 2.**

Thank you in advance for all the help you give to our sheltered animals friends.

**Fallston Animal Rescue Shelter**

## FELLOWSHIP SOCIALS

Fellowship socials are scheduled for the first Sunday of every month, from October thru May.



In February, THIS IS AN EXCEPTION DUE TO THE SUPER BOWL, THE SOCIAL WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 12 with a more traditional breakfast. In May we will be serving a more traditional breakfast also.

In March, and April we will be having a continental type breakfast.

Please join us between services for fellowship. Any one who would be willing to bring a baked goods, please see/call or email Ellen Priebe (spring313@verizon.net) or 410-679-8655

## DONATE YOUR CELL PHONE or FLAG



OLD CELL PHONES and FLAGS  
If you have an old cell phone or flag, you can give them to Art Romain or leave them in the office and they will be given to the Veterans.



**BIBLE STUDY** continues on Tuesdays, 7pm  
We will study the *Augsburg Confession* .

**KOINONIA EVENTS**

- 02/10/12 - Dinner, *The Vineyard* in HavredeGrace, 6:30pm
- 03/17/12 - Progressive Dinner, Around town, 6pm
- 04/27/12 - Dinner, *Mountain Branch*, 6:30pm
- 05/12/12 - NYC Bus Trip, NYC, Time later announced
- 06/23/12 - *Boordy Vineyard*, Time later announced
- 07/20/12 - Dinner, *Silver Spring Mining Co*, 6:30pm
- 08/16/12 - Dinner, *Twisted Harp*, 6:30pm

**INVITATION TO JOIN THE GOOGLE GROUP TO GET UPDATES FROM HCLC**

This past month Bruce Amrein has stepped up to help at HCLC with sending out emails of up-coming events, announcement of meetings and general information that you need to know.

If you have been receiving e-mail from us, an invitation was sent to you to join the mailing list. Your response to the invitation from Google Groups caused your email address to be added to the mailing list. In the future you will receive e-mail with the subject line of "HCLC ANNOUNCEMENT" addressed only to you, instead of the e-mails you were receiving addressed to dozens of people. With this system your email address will not be passed on by mistake to someone you don't know.

Please contact Bruce via e-mail: [amrein <at> gmail.com](mailto:amrein@gmail.com) if you have any questions or did not receive the invitation to join the mailing list.

**- "C"athy Stemmer, AA of HCLC**

**NOTES OF THANKS**

A small note of great thanks, from We 4 Wieners, to our gracious HCLC family, for all the goodies, gifts, and monetary gifts! We are truly blessed to have you in our lives and appreciate you sharing your blessings with us! Thank you for your continued support as Chas journeys down her path in ministry! We thank God that her walk has allowed our paths to cross!

*Love, Phil, Chas, Haleigh and Delaney*



Another small note of thanks to the council and members of HCLC. I would like to thank you for the generous gift card. Your thoughtfulness is much appreciated.

**- "C"athy Stemmer, Administrative Assistant**



**YOUTH PROJECT  
WE CAN ALL GET INVOLVED**



Today, 25,000 kids under the age of 5 will die—most of them from preventable causes like hunger, poverty, and disease.

We're doing something about it.

Our youth will fast **30 hours**...yes, that's right—no food, no electronics—and, we'll sleep in cardboard boxes. Why? Because we will go hungry in hopes that no one will.

Yes, our youth will begin their Lenten journey to the cross. Not only are they raising money to fight against social injustices in our broken world, but they have



committed to go without food and electronics for **30 hours**. During those **30 hours**, we will engage in spiritual devotion, fellowship, and



fun—all on empty stomachs. We will also serve food to our local brothers and sisters at Harford County's Sharing Table, as our service project. Our famine begins **Friday, February 24-Saturday, February 25**. We will celebrate with the congregation on **Sunday, February 26** (AKA "Famine Sunday") and share our experiences with a slide show and other special ways!

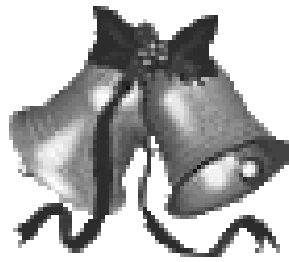
We've named our group the "dipostles," a combination of the words "disciples" and "apostles." This name is appropriate because we are called to be followers of Christ. But, this calling is "sending us out" (what "apostles" really means) to use our hands to do God's word. During Lent, this is especially appropriate, because we are on our journey to the cross...but we are not quite there yet. We are somewhere in the middle, most identifying ourselves with the disciples who are lead by faith, unknowingly aware of what to expect in our journey to the cross and the resurrected Christ.

Is God calling you? Please support our **30-hour** famine by:

- 1) Praying for us during our time of fundraising and fasting.
- 2) Donating money—just \$1 will feed one child for one day. Donate money by giving a pledge to one of our participants OR empty your pocket change for our 25,000 pennies drive.
- 3) Sponsoring a youth participant (*note: a list of participants will be forthcoming. You can also contact Chasity for a recent listing of names*). As a sponsor, you can donate to their fundraising goal and send a care package as encouragement.
- 4) Volunteering your time and talents in a number of opportunities (*see our sign up sheet posted in the Narthex or call Chasity*).

Lastly, if you are a youth (*or know a youth*) who wishes to participate, please contact Chasity at (410-676-4498) or email at [chaswiener@verizon.net](mailto:chaswiener@verizon.net).

**Faithful serving,  
The Dipostles of Holy Communion**



## **CHRISTmas Bell**

### **THE BELL**

#### **I KNOW WHO I AM**

I am God's child (John 1:12)  
I am Christ's friend (John 15:15 )  
I am united with the Lord (1 Cor. 6:17)  
I am bought with a price (1 Cor 6:19-20)  
I am a saint (set apart for God). (Eph. 1:1)  
I am a personal witness of Christ. (Acts 1:8)  
I am the salt & light of the earth (Matt 5:13-14)  
I am a member of the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:27)  
I am free forever from condemnation ( Rom. 8: 1-2)  
I am a citizen of Heaven. I am significant (Phil 3 :20)  
I am free from any charge against me (Rom. 8:31 -34)  
I am a minister of reconciliation for God (2 Cor 5:17-21)  
I have access to God through the Holy Spirit (Eph. 2:18)  
I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (Eph. 2:6)  
I cannot be separated from the love of God (Rom 8:35-39)  
I am established, anointed, sealed by God (2 Cor 1:21-22 )  
I am assured all things work together for good (Rom. 8:28 )  
I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15:16 )  
I may approach God with freedom and confidence (Eph.. 3: 12 )  
I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil. 4:13 )  
I am the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15: 1-5)  
I am God's temple (1 Cor. 3: 16). I am complete in Christ (Col. 2: 10)  
I am hidden with Christ in God (Col. 3:3). I have been justified (Romans 5:1)  
I am God's co-worker (1 Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor. 6:1). I am God's workmanship (Eph. 2:10)  
I am confident that the good works God has begun in me will be perfected. (Phil. 1: 5)  
I have been redeemed and forgiven (Col. 1:14). I have been adopted as God's child (Eph. 1:5)

**May the LORD bless you and keep you.  
The LORD make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you.  
The LORD turn His face toward you,  
And give you peace.**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

# DEADLINES



**SUNDAY BULLETIN** announcements should be in the office  
By Tuesday mornings 9:30am

**NEWLETTER ARTICLES** should be in the office by the  
2nd SUNDAY OF THE MONTH.

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## REGULAR SUNDAY BULLETINS FOR 2012



**WEEKLY SIGN UP SHEETS FOR SUNDAY BULLETIN SPONSORS for 2012** are on the bulletin board. If you signed up, the cost is \$10. You can put your donation in the offering plate any Sunday. Put *on* your check or envelope that your donation is for a Sunday Bulletin and the week you sponsored.



## BREAD & WINE NEWSLETTER SPONSORS FOR 2012

**NEWSLETTER SIGN UP SHEET FOR SPONSORS for 2012** is on the bulletin board. If you signed up, the cost is \$45. You can put your donation in the offering plate any Sunday. Put *on* your check or envelope that your donation is for the newsletter and what month you sponsored.

## CHILDREN'S BULLETIN SPONSORS FOR 2012



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**Always check  
the bulletin board  
in the hall for various  
events that are being held  
at other churches  
and surrounding businesses.  
And for Thank You notes  
and committee information,  
bulletin sponsor and newsletter  
sign up sheets  
and general information  
about HCLC.**

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