

The Messenger

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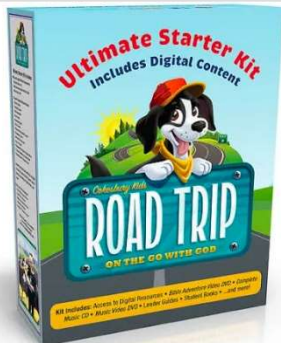


Join us in a fun-filled adventure on the open road, taking all the kids (Travelers) on thrilling journeys to exciting destinations. Led by the Navigator and an adventurous pup Scout, kids will learn that God is always with them. Through engaging stories from the Navigators' Guide (the Bible), Travelers will delve into timeless tales of faith from the Old and New Testaments. Get ready for twists, turns, and excitement as they face new challenges and find strength in God's presence on this unforgettable trip!

Monday, June 23- Thursday, June 26

5:30 pm Kids Dinner

6 pm – 8 pm Vacation Bible School



Friday, June 27

6 pm – 8 pm

Closing Campfire VBS and Family Night

Sunday, June 30

8:45 am

Children's Worship Service and Family Sunday

With songs from VBS and Kids Story Sermon

**Registration can be found online.**



PaschalSong on Sunday, May 18 at 4 pm

An Eastertide Celebration in Scripture, hymnody and music.

Rev. Jonathon Moyers and Dave Nicholson will lead us through themes of Resurrection and Ascension as we hear the stories of the resurrection of Jesus, his appearance on the road to Emmaus, his strengthening of Thomas' faith, the giving of the Great Commission, and his Ascension into heaven. A reception will follow.



If you would like a visit from Pastor or from members of our outreach programs (those trained to give communion in our Lay Eucharist Program or a visit from our Lutheran Ladies), please contact the office, 410-364-5147 and arrangements will be made.



Our Last Day of Sunday School Celebration and Picnic is 10:30-12 pm on Sunday, May 18.



The Shore Lutheran congregations of the Chesapeake Country Area Ministry will be joining together for a shared celebration of the Holy Eucharist a picnic following on Sunday, June 1 at Tuckahoe State Park. You are invited to join us on this special day, please remember to bring a lawn chair and a dish to share!

Memorial Day Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving

On Monday, May 26th at 10:00am, our Area Ministry will offer a Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving in observance of Memorial Day. We invite you to join with us as we remember before God those who have given their lives in the service of our nation and give thanks for their sacrifices. This service will be at Grace Lutheran Church of Easton, MD.



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### It's Lawn-Mowing Time Again!

We are once again looking for volunteers to help with the care and maintenance of our church lawn. If you are interested in cutting the grass yourself, sign your name under that option on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. If you are interested in paying for Chris Rice to cut the grass, please sign your name under that option on the sign-up sheet.

Chris is willing to mow the entire Church property, yard, cemetery and extra lot for a very reasonable price of \$75. Checks can be made out to St. Paul's with grass cutting in the memo.



- 5/2 Rosemarie Fuchs**
- 5/4 Lyn Hollingsworth**
- 5/5 Gordon Behrens**
- 5/7 Taylor Stevens**
- 5/7 Anna Comer**
- 5/8 Maddy Sauca**
- 5/10 Hayden Hollingsworth**
- 5/10 Easton Brenner**
- 5/14 Bennett Sump**
- 5/15 Dale Roe**
- 5/20 Bruce Leaverton**
- 5/25 Beau Heinsohn**
- 5/26 Katelin Cep**
- 5/28 Danielle Cannon**
- 5/29 Donna Saathoff**
- 5/29 Bennett Walls**



We had our annual spring clean-up on Saturday, April 5. Thank you to everyone who helped weed, mulch and prune!



### **Centered in Christ: Church in Perilous Times**

*“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” - Matthew 11:28*

The 38th annual Assembly of the Delaware-Maryland Synod, ELCA will meet Friday, May 30 through Saturday, May 31, 2025. Synod Assembly will be held at Grace Lutheran Church in Westminster, MD.



Proclaiming Christ's Grace, Love and Justice.



May 4 Bobbie Leaverton  
 May 11 Betty Jean Mumford  
 May 18 Joseph Comer  
 May 25 Debbie Dudrow



May 4 Donnie Davis and Keith Davis  
 May 11 Kathy Barletta and Susan Behrens  
 May 18 Lee Heinsohn and Lee Moore  
 May 25 Henry and Lyn Hollingsworth



Betty Jean and Samantha



**Acolytes**  
 May 4 Ella Barletta  
 May 11 Joshua Lewis  
 May 18 Declan Corley  
 May 25 Ella Barletta

**Crucifers**  
 Preston Rickwood  
  
 Couper Barletta



**Communion**

May 4 Preston Rickwood  
 May 11 Joshua Lewis  
 May 18 Tom Roesel  
 May 25 Couper Barletta



**Tellers**

May 4 Henry and Lyn Hollingsworth  
 May 11 Kathy Barletta and Susan Behrens  
 May 18 Lee Heinsohn and Lee Moore  
 May 25 Henry and Lyn Hollingsworth



FROM DEATH  
 COMES LIFE,  
 FROM  
 DARKNESS  
 SPRINGS LIGHT.



It was a full house at St. Paul's on April 13 with 85 adults and children coming together to celebrate the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday! At our Children's Eucharist, Sunday School kids sang and helped Pastor Moyers recreate the path of Jesus by throwing down cloaks (old choir robes) and palm branches.



In Sunday School, we learned about Holy Week and the death and resurrection of Jesus. Then we had lunch and an early Easter egg hunt. The Bunny reported 41 kids and 31 adults for the hunt!





Sunday, May 25, Worship in the Community Garden at St. Paul's. "Rogation" comes from the Latin word "rogare," or "to ask." On Rogation Sunday, we offer our thanks to God for the blessings of the earth and ask God's blessing upon the seedtime and those whose life and work is centered around farm life and agriculture. Our Sunday morning Eucharist will be celebrated outside in our community garden, so bring a lawn chair! As we celebrate and pray for those whose work feeds the world, we also remember the hungry, whom God has called us, in Jesus, to love as our neighbor and to share our bounty with. Please bring non-perishable items to replenish the Blessing Box on this day.

Tuesday, May 27-Wednesday, May 28

The days leading up to Ascension Day are called the Rogation Days. On these days we ask ("to ask" is the meaning of the word "rogation" from its Latin origin) God's blessing on our farms and gardens, that we might have an abundance of the fruits of the earth and have goodness to share with those in need.

Pastor Moyers is available for the annual farm and garden blessing for anyone who wishes on May 27th and 28th. Please call one of the church offices or speak to Pastor directly to schedule your farm or garden blessing.



Preston W. Rickwood will be graduating from Colonel Richardson High School on May 28th. Preston was inducted into the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, and Technical Honor Society. He played Soccer (4 Years), Baseball (4 years), Basketball (1 year) and on the 1st CRHS Indoor Track team his junior year. He was honored as CRHS Scholar Athlete his freshman year which requires a 4.0 while playing three sports, student of the month in his class of 150 students, Merit roll all four years, and MPSSA Minds in Motion. He is a member of Leo Club, Spirit Club, Wellness Club, Polar Bear Plunge team and Junior Prom committee. With the love of soccer, he became a certified Maryland Soccer ref helping with CCYSA. He carries on with his faith in God not only with St. Paul's but with a youth group meeting Sunday evenings in Hurlock organized by a CRHS alumni. Preston's plan for the future is to attend the University of Maryland where he will major in business management. He is the son of Shannon and Deneen Rickwood, brother of Colby, grandson of Susan Rickwood and the late William & Doris Marth and Jack Rickwood.



Jack Shannon, son of Mark and Kelly Shannon, will graduate in May from Biglerville High School in Biglerville, PA. He plays on the soccer and wrestling teams and he is a member of the FFA Chapter and National Honor Society. He will be attending Penn State in the fall majoring in Ag Business.

**Join us on Sunday, May 4 for a special graduate recognition during our worship service.**





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
				Talbot Interfaith Shelter National Day of Prayer	1	2	3
4 8:45 Eucharist/Graduate Recognition Sunday at St. Paul's 10:45 Eucharist at Grace	5 5 pm Vespers at Grace	6 8:30 Matins at St. Paul's 9 am Bible Study	7 12 pm Eucharist at Grace	8	9	10	
11 8:45 Eucharist at St. Paul's 10:45 Eucharist at Grace No Sunday School Mother's Day	12 5 pm Vespers at Grace	13 8:30 Matins at St. Paul's 9 am Bible Study	14 12 pm Eucharist at Grace	15	16	17	
18 8:45 Eucharist at St. Paul's Last Day of Sunday School Celebration 10:30 10:45 Eucharist at Grace 4 pm <del>Paschal</del> Song	19 5 pm Vespers at Grace	20 8:30 Matins at St. Paul's 9 am Bible Study	21 12 pm Eucharist at Grace	22	23	24	
25 8:45 Eucharist: Worship in the Community Garden at St. Paul's 10:45 Eucharist at Grace	26 10 am Memorial Day Service at Grace Memorial Day	27 8:30 Matins at St. Paul's 9 am Bible Study Rogation Day	28 12 pm Eucharist at Grace Rogation Day	29 Ascension Day	30 Synod Assembly	31 Synod Assembly	

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Please inform the church office of any  
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Address, phone number, marriage or  
divorce, or new births so that we  
can keep our records up to date.

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