

## **22nd ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL**

Messiah Lutheran's 22nd Annual Strawberry Festival will be held this year on Saturday, June 2nd, 2012 from 9AM to 4PM. The festival is held at the Sykesville-Freedom Fire Dept. carnival grounds at the corner of Route 32 and Freedom Avenue, Sykesville. There will be an abundance of strawberries, good food and entertainment throughout the day. In addition, the festival will feature talented crafters selling their handiwork and vendors selling a variety of wares and flea market items.

We are now taking reservations for craft and flea market spaces. The spaces are 20ft by 20ft and cost \$40 (**non-refundable**). Please note that you may park your vehicle in your space. **HOWEVER**, if your vehicle is longer than 20ft, it will be necessary to rent two spaces or unload your things and then park in the general parking area.

Please respond early if interested. Spaces are assigned on a first come first serve basis. If you are a returning crafter or vendor and wish to have the same space as last year, respond by **April 1st**. In order to be listed in the program given out at the festival, your reservation must be received no later than **May 12, 2012**. NO reservations will be taken after 8PM on Thursday, May 28th.

Breakfast is available starting at 7 am at our main food booth for very reasonable prices.

### **PLEASE READ AND MAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION:**

1. Tables will not be provided. You must supply your own tables, chairs, **secured** canopies, etc.
2. A MD tax number or Vendor ID is required, even if you do only one show per year. Contact the Maryland State Sales Tax Office at 410-767-1543 in order to acquire a temporary or permanent tax number.
3. **The festival will be held rain or shine. There will be NO REFUNDS due to inclement weather.**
4. Please be reminded, anyone renting a space **MAY NOT** sell guns, knives or alcoholic beverage related items. **ALSO**, renters may not do face paintings or operate any games. We reserve the right to limit specialty vendors to one per item. This includes Tupperware, YO-YO Balloons, Longaberger and other home party items.
5. **You MAY NOT sell food or distribute any food samples to be consumed on site. This will be enforced due to Health Dept. regulations.**
6. Set-up begins no earlier than 6:30 AM and must be completed by 9:00 AM. You will not be permitted to check in before 6:30. This will be strictly enforced!
7. **Make checks payable to Messiah Lutheran Church and mail with your completed application to the address below.**

Please retain this letter for future reference. You will be contacted by email or phone to confirm your reservations and receipt of payment. We thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012!

**Mail to:** George Dorsey \* 3600 Hooper Road\* New Windsor, MD \* 21776

**Direct any questions to George (410-875-2633) or [strawberry@melchurch.org](mailto:strawberry@melchurch.org)**

**NO PHONE CALLS AFTER 9p.m.**