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# **WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS**

Shaped By Christ... To Share His Love!

## A Verteran's Day Celebration

## CCDS Chapel on November 11th

Concordia Christian Day School has planned a special chapel service and reception to honor all Veterans on Veterans Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>. The reception will be held in the Emmaus Room immediately after the service which starts at 8:10a. Ms. Guelzow's fifth grade students are leading chapel. All veterans are encouraged to attend.

## Update on Nick Butcher

The moving company has pushed back Nick's arrival by a week. Nick's first day on campus will be November 17th. The rock house is nearly ready for them to move in. The house needs to be cleaned so that they can move in on November 13<sup>th</sup>? Would you like to help? Contact Doug Brady 828-612-6504

#### Bible Verse for Reflection



Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

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## **Nursery Hours 8:45a - 12:15p**

We are happy to have a church nursery available for your needs. It is located down the main hall off the sanctuary on the right-hand side, just a few doors past the office area. Look for the sign.

#### **Connect with Staff**

Michael Geml, Sr. Pastor 517-395-8422 Kyle McClure, Music Minister 828-302-1236

Church Office 828-464-3324

Dave Beringer, Principal 715-551-5740 Leslie Brown, Business Admin. 828-234-0372

School Office 828-464-3011

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Pray for:

Sydney Karre

Members:

Peggy Travis Steven Geml Donna Hager Harold Unger

Sandy Smith Steve Bost Ann Holt Leslie Brown Debbie da Rosa

Paul Von Rentzell

Church & School Staff:

Renee Karre Krystal Freeman Jessica Westby Tracie Henderson

Sympathy to: Ruby Killian and family upon the death

of her daughter, Denise Gilbert.

Seminary Student: Lamar Stewart & family

Missionary Family: Rev. Jason & Emily Goth, Belize

Nick Butcher & family as they transition to Concordia.

<u>Friends:</u> Eli Ames Greg Sigmon Marsha Winkler

Military: Eric Galloway Kendall Hamm Tony Sherrill Christopher Walker

Christopher Walker Jaylen Joyner

Nathan Malin Amber Miller Clay Weedman

## **Connect With Community**

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes:** Once again this year, Samaritan's Purse is collecting gift-filled shoeboxes packed for boys and girls in need around the world. The boxes need to be returned to Concordia **no later than November 16**<sup>th</sup>. We will be sending our boxes with the ones that they collect at CCDS.

**Ashure Ministry:** In Catawba County'. 1.4 million people in NC could loose Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP) if the government shut down continues into November. This is a crisis and the Lord would have us to help. Scripture exhorts us "Remember the poor" (Gal. 2:10). Baskets for your canned and staple donations are positioned in the narthex and transept. Thank you!

## Connect With Concordia

**MUSIC BINGO** is happening Saturday, November 8, 3:00-5:30pm in the Family Life Center. No experience necessary. Just come out for some fun and food! Don't forget to download the "Shazam" app to your smart phone. It will identify all the songs for you. You can always share song titles with those around you!

## Dinner and a Movie This Week

**What:** The Chosen: Season 3 Episode 8

**When:** Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup>

**Dinner:** Served at 5:30p

Meatball Subs/Pasta Salad

**Movie:** 6:15p

Where: Emmaus Room

S3 E8: Sustenance Thousands arrive to first argue with, then listen to Jesus as he preaches. Shmuel and Atticus hear what's happening and journey towards the Decapolis to catch Jesus in the act of a possible revolt. Meanwhile, as the preaching extends to the next day, the disciples realize they have a significant problem: the thousands are hungry, and there's no

food.

## Christian Education

#### Sunday Christian Education Classes are offered at 10:10a. Chose from below:

<u>Pre-school 3 – K</u> Classroom beside the nursery. – Led by Jerri Alice, Maggie Lou and Mary Elizabeth Carter.

1st - 3rd Grade - Led by Sharon White & Ron Bumgarner - Education wing of the church

4th - 5th Grade - Led by Debbie Roth - Education wing of the church

6th - 8th Grade Confirmation - Led by Kelly Roth - Education wing of the church

9th - 12th Youth - Led by Bill Unverfehrt - Education wing of the church

Adults - A#1 - Led by Kathy Unverfehrt - Parents Leading Children in Faith

Adults - Emmaus Room - Led by Carl Roth - A Longer Look at the Lessons

Adults - A#2 - Led by Pastor Geml - Welcome to Concordia

#### **Weekday Bible Study Classes**

Men's Bible Study led by Kevin Graudin - Nov. 11 & 25. 6:30p - BLCFM

Ladies Bible Study led by Kim Hauser – Wednesdays 7a – Emmaus Room

Men's Bible Study led by David Isenhower – Thursdays 7a – Emmaus Room

Pastor's Bible Study led by Pastor Geml - Thursdays 2p - Emmaus Room

Christian Book Club led by Martha Staley - Meets first and third Tuesdays at 10a

## **Weekly Calendar**

#### Sunday, November 2

9a Worship & Communion

10:10a Welcome to Concordia Class & Christian Ed.

11a Worship & Communion

4:30p Scouts

## Monday, November 3

1:30p Quilt Tacking

6p Assimilation - Library

6:30p Scouts

#### Tuesday, November 4

10a Christian Book Club

## Wednesday, November 5

7a Ladies Bible Study - EM

5:30p Dinner & Movie

5:45p Handbells

6:30p Praise Band

7:15p Choir

#### Thursday, November 6

6:30a Men's Breakfast and Bible Study - EM

8:30a Staff Devotion and Meeting

2p Pastor's Bible Study

#### Friday, November 7

3p Joyful Stitchers - BLCFM

#### Saturday, November 8

3p Music Bingo

#### Sunday, November 9

9a Worship & Communion

10:10a Welcome to Concordia Class & Christian Ed.

11a Worship & Communion

4:30p Scouts

## **Greeters Today:**

(9:00) Kyle Hayman Family

(11:00) Opal Bolick & Monty York

#### **Greeters Next Week:**

(9:00) Randy & Carmen Isenhower

(11:00) Cliff & Leslie Brown

## **Lectors Today:**

(9:00) Jimmy Martin

(11:00) Sherri Hiler

#### **Lectors Next Week:**

(9:00) Katrina Palozzi

(11:00) Jill Adair

#### **Children's Message Next Week:**

(9:00) Audra Kuchenbecker

(11:00) Pastor Geml

#### **Fellowship Today:**

Kim Hauser

#### **Fellowship Next Week:**

Audra Kuchenbecker

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## Concordia's New Website is Live!

Go to <a href="www.concordianc.org">www.concordianc.org</a> and look at our new website. Test it out on your smart phone too! There is also a secure members portal. Call the church office to receive a code for so that you may sign up for the members portal.

#### **Care Zone Ministers**

Concordia has three empty Care Zones. What are Care Zone Ministers? These are people that have a love for the wellbeing of our congregation. They send birthday cards and anniversary cards to our members. They remember our members if they are sick or in the hospital with a card or phone call. A Care Zone Minister will keep in touch with the Elder they are assigned to, help them when needed and pray for them. Prayerfully consider being a Care Zone Minister. Contact the church office for more information or to volunteer. All materials needed are supplied by the church.

## **CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS**

You can find these activity bags located on the Welcome Centers in both the narthex and transept areas of the church. When church is over, please return it, with all the items in the bag, so they can be available again next week for the children.

## **OFFERINGS & TITHES**

All are invited to make an offering today as a worship expression of thanksgiving to God, and in support of the ministries of Concordia Lutheran Church. You may place your gift in the offering plate near the entrances as you enter or leave. May God bless our offerings and tithes and bless the ministries which these gifts enable.

<u>Fall Festival Success:</u> Over 60 Concordia members participated in our fall community outreach. At least 400 people had a hamburger/hot dog and one person asked for prayer (a start). Thanks to all who contributed time, energy and candy!

## Just the Facts:

General Fund Offerings: \$ 12,153 Budget Needs: \$ 18,315 Attendance: 224

Online Giving: \$ 1,222

Member of the Week: Sydney Karre – 2876 Dogwood Street, Newton, NC 28613.

Find us on: Live Broadcast of services are at 11a on Sundays on Facebook and YouTube.









Concordia's LWML (Dorcas Society) invites you to a pounding for the Butcher Family. On Sunday, November 16 there is a reception for Nick, Caitlynn and Asa in the Emmaus Room. There will be baskets in the narthex and transepts for you to leave your "pounding" items and of course you may bring them day of the reception. Nick's first

day in the office is November 17<sup>th</sup>. Let's give them a warm Concordia welcome!