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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Shaped By Christ... To Share His Love!

Call Accepted!

Director of Children and Youth Ministries

Concordia extended a Divine Call to Nick Butcher on September 7th after a special voter's meeting. Nick accepted our call to be the Director of Children and Youth Ministries. He is excited to join Concordia in ministry on November 10th. In the meantime, he will be closing out his ministry at King of Glory, Williamsburg, VA. During this time of transition, please keep Nick, Caitlynn and Asa in your prayers as they prepare to move to the area. Glory be to God that this position has been filled!

Bible Verse for Reflection



Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

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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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Members: Sydney Karre Peggy Travis

Peggy Travis Steven Geml Donna Hager

Donna Hager Denise Gilbert Harold Unger Sandy Smith Steve Bost Ann Holt

Leslie Brown

Debbie da Rosa Paul Von Rentzell Pray for:

Church & School Staff:

Christine Beringer Tammy Grant Leonard Herman Laura Perry

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
Jaylen Joyner
Nathan Malin
Amber Miller
Clay Weedman

Connect With Concordia

Bereavement Meals

Concordia has a tradition of offering a bereavement meal to member families that have lost a loved one. Choices are a full meal, a sandwich meal or a reception type with pick up items. If you would like to volunteer to serve on a meal group, please let the church office know. You can help by making something for the meal, helping to set up the Emmaus Room for the meal, cleaning up after the meal or by simply by donating a small amount to help pay for some of the expenses. Here is the best part, we have five different serving groups that are on a rotation! This means that you would only need to help maybe three times a year. Would you be able to give up some time to help Concordia keep this tradition going? Again, please call the church office if you would like to help.

Prime Timers 55+

Kathy Unverfehrt will be hosting the event and Bill Unverfehrt will be our speaker. There will be a Pot Luck Lunch prior to the presentation and a brief business meeting after Bill's presentation. Please make plans to attend; Tuesday, October 14th at 11:30AM

Dinner and a Movie This Week

What: The Chosen: Season 3 Episode 4

When: Wednesday October 15

Dinner: Served at 5:30p - Spaghetti & Meatballs

Movie: 6:15p

Where: Emmaus Room

S3 E4:*Clean, Part 2* As tensions mount at home, Simon and Gaius work together to fix the water problem in Capernaum. Meanwhile, Jairus and Veronica are equally desperate to find Jesus as the

only hope for their crises.

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.

<u>1st - 3rd Grade</u> - 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 - Led by Carl Roth - Emmaus Room - A Longer Look at the Lessons

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

Weekday Bible Study Classes

**** Men's Bible Study led by Kevin Graudin - Tuesdays 6:30p - BLCFM - STARTS OCT, 21st

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, October 12

9a Worship & Communion 10:10a Welcome to Concordia Class & Christian Ed. 11a Worship & Communion 4:30p Scouts

Monday, October 13

6p Assimilation - Library 6:30p Community Meeting - EM 6:30p Scouts

Tuesday, October 14

8:30a Staff Devotion and Meeting
111:30a PrimeTimers - EM
6:30p Day School Board. BOCE and Elders Meet

Wednesday, October 15

7a Ladies Bible Study - EM 5:30p Dinner & Movie 5:45p Handbells 6:30p Praise Band 7:15p Choir

Thursday, October 16

6:30a Men's Breakfast and Bible Study - EM 2p Pastor's Bible Study

Friday, October 17

2p Joyful Stitchers

Sunday, October 19

9a Worship & Communion 10:10a Welcome to Concordia Class & Christian Ed. 11a Worship & Communion 4:30p Scouts

A New Men's Evening Bible Study will begin on

Tuesday, October 21st, 6:30 – 7:30pm in the Brian Long Center. We will be studying the Gospel of John. Please contact Jeff Smith (216-403-5458,

<u>jhowardmail@protonmail.com</u>) or Kevin Graudin (828-578-4682, <u>kevingraudin@gmail.com</u>) to let us know you are coming!

Greeters Today:

(9:00) Bill & Kathy Unverfehrt (11:00) Clarence & Joyce Pugh

Greeters Next Week:

(9:00) David & Jamie Bell (11:00) Paul & Frances Hale

Lectors Today:

(9:00) Dave Beringer (11:00) David Isenhower

Lectors Next Week:

(9:00) Susan Harman

(11:00) Ann Marie Blackmon

Children's Message Next Week:

(9:00) Pastor Geml

(11:00) Pastor Geml

Fellowship Today:

Carmen Isenhower

Fellowship Next Week:

Ann Marie Blackmon

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A Community Fall Festival

When: October 26 Time: 4:00p – 6:00p

Here is how you can help:

Donate Candy: There are bins near the entrances where you may leave your candy donations! **Sign up to volunteer at the festival:** Trunk or Treat, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs (help serve), a Petting Zoo, Inflatables, Games, a Christian Story Tent and an Information/Prayer Booth.

Scan the QR code on the posters or pick up a sign-up sheet from the welcome centers or fellowship area and return it in the offering plate or to the church office. There is also a bulletin board right off the transept toward the offices where you can sign up. Contact Kevin Graudin (828-578-4682, kevingraudin@gmail.com) for more information.

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 plates near the entrances as you enter or leave. May God bless our offerings and tithes, and bless the ministries which these gifts enable.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Many thanks to the kind folks of Concordia for your prayers and concerns during my recent hospitalization and 'downtime'.

In Christ, Paula Brown

Just the Facts:

General Fund Offerings: \$ 13,320 Budget Needs: \$ 18,315 Attendance: 216

Online Giving: \$ 1,626

Member of the Week: Linda Bolick – PO Box 307, Conover, NC 28613

The flowers on the altar today can be sponsored for a loved one for \$75.00 for two vases.

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





