



We at Concordia are called to be a family of forgiven and forgiving people, instruments of God's love.

Our purpose is to proclaim the Gospel, administer the Sacraments, and to reach and teach those without and within the congregation, challenging each other to have Christ in our DAILY lives, to give more freely in response to His incredible love.

We will do all in the Lord's name, with prayer, praise and thanksgiving, involving as many people as possible - taking care to motivate and to try new ideas.

Our mission is to love as Christ loves.

Super Hero Central



**Kendall Community Churches invite you to
Vacation Bible School
July 10th-14th**

**at Concordia Lutheran Church
1769 Kendall Road**

**For more info call
659-2778 or 773-4596**

**We can't wait to see all of Kendall's
young super heroes this summer!**

A Letter From The Pastor

Grace and Peace to You!!

It was another busy month at Concordia with building projects being completed, working with another church for service projects, Baccalaureate service, outdoor service, talent show, planning for VBS and much more!

On June 17th Concordia was blessed to work with the Youth Group from Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fairport. The kids had a camping weekend up at Lakeside Beach State Park, left the campgrounds on Saturday morning and came to Kendall ready to work. From here we dispatched mixed work crews of our members and their members to different homes to help community members in a time of need.

Faye Wood – Faye lives on the lake at Point Breeze. Her yard is riddled with debris the crashing waves left behind. A crew came with wheelbarrows and a trailer and hauled two trailers full of driftwood and other debris away.

Bob and Sybil Reisch – with Bob's health taking more of Sybil's time, it's been hard to keep up with the backyard. A crew showed up w/ clippers and shovels and removed unwanted plants from along the fence-line, leaving much prettier, more manageable yard.

Jeff and Sarah Cole – Jeff recently had surgery on his MCL, so while he has been slowed down the weeds and grass in his raspberry patch are undeterred. On their hands-and-knees in the sun, kids worked for hours pulling and hauling. After lunch, wanting to see a job well-done and to spend more time with the Cole family, the kids insisted they go back. So in the afternoon instead of hiding from the heat, they doubled their work crew and went back!

Annette Maxon – Annette was widowed 3 years ago. Her husband Jim had JUST completed building their home when he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Annette has been slowly but surely getting projects done around the house and yard. Strong, energetic workers were able to clear an area for her to put a garden, fill potholes in her driveway, and a few other tasks she could not accomplish without help.

At Concordia – Sharon Kaminski hosted a wonderful lunch for all the workers while they took a much needed break. A crew of Concordia's members stayed to work on seeding the lawn after the roof repair, weeding and mulching, planting new plants, cleaned windows, and vacuumed the upstairs from wall-to-wall (except the sanctuary).

We were hoping to get a bit more done around the yard and in the building here at church, but the work out in the community was so important and there was so much still to be done, it was clear that the right thing to do was to send more workers out into the community and to go back out after lunch instead of staying here. Led by the insistence and joy of the youth we were taken back out into the work field. Praise God for the movement of the Spirit through these young leaders! And thank you to Bethlehem Lutheran Church for raising up such generous and thoughtful disciples and sharing them with us!

May the summer's activities bring you love and joy!
Pr Steve

July Birthdays

- 7/1 Karen Cole
Cole Hardenbrook
Eric Pszyk
- 7/3 Lorraine Cramer
Matthew Cramer
Sandi Pszyk
- 7/5 Justin Canale
- 7/7 Grace Levett
- 7/8 Carol D'Agostino
Gary Frobel
- 7/13 Dan Gleason
Don Canaway
- 7/18 Lisa Heidemann
Jennifer Weber
- 7/20 Hayley Schmidt
- 7/21 Elaine Quetschenbach
- 7/25 Michele Koza
Louie Conte
- 7/27 Sarla Freeman
Samantha Jurhs
- 7/31 Matthew Cramer



Those Serving In July

ASSISTING MINISTERS

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| July 2 | Charley Duschen & Beth Provost |
| July 9 | Sybil Reisch |
| July 16 | Jen Banker |
| July 23 | |
| July 30 | |

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| July 2 & 9 | Cliff Provost |
| July 16, 23, 30 | Charley Duschen |

ALTAR CARE

Elaine Quetschenbach

Pastor Steve's Office Hours

Pastor Steve will be in his office
Monday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
or by appointment.

July Anniversaries

- 7/4 Steven & Carina Meyer
- 7/17 Charley & Brigitte Duschen
- 7/19 Duane & Robin Schepler
- 7/23 Jeff & Judy Weber

A Note From Kathy and Tibbs

Many of you have kindly been asking about and praying for our daughter, Kristine, so I would like to give you an update.

Kris' first surgery, which is to coil one of her two brain aneurysms, is scheduled for July 17th. The craniotomy, which is to clip the aneurysm that had previously been coiled and has grown around the coil, and is the much more risky of the two surgeries, will be performed anywhere from two weeks to three months after the first surgery, depending on how the first one goes.

Thank you for your prayers and concern. It means a lot to us.

A NOTE FROM THE CHURCH SECRETARY

If you leave notes for either the church secretary or treasurer, please sign your name, so that we may contact you for further questions or clarifications of said notes.

CALENDAR

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| Sun., July 2 | Worship | 10:00 a.m. |
| Wed., July 5 | Finance Meeting | 6:30 p.m. |
| Thurs., July 6 | Kendall Carnival | |
| Fri., July 7 | Kendall Carnival | |
| Sat., July 8 | Kendall Carnival | |
| Sun., July 9 | Worship | 10:00 a.m. |
| Mon., July 10 | Vacation Bible School | 8:45 a.m. |
| Tues., July 11 | Vacation Bible School | 8:45 a.m. |
| Wed., July 12 | Vacation Bible School | 8:45 a.m. |
| Thurs., July 13 | Vacation Bible School | 8:45 a.m. |
| Fri., July 14 | Vacation Bible School | 8:45 a.m. |
| Sun., July 16 | Worship | 10:00 a.m. |
| Thurs., July 20 | Alzheimer's Meeting | 1:00 p.m. |
| Sun., July 23 | Worship | 10:00 a.m. |
| Sun., July 30 | Worship | 10:00 a.m. |

Concordia Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2017

Members Present: Pastor Steven Meyer, Dorrie Hardenbrook, Beth Schmidt, Robin Schepler, Nancy Comstock, Tibbs Ahlberg, Russ Levett Absent: Cathy Herman

Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with special needs and concerns shared.

Nancy Comstock made a motion to accept the agenda with Vacation Bible School added to new business, seconded by Dorrie Hardenbrook carried.

Pastor Meyer motioned to accept the May minutes, Russ Levett seconded, carried.

Pastor's Report: Sunday service - 4, Special Events - Outdoor service, talent show, baccalaureate service, synod assembly, spring clean up day. Visitations - home-0, sick/hospital-0, shut-in-8 total 8 (0 inactive, 2 non-member), Meetings-14, Counselings-4, Weddings-Behnke/Palmermo, Funeral- Morey Burial, Baptism - 0, vacation used 1 week in January (5 days including 1 Sunday) Sick Time Feb. 13 1/2 day. Vacation May 19 and 21, 2017. The Kendall School Baccalaureate service was June 14th. Candi Mael was in charge of refreshments. Outdoor clean up with Bethlehem Lutheran church a success. Carina has a full-time job with Hilton School District.

Parish Administrator: Beth Schmidt asked Tibbs Ahlberg to check into how many people make a quorum for congregation meetings. Tibbs said it is in the constitution that 25 is the number regardless of attendance.

Finance Committee: The report was given. Brigitte Duschen gave a report on Memorial Fund. It has \$20,345.49. There are multiple accounts for the memorial fund and Brigitte wondered why as it does not make sense at this time. Council assumed that some time ago there was better interest rates for a savings account. Pastor Steve Meyer made a motion for Brigitte to consolidate the accounts the way she sees makes sense. Russ Levett seconded, all in favor, carried.

Property Report: The Amish are done with the roof. They need to install gutters next week. We owe \$15,666.24. They broke the small sign that was closest to the parsonage and will take money off the bill for this mishap. The LED lights will be installed soon. We are on the schedule. Russ Levett made a motion to have Mark Wolck paint the ceilings after the lights have been installed. The cost not to exceed \$1000.00, Nancy Comstock seconded the motion, carried.

Fellowship & Hospitality: Sharon Kaminski did a nice job coordinating the lunch for the outdoor clean up. Candi Mael did a nice job with refreshments for baccalaureate service.

Worship and Music: They meet again in August.

Correspondence: Margaret Koza sent Pastor a happy Father's Day message and misses all at Concordia.

Old Business: An official quote for audio/sound system was given to all present. Duane Shepler is installing it. Roof was talked about in Property report.

New Business: Ice Cream for Home Grown Days: Concordia will have an ice cream stand again, August 19th, but need to find someone to chair the event.

Sanctuary Flooring: K&D Flooring came and looked at the carpet. It can not be stretched anymore because of the way it was laid down. He suggested putting in wood floor down the middle aisle and in front of altar where the most foot traffic is. He said the carpet is in good shape and doesn't need to be replaced. Council would like to see pictures of similar work he has done.

Rummage Sale is August 10-11-12.

VBS is at Concordia the week of July 10th. There will be a meeting this Thursday with other churches members that are interested in helping. The theme is Hero Central.

Pastor Steve made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dorrie Hardenbrook seconded the motion, carried. Meeting ended at 7:55 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,
Beth Schmidt
Parish Administrator

“Building Bridges”

“Two are better than one...for if they fall, one will lift up the other”
Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

You all know how I love to meet my friends at Lutheran conventions, and to participate in the joyous Worship services, and absorb all the wonderful energy of Christ's Church! I know the Church is changing, and sometimes this seems very scary! I'm curious and fascinated watching to see where the Lord is leading here.

Bridges are being built:

1. Did you know that our Lutheran Seminaries at Philadelphia and Gettysburg are combining on July first of this year, but keeping both campuses? Now, full scholarships for those studying to be Lutheran pastors will be available.

2. God's Grace is alive and well even in the closing of some of our churches. This cuts close to home when we think of Concord Lutheran in Greece closing, and probably joining with Messiah, a few blocks away. Churches have a life-cycle - 70 years to 100's of years. We can support each other in both celebrations and in grief. Even churches with nine members could become a House Church - as we move forward into the future that God is holding out for us.

3. Bishop Macholtz and his wife pledged to give \$5.00 to World Hunger for each hat worn at Synod on Saturday. There was every kind of hat, from an angel halo, to a baker's hat, to a tall Cat in a Hat hat! Altogether our World Hunger Offering was over \$50,000! The goal was \$45,000. Certainly this will lift up the other!

So glad and thankful that however the Church is changing, a loving God, full of grace is still in charge!

Respectfully submitted,
Sybil Reisch

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

hosting a CAREGIVERS support group EVERY 3rd Thursday of the month right here at church from 1-2 pm.

Any questions contact Dorrie 281-8750

Please join us at the next meeting that will be on June 15th, 2017 at 1pm

A wise old owl lived in an oak,
The more he saw, the less he spoke;
The less he spoke, the more he heard,
Why can't we be like that old bird?



The annual rummage sale will be the **SECOND** weekend in August. If you have any questions, see Robin Schepler. You may start bringing your items to the basement.

PRAYER VENTURES

JULY 2017



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

1 Pray that we encourage, engage in and plan responsible, respectful, safe tourism and vacationing that fosters better understanding and respect among people and nations, provides opportunities for greater awareness of diverse heritages and cultures, contributes to the well-being of local communities and economies, and contributes to the strengthening of world peace.

2 Pray for missionaries, evangelists, leaders developing new congregations and ministries, and all disciples of Christ who toil to share the good news and hope we have in Jesus Christ that they are welcomed wherever they serve, sustained in their faith, equipped to face challenges, and supported in their work.

3 Pray for the Global Church priority of Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA and its work to strengthen and grow Missionaries and Young Adults in Global Mission, International Women Leaders and Global Ministries, programs helping build up Christ's church by sending missionaries and volunteers, training leaders, planting new churches and growing existing ones.

4 Give thanks to God for our national and state parks, wilderness areas, wildlife reserves and urban parks and green spaces, places of renewal and beauty that reflect the wonders and creative powers of our Creator.

5 Give thanks to God for freeing us from a life bound up in sin and pray for the Spirit to guide us in living free, grace-filled lives of sharing the gospel, serving our neighbor, and following God's paths of righteousness and justice.

6 For communities, families and individuals recovering from damaging tornadoes, flooding, severe weather and wildfires, we ask God to grant hope, healing, calm and resilience.

7 Pray for the United Methodist Church, a full communion partner with the ELCA, and ask God to deepen our partnership and bless our work together sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor.

8 We remember in our prayers ELCA missionaries the Rev. David and Alicia Brondos, the Rev. Lindsay Mack and Omar Mixco, and the seven young adults serving in the Young Adults in Global Mission program in Mexico. Pray their ministry will be blessed as they work alongside companion churches and institutions to share the gospel, strengthen and grow the church, and serve the needs of communities.

9 Give thanks for the comfort and relief we find in Jesus and his promise to teach us by word and example his humility, gentleness and compassion.

10 The Association of Lutheran Church Musicians is meeting in Minneapolis and celebrating the music, song and liturgical treasures of the last 500 years and looking to the future. Pray for musicians who use their gifts to help us understand God's word, express our faith and love for God, share the good news, and worship together.

11 Pray for the 2,500 Lutheran women gathered in Minneapolis to sing, dance and respond to the Holy Spirit during the Tenth Triennial Convention of Women of the ELCA – "All Anew."

12 We ask God to make us steadfast in our commitment to justice and peace in the world, guide our leaders in effective diplomacy and move us all to be concerned advocates for people and communities suffering in places devastated by violence, war, persecution, injustice and poverty.

13 Pray to be filled with words and actions that give witness in the world to God's gracious and almighty actions across all generations, the glory of God's everlasting kingdom and God's mercy and love.

14 Pray for people who labor behind the scenes, serve in jobs hidden from our view, work while we sleep or play, or who are forgotten or ignored that we be mindful of their lives, grateful for their gifts and skills, and affirming of what they do in our communities and world.

15 Pray for congregations accompanying migrants and refugees through difficult situations and complex processes they encounter in our country, and give thanks for the ELCA Welcoming Congregations program and network serving local migrant communities.

16 While the impact and reach of our ministries, programs and endeavors may vary greatly and not be clear to us, we trust that God is at work through us. Pray for faith in the presence and activity – seen and unseen – of the Spirit of God in the world.

17 Pray for the eight young adults and their coordinators, the Rev. Rachel Eskesen and Zach Courter, serving in the Young Adults in Global Mission program in Hungary that God will bless and further their witness, service and work with our global church partners.

18 Ask for God's mercy and forgiveness for our actions and inactions that contribute to divisions, tensions and threats that exist in our country and world and that the Spirit of God will stir in us the desire and determination to work for understanding, reconciliation, peace and justice with neighbors, communities and nations, and between groups with which we identify and affiliate.

19 Pray for the summer staff and volunteers serving in ELCA outdoor ministries that their faith, energy and enthusiasm are renewed and sustained, especially at this mid-point in the summer and for the weeks that follow.

20 We offer God praise and thanksgiving for the abundant blessings and wonders of creation that sustain us and inspire awe for our Creator and pray that we will be careful, wise stewards of our resources and environment.

21 We unite in prayer, fasting and advocacy with our brothers and sisters in Christ of The Episcopal Church that our nation, elected leaders, public service agencies and communities will address with compassion, wisdom and concern for justice the cuts to public programs that are vital to hungry people who are living in poverty.

22 Pray for the men of all ages gathered in Minneapolis for the Lutheran Men in Mission BOLD Gathering. We ask God to strengthen their faith in Christ, build new relationships and networks, and inspire them for leading and growing ministries with men in their congregations and communities.

23 Pray for enduring faith and abundant energy in sharing the good news of Jesus Christ in the world, always trusting that the Spirit of God is at work everywhere for the sake of all people.

24 Pray for the specialized, focused work of agencies, ecumenical programs, associations, organizations and networks related to the ELCA that serve diverse communities and needs in the world.

25 Give thanks that God knows us – our every thought, motivation and behavior – and still loves and forgives us as beloved children.

26 We remember in our prayers ELCA missionaries the Rev. Colin and the Rev. Jennifer Grangaard, the Rev. Victor and Sara Makari, the Rev. Carrie and the Rev. Robert Smith, Deaconess Adrainne and Ben Gray, and the seven young adults serving in the Young Adults in Global Mission program in Jerusalem/West Bank. Pray their ministries will be blessed as they work alongside companion churches and institutions to share the gospel, strengthen and grow the church, advocate for justice and peace, and serve the needs of communities.

27 Pray for congregations and ministries serving rural and remote areas that they are assured of our support and encouragement for their pastors, leadership and members, and find effective training and resources for their contexts and challenges. Lift up recognition and appreciation for the gifts and perspectives they share with this church.

28 Give thanks for church musicians and composers who help us worship, draw us into the meaning and strength of liturgical tradition, explore new expressions of faith and praise, and help lead us into the future through their creativity.

29 Mary, Martha and Lazarus of Bethany People who are close to us and stand with us in every situation are important blessings and assets in life – gifts from God. We pray all may know the love, care and support of family, friends and community, especially in times of loneliness, crisis, despair and illness.

30 Give thanks that when we can't find the words to express our needs, feelings, thoughts or depth of desperation, the Spirit is present to help us; when we have no idea how to pray, the Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words.

31 Remember and give thanks for saints and servants throughout history who dedicated their lives to sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, growing the church, equipping disciples and serving neighbors in need. As children of God and followers of Christ following in their footsteps, we pray we are inspired and moved by their stories and examples.

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