

CHRISTOGRAM

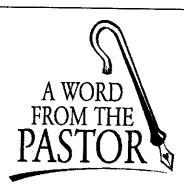
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Thoughts from the Pastor

"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind conceived what God has prepared for those who love him – but God has revealed it to us by his Spirit." 1 Corinthians 2:9

"In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession — to the praise of his glory." Ephesians 1:11-14



"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Ephesians 2:8-10

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

I recently read the following in the pastor's page of the May/June 2003 newsletter of Gospel Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin of which a very dear brother and friend of mine, Pastor B. Keith Haney, is pastor.

A basket ball in my hands is worth about \$19.

A basketball in Michael Jordan's hands is worth about \$33 million. It depends whose hands it is in.

A baseball in my hands is worth about \$6.

A baseball in Mark McGuire's hands is worth \$19 million. It depends whose hands it is in.

A tennis racket is useless in my hands.

A tennis racket in Venus Williams' hands is worth a championship. It depends whose hands it is in.

A rod in my hands will keep away a wild animal.

A rod in Moses' hands will part the mighty sea.

It depends whose hands it is in.

A sling shot in my hands is a kid's tov.

A sling shot in David's hands is a mighty weapon that can slay a giant. It depends whose hands it is in.

Two fish and five loaves of bread in my hands is a couple of fish sandwiches. Two fish and five loaves of bread in God's hands will feed many thousands. It depends whose hands it is in.

Nails in my hands might produce a bird-house.

Nails in Jesus Christ's hands will produce salvation for the entire world.

It depends whose hands it is in.

As you see now, it depends whose hands it is in.

As we now journey forward from 40 Days of Purpose and we consider what the future holds for us at Concordia Lutheran Church, let us first consider whose hands we are in. According to Paul in Ephesians, we are in God's hands, sealed and guaranteed by the Holy Spirit through our Baptism. We are the glory of God in the world and the vehicles of praise to Him and witnesses to the world of His mercy. We are in His hands and as long as we leave ourselves in His hands, His mighty, and glorious will shall be done in and through us. He indeed has a continued plan for us and good works for us to do. All will revolve around the sharing of the Good News of salvation in Christ Jesus alone available as many more hear the Word of God. Let us now walk forward, hand in hand with each other, and hand in hand with God, together in the unity of confessing One Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Let us be His always and forever.

In Christ's Service Pastor Scott



On June 8th our 40 Days of Purpose Celebration will conclude with a marvelous celebration of God's goodness!! We will have one confirm at 0.70 ANA will have one service at 9:30 AM followed by fellowship, food & fun

beginning at 11 AM. Be sure not to miss out on this wonderful opportunity to look back at the awesome things God has done over the past 40 Days and what He is preparing Concordia Lutheran Church to do next.

Tenets, Tidbits, and Trails..... The Elder's report

Unity In The Family

A couple weeks ago our small group discussed fellowship, the 2nd purpose in the 40 Day Campaign. I was reminded of how blessed I am to be a member of the worshipping family at Concordia. God characterizes fellowship for us in Romans 12:9-16. "Love must to sincere, hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited." (NIV) Our facilitator Luther summed it up best. "This describes what the church should be."

One of the important building blocks of fellowship is unity. We are all responsible to help promote and protect the unity of our church. We are to avoid division. 1 Corinthians 1:10 states, "I appeal to you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought." (NIV)

I must ask myself the question: What am I doing to promote unity and harmony in the family at Concordia?

In Service to Him,

Bob Harris (Coach)



Attention Walkers, Runners, Hikers or Crawlers!"

It's not too late to be a participant. We need anyone and everyone, all are welcome! We also still need donations to the American Cancer Society and donations toward food, Gatorade and bottled water for the participants. Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help. We are also still selling luminaries. The forms are in the Narthex under the mailboxes. These are to honor a survivor, remember those we've lost and in support of those who are battling



cancer at present. The luminaries are \$10.00 per person acknowledged. The forms with checks or money, can be left in Tina Tape's mailbox. (checks made payable to ACS). Thank you and God bless!

Attn: Relay Participants
There will be one meeting only at Tina's house on June 7th at 5:00 p.m. If you cannot make it, please let Tina know. 879-7012. This is a very important meeting. Please try to attend.

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY" TO OUR JUNE CELEBRANTS



"Happy Birthday to....."

June 3 - Chloe Ranieri

June 7 - Ava Scarborough

June 11- Taylor Anderson

June 12- William Cropper

June 16- Hannah Wolf

June 16- Hugh Scott

June 18- Kailee Duryea

June 19- Aaron Hornstein

June 23- Kyle Kounovsky

June 28- Madison Knutson

Baptism Birthdays

June 2 - Emily Craig

June 6 - Lance Vitek

June 6 - Wyatt Reynolds

June 11- Olivia Gorr

June 11- Greta Sue Thurston

June 14- Jordan Sharp

June 14- Jennifer Sharp

June 20- Alexa Sprengle

June 21- Jordan Gorr

June 23- Ryan McConnell

June 25- Justin Falk



2002-2003 Men's Basketball

Congratulations to the Men's basketball team on their 9-2 record and tie for first place in the city's winter league basketball "B" division. Members include Bruce Gorr, Paul Draper, Michael Herbert, Pastor Scott, Nick Schoewe, Hugh Scott, Bart Kounovsky, Steve Jones, and Mike Campbell.



There are still many ministries in need of helping hands. If you have some time to give in service call Ellyn (871-1860) or the office (879-0175) and we'll let you know the opportunities that are available.

Summer Sunday School Schedule 2003

June 15 - The Parable of the Sower

June 22 - Zechariah Shares the Good News

June 29 - Special Guest - Martin Luther

Reformation BINGO

July 6 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

July 13 - Christmas in JULY - "OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD" Servant Event

July 20 - Jesus Answers the Canaanite Women's Prayer

July 27 - Aquila and Priscilla Teach the Good News

August 3 - Special Guest - from Arvada, CO - PEACE PUPPETEERS

"LIGHT HOUSE KIDS - Shining God's Light"

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - AUGUST 4-6, 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

August 10 - Offerings for the Lord

August 17 - God Sent Jesus to Be Our Servant

August 24 - Shine Like Stars

August 31 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 7 - RALLY DAY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL 2003-2004 "THE WORD OF GOD"

LWML (Women's Guild) News...

Thank You!

Our Spring Rummage Sale was held on May 16th and 17th and was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who donated items, sorted, and attended the sale.

A big thank you goes
out to Sandra Hogrefe and
Tammy Ryan who chaired the
fundraiser and to Mary Beth
Bradfield who chaired the bake
sale.

The rummage sale made \$2100 and the bake sale made \$190. Proceeds will go to missions around the world and locally.

The Spring Salad
Supper will be hosted by Dianne Weber Tues. June 17th at 6:00 pm. Dianne's address is 1769 Timothy Lane. All ladies of Concordia are invited and please bring a salad and a friend. Beverage, rolls and desserts will be provided. This is always a fun evening and a great way to fellowship with our sisters in Christ.

We have voted on our mission projects for 2003 and will be dispersing \$10,000 to missions around the world and locally. Our main fund raising events are the Spring and Fall Rummage Sales and our Christmas Cupboard craft sale and Cookie Caper. God's blessings and a huge thank you to everyone who makes these events happen and helps us to continue the Lord's work.

Trustees Report

The "Sign-Up" board is in the narthex with various items still needed for the parsonage bathroom remodel. If each family signed up for one item, we'd be on our way. Please check out the board and see if there's anything you'd like to sign up for or provide. The project will begin after June 8th. Many hands make light work. Let us know if you can help out in any way.

We also have the need for "gardeners". The grass needs to be watered about every three days. The flower beds need



"attention". If you could spend an hour or more a week let us know. Thanks in advance for your help.

In Christ's Service, Dave Anderson

Youth Group News



Our DCE intern is on her way. Her name is (Elinor) Ellie Bach. Her current address & phone is: 1309 Prairie Ave., Beloit, WI 53511/ (608) 362-5915. She's 23 years old and comes from a family of six. She has an older brother Eric, who is getting married this summer, an older sister Elizabeth and a younger sister Emily. She is currently looking for some summer work in WI. Pray that the Lord will provide for her. Ellie enjoys music: singing and piano, almost any sport, crocheting, art: drawing & painting. She has been involved with a praise band, choirs, Concordia Youth Ministry, Bible studies, musicals and music lessons. She has taught VBS for 5 years and Senior High Sunday morning Bible study & Wednesday night Bible study for 2 years. She will be arriving around August 18th. Her service of induction will be on August 31st at our final summer service at 9:15 AM. Please mark your calendars and plan on welcoming Ellie to our community of faith here at Concordia. Keep her and her family in your prayers. Her father, Chuck, was recently diagnosed with cancer.

CONCERT OF PRAYER

June Concert of Prayer is on Friday the 6th from 4:30 - 6:00 PM. Come

after school with your kids or join us when you can. All are welcome and encouraged to come together to pray for our church and our community and share any personal prayer requests.



TOOLS FOR LIVING

STEP 8

"Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all."

Step 8 is the more specific person-to-person application of the shame-reduction that was begun in Steps 4 and 5. The making of amends was a very strong tradition among the members of the Oxford Group, which is the parent of all modern Twelve Step organizations. (For more history on the Oxford Group, see "Steps to Serenity: An Introduction.")

A question we might ask is, who should be on the list of persons to whom we make amends? Here are four suggestions:

1) We need to include all persons who may have been victims of our addictions.

2) We need to review all of the persons included in our Step 4 relationship history. As a rule, we probably owe some amends to most of the people on that list.

3) We need to include members of the next generation (especially our own children) who have been impacted by our addictions and compulsions.

4) We need to consider whether we need to make amends to the following general "family" groups:

- a) All members of our families of origin, living and dead. (We may even owe amends to a highly abusive parent. Making amends does not mean that we ignore, excuse, or condone the abuse, but that we take back any negativity we may have fed into such a relationship.)
- b) Our families of procreation, that is, the families we make by marriage.
- c) Our work families.
- d) Our community families.
- e) Our church families.
- f) The family of man. (Have we been prejudiced against and intolerant toward other political, religious, or racial groups?)

Implicit in both Steps 8 and 9 is the assumption that we carry a toxic residue of shame from virtually every incident in which we have hurt, rejected, or ignored others. Steps 8 and 9 provide us with the opportunity to reduce this guilt by setting things right again. We should be cautioned, though, that we need to work through and grieve out our underlying resentment, hurt, anger, and pain before trying to make amends with those who have also offended us. Otherwise, we are putting a bandage on a festering, cancerous sore, because the toxicity is still there. Only after it has been excised can we release our resentments with a high degree of emotional integrity.

RECOVERY MEDITATIONS

(To help you understand what the Scriptures say about surrendering your will and life to God.)

Matthew 18:21-35

Luke 6:37-38

Luke 19:8

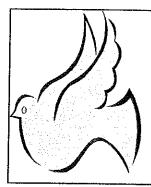
John 13:34-35

1 Corinthians 13

2 Timothy 1:7

James 4:11-12

From "SERENITY – A Companion for Twelve Step Recovery" by Dr. Robert Hemfelt & Dr. Richard Fowler (Visit Concordia's library for more inspirational readings—Tools for Living section.)



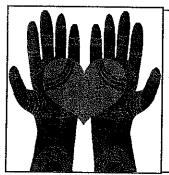
Confirmation

Summer break! Classes resume in the fall. God's blessings on all the 8th grade confirmands.



YOUTH GROUP

Meets every Sunday morning at 9:30 in the Youth Room. BIG WELCOME FOR ELLIE BACH ON AUGUST 31ST. WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS



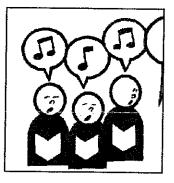
STEPHEN MINISTERS

"A friend who has developed gifts for bringing Christ's healing to hurting places."



Men's Breakfast

Saturday June 14th 7:00 - 8:30AM in Fellowship Hall Invite A Friend!



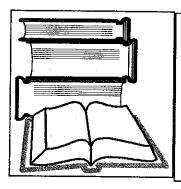
YOUTH CHOIR

Summer break! We'll resume in the fall. We're thinking about doing a musical. Let me know if you're interested.



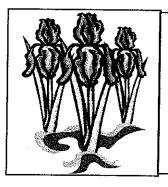
Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study

Meets every Thursday morning 9-10:30 AM Come water your faith seeds. We're studying Romans.



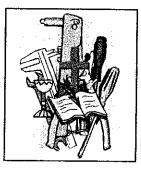
Discovery Bible Study

We'll be meeting again every Wednesday, beginning June 11th at 7 PM. We will be studying Isaiah.



LWML

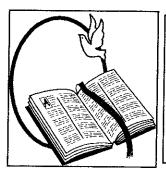
Spring Salad Supper at Dianne Weber's 1769 Timothy Lane June 17th 6 PM



TOOLS FOR LIVING:

Ministry team for recovery, addiction & prevention

Monthly meeting on June 16th 6-7 PM



ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Christianity 101 is meeting in the Chapel. Our second Bible study is meeting in the sanctuary. We are studying 1 Peter. Come join us. The Christogram is a monthly newsletter of Concordia Lutheran Church, Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Deadline for newsletter items is the third Sunday of each month. We welcome contributions of news items, art work, and other appropriate articles. You can email us your contribution at concordia@steamboatlutheran.org

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The Weekly Bulletin is printed on Thursday mornings. News items for the bulletin should be submitted by 9:00 am on Thursdays.

Saturday Worship: 5:30 PM

Beginning June 15th through August 31st:

Sunday Worship: 9:15 AM Education Hour: 8:00 AM

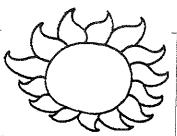
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8 Worship - 9:30 AM "CELEBRATION SUNDAY" Lunch will be served!	9 Women's AA 7:00 PM	10 Worship Comm. 12 PM O&A Meeting 5:15 PM Church Council 7PM Al-Ateen 6:00 PM	11	12 Women's Bible Study 9 AM	13	14 Men's Breakfast 7AM Worship 5:30 PM
15 Educ Hr - 8:00 AM Worship - 9:15 AM HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!	16 Tools for Living 6 PM Women's AA 7 PM	17 Al-Ateen 6:00 PM LWML Salad Supper 7PM	18	19 Women's Bible Study 9 AM	20	21 Worship 5:30 PM
22 Educ Hr - 8:00 AM Worship - 9:15 AM DWCC - 1:00 PM Voter's Meeting 11 AM Greeter's Training 5:30 PM	23 Women's AA 7 PM	24 Al-Ateen 6:00 PM Board of Christian Ed 6 PM	25	26 Women's Bible Study 9 AM	27	28 Worship 5:30 PM
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