



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

March, 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters In Christ,

One day a prairie chicken found an egg and sat on it until it hatched. The prairie chicken had no idea the egg was an eagle egg which had been abandoned for some reason. That's how an eagle came to be born into a family of prairie chickens.

While the eagle is the greatest of all birds, soaring above the heights with grace and ease, the prairie chicken doesn't even know how to fly. In fact, prairie chickens are so lowly that they eat garbage.

The little eagle was raised by the family of prairie chickens and thought he was a prairie chicken too. He walked around, ate garbage, and clucked like a prairie chicken. One day he looked up to see a majestic bald eagle soar through the air, dipping and turning. When he asked his family what it was, they responded: "It's an eagle. They really know how to fly. But we are prairie chickens...and we can't fly." Then his family returned to pecking garbage.

The eagle spent his whole life looking up at eagles, longing to join them among the clouds. It never once occurred to him to lift his wings and try to fly. The eagle spent his whole life thinking he was just a prairie chicken.

I wonder how many of us think and act like prairie chickens because our world keeps telling us that is what we are? Did you ever think about the fact that according to the Bible God created you to be just "a little lower than the angels"? (See *Psalm 8 and Hebrews 2:7*) God has showered His love on us in Christ. The Apostle Paul says of us: "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." *Ephesians 2:10* God has designed good things for us.

The Apostle Peter writes in 1 Peter 1:14 – "As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance." I think he is telling us to stop living like eagles who think they are prairie chickens. We have been born again. We are of great value. Let's spread our wings and fly!

Peace+
Pastor Dave



Easter Lilies

We will be adorning the church with beautiful large potted Easter Lilies and are looking for donations towards the purchases. If you can donate, please leave payment in the "Flowers" mailbox above the coffee station. If you are interested in taking one home after the last Easter service, please let Sherry Kammerer or the Church Office know.



Happy Birthdays

3-1 Jim Schlaver
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3-3 Marty Boomgarden
3-7 Doug Smith
3-9 Gene Carrell
3-11 Hannah McCreight
3-14 Dianne Weber
3-17 Jake Weber
3-17 Nick Weber

3-22 Mette Smith
3-20 Matthia Duryea
3-23 Grace Olinger
3-23 Katelyn Olinger
3-25 Deb Nelson
3-25 Nancy Kounovsky
3-27 Bette Rink-Vandahl
3-28 Ava Ford
3-28 Bonnie Baggenstoss
3-29 Sarah Kammerer

3-29 Wendy McConnell
3-30 Lance Andrews
3-30 Donna Wentzel
3-30 Michael Williams

Happy Anniversary

3/11 Joel & Clare Tarcha
3/12 Clint & Nina Hanson
3/12 Dave & Joni Moss
3/14 Donna & Cy Starbuck
3/14 Keith & Shirley Zuehlke

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Lent & Easter 2010

◇ Soup Suppers:	2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24	5:30 - 6:30 pm
◇ Lent Worship Services	2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24	7pm
◇ Palm Sunday	3/28	8 & 10:30 am
◇ Maundy Thursday	4/1 (Communion)	7pm
◇ Good Friday	4/2	7pm
◇ Easter Sunday	4/4 (Communion)	6:30am
◇ Easter Sunday	4/4	8am & 10:30am
◇ Easter Breakfast	4/4	7:30am - 10:00am

Mission Trip Opportunity

Concordia's Adult Mission Team is sponsoring a mission trip to Navajo Ministries in Farmington, NM from July 10th through 17th, 2010. The mission work will be light construction & maintenance and we will also be teaching VBS at a Navajo church on the reservation. All Concordia members are invited to join in. If you are interested, please sign up in the back of the church or contact Gene Carrell or Ron Wentzel.

Concordia Members' Corner.....

Men's Bible Breakfast is March 13th 7am at the Egg & I. Join us for fellowship, study and food.

Ushers, Readers & Greeters Schedule is now out. Please pick up a copy on the entryway counter.

Concordia Women's Retreat

Attention all Concordia Women... last chance! We are going to the Fish and Cross Ranch in Yampa. We will be arriving at the ranch on Friday, March 26th around 4:00 and leaving Saturday, March 27th around 3pm.

We encourage all women to join us for this fun, spiritual, and uplifting event. We hope you can join us!

Speak with Judi Williams or Clare Tarcha for information.



S.I.S. Happenings:

- ◇ **Retreat 2010 at the Fish & Cross Ranch.**
- ◇ **Please pick up a copy of our proposed mission disbursement information. This will be voted on at our April meeting.**
- ◇ **Next Meeting: Monday, April 26th at Helen Berntsons' house.**

Concordia's Website

The address is: www.steamboatlutheran.org



Missed a Sunday? Do you want to hear the sermon? You can click on the sermon section and choose the audio sermon and listen to it at your computer! Also, find the latest news and events and the calendar which will keep you up-to-date on meetings and happenings!