



## CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

755 Concordia Lane Steamboat Springs. Colorado 80487

**"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"**

**February, 2012**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I want to share with you three special things that I am excited about for the month of February. The first one is about a message series for the Sundays of Lent and Easter Sunday. The season of Lent/Easter is a time on the church calendar set aside to focus on our Savior's suffering, death and resurrection. Over 1/3 of the material in the 4 Gospels deal with events from the last week of Jesus' life. It ranges from about ¼ of Luke's Gospel to ½ of John's Gospel. So this year, we are going to focus on that week with a series of messages entitled: "Seven Days that Changed the World".

We will look at each day from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday (*except for the Saturday before Easter for which no events are mentioned*). We will be out of sync with the church calendar because we will celebrate Palm Sunday on the First Sunday in Lent (*February 26<sup>th</sup>*) instead of the actual week before Easter so that we can look at the other days in chronological order on the following Sundays. Here's how the series is shaping up.

### Seven Days that Changed the World

"The Day of Temporary Triumph" – *Palm Sunday*

"The Day of Emotion" – *Monday*

"The Day of Creative Controversy" – *Tuesday*

"The Day of Retirement and Relaxation" – *Wednesday*

"The Day of Intimate Fellowship" – *Thursday*

"The Day of Suffering" – *Friday*

"The Day of Eternal Triumph" – *Easter Sunday*

The second thing that will happen in February is the kick-off for the "Habitat for Humanity" project we are joining in with "Thrivent Builds". We committed to raising \$15,000.00 over and above our normal offerings and investing at least 1,000 volunteer hours to help build half of a duplex here in Steamboat. At a meeting that took place today, February 1<sup>st</sup>, the construction manager stated that he believed we could start the actual construction in March based on the current weather patterns. We had originally talked about April for starting, which means we will be cranking up a little quicker than originally envisioned. But I really believe God is going to bless us as we support this project with our offerings and our labor.

The third thing I am privileged to do is to preach at the 10 year anniversary of "The Experience" in Denver. We have been truly blessed as a congregation through our partnership with them in the work of the Lord's Kingdom. It is an honor to be asked to share God's Word with them at such a special time. The celebration will be on February 21<sup>st</sup>. Sherri and I will be in Denver for that evening and return the next day for our Ash Wednesday services. You are invited to join the celebration. Details will be in the worship folders.

I look forward to working alongside you, worshipping with you, and living as reflections of the grace, mercy, and love that we have so freely received from our God!

Peace+  
Pastor Dave



### Happy February Birthdays

2/6 Nina Hanson

2/13 Hope Scott

2/15 Heather Carrell

2/15 Jeremy Schumacher

2/16 Tom Hillmer

2/17 Bettiann Carrell

2/17 Patrick Smith

2/21 Ryan Hogrefe

2/21 Jackson McCreight

2/24 Keith Zuehlke

2/27 Mariah Starbuck

# Lent 2012

◇ Soup Suppers:	2/22, 2/29, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28	5:30 - 6:30 pm
◇ Ash Wednesday	2/22	7pm
◇ Lent Worship Services	2/29, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28	7pm

## Sr. High Youth

Thank you for supporting our Burrito Breakfast for Missions!

The free-will offering raised \$750 for the Sr. High Youth mission trip to Farmington, NM and the 2013 National Youth Gathering.

The next Sr. High Youth Meeting is 2/5/12 at Gene Carrell's house 6pm.

## Jr. High Youth

Meetings in February:

2/12 & 2/26 6pm-7:30pm at Concordia

Come and Join us!



## Concordia Members' Corner.....

**Men's Bible Breakfast** is February 11th at 7am at the Egg & I. Join us for fellowship, study and food.

## Join Us Beginning February 18th

### Lose Weight. Gain Health, Friends & Spiritual Renewal.

Meeting on Saturday's 9:00am - 10:00am in the Church Library

Cost: your Bible Study book and any other First Place Items that you would like

Contact: Sherri McKnight or Deb Nelson

The **First Place 4 Health** program has three underlying themes:

- **Christ-centered priorities:** Bible study, prayer, and Scripture memory
- **Choices for total health:** addressing the whole person – body, mind, emotions, spirit
  - **Community:** support and accountability through small groups

Join us each week as we together achieve balance in every area of our life by putting our relationship with Jesus Christ first in purposeful action that leads to positive transformation. For more information on the national First Place 4 Health organization, check out their website at [www.firstplace4health.com](http://www.firstplace4health.com)

## Concordia's Website .....



The address is: [www.steamboatlutheran.org](http://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!