CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH



755 Concordia Lane Steamboat Springs. Colorado 80487

"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

April 2014

Dear Concordia,

As the current congregation leader (I am acting President since Tom Hillmer stepped down after the 1/19/14 Voter's Meeting), I would like to share my heart with you.

First, my wife Shirley and I have been members of Concordia since 2002 and have seen Concordia Lutheran Church through trials and triumphs as allowed by our Lord. I was on the call committee that hired Pastor McKnight, have been the chairman of the Trustees the past several years as well as the Vice President of the Ministry Leaders Council (MLC) since 2011. I love the congregation with my whole heart and would never intentionally set out to hurt it or anyone.

I would like to address and apologize for my poor choice of words to a fellow congregation member, and for a misunderstanding resulting from an unintentional result of a misjudgment on my part. It is very important to communicate clearly and precisely and I will do better going forward.

On March 10th I met with Brian Thornton and Jim Schlaver. I took notes on a few suggested changes to the By-laws document. (I did not receive what was typed up and presented to the congregation during the 3/16/14 Voter's meeting.) All I had were my few handwritten notes. These I brought to the 3/11 MLC meeting which was in preparation for the 3/16/14 Voter's Meeting. During the meeting, I asked if we should make any additional changes to the proposed By-Laws document. No one had any changes and as I truly felt like the MLC group had put together a document that would be pleasing to the congregation, I didn't bring up the suggestions from Brian and Jim. In hindsight, I realize that was an error in my judgment and I am sorry. Also, when Jim asked me on 3/12 at soup supper "How the 3/11 MLC meeting went", I said, "It fell on deaf ears." I was referring to myself, because I am hard of hearing, and I wasn't giving and opinion regarding the MLC or their meeting. I was not referring to the suggestions that Jim and Brian had given me. I chose my words poorly and misunderstandings resulted. Again, I am very sorry and hope that you will forgive me and accept my sincere apology.

For those of you who did not attend the 1/19/14 Voter's Meeting and/or the 3/16/14 Voter's meeting, I would like to share a few items. The 1/19/14 meeting was between services and began with the budget. As the meeting ran into the time when folks had to get to service, the budget was approved, the MLC was assigned the task of coming up with a contingency plan, and we needed to vote on the proposed By-laws document. The suggestion was made to have the next meeting after service and service lunch and have child-care available, which were all excellent ideas. The 3/16/14 meeting ran very long and again the By-laws document was tabled for the next meeting while it could be worked on with Brian, Jim and Luther's suggestions, and the MLC was given 45 days to bring the By-laws document back to vote and have meet to vote on the new slate of congregation officers.

Thank you for the privilege of serving. The slate of volunteers will be posted on the entryway bulletin board by Friday morning. Feel free to contact me with any comments, questions, or concerns.

In Service to our Lord, Keith Zuehlke



Happy April Birthdays

4/1 Taylor Elliott
4/3 Mark Sandvik
4/6 Jennifer Fritz
4/11 Kim Truong
4/12 Emily Craig
4/13 Erik Sandvik
4/21 Mary Beth Bradfield
4/25 William Baldwin
4/26 Brian Weerts
4/27 Lottie Turon
4/28 Bailey Draper Fosdick
4/28 Themse Taylor

4/20 Eric Sacher

4/20 John Wharton

4/28 Balley Draper Fosdick 4/28 Thomas Tarcha 4/30 Beth Watson Happy April Anniversaries

4/18 Dale & Marilou Mast 4/30 Bruce & Kristin Gorr

Lent & Easter 2014

♦ Soup Suppers: 4/2, 4/9 5:45 - 6:30 pm

♦ Lent Worship Services 4/2, 4/9
 6:30pm (downstairs)

♦ Palm Sunday
4/13
8 & 10:30 am

Maundy Thursday
4/17 (Communion)
7pm

♦ Good Friday 4/18 7pm

♦ Easter Sunday 4/20 (Communion) 6:30am & 8am



Lift-Up Month

Lift-Up is excited to have you as our Food Drive donator for the month of April. Our client need continues throughout the year and the individuals and families that receive food are extremely grateful for what they receive. Normal every day food items are always needed along with personal care items and household cleaning items. Thank you for helping make a difference in someone's life!

Concordia Members' Corner......

<u>Men's Bible Breakfast</u> is April 12th at 7am at the Egg & I. Join us for fellowship, study and food.

SIS meeting: 4/28/14 7pm at Helen Berntson's house.

Adult/Youth Mission Trips 2014

Please join us on Easter Sunday for a delicious Easter Breakfast and all free will offerings will go towards the Adult and Sr. High Youth Mission trips.



Welcome New Members!

Steve Gunberg & Sherry Carrier Jason Duryea Mike & Barb Illenberger



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!