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# CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH 755 CONCORDIA LANE STEAMBOAT SPRINGS. COLORADO 80487

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"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

July, 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This past week marked the departure of Pastor Robert Harmon as our vacancy pastor for the last 10 months. This event causes me to reflect on a similar event this time last year where our congregation was saying goodbye to Pastor Dave McKnight as he retired from the ministry. In both cases we have experienced the loss of wonderful teachers and shepherds, yet we are thankful that the Lord in his wisdom has gifted us with both men. Our congregation has grown stronger in our faith, our mission to a fallen world and as we continue on our journey to identify the pastor God has in mind for us, we can trust the Holy Spirit to provide for and lead us to a new chapter in Concordia's history.

We have scheduled guest pastors for the four weeks in July, and are working on identifying a vacancy pastor to serve us until the call committee completes its work. While the call committee continues to interview candidates during July, the council may invite a potential call candidate(s) to serve as a guest pastor on a given Sunday. Because of the necessity for confidentiality in the call process, we will not publicize whether a guest pastor is a potential call candidate. We ask that the congregation respect this decision and the discretion necessary during this time.

Please pray for our leadership team, the call committee and Concordia, that we seek God's will for us in unity, with thanksgiving and joy and expectation of His gracious provision.

Mike Illenberger Council President





## Happy July Birthdays

7-2 Linda White
7-4 Greg Fritz
7-5 Dale Mast
7-7 Jeanne Willman
7-14 Elaina Vande Velde
7-20 Garrett Anderson
7-26 Dave Entwistle
7-27 Andy Hogrefe
7-27 Leon Vandahl
7-28 Lara Craig

7-31 Sherry Carrier

7-15 Robert Del Valle 7-15 Debbie Scott

7-18 Harrison Williams

## Happy July Anniversary

7-8 Chris & Rebecca Duryea 7-12 Brian & Jerry Thornton 7-24 Jim & Judy Winter 7-29 Greg & Jan Fritz 7-29 Brad & Lara Craig

#### **Mission Experience Haiti**

Hi everyone!! Come fly to the Caribbean with us!! We need some more volunteers to join us for the Sept. Haiti mission trip. The dates are Sept. 5-12. We need about 5 more people in order to take this trip. We are trying to put together a ministry team and a construction team. The ministry team will help out at Jonas' school and minister at a tent city. The construction team will connect the new well to the water supply, pour the concrete for the new basketball court and finish light construction for the kids to move in. This team will also be unloading the trailer we just sent with all the new beds for the kids, solar generators and supplies. The highlight will be moving the kids over to 70 Palms. We need a full team to cover all the cost. Please contact Leslie to sign up!! leslie@missionexperience.org. The deadline is July 15h, so we can start training . The first training will be the week of July 20th! Thanks!

Pastor Mike Paulison Mission Experience & Mission Experience Haiti.

Concordia Members' Corner......

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

Sr. High Youth Mission Trip: 7/11-7/18/15. Please keep the youth and chaperones in your prayers.

Operation Christmas Child Coordinator is needed—Brian and Jerry Thornton will be happy to train and show you what is needed. The campaign runs in the fall and usually ends the week before Thanksgiving. Please contact Brian or Jerry at 879-4664.



### **Senior High Youth**

Those going on the mission trip will meet on Sunday, July 5th at 6pm at Gene's house.

Congregation: Please keep us in your prayers!

## Good Bye Brunch

Please bring a breakfast/brunch item to share and join us as we wish Sherry Kammerer God's blessings on her move to Montrose. 7/26 will be her last day with us at Concordia.

When: Sunday, July 26th Time: 9:15-10:15am Fellowship Hall

#### 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!

#### **CONCORDIA'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

### YTD Through May 2015

P&L SUMMARY	YTD ACT	YTD BUD	Budget
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$106,359	\$115,104	(\$ 8,745)
EXPENSES	\$ 84,759	\$119,347	(\$34,588)
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$ 21,600	(\$ 4,243)	\$25,843

### CASH AVAILABLE at May 31, 2015:

YVB CHECKING		\$44,137
LCEF MMF TOTAL	\$89,697	
LESS SPECIFIED	(\$54,408)	
LCEF AVAILABLE	<del></del>	\$35,289
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE		\$79,426

MORTGAGE BALANCE (4.00%) - \$236,531

#### **ITEMS TO CONSIDER:**

- ♦ Contributions through May 2015 are under budget by \$8,745.
- ♦ Overall Expenses through May 2015 are under budget by \$34,588. The favorable variance is primarily due to the Wages & Benefits expense category. The annual budget for Wages & Benefits was calculated based on the assumption of employing a full time pastor for the full calendar year.