



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

September, 2016

GATHERING TOGETHER AROUND JESUS – September 2016

Throughout the summer, we have been coming together by reading the book *Grace Upon Grace* by John Kleinig. I read a book like this slowly and carefully, reading various sections again to soak in the fullness of the message. More than one of you has said to me: "I had to read this paragraph over and over because I just couldn't move forward until I understood what he was saying." Believe me, I agree.

We will be gathering together to reflect upon and discuss *Grace Upon Grace*. If you've been reading the book – or just want to come and engage the conversation – we'll gather on Sunday, September 18, following the late service. You can now sign up so that we can get an idea of who and how many are planning to attend this meal and conversation.

And, we are also continuing our study of the early chapters of Acts. We have worked our way through the first seven (7) chapters and are currently reviewing the core message of the first Christian congregation in Jerusalem. What is it that they proclaimed that changed the world? You are all invited to join with us at 9:30am every Sunday in the church basement area for the reading, commenting, questioning, studying and applying of God's Word to our congregation.

As a part of last month's newsletter article, I mentioned a way that "we can come together around Jesus in a way similar to the early Christian community." I am convinced that we can learn from him along the same lines as the first Followers of the Way. How can we do that? By doing what they did, telling the story of Jesus.

Beginning on Sunday, September 11th, you'll find a YouTube link in the Sunday bulletin for you to "walk with Jesus" in a manner similar to the earliest Jesus-followers. There will be another link each week, giving you the opportunity to join with Peter, Andrew, James and John as they experienced life with Jesus. You can listen to each conversation at your leisure.

From where I'm sitting, the leaves on the trees are transforming in color. What a beautiful creation we are privileged to live in!

Love ya'!

Pastor Craig



Happy September Birthdays

9-05 Addison Sandvik
9-07 Brian Thornton
9-09 Jim Winter
9-12 Steve Gunberg
9-14 Kristin Gorr
9-14 Albert Deepe
9-18 Gary Nelson
9-21 Raylene Olinger
9-29 Cindy Svendsen
9-30 Wendy Ward
9-30 Madison Truong

Happy September Anniversaries

9-06 Eric & Jane Sacher
9-06 Jake & Dianne Weber
9-07 Kris & Dave Tratiak
9-08 Doug & Mary Beth Bradfield
9-20 Wendy & Tim McConnell
9-25 Leon & Bette Rinck/Vandahl
9-28 Mark & Stacy Sandvik
9-28 Rod & Raylene Olinger
9-29 Bert & Cindy Svendsen

S.I.S. Kick-Off 2016

Concordia Women: Please join us on Monday, September 26th at 6pm for our first gathering. We will have dinner, fellowship and fun!
Come and be a part of this important Women's Ministry!

The location will be determined soon!

Visit our website: www.steamboatlutheran.org

Visit us on Facebook: Concordia Lutheran Church-Steamboat Springs

Concordia Members' Corner.....

Gals & Guys Fellowship: Gals- join us at 5pm at Aurum on Tuesday, 9/6 and Guys are headed for wings at The Tap House at 5pm.

Men's Bible Breakfast is September 10th at 7am at the Egg & I. Join us for fellowship, study & food.

Grace Upon Grace: Book Discussion and luncheon will be 9/18 following late service.

9th Annual Thrivent Pig Roast to benefit adult and youth missions- 9/25! See information below.

S.I.S. Fall Kick-off Dinner- all ladies are welcome! Save the date: 9/28 at 6pm (location to be determined).

S.I.S. Rummage Sale dates are October 14th from 9am until 5pm and October 15th from 9am until noon. We will start accepting rummage on October 10th. Helpers are needed! Please speak with the Church Office for information or to sign up to help.

Pig Roast/Mission Fundraiser

Come Join The Fun!!!



Menu

Roast Pig or Turkey
Cowboy Baked Beans
Coleslaw
Roll
Drink
&
Dessert

SUNDAY
September 25th
12pm - 1:30pm
Concordia's Fellowship Hall
Cost:
Free-will
Offering

All are Welcome!!! Invite friends and neighbors
Support our Adult/Youth Mission Teams

Concordia' Prayer Chain Ministry

Jesus' ministry, example and instruction are for us to pray. *"If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer."* Matthew 21:22.

Each prayer chain group has 4-5 people who are willing to pray for the person in need and call the person on the chain below them. If you don't reach the person in your group you then leave a message and call the next person on the list.

If you are interested in joining us in the ministry or would like more information, please contact Clare in the church office 879-0175.



**CONCORDIA'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY
YTD Through July 2016**

P&L SUMMARY	YTD ACT	YTD BUD	Budget
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$153,429	\$161,145	(\$7,716)
EXPENSES	\$155,283	\$170,141	(\$14,858)
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) (Contrib. over Expenses)	(\$1,854)	(\$ 8,996)	\$7,142

CASH AVAILABLE at July 31, 2015:

YVB CHECKING	\$ 29,261
LCEF MMF TOTAL	\$146,158
LESS SPECIFIED	<u>(\$99,763)</u>
LCEF AVAILABLE	<u>\$ 46,395</u>
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	\$75,656

MORTGAGE BALANCE (3.875%) - \$216,516

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