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CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

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The Duty Of Parents

By John Preus

Below is an excerpt from Pastor Preus' article. The entire article can be found on the LCMS.org website. It is a great reminder to us, regardless of their age, that we are to "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

"The duty to teach children is the primary duty of fathers and mothers."

"God gave children to parents. Through them God desires to bring them to the waters of Holy Baptism and raise them in the faith. It is to parents that God gives the charge to instruct their children in the way they should go.

And yet in the same way that many parents surrender their duty to the state, similarly many Christian parents think that they have done their duty to raise Christian children if they only bring them to church and send them to catechism class. But this is also not true."

"God did not give our children to the church or to our pastor. He gave them to us."

"It is the parents who are duty-bound to bring their children to the font. God gives them to us, and we give them back to God like Hannah did with Samuel.

We do this not by relinquishing our duty as Christian parents to volunteers at VBS or even to our pastor every Wednesday afternoon, but by taking our duty seriously.

It is parents who must teach them Bible stories and how to pray. Our pastors and Sunday School teachers may help us in this.

But just as the state can merely *serve* us in teaching our children useful skills, we must remember who it is to whom God gave them and who it is to whom they are to be subject.

When children know who it is to whom God gave them, and parents recall who it is to whom they gave them back, then children are all the better equipped to learn their lessons well, remembering both who their true Teacher is and to whom they truly belong."



Happy November Birthdays

11-1 Bob Knapp
11-1 Chris Duryea
11-3 Joanne Boomgarden
11-4 Susan Warner
11-4 Shelly Dunlop
11-5 Janel Kammerer
11-5 Jack Craig
11-6 Sherwood Dunlop
11-6 Ben Lepper
11-14 Cory McConnell
11-15 Jim McCreight

11-18 Cindy Delvalle 11-19 Laura Bradfield 11-21 Suzanne Holm 11-23 Tyler Dalton 11-24 Luther Berntson 11-25 Daniel Atkins 11-28 Sherry Kammerer 11-30 Justin Bauder 11-30 Heather Davis <u>Happy November</u> <u>Anniversary</u>

11-11 Bob & Linda Knapp

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!

Operation Christmas Child

Only 3 More Weeks to Pack Your Christmas Shoe Boxes! Start now collecting material for your children's Christmas box. Pick up the informational and instructional brochure at the Operation Christmas Child display in the church lobby and get started on your box(es) now. All boxes must be returned to the church no later than November 21st at 9am.

CONCORDIA TO SERVE AS ROUTT AND JACKSON COUNTY COLLECTION CENTER FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Concordia will be collecting Operation Christmas Child Christmas shoeboxes from churches and individuals in Routt and Jackson County . We will receive the boxes, pack them in large shipping boxes and deliver them to the regional collection center. A few volunteers might be needed. Let the church office know if you can help.







Christmas Bazaar: 11/19 9am-12pm

Cookie Baking Days: 11/4, 11/7, 11/8, 11/16

We need your help for our Christmas Bazaar:

Please consider donating your homemade breads & bakery items; candies & fudge; fancy snacks; jellies & jams; Dry mixes such as soup, cookies, beverages (include recipe to complete); homemade pet treats.

Drop items to Concordia no later than Friday, November 18th.

Thank You for your help!

Thanksgiving Eve Service Soup & Pie Dinner 11/23/16



Mark you calendars!!!

We will have soup and pie and then a service upstairs in the Sanctuary.

A Sign up for a few soup makers will be out shortly. As in the past, please bring a pie or dessert to share.



Concordia Members' Corner.....

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

<u>Christmas Bazaar</u>: Saturday, November 19th Crafters, Cookie Bakers, Specialty Item Makers... we need you!

Tailgate & Broncos game: Join us on Sunday, November 6th! We will be "tailgating" downstairs 6pm (bring tailgate food to share) and then watching the game at 6:30pm downstairs on the tv. Bring your comfy camp chair!

CONCORDIA'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY YTD Through September 2016

P&L SUMMARY	YTD ACT	YTD BUD	Budget
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$191,045	\$207,185	(\$16,140)
EXPENSES	\$212,089	\$226,254	(\$14,165)
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) (Contrib. over Expenses)	(\$21,044)	(\$ 19,069)	(\$1,975)

CASH AVAILABLE at September 30, 2016:

YVB CHECKING		\$ 15,932
LCEF MMF TOTAL		\$151,315
LESS SPECIFIED		(\$104,763)
LCEF AVAILABLE	<u>\$ 46,552</u>	
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	\$62,484	

MORTGAGE BALANCE (3.875%) -

\$213,576