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August, 2018

Precious Family of Jesus!

"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen."

This is Paul's greeting to the congregations in Galatia. With this greeting, he presents the focus and message of Galatians, revealing the conflict between the Lord Jesus Christ and the present evil age. This is a conflict that cuts through every human being, influencing families, friendships, places of business and across our society. We need to be delivered!

Our Sunday mornings throughout June and July provided the opportunity to witness this personal conflict as we considered The Fruit of the Holy Spirit. This listing of the Spirit's "produce" is in direct opposition to The Sins of Human Beings. I encourage your reflection and application of the "New Creation Fruit Salad," taking advantage of the brief descriptions made available to you last Sunday.

"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

This is Paul's greeting to the church in Ephesus. Shorter and simpler, but no less powerful. Right after this greeting, I love how Paul immediately responds with an affirmation of God's Grace and God's Peace. In my view, reading, studying, taking-to-heart and turning-to-action the awesome paragraph of Ephesians 1:3-14 is a most worthy undertaking. Over my years of pastoral counseling, I have encouraged many to read this meaningful paragraph, observing nearly miraculous personal transformations.

This Sunday begins a four-week sermon series titled "Making All Things New." Spoken by the "voice from the throne" comes the emphasis of what is made new: "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away" (Revelation 22).

The Scripture readings for the month connect Ephesians (to whom the Revelation was written) with Jesus (the Source of the Revelation). Throughout the month of August, we will read meaningful portions of Ephesians and John 6 as we learn to practice the making of the "New Life, New Society, New Standards and New Relationships." This is the focus of the New Creation! This is the work of God in the world today!

Paul concludes Ephesians with "Peace be to the brothers and sisters, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with love incorruptible." I desire the same for you!

Luv ya'! Pastor Craig

Happy August Birthdays!

8-1 Jan Theadore8-8 Heidi Theis8-8 Anna Schumacher8-12 Joni Moss

8-22 Dawn Moon8-23 Ben Wharton8-26 William McConnell

Happy August Anniversary!

8-8 Andy & Sandra Hogrefe

- 8-10 Jeff & Mary Oamek
- 8-10 John & Heidi Theis

If we missed your birthday or anniversary we are sorry. Please call the church office and let us know so that we can update our records for the next time!

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

<u>Wild West Relay</u>: Saturday, August 4th

Men's Bible Study Breakfast:

Saturday, August 11th at 7am at the *Egg & I*.

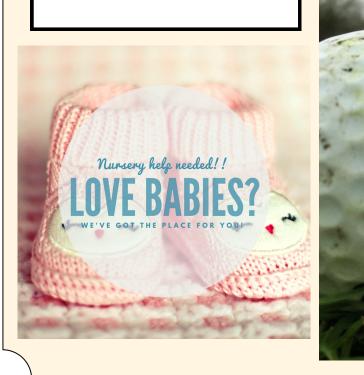
Community Bible Study:

- The women's study begins August 23rd from 9-11am and 6-7:30pm. Contact Lori Harrington (970-819-1643), or Susie Rinn (970-846-6503) for more info.
- The *men's* study begins September 6th from 6-7:30pm. Contact Pastor Craig (970-879-0175) for more info.

Men's Fellowship:

Monday, August 27th at 5pm at *Dude* & *Dans*.

Women's Fellowship: Monday, August 27th at 5pm at Aurum





Tuesday, August 7th @ 6:30pm

AMARIS DURYEA MISSION UPDATE

Come celebrate what the Lord has done!!

GOLF OUTING

The Outreach Committee is excited to announce that they are hosting a golf outing for the Church members on Sunday, August 19th, at the Steamboat Golf Club.

There will be a shotgun start at 3:00 p.m., followed by a hamburger/hot dog dinner and drinks. The cost is \$25 for 9 holes, plus \$10 if you want a golf cart. Dinner is an additional \$10.

For those who are not golfers, you can still come and enjoy the dinner afterward!

Please contact: Todd Elenz (819-6369 / todd.elenz@gmail.com) Barb Illenberger (630-696-8511) or Linda Knapp (517-281-7756) to RSVP as soon as possible.

CONCORDIA'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY YTD Through June 2018

			Over/(Under)
P&L SUMMARY	YTD ACT	YTD BUD	Budget
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$129,327	\$132,710	(\$3,383)
EXPENSES	\$144,935	\$143,433	\$1,502
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) (Contrib. over Expenses)	(\$15,608)	(\$ 10,723)	(\$4,885)

CASH AVAILABLE at June 30, 2018: YVB CHECKING LCEF MMF Balance LESS SPECIFIED PORTION	\$168,513 (\$120,409)	\$ 20,411
LCEF AVAILABLE	<u>, </u>	<u>\$ 48,104</u>
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE		\$ 68,515
MORTGAGE BALANCE (3.875%)		\$181,528



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Prayer Ministry Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Responsible Liberty	2 Unity & Harmony	3 Confirmands	4 City Council
5 Those with addictions	6 Elders	7 President, Leaders from highest office on down	8 Hospice Patients and Workers	9 Concordia Youth	10 Favorable Weather	11 Mission Workers
12 Pastor Craig & Sheryl	13 Church Council	14 Concordia Lutheran Congregation	15 Roger Schleckte RMD President	16 US Military & their families	17 Adventures in Missions	18 Those fighting Cancer
19 Fathers	20 Selah	21 Lift Up	22 SK8 Church	23 Sun Valley Youth Center	24 Health Care Workers	25 Routt County Teachers, Students, Administrators, Support Personnel
26 REPS	27 Gideons	28 Concordia Seminary	29 Shut-Ins	30 Colorado Mountain College	31 Mission Experience	