



## Concordia Lutheran Church

*"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"*

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Greetings to all of you in the name of the Lord Jesus!

Many years ago, watching a talent show on TV, I remember a man who spun plates on poles. He started one plate spinning, then another and another and another until he had more than 20 plates spinning. The interesting, and somewhat comedic, aspect of his act was his need to keep all the plates spinning – so none would fall – while adding more and more. He was frantically racing back and forth, attempting to keep all the plates spinning.

This sounds like our world today. While some aspects seem to be rapidly breaking apart, other aspects seem to be finally working better. There are a lot of plates spinning, some are crashing, some are wobbling.

We are coming out of previous "Safer at Home" protocols into the "Safer at Home and in the Vast, Great Outdoors" protocols. This feels like an improvement.

At the same time, our cities are experiencing a wide variety of protests, riots, demonstrations, and looting alongside of acts of heroism, self-sacrifice, solidarity, and compassion.

This is the world God loves! This Sunday you will hear "For this is how God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son." The "world" in question here is the chaotic, rebellious, broken, sinful, hurting, wounded world that rejects the Word and Ways of the LORD God. Our Savior loves this world ... seems we can do no less.

I imagine, as I watch the images the media broadcast, what could happen if, rather than throwing "rocks" at one another over the various issues, we would gather around the Rock, listening to Him – to one another – as He guides our conversations. This has certainly been proposed before ... maybe it is time to do it in each community.

I was talking with a small group yesterday, pondering why it seems to be so difficult for people to affirm the value and dignity of every human life. This is what we learn from the Rock of our Salvation! This is "God so loves the world."

How many "plates" do you have spinning these days? Is there any way we can support you? Any way we can pray for you? Any way we can help?

The LORD be with you as you reflect His Joy and Life to many others!

Luv ya'!

Pastor Craig

### Happy June Birthdays

06/03 Linda Knapp

06/08 PJ Wharton

06/09 Sandra Hogrefe

06/10 Rod Olinger

06/12 Amy Wharton

06/14 Paul Draper

06/19 Aaron Hornstein

06/20 John Vande Velde

06/20 Nikki Vande Velde

06/22 Noah Riemenschneider

06/23 Kim Vance

06/23 Kyle Kounovsky

06/27 Kathy Deepe

### Happy June Anniversaries

06/06 PJ & Amy Wharton

06/12 Gary & Bonnie Baggenstoss

06/14 Albert & Kathy Deepe

06/16 Marty & Joanne Boomgarden



# Drive - In Services



Bring your lawnchairs!!



This Sunday  
@ 9am

## SUMMER WILDFLOWER PHOTO CONTEST

MEMORIAL DAY

-  
LABOR DAY



**We are having a Summer Wildflower Photo Contest  
from Memorial Day to Labor Day!**

You can submit your photo by email: [concordia@steamboatlutheran.com](mailto:concordia@steamboatlutheran.com),  
text: 970-846-0749 or post on our Facebook page: [SteamboatLutheran](https://www.facebook.com/SteamboatLutheran).



We are so excited to announce that **VBS WILL BE HAPPENING** this year! With one modification, though. Instead of you bringing your kids to **VBS**, we're bringing **VBS** to your kids.

This summer, on **July 6-8**, we'll be using a quarantine-friendly **VBS** called **BOLT**. With minimal preparation, easy-to-follow instructions, and a video that leads you and your kids step-by-step through each of the 3 days, **BOLT** is designed for you to perform with your family at home. And... if these dates don't work for you, you can access the materials at any time and use them when they work for your family!

During **BOLT**, your family will participate in fun games that illustrate what it means to listen to, focus on, and follow Jesus. Depending on your pace, you can expect that each day's experience will last about an hour and a half. It's great for kids 5 and up. Even middle and high school kids can enjoy it!

If you feel comfortable gathering with more people, you can invite as many neighbors, friends, and family to your house for **BOLT** as you would like. It's such an easy and fun way to share the good news of Jesus with our community.

To get a better idea of what **BOLT** is, click on the link below  
(but don't let your kiddos see it just yet--we want to save the fun for later!)

### [BOLT day 2 sample video](#)

Click on the link below to **register** and we will send you more information as we get closer to July 6-8.  
Feel free to share this link with others!!!

### [VBS 2020 Registration](#)

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