



Concordia Lutheran Church

"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

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Blessings upon Concordia Friends and Family!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you!

What a celebration of and send off for Pastor Craig and Sheryl! I know that we here at Concordia will miss them dearly as they begin their new chapter or book, whichever Pastor Craig and Sheryl decide to write. Our prayers are for God to bless whatever path He chooses for them and that He will prosper and enrich their lives and the lives of those they cross paths with.

Now that God has brought me here to become a part of the Concordia family, I am so excited to see what He has in store for us! Pastor Craig left some big shoes to fill but I am confident that with God's help and the Concordia family's help we can and will do some exciting things!

I would like to thank the Elders who spent many hours and meticulously researched and sought for an interim pastor and choose me from the list of candidates. Your confidence in me is very honoring and I will do my very best, with God's help, to be the pastor you need and deserve.

I see that we have some exciting things coming as we approach the holiday season with Thanksgiving right around the corner and we know Christmas comes up fast after that. My prayer is that as we get busy that we do not leave Jesus out of our planning, our celebrations and our thoughts.

Don't forget to mark your calendars that our Advent Suppers/Services are on Wednesdays, November 30th, December 7th and 14th. Christmas Caroling on December 21st!

Again, thank you to the Elders and members here at Concordia for the warm welcome and vote of confidence! I am excited to see how God will grow and stretch us in the coming months!

Last Sunday's New Testament reading (Romans 3:19-28) talks about those who are "in the law." And that no mortal can be declared "in the right." The Pharisees at this point had turned the 10 commandments given to Moses on Mount Sinai into 613 laws. There is no mortal way that we on our own could ever live up to the 10 much less 613!

It is through the faithfulness of Jesus that bore our sin on the cross that He was able to turn these mountainous commandments/laws into two, Love God, Love others (Matthew 22:37-39). We can only follow these two with the help of God the Holy Spirit working in, through and with us. For this to happen we must remain connected to God through His Word, prayer and fellowship with other believers.

My prayer is that we do just that stay connected and engaged with God the Father through His Word (God the Son), in prayer (God the Holy Spirit), and in fellowship with His community. Amen!

God's Love and Blessings be ever abundant in your lives!

Pastor Dennis

Happy November Anniversaries

No Anniversaries for November

Happy November Birthdays

11/01	Chris Duryea	11/19	Laura Rende
11/02	Landon Fisbeck	11/21	Suzanne Holm
11/03	Joanne Boomgarden	11/22	Holly Rose Thompson
11/05	Jack Craig	11/30	Riemenschneider

Please
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to pray for
the Call
Committee



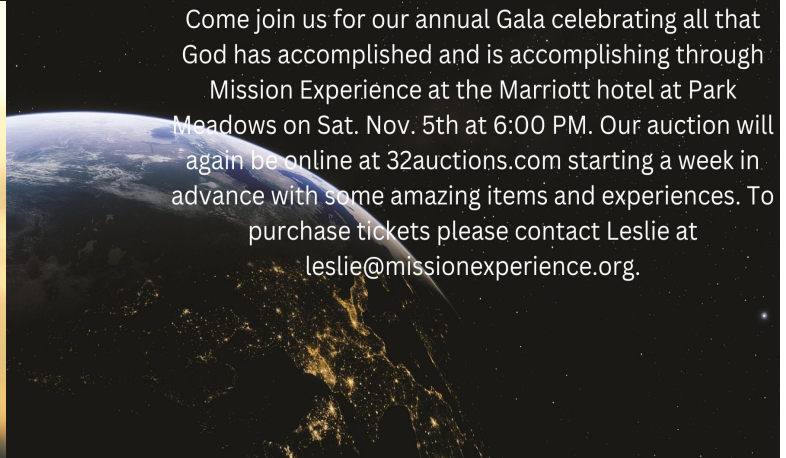
Elder Meeting
Monday, November 7th



Parish Council Meeting
Monday, November 14th
@ 6pm



Come join us for our annual Gala celebrating all that God has accomplished and is accomplishing through Mission Experience at the Marriott hotel at Park Meadows on Sat. Nov. 5th at 6:00 PM. Our auction will again be online at 32auctions.com starting a week in advance with some amazing items and experiences. To purchase tickets please contact Leslie at leslie@missionexperience.org.



If you need any help getting ready for winter or could use assistance with something, your Outreach Committee can assist. Talk to/call/text Bert (970-846-2354) or Cindy (970-819-7772) Svendsen



Nominations for Council positions need to be submitted before the Voter Assembly meeting on November 13th



To Concordia Lutheran Church, a beautiful expression of the Bride of Christ!

Grace and Peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus. Blessed are those who hear the Word of the Lord, who read this Word within the community and who implement His Word into their individual and communal lives.

Sheryl and I want to express our gratitude to and for you! You have honored us with the privilege of living and serving among you. You have humbled us with your generosity, love, and support. You expressed the "loving heart of Jesus" towards us throughout our seven years with you and, most especially, this past weekend. Your special gifts, coupled with the wonderful brunch were meaningful and will be cherished for years to come. We have entered our retirement years with many memories, many friends, many smiles, and, yes, a few tears. You cannot be forgotten!

We will cherish you always, thinking of you and, honestly, looking forward to a return visit to be among you. We will hold you in our hearts with fondness and joy, considering you our "Forever Family," keeping you in our prayers! We noticed that many of you were not willing to say "goodbye." Rather, as we know, "see you later."

For now, as I mentioned to you this past Sunday, be the Christian family you were baptized to be. Become the people God's Son gave His Life for. Express the love of Jesus to one another and to the Valley. Live united against all that would seek to devour you. Share New Creation Life with all. Discuss and develop ways to put into practice the three shortest sermons I know: "God loves you," "Jesus is Lord," and "The Holy Spirit is among us"!

With all our love and gratitude, and in the Name of the Lord Jesus,

Pastor Craig and Sheryl



A saint was asked,
"What is anger?"

He gave a beautiful answer,
"It is a punishment that we
give ourself, for someone
else's mistake.

—UNKNOWN

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**Knotty Christians will be
taking a break until January.
See you then!!!!**

Being a Christian is like being a
pumpkin. God **picks you** from
the patch, brings you in, and
washes off all the dirt. Then He
cuts the top and **scoops out** all
the yucky stuff. He **removes the**
seeds of doubt, hate, and greed.
Last, He **carves you** a new smiling
face and **puts His light inside**
of you to shine for all the
world to see!

LiftUp's Hope for the
Future Scholarship is
now open for
applications for the
Spring 2023 semester.
Applications must be
submitted by
November 15th. See
Leigh in the church
office for an
application.



**Cookie Caper Baking will
be held from 10am to
2pm on Nov 1st, Nov 4th,
Nov 8th, Nov 11th, Nov 14
and Nov 16th. Come join
us for fun and
fellowship!!!**



**SIS wants to pass along a
heartfelt THANK YOU to all that
prayed and helped with the
rummage sale**



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