

# Concordia Newsletter

April 2017



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH AND CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL

*Christ shaping us into community here...  
Empowering us to impact community there.*

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Part-time*

## Just These Lines, My Friends...

Our herb garden has come back to life! It is something that I appreciate more and more each year. Located near the outdoor grill, it is convenient for me to add a little rosemary over steaks... a little parsley over salmon... some basil or chives over pork... Seasoning is added for the purpose of making something more full and pleasurable.

God “seasons our lives” in similar ways. There are times when he takes us through a little Season of Lent or the Season of Easter. Often we think that these are seasons that we hurry through to simply get to what comes next. Or we think of these seasons as a way to mark time, as in, “Wow, is it Easter time already?” God however, has a different purpose. He desires to make our lives more full and pleasurable.

God is actually using these to “Season” our lives! His desire is to make us “flavorful” people who carry his message in a way that is a delight to others. The bible even talks about the “pleasing aroma” that we can be to Him!

The Easter Season(ing) is especially sweet. St. Paul in II Corinthians 2: 14-15 speaks of Jesus’ resurrection this way:

*Thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him. For we are to God the aroma of Christ ...*

So what are my cooking secrets? I’ll tell you. The trick when cooking these steaks and salmon with seasoning is the amount of exposure they receive. Sometimes I let the meat sit on the fresh herbs for a couple hours before I finish them off on the grill.

That’s God’s secret too. Easter isn’t simply a “quick exposure” to the resurrection event. Easter is even more than for only one day. God has turned it into a season that lasts for 50 days! In fact this year it lasts all the way to Pentecost—which is June 4<sup>th</sup>! There’s time for God to let His love settle onto you by the power of his word. Marinate yourselves in prayer as he “works in you what is pleasing.” Allow the fellowship of other Christians be a “rub” that warms you.

God has the desire in this season to richly supply you with  
his...word...prayer...worship...fellowship.

Pastor Schudde



# HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

*Worship Schedule*

### ***Palm Sunday***

8:00 a.m. Early Service/ 10:30 a.m. Festival Service/ 10:45 a.m. Praise Service

### ***Maundy Thursday***

Noon and 6:30 p.m. Communion Services (In the Main Sanctuary)

### ***Good Friday***

Noon and 6:30 p.m. (In the Chapel and the Main Sanctuary)

### ***Easter Sunday***

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service / 10:30 a.m. Festival Service / 10:45 a.m. Praise Service

### **Easter Breakfast**

This Year Provided by:

Boy Scout Troop 383

Served from 8:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

... with proceeds going toward their summer trips to Sea Base in Florida  
or Camp Bud Schiele

# **IT IS FINISHED**

A LENTEN STUDY OF CHRIST'S FINAL WORDS ON THE CROSS

## Our Lenten Journey "It Is Finished—The 7 Last Words of Jesus"

Final Lenten Service:

Wednesday 04/05: "It is Finished/ Into Your Hands I commit My Spirit."

### **Final Sunday Lenten Sermon**

#### **Theme: Conquering Half-Truths**

Basis: half-truth (n) 1. A statement that mingles truth and falsehood with a deliberate intent to deceive.

All through the Lenten Journey toward the cross, Jesus confronts directly or indirectly Satan's "half-truths." We are still confronted by Satan's half-truths today as Satan seeks to bring deception into our lives, into our community, and our relationships.

4/2 Lent 5 When We Die our Soul is with Jesus

## First Communion for 8<sup>th</sup> Graders

Palm Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> will be the First Communion for our first year Confirmation Class. The following youth will have been thoroughly instructed in the significance of the Lord's Supper:

A.J. Baker	Jaden Burgess
Trey Carlton	Mary Elizabeth Carter
Victoria Charles	Fiona Finch
Paige Furr	Brenden Harrison
Cole Hass	Chloe Hedrick
Josie Munday	Gracin Roseman
Jack Tomlinson	Ben Watson

Please pray for these youth as they take this important step in their life of faith.



**Prime Timers** met Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> for a great pot luck luncheon and followed by our **annual Event Planning meeting**. We have a great lineup of events planned for each month of the coming year! Rumor has it that **Elvis will be appearing at our May meeting** and singing for us. That will be a Prime Timers meeting that you won't want to miss! We will have more information about coming events at a later date. We invite any past Prime Timers and ones that are in their Prime to join us for an eventful day. **Meetings are the second Monday of the month at 11:30 am in the Emmaus Room. Guests are always welcome.**

Welcome to Spring, which began March 20<sup>th</sup>! It's time to start thinking about Vacation... trips to the beach, high school and college graduations and outdoor activities. The Prime Timers monthly meeting scheduled for April was to be held on Monday, the 10th, at Brookwood Cafe and Catering, 202 Providence Mill

Road, Maiden. When making the arrangements, we found out they are closed on Mondays. The planning board will decide if we want to change the meeting day to Tuesday, the 11th of April. We are planning on most members meeting at Church at 11am and either carpooling or caravan to the restaurant. The confirmation of the changes will be announced at a later date.

After our March meeting, we enjoyed stuffing eggs for the Easter egg hunt for the children. Isn't it strange how when we reach the so called Golden Years of our lives, we seem to be busier now than when we were younger? If any member has information they would like to add to monthly newsletter, please pass the information on to either our President or Vice President.

### **News from Children's Minister, Belinda Bost:**



On Palm Sunday, Kindergarten – 4<sup>th</sup> grade Power Hour classes will gather together to make Holy Week boxes. The Holy Week box will help children have a better understanding of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday and will be a keepsake for retelling the events of the Passion each year. Look for the story on the Children's Ministry bog at [www.concordiakids.blogspot.com](http://www.concordiakids.blogspot.com). Also, they will be participating in the 10:30 Festival Service. The children will be part of the procession of palms and will sing an anthem with the choir.

The coming weeks bring opportunities to reach out to our community and our school families.



Our annual Community Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:00 am in the church sanctuary and ending at 1:00 pm. Families will view a video using Lego blocks and figures to tell the Passion story beginning with Palm Sunday and ending with the empty tomb. Pizza and beverages will be served. All children from walkers to 4<sup>th</sup> graders are welcomed to come and hunt over 2,000 eggs. Project Grants from Thrivent and donations from our congregation help to make this free fun family community event possible. Grand Prizes such as a Bike, a Scooter, and a Radio Flyer 4-1 Trike will be given away, as well as other fun prizes. Treat bags will include the Easter Story for kids and information about our Easter worship services and our VBS . In case of rain everything will be moved inside the church. Look for the candy/prize donation baskets. It takes lots of candy to fill 2000 eggs. Our community Egg Hunt is peanut free.

VBS Mighty Fortress- In Jesus the Victory is Won!

June 6 -22 Dinner 5:15-6:00 and Program 6:15-8:30

Online registration is now open. Use this link to register

<https://vbsmate.com/ConcordiaKids>

Looking for folks to help now with constructing our main Mighty Fortress scene. Contact Belinda Bost [bbost@concordianc.org](mailto:bbost@concordianc.org) or Cameron Lundy [lundyc0917@yahoo.com](mailto:lundyc0917@yahoo.com)



Family Camp! September 22-24. Come and get to know your Concordia Family. You can find Camp Linn Haven brochures at the welcome centers. Visit their website at [www.camplinnhaven.org](http://www.camplinnhaven.org)

Belinda Bost, Children's Minister

[bbost@concordianc.org](mailto:bbost@concordianc.org) or at 828 244-1905



## **Stewardship Corner...**

Easter is a moveable feast. Easter isn't on the same calendar date every year in the way that Christmas is always celebrated on December 25. The date for Easter each year always falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring equinox. And once you find the date of Easter, everything else finds its place—Good Friday and Maundy Thursday, Ash Wednesday and the Transfiguration, the Ascension of our Lord and Pentecost.

All this is a long way of saying that Easter determines everything. Easter defines everything. It orders not only the entire church year, but it orders our very lives. It defines and gives meaning to our lives, as well to the things that happen in them. And since Easter defines everything, that means it changes everything too. It redefines who we are and where we stand with God and with one another. Easter makes all things new.

Without Easter, Jesus would not be raised from the dead. Without Easter death would still reign, we would still be in our trespasses and sins, and our faith and hope would be in vain. But Jesus is raised from the dead. Easter changes everything. It makes all things new. Therefore, darkness is overcome with light, wrath with peace, fear with hope, angst with rest,

sadness with joy, hatred with love, sin with righteousness, and death with life. Easter changes everything, redefines everything, and determines everything. Easter makes all things new.

Thus, Easter also changes our attitude about giving. For if God gave us His own Son into death so that we will live, how will He not give us everything else we need? He will, and He does. He provides for us. He even gives us the gifts that we give back to Him for service in the church. Easter demonstrates that we have a God who loves us, a God who provides for us, a God who presses us into His service, a God who has made us new in the death and resurrection of His Son.

For when you give to the church, you pass along those things that God alone has given to you. You pass along the message to others that Easter changes everything and makes all things new, even as it has done this for you. This is not a burden, but pure joy. For God has given you a part in the administration of His kingdom. He provides for the needy through your hands. He ensures that the Gospel is preached and the Sacraments are given out through the work of your hands and in the gifts that you give. And He honors and blesses this work and generosity as it rebounds to those around you.

So when you sit down on the first day of the week to make your offering to the place where Easter is proclaimed and where the gifts of Easter are given out, remember: Easter changes everything. It makes all things new. More than that: Easter has changed you and made you new. Because Jesus who was crucified for our transgressions is raised for our justification.

## *caring tip*

from Stephen Ministries

Cancer turns life upside down and brings all kinds of challenges and difficult emotions, both for the person with cancer and his or her loved ones. Those struggles and feelings can be difficult to deal with alone—or to talk about with others.

One of the most valuable gifts you can offer to someone at such a critical time is to listen in a caring, empathetic way, providing a safe, accepting space where the person can let it all out—without fear of being judged or criticized.

The book [\*Cancer—Now What?\*](#) calls someone who does this a "Triple-A Friend," because such a friend will **Accept Absolutely Anything** the other person may need to share.

How can you be a Triple-A Friend to someone you know who has cancer or who has a loved one with cancer? Here are a few suggestions:

- Give the other person your undivided attention—and show it through your eye contact, body language, and verbal responses.
- Listen, listen, listen. Ideally, you'll say very little, keeping the focus on what the other person has to say.
- Don't try to fix the other person's situation or tell him or her what to do. You're there to listen and care, not to solve everything.

When you encounter someone dealing with cancer—or any other difficult time in life—relate as a Triple-A Friend and offer the precious gift of acceptance.

# DID YOU KNOW



## **Did you know?**

Membership directories are available anytime during the year. They can be found within an arm's reach of the church office window. Pick one up!

To subscribe to announcements from the church, go to our website at <http://concordianc.org/home.php>. Near the bottom of the page, you will see a blue box that says "Sign Up." Enter your email address in the box and click on the "Subscribe" button. You will begin receiving announcements from the church office. You can do the same for CCDS! Go to their website at <http://school.concordianc.org/> and look for the same "Sign Up" box. The school sends out a newsletter each week. Keep informed about what our school is doing.

Concordia Highlights are sent out each week from the church office from a private email list that is maintained by the staff. If you would like to receive the highlights each week, please let the church office know by emailing your intention to Susan Harman at [sharman@concordianc.org](mailto:sharman@concordianc.org).

Don't forget that we have a Facebook page! Is your church group active in the community? Is your small group working on a project? Would you like to have it posted on Facebook? Send the information about your event/activity to [sharman@concordianc.org](mailto:sharman@concordianc.org) and we will share it with our Facebook followers!



Saturday, April 15  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Ages: Little Ones - 4<sup>th</sup> grade  
Rain or shine we will hunt!

Donations are needed!

- Wrapped candy ( peanut free)
- Character band-aids
- Fruit snacks

**Please drop off all donations into the marked Egg Hunt boxes located at both the church and school.**

For questions or to help with planning contact  
Belinda Bost, Children's Minister  
[bbost@concordianc.org](mailto:bbost@concordianc.org) or 828-464-3324



## **ALL IN THE FAMILY**

*(This is an update of the happenings in the Life of Concordia since the last Newsletter)*

## **Hospital/Out Patient**

David N. Smith, Ann Sigmon, Anna Lou Kaylor, Landon Hunsucker, Darlene Allen and Brayton Vetter

## **Sympathy To**

Carol Wolfe and family upon the death of her father-Tom Long, Sr.  
Sue Ballbach and family upon the death of her mother-Caroline Zahn  
Amanda Campbell and family upon the death of her father-Fred Reid  
Shauna Kent and family upon the death of her father-Jerry Tilley

## **Other Prayer Needs**

Our church and school staff and students  
The unchurched in our area and throughout the world  
Our church, school, and leadership  
Our national and world leaders



"He is Risen!"

## Youth Ministry Info for April 2017

**"He is not here; he has risen..." Matthew 28:6**



### First Communion for Confirmands:

April 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am is Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

**April 9<sup>th</sup> - Palm Sunday at 10:30am Worship Service**

### The Sr. Youth Council & Youth Ministry Team meet April 2nd:

We meet at 12pm at El Paso Restaurant in Conover.

### Pre-Teen Youth will help @ Easter Egg Hunt-April 15th

All 5-6<sup>th</sup> grade youth are welcomed and encouraged to help us set up for this year's Children's Easter Egg Hunt. Meet at 10:00am to hide eggs before the event starts at 11:00am.

### Wednesday Night Youth restarts on April 26th:

6:00pm is hang time

6:30pm is SOS/Confirmation



### "The Skit Guys" are coming to town on April 30th:

We are taking all our youth to see "The Skit Guys" on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm at Bethel Lutheran Church. See Chris for group tickets...they are \$8.00 each. First come, first serve!



## **Join us for Easter Breakfast!**

Our **Boy Scouts** will be hosting Concordia's Easter Breakfast in the Family Life Center from 8:00-10:15am on Easter Sunday.

## **Join us for Easter Worship!**

7:00am Sunrise Worship  
10:30am Traditional Worship  
10:45am Praise Worship

## **Join us for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday!**

12:00pm (noon) and 6:30pm Worship



### **The Prom Experience:**

Prom is a highlight for many high school students; yet for some it can be a frustrating event. Here are some suggestions.

1. Pray for God's insight and blessing.
2. Consider going with a group of friends.
3. Buy or rent dress and tux early.
4. Take lots of pictures.
5. Verify schedules (car, dinner, dance, late night, etc.)
6. Parents talk with your youth about expectations!

Have fun!

**DCE Chris L. Henze -- Youth Minister**



**Emmaus Room-Sundays @ 9:15** – Led by Steve Bost

**Adult Room #1-Sundays @ 9:15** – Led by Cindy Sigmon

**Youth Central –Sundays @ 9:15**- Pre-Teens, Jr. Youth and Sr. Youth-  
Led by the Youth Ministry Team

**Weekday Bible Studies:**

**Mondays:** 6-7:30pm-1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays-Young Adults 20-35  
Brian Long Center-

**Tuesdays:** **Emmaus Room- @ 6:30pm-**  
Teacher, Steve Bost

**Wednesdays:** 7am Ladies' Bible Study –Adult Room #1  
Led by Kim Hauser  
9:15am-Ladies Bible Study  
10am – Bible Study – First & Third Wednesdays  
6:30pm-Youth SOS/Confirmation

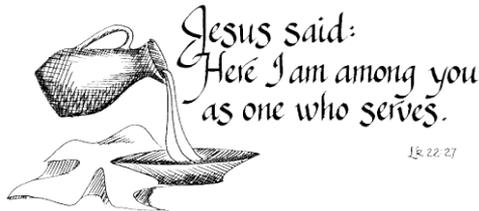
**Thursdays:** 7am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study –  
Led by David Isenhower. AHEC 105 CVMC

6:30pm FAITHbooking – Emmaus Room  
Led by Belinda Bost

**FAITHbooking** We continue to explore Visual Faith, Praying in Color and Bible Journaling techniques using scripture and hymns. During this small group time we learn how to take our favorite scripture, hymns and inspirational quotes and turn them into gift giving from the heart and get ideas on how to decorate our homes with our faith. In addition, Susan Allison will introduce us to the Prayer Shawl Ministry. Contact Belinda Bost at 828-244-1905- [bbost@concordianc.org](mailto:bbost@concordianc.org) or Susan Allison at 828-728-7390- [allisons@charter.net](mailto:allisons@charter.net)

**Sundays:** 6:30pm Needle Arts Small Group-  
“Living a Chocolate Life”  
Brian Long Center-Led by Susan Harman-April 30<sup>th</sup>,  
May 14<sup>th</sup> and May 28<sup>th</sup>

## **Mission & Ministry Volunteer Opportunities**



† **Highways & Hedges:** Needs help the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays from 4-7pm. Concordia is scheduled to serve on **April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at 4pm**. Call Smitty Bolick at [828-310-9589](tel:828-310-9589) if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

† **The Corner Table Serving Groups: Souper Stars and Sonshiners.** More people are needed to serve on these team. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, contact Betty Heavner at 828-234-2898. Serving dates for April are as follows:

April 6<sup>th</sup> - Souper Stars  
April 27<sup>th</sup> – Sonshiners

Concordia's Mission and Ministry Board is partnering with Concordia Christian Day School during the month of April so support Hope Garden (**Help Our People Eat**). This organization has two gardens, one in Newton and

one in Hickory. The gardens supply fresh vegetables to those in need and use volunteers to work in the gardens. The fresh vegetables and fruit produced is given to the Epilepsy Network, Hickory Soup Kitchen, ECCCM (Eastern Catawba Cooperative Christian Ministry) of Newton. They also received donated produce, which the school science classes produce using their green house and garden area to grow. This organization also accepts financial donations. Please make your check out to Concordia Lutheran Church and designate in the memo section that this donation is for the School's Hope Garden Project. Please place your check in the offering plate and the church office will make sure it gets to the Day School.

The Mission and Ministry Board is partnering with Concordia Christian Day School during the month of May to help the school's Scholarship Fund. The fund accepts financial donations to provide the school with the ability to provide families in need with tuition assistance. Please make your check out to Concordia Lutheran Church and designate in the memo section that this donation is for the School's Scholarship Fund Project. Please place your check in the offering plate and the church office will make sure it gets to the Day school

The Mission and Ministry Board is partnering with ECCCM in their annual Spring Hunger Challenge. The Spring Hunger Challenge is vital to our community as over 20% of our population is living with food insecurity. Their goal is to raise \$5,000 during March and April. This can be achieved in two ways: a financial contribution and/or a donation with one pound of food equaling \$1. The ECCCM Ministry on Wheels Program allows us to have a ECCCM van parked at our church to be filled with food donations. The van is scheduled to be parked in front of the church on April 18 and picked up on May 1. Also, you may give a monetary donation by making your check out to Concordia Lutheran Church and designate in the memo that this is for the ECCCM Spring Hunger Challenge. The donation can be placed in the offering plate and the church office will make sure the donations get to ECCCM. Imagine how wonderful it would be if every member brought one can of food, or contributed \$1!



The Corner Table will host their annual fundraiser, "Feed the Flock Gala", on June 2 at Moretz Mills, Hickory, NC. Last year they raised over \$49,000 at the Gala event which was approximately 22 % of their total budget. Tickets for this year's Gala go on sale April 1. Contact Betty Heavner (828-234-2898) to:

- \* Purchase Tickets for the Gala for \$75 each (\$50 tax deduction)
- \* Donate Silent Auction items or monetary donations which will be incorporated into a "Concordia Silent Auction Basket"
- \* Become a member of the Silent Auction Basket Committee
- \* Sign up to help sponsor the Gala. Sponsorships range from \$300 (2 Premium Seated Tickets w/\$250 tax deduction) up to \$5,000 (3 Premium Seated Tables for 8 w/24 tickets and \$4,400 tax deduction).

For more information, go to [www.thecornertable.org](http://www.thecornertable.org)." or contact Summer Jenkins, Executive Director of The Corner Table."



# HOLY GUACAMOLE!

Let's TACO 'bout how awesome you are!

The Corner Table Soup Kitchen is throwing a  
MEXICAN FIESTA just for you!

Hold onto your sombreros and get ready to Fiesta  
like there's no MANANA!

Saturday, April 22, 2017

11AM-1PM

First United Methodist Church

410 1st Avenue N

Conover, NC 28613

Hosted by Los Amigos on the Volunteer Support Committee

RSVP to Tina Campbell at [tcampbell@thecornertable.org](mailto:tcampbell@thecornertable.org)  
or 828-464-0355 by April 13th!

Prize Awarded for Best Costume!

If you have not had a chance to sign up with our **Bible Study provider, RightNow Media**, you can do so by going to:

**<https://www.RightNow.org/Account/Invite/ConcordiaLutheran>** .

There are movies you can watch on family movie night as well as Bible studies for adults and youth. Children will also enjoy Veggie tales as well as many other resources made just for them. **No cost to join!**



Concordia Lutheran Church is planning to have a team to participate in The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Catawba County.

- The event will be held Friday, June 2 at 6:00pm - Saturday, June 3rd at 6:00am
- Location: The American Legion Fairground in Newton, NC
- To join our team or to donate, go to: [www.relayforlife.org/catawbanc](http://www.relayforlife.org/catawbanc)
- Our team name is "**Concordia Cancer Crusaders**"
- Contact Allison Crouse at [828-308-4383](tel:828-308-4383) or [allison.crouse@gmail.com](mailto:allison.crouse@gmail.com) for more information
- Be on the lookout for fundraising opportunities leading up to the event
- Thank you in advance for helping in the fight against cancer!



**SUNDAY BROADCASTS**

**WAIZ 630AM – 10:30am**

**WNNC 1230AM – 8:00am**

**WXRC 95.7 – 6:30am**

## April 2017

April 2

**"Freedom in the Spirit"** (Romans 8:1-11)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

Jesus frees you to be the person you were created, redeemed, and called to be.

April 9

**"Humble Strength for Eternal Salvation"** (Philippians 2:5-11)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

On Palm Sunday, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, not to set up an earthly kingdom but to overcome sin and death--for us.

April 16

**"Empty Tomb Hope!"** (Matthew 28:1-10)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

The assurance of Christ's resurrection turns wonder into reality and gives us an eternal hope.

April 23

**"A Living Hope for a 'Dead as Doornails' World"** (1 Peter 1:3-9)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

No matter how hard the world tries to shake our joy and faith, we have an inheritance in Christ that can never be taken away.

April 30

**"Unadulterated Fact"** (Acts 2:22-25)

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

The early believers knew two things to be true: Jesus performed miraculous works and He rose from the dead.



# **Concordia**

## **Christian Day School**

*A Tradition of Excellence in a Changing World*

### **Enroll Now for 2017-2018**

We are now accepting enrollment applications for the 2017-2018 school year. When you are talking with your family and friends about schools, please remind them of the outstanding Christian education available at Concordia. Call the school for a personal tour. We want every seat to be filled. We want every possible child to be given the opportunity to learn about Jesus.

### **Hearts for Jesus Project**

Our February Mission Project was to help our Southeastern District partner with the Orphan Grain Train and Lutheran Hour Ministries to provide sewing machines and training in skills for young women in Cameroon, Nicaragua, Liberia, and Kyrgyzstan. They did a great job of challenging our students to give up something so they could give that money. Their efforts were rewarded as our students donate, \$3,034.50. These funds will help purchase over 30 sewing machines. Thank you to all our parents for helping your children learn what it means to give so others have what we are blessed with every day.

### **HEART HOP KING AND QUEEN**

Congratulations to **Bryce Mitchell** and **Jay Sowers** who were crowned Heart Hop Queen and King at our Annual Heart Hop. A big Thank You to Jenny Eckard and the Heart Hop Committee, as well as the P.T.O. Board who made this event possible.

### **OPEN HOUSE**

**Friday, April 28, from 9:00 -11:00 am**

Concordia will be hosting an Open House Friday, April 28, from 9:00 am - 11:00 am. We are inviting anyone who would like to learn more about our school to join us. We have an amazing school and want to share our program with prospective parents and grandparents. We will start at 9:00 with a continental breakfast and registration. The Open House will include an information session with the principal as well as tours and visiting some classrooms. Visitors often remark that they never realized how huge our school was until they took a tour. Encourage your friends and relatives to check us out.

## 2nd QUARTER

# PRINCIPAL'S LIST & HONOR ROLL

The Principal's List includes students in 4th - 8th grades who have earned A's in every subject on their report card. Congratulations to the following students who have made the Principal's List:

**4th Grade:** Alice Christian, Ava Grace Noell, and Sara Sain

**5th Grade:** Brady Chamberlain, Peyton Gerken, and Bennett Tepper

**6th Grade:** Katie Grace DeHart, John Moore, Lizzie Sain, and Isabella Tupman

**7th Grade:** Eli Chellman, Jack Tomlinson, and Anna Grace Patel

**8th Grade:** Connor Matthews, Bryce Mitchell, and Wyatt Sain

The Honor Roll List is for students in 4th - 8th grades who have earned A's and B's in every subject on their report card. Congratulations to the following students who made the Honor Roll:

**4th Grade:** Ellie Adams, Jack Hoffman, Ada Jones, Brianna Miller, Paul Miller, Hailey Okuboye-Born, Presley Olson, Piper Travis, and Brianna Vanover

**5th Grade:** Will Choplin, Adrienne Fidler, Atticus Fidler, Drew Hass, Fernando Mendoza-Flores, Lucas Miller, Jacob Moore, Smith Swanson, and Charlie Tomlinson

**6th Grade:** Samantha Hawn, Hatley Hicks, Jake Lopina, Jenna Munday, Will Sigmon, Ella Smith, and Olivia Tate

**7th Grade:** Thomas Bryne, Mckayla Coletti, London Fidler, Paige Furr, Chloe Hedrick, Raul Mendoza-Flores, Sophia Mozgala, Luke Pritchard, Trey Carlton, Mary Elizabeth Carter

**8th Grade:** Emma Coffey, John Colton, Kate Foster, Anna Lopina, Aeryn Mastro, Josie Munday, Anna Patrick-Rappa, Maddy Phillips, Jay Sowers, Brad Tepper, and Hannah Sherrill

## SPORTS NEWS

Congrats to our golf team for winning their first golf match last month at Rock Barn. Great playing by all players to beat the other two teams by more than 20 strokes. Jack Tomlinson took low round honors over the whole field by shooting 43, Connor Matthews shot 44, Charlie Tomlinson 45, and Will Choplin 47 for the lowest 4 scores total=179. Other Concordia players scores included Hatley Hicks and Brady Chamberlain both shooting 52, and Atticus Fidler 56. This was Brady's and Atticus's first golf match, and they beat a third of the whole field. We are so proud of this golf team and are blessed. We wish them good luck at their next match today at the Warrior GC near Salisbury.

## **SUMMER DAY CAMP PROGRAMS**

**June 13 - August 12**

It's that time of year again! We offer two types of camps here at Concordia, a Preschool Program for rising PS-3 thru Kindergarten and a School Age Program for rising 1st Graders thru 12 years old. Both camp packets are available on the school website and in the School Office. Please return all forms and registration fee to the school office as soon as possible to reserve your child's spot this summer! The registration fee must accompany your application, or your application will not be accepted.

## **BETA CLUB CONVENTION**

Each year seventh and eighth grade Jr. Beta Club students from the state of North Carolina meet to compete in the state convention in Greensboro. The competition includes quiz bowls in areas such as Science, Social Studies, Language Arts, and Math in addition to competitions in the performing arts, poetry, T-shirt design, arts and crafts, scrapbooking, and living literature. At this year's convention, Jr. Beta Club students from Concordia distinguished themselves among other schools throughout the state by earning several awards.

Competing against as many as 50 other schools in North Carolina, Concordia students captured first place in the state in the Living Literature competition. In this category, students are responsible for creating a scene from a book of their choice and maintaining the identity of characters in the scene for extended periods of time. Concordia students, with the help of Katie Sigmon, Costume Manager of the Green Room in Newton, chose to create and act a scene from Peter Pan. For earning first place, Concordia was invited to represent North Carolina in the national Living Literature Competition in Orlando, FL this summer. Another area in which Concordia shined was in the recycling competition. Eighth grader, John Colton, created a chess game using Keurig K-cups and won third place with this recycled art project.

# **MAKE A DIFFERENCE PROJECT**

## **Donate Eye Glasses**

The 7th Grade Religion class was asked to come up with a project that would make a difference. Hallie Keil is working with The Lion's Club to collect used eyeglasses. The Lion's Club then gives them to people who are less fortunate and need corrective eyewear. You can help a child to read, an adult to succeed at their job, or help a senior to maintain independence. Look for donation boxes at the School and Church. Hallie will be collecting donations now thru March, 2017.

## **Homeless Veterans**

Our 7th grade class project, at Concordia Christian Day School, is to make a difference. We, Cole Dillard & Gracin Roseman, with the help of the Open Door Homeless Ministry, would like to make a difference in the lives of our homeless veterans! Unfortunately, in Catawba County, we have many whom are homeless, some of which are veterans who have served our country to allow us to have the freedom we know today. With the living conditions and the weather, their tents and sleeping bags have to be replaced often. We would like to be able to provide these to the veterans and homeless in need. We hope to raise at least \$3,300! Our goal is to donate 100 tents and sleeping bags. Any additional funds, will go towards purchasing boots/shoes for them as well. This is a small token of appreciation for the sacrifices these men and women have made for you and me.

## **Raffle for Levine Children's Hospital**

Hello! Our names are Luke Pritchard, Eli Chellman, and Owen Gilleland. In our seventh grade religion class, we are currently doing a make a difference project. For our project we are asking you to buy raffle tickets for the amazing baskets we put together. You can see the baskets in the fliers that are available in the School Office. The money we earn will go to buy Nintendo 2D systems for the children at the Levine Children's Hospital. We hope you can help us give these kids a getaway from their sickness.

**Raffle Tickets Available to be Purchase in the School Offices**

**6 Tickets: \$5.00**

**1 ticket: \$1.00**

**Drawing will be Held on Wednesday, April 5th After Chapel Service**

**Please Remember the Scholarship Fund  
and School Endowment Fund in your will!**

# News From...

## UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

April 2017

### **BUILDING UPDATE**

The new UCHS school building is changing daily. Almost all of the interior walls are framed, the HVAC ductwork is installed, the sprinkler system is done and they have started laying the brick exterior walls. It is exciting walking in the new building and imagining the many high school students that will be taught there next year.

### **NEW NAMES FOR OUR SCHOOL BUILDINGS**

Next year we will be using both the classrooms at St. Andrews and the classrooms in our new school building. The need to have names for the two school buildings has become evident. We have decided that St. Andrews will be called the South Campus and the new school building the North Campus. Who knows, maybe we will someday have a West or an East Campus.

### **JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL LYCEUM**

On April 20 you are invited to come and see presentations from our Spanish Competition Dance Group, our Music Club, our Art Club, our Debate Teams and an Interactive Logic Game called "Doors" by our AP Computer Science Club. The excitement starts at 6:30 pm and will be at our South Campus location.

### **DEBATE TEAM**

Mr. Jerry Willard took the Debate Team to the Tarheel Debate Tournament in Chapel Hill. The novice team of **Eric Giometti** and **Drew Pate** took third place.

### **Winter Sports Final Wrap-up**

The Varsity Girls Basketball team had a record of 7-8. This is more wins than any time in UCHS history. Seniors Adele Sharpe and freshman Ally Deese were voted All Conference by the other coaches in the league. Freshman, **Claire Tomlinson**, was honored with the SPAA Conference Christian Character Award.

The Varsity Boys Basketball Team finished with a 6-10 record overall which is also more wins than any time in school history. Junior, **Caleb Watson**, was honored as SPAA Conference Christian Character Award recipient.

Our UCHS Swim Team completed their second season. Tommy Little and Sadie Texer were medalists at the SPAA Conference Championships. **Alex Morrow** and **Nick Pelletier** were honored with the Conference Christian Character Award.

### **CONNECT WITH US**

University Christian High School is YOUR Lutheran High School. We want to inform you of the many wonderful events taking place at UCHS. If you would like to receive a monthly email with exciting information about your Lutheran High School, email us now at [uchs@uchigh.com](mailto:uchs@uchigh.com).

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
April 2017						
<b>2</b> <b>8am Worship &amp; Communion</b> 9:15am Power Hour/Bible Study/Youth SS <b>10:30am Worship &amp; Communion</b> <b>10:45am Praise Service</b> 12pm SYC & YMT Lunch @ El Paso 	<b>3</b> 1:30pm Quilt Tacking 4pm Highways and Hedges 5pm NO Stephen Minister Supervision 6:30pm B/C Scouts	<b>4</b> 8:35am Staff Devotion & Weekly Meeting - EM 6:30pm Church Council A#2 6:30pm Steve Bost - EM	<b>5</b> 7am Ladies Bible Study - A#1 8:20am Chapel - CCDS 9:30am Ladies Bible Study - A#1 10am Bible Study - EM 11am Tai Chi - Cub Scout Room <b>11:15am Lent Worship</b> 12pm Lenten Meal 5:30pm Bells <b>6:30pm Lent Worship</b> 7:15pm Choir 8pm Praise Group	<b>6</b> 7am Men's Breakfast Bible Study - AHEC 105 6:30pm Bd. of Christian Education - BLCFM 6:30pm FAITHbooking - EM	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9am 1st Communion Rehearsal 
<b>9 Palm Sunday</b> <b>8am Worship &amp; Communion</b> 9:15am Power Hour/Bible Study/Youth SS <b>10:30am Worship &amp; Communion - 1st Communion</b> <b>10:45am Praise Service &amp; Communion</b> 	<b>10</b> 11:30am Primetimers 6pm Girl Scouts 6:30pm B/C Scouts 6:30pm Young Adult Small Group - BLCFM 7pm Stewardship - EM	<b>11</b> 8:35am Staff Devotion & Weekly Meeting - EM 6:30pm Elders - A#2 6:30pm Mission & Ministry - BLCFM 6:30pm Steve Bost - EM 7pm Day School Board	<b>12</b> 7am Ladies Bible Study - A#1 9:30am Ladies Bible Study - A#1 11am Tai Chi - Cub Scout Room 6pm Bells 7:15pm Choir 8pm Praise Group	<b>13 Maundy Thursday</b> 7am Men's Breakfast Bible Study - AHEC 105 8:20am Closing Chapel <b>12pm Maundy Thursday Worship &amp; Communion</b> <b>6:30pm Maundy Thursday Worship &amp; Communion</b>	<b>14 Good Friday Church Office Closed</b> <b>12pm Good Friday Worship</b> <b>6:30pm Good Friday Worship</b>	<b>15</b> 10am Pre-Teen Youth Easter Egg Hunt 11am Easter Egg Hunt 2pm Boy Scouts prep Easter Breakfast 
<b>16 Easter Sunday</b> <b>7am Worship &amp; Communion</b> 8am Easter Breakfast Family Life Center Hosted buy Boy Scout Troop 383 <b>10:30am Worship &amp; Communion</b> <b>10:45am Praise Service &amp; Communion</b>	<b>17 Church Office Closed</b> 1:30pm Quilt Tacking 4pm Concordia Serves at Highways & Hedges	<b>18</b> ECCCM Van Here thru May 1 8:35am Staff Devotion & Weekly Meeting - EM 6:30pm Assimilation - A#1 6:30pm Steve Bost - EM	<b>19</b> 7am Ladies Bible Study - A#1 9:30am Ladies Bible Study - A#1 10am Bible Study - EM 11am Tai Chi - Cub Scout Room 7:15pm Choir 8pm Praise Group	<b>20</b> 7am Men's Breakfast Bible Study - AHEC 105 6:30pm FAITHbooking - EM	<b>21</b> <b>12pm Newsletter Deadline</b> 	<b>22</b> <i>earth day</i> 
<b>23</b> <b>8am Worship &amp; Communion</b> 8am LLL 9:15am Power Hour/Bible Study/Youth SS <b>10:30am Worship</b> <b>10:45am Praise Service &amp; Communion</b> 	<b>24</b> 6pm Girl Scouts 6:30pm B/C Scouts 6:30pm Boy Scouts Board of Review 6:30pm Young Adult Small Group - BLCFM 7pm Dorcas - LWML	<b>25</b> 8:35am Staff Devotion & Weekly Meeting - EM 6:30pm Steve Bost - EM	<b>26</b> 7am Ladies Bible Study - A#1 8:20am Chapel - CCDS 9:30am Ladies Bible Study - A#1 11am Tai Chi - Cub Scout Room 3pm Call Day - Vicarages and Internships 6pm Bells 6pm Youth Hang Time 6:30pm Youth SOS & Confirmation 7pm Call Day - Pastoral Calls 7:15pm Choir 8pm Praise Group	<b>27</b> 7am Men's Breakfast Bible Study - AHEC 105 6:30pm FAITHbooking - EM	<b>28</b> 9:00am CCDS Open House	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> <b>8am Worship &amp; Communion</b> 9:15am Power Hour/Bible Study/Youth SS <b>10:30am Worship &amp; Communion</b> <b>10:45am Praise Service &amp; Communion - CCDS 1st - 2nd Grade Sing</b> 12pm Boy Scout PLC Planning 3pm Converge at Bethel - Skit Guys 6:30pm Needle Arts- Small Group - BLCFM						

# April 2017 Birthdays and Anniversaries

happy,  
happy  
birthday  
to you!

Ian Canrobert	4/1
Glenda Garcia	4/1
Seth Herman	4/1
Whitney Watts	4/1
Joel Flowers	4/2
Dylan Miller	4/2
Steve Rudisill	4/2
Jonathan Sigmon	4/2
Lily Spicer	4/2
Dalton Bogert	4/3
David Henry	4/3
Grace Rink	4/3
Heather Brinn	4/4
Mary-Kate Moretz	4/4
Kaitlyn Wilkinson	4/5
Jody Cecil	4/6
Forrest Christian	4/6
Dustin Edwards	4/6
Frances Kaylor	4/6
Cole Reid	4/6
Sue Ballbach	4/7
Gregory Bedder	4/7
Adrian Hefner	4/7
Christen Jones	4/7
Will Noell	4/7
JJ Christians Jr.	4/8
Carl Seitz	4/8
Claire Tomlinson	4/9
Grace Tomlinson	4/9
Cindy Bare	4/10
Larren Frye	4/10
Sam Holt	4/10
Stine Isenhower	4/10
H. Kirk Morrow	4/10
Ella Cecil	4/11

Frances Hale	4/11
Collin Carlton	4/12
R.Shane Parris	4/12
Mark Byrne	4/14
Lindy Kuchenbecker	4/14
Carol McRee	4/14
Emma Herman	4/15
Kelly Kever	4/16
Hilda Hefner	4/17
Michael Jackson	4/17
Patrick Yancey	4/17
Braxton Eckard	4/18
Lexie Flowers	4/18
Taylor Miller	4/18
Elizabeth Moore	4/18
Kaylor Spencer	4/18
Dexter Warren	4/18
Hayes Elliott	4/19
Luke Garrison	4/19
Robert Spencer	4/19
Elijah Weaver	4/19
Renee Karre	4/20
MacKenzie Leary	4/20
Victoria Yount	4/20
Russ Baxter	4/21
Evan Moretz	4/21
Clarence Pugh	4/21
Belle Williams	4/21
Greyson Frye	4/22
Randall Holland	4/22
Newby Hunsucker	4/22
Anna Ward	4/22
M. Sue Smith	4/23
Averie Waddell	4/23
Kara Bentley	4/24
Jim Moser	4/24
Erma Weber	4/24
Sarah Dorrier	4/25
Brenden Harrison	4/26
Ana Iriarte	4/26
Austin Kuchenbecker	4/26
Scarlet Rink	4/26
Karen Waddell	4/26
Jaden Burgess	4/27
Kyle Hayman	4/27
Katrina Palozzi	4/27
Brenda Harris	4/28
Ella Bryan	4/29

David Kelley	4/29
Kyle Brown	4/30
Kelli Galloway	4/30
Deborah Jones	4/30
Jacob Miller	4/30
Joyce Yount	4/30



*Happy Anniversary*

Gary & Marigene Matthews	4/4
Lori & Paul Bedder	4/7
Carl & Pat Welch	4/7
David & Cynthia Tupman	4/10
Cliff & Leslie Brown	4/11
Steve & Beth Rudisill	4/11
David N. & Sandra Smith	4/11
Greg & Julie Terry	4/11
Laura & Steven Hall	4/12
Kimberly & Daniel Hill	4/18
David & Margie Hicks	4/19
Sandra & Kristofer Knowlton	4/19
Alan & Beth Spencer	4/23
Beau & Jenny Eckard	4/24
Rodney & Mauri Burns Jr.	4/25
Carol & Karl Wolfe	4/25
Matt & Jody Cecil	4/28
Robert & Cameron Spencer	4/28
Monte & Kelly York	4/30

If your name is missing from these lists,  
please let the church office know.

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# Send a Scout to Camp

## Easter Celebration Fundraiser

We're cooking...so you don't have to!

Please join us Easter morning for a big, hearty Southern breakfast. Boy Scouts from Troop 383 will be preparing and serving breakfast, as well as handling all the clean-up as part of our SEND A SCOUT TO CAMP fundraiser.

BOY  
SCOUTS  
TROOP 383



**WHAT:** Easter Breakfast

**WHEN:** Easter Sunday (April 16)  
Breakfast will be served from  
8:00 a.m. 'til 10:15 a.m.

**WHERE:** Family Life Center,  
Concordia Lutheran Church

**PRICE:** Suggested Minimum Donation:  
\$6 Adults  
\$4 Children (12 & under)

### Five Great Reasons to Spend Your Easter Morning with the Boy Scouts:

- 1. The food will be fabulous.** Troop 383 is full of great cooks (a fundamental scouting skill), and we are known for creating awesome meals. (See left for the menu.)
- 2. You can relax, socialize, and fellowship with other church members.** We rarely have the chance to spend quality time with our friends from church.
- 3. You can really enjoy Easter morning.** You won't have to cook or shop (and think of the Easter crowds)! Big plus...no clean-up! You can spend the extra time reflecting on the magnitude of the Easter holiday with our fine young Scouts.
- 4. As you interact with our Scouts during breakfast, you will get a refreshing look at how scouting has shaped these young men.** They are an impressive group and can share with you how scouting has developed their character, as well as teaching them a host of important life skills!
- 5. You will be supporting a terrific cause.** The proceeds from this fundraiser go directly to our SEND A SCOUT TO CAMP fund. This summer, our scouts will be attending either Sea Base or Camp Bud Schiele. See below for more information (and our Scouts love to tell Boy Scout Camp stories, so be ready)!

## MENU:

Bacon	Hash Brown Casserole
Eggs	Grits
Biscuits	Fruit
Gravy	Coffee, Juice, Milk

## Our Summer Camp Programs

### Camp Bud Schiele

Every summer, we head to Camp Bud Schiele. It is an awesome experience for our boys. We camp together as a troop, but have the added value of getting to know all the other area Boy Scout troops that come. We cook and learn a variety of skills from first aid, archery, orienteering, canoeing, lifesaving, etc. We earn a lot of Eagle-required merit badges, but we also have a ton of fun. Proceeds from this breakfast will help support getting our troop to camp this year!

### Sea Base

Sixteen Scouts from Troop 383 will attend Sea Base in July 2017. The Florida National High Adventure Sea Base is a unique Scouting program that offers aquatics programs found nowhere else. Scouts will be sailing, snorkeling, living aboard a sailing vessel, and fishing for their food. It's a huge adventure and learning experience, but it's an expensive trip. Please help support our Scouts as they try to raise money to offset the costs of this once-in-a-lifetime trip!

**Reservations:** Please contact Dottie DeHart at (828) 234-7483 or via email at [dottie@dehartandcompany.com](mailto:dottie@dehartandcompany.com) or William Smith, Scoutmaster, Troop 383, at (828) 244-3485 or email (preferred) [smithw@sherrillfurniture.com](mailto:smithw@sherrillfurniture.com).

Reservations would be so appreciated to help us accurately determine how much food to purchase, but we will prepare enough for those last-minute decisions.

If you know you plan to join us, your response is appreciated by April 11 for our grocery shopping!