

Concordia Newsletter

November 2024



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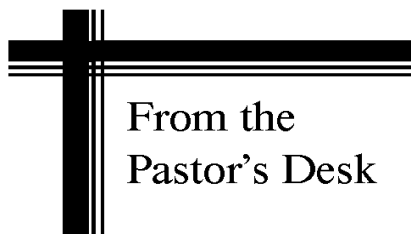
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Worship Times

Sunday 9:00a Contemporary

Sunday 11:00a Traditional



From the
Pastor's Desk

"Baby, It's Cold Inside!"

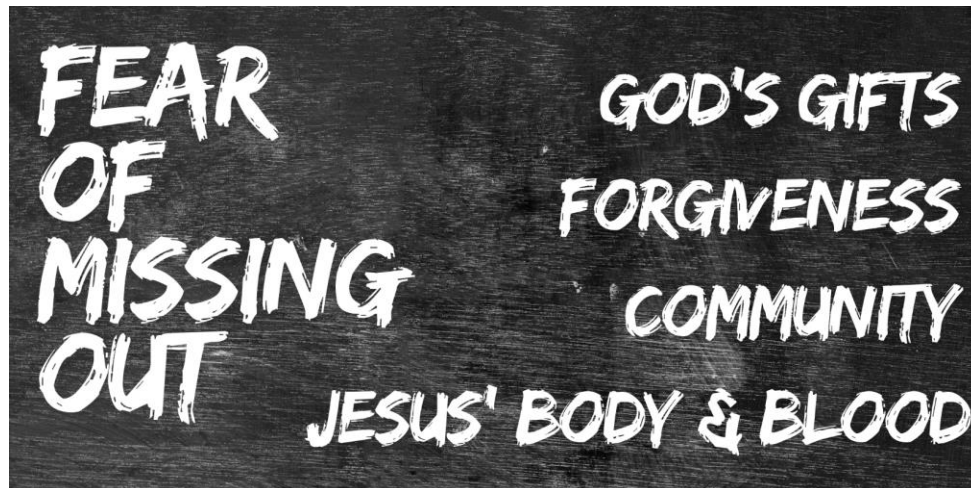
It has been two years since this area has had any trace of snow. Even if we go through another winter with no white stuff on the ground (that would be sad) we can always expect the temperatures to drop. So, we make the necessary adjustments. Shorts and flip flops give way to coats and hats. Furnaces and fireplaces are ready to take the chill off. Responding to the falling temperatures outside is easy. What about when things are cold inside? When I do pre-marital pastoral care, I tell the young couple something that I heard many years ago. As they look forward to establishing their home, I encourage them to make their home that one place you don't want to leave in the morning and the place you can't wait to come back to in the evening. There is to be a welcoming warmth that awaits husband and wife and eventually their children. Sadly, for many, home is just the opposite. Home, for far too many people is a cold place. The thermostat may read 68, but the atmosphere inside is frigid. This short article offers no magic solutions. The multi-dimensional dynamics of the cold home are too complicated to tackle in such a brief article. However, one of my other favorite sayings is, "There is a God-pleasing answer to every problem."

Just as the home can be cold, so can church. This place of Worship, the place we affectionately call our church home, should be the place you don't want to leave and can't wait to come back. Again, this article offers no one size fits all solution. And I am in no way saying we have a cold church. There are pockets of warmth all around us. The warmth of Christ Jesus radiates from many of His people here. However, there are

many who claim Concordia as their church home who are shivering because they have removed themselves from the warmth Jesus offers. Forgiveness of sins, the community of faith who gather for worship, the reception of Jesus own Body and Blood are all God's gifts. This is God's design and His desire for us. Sunday Worship is God's way of warming us and connecting us to Him and to each other. The world is a cold place. Part of our multi-dimensional plan for the future of Concordia Lutheran Church & School must include a renewed effort to help our shivering family members reconnect to the warm embrace of their Savior. When we begin to see and treat our Church Home as the place where we long to be, don't be surprised when our private homes follow suit.

May the love and warmth of Jesus be in you, in your homes and in His Church.

Pastor Geml



There is a Voters Assembly on November 10 after the 11 a.m. worship service for presentation and action on the 2025 Budget for Church and School and such other action which may be presented at the meeting.

The consequences of shallow thankfulness

Can you imagine a Thanksgiving dinner without turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy and pumpkin pie? I know I can't! To not have these on the menu, or worse, to run out of them with the family around the table, would be a culinary sin of epic proportions. An attempt to serve bratwurst and hamburgers in place of the standard fare would ring hollow and seem totally inappropriate and out of place. It isn't that the food would be bad; brats and burgers are pretty tasty. But not for Thanksgiving — they just don't go together!

This month, as we continue to walk through the stewardship hymn, "Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness" (LSB 788), we turn our attention to verse three. Here, William Watkins Reid, Sr., the man who penned this text, draws attention to some things that do not go along with faithful, thankful stewardship.

Forgive us, Lord, for selfish thanks and praise ...

We see this often with small children. They greedily snatch the candy out of a grandparent's hand, savagely destroy the wrapper, and attempt to stuff the entire delicacy in their mouth in one bite, only to have a parent say, "Tell grandma thank you." This is followed by the pro forma thanks that is uttered between chocolate chews. It isn't really thankfulness; it is simply checking a box to keep mom or dad off their backs.

We never really outgrow this either. Our shallow thankfulness takes the form of feigned humility when praise is being offered. We are thankful that our admirers noticed and called us out: "Look at me! Aren't I special?" No thought at all is given to the fact that the Lord was the One who gave us the ability and opportunity for accomplishment. Our false blush is really only masking our selfish, credit-seeking gain. Once again, we find ourselves idolatrously thanking ourselves.

For words that speak at variance with deeds ...

What carries more weight: words or action? The steward who gives voice to the Gospel in the Divine Service but then lives like a pagan in the world does great damage, not only to others but to the Gospel itself! This is the consequence of failed stewardship. It is idolatry that separates the steward from the Lord.

Worse yet, it also impacts others negatively. When the failed steward is the reference point outside the Christian community, there are those who want no part of being Christian or following the Christ they claim. We see this play out in the impact of overt political activity among Christians based on governing policy as opposed to fidelity to the Word of God. When our lips and our lives are out of sync, like what used to happen with old movie projectors, the impact isn't funny — it obscures the Gospel!

*Forgive our thanks for walking pleasant ways
unmindful of a broken brother's need ...*

Our creature comforts often become an obstacle to faithful stewardship. This is true of both individual and corporate stewardship. Financial stewardship is often limited by our desire to be comfortable and have the

latest toys and gadgets. Congregational stewardship is often limited by the desire to focus on what is best for the congregation as opposed to how resources might be best stewarded to reach the community with the Gospel.

When we see someone in need, or broken by the world, we often look at them as freeloaders. We admonish them to get a job. We insist that they learn our language, learn our customs, and make them their own. But this gets in the way of seeing every human being the way that Jesus sees them. Remember, that broken person is one for whom Jesus went to the cross to die and rise. When we are unmindful of these needs, our shallow thankfulness also stands in the way of the Gospel.

This stanza reminds us of the challenge we face. Our hearts are master idol-makers. Our shallow thankfulness threatens our souls and hinders others from seeing Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Stewardship is serious business. It is a task for which we were created. In our sinful failings, we are never relieved of these duties. In our Baptism, we are restored to be stewards of the Gospel. Our faithful stewardship is all about that Gospel.

Forgive us when our thanks are shallow, O Lord! In this month of Thanksgiving, grant us the grace to offer heaping helpings of this stewardship so that others may see Jesus!



Youth Ministry Program Update

November 1, 2024



The National Youth Gathering is in New Orleans in July of 2025. We are in the final stages of determining what youth are able to join us. This is a life changing event for many high school students and we hope that all youth attend. The youth will be having fund raisers over the next eight months to help pay the cost. Thank you for supporting them.

Bill Unverfehrt has volunteered to be the Youth Leader for the past year. His travel schedule does not allow him the time needed to give the youth the program they deserve. While he has enjoyed the time he has spent with the youth, he has decided to step down from being the Youth Leader on November 1. The church is presently looking for someone to fill this part-time position. Please contact the church office if you are interested or know of someone who is interested in this paid position.

Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts

Our Cub Scouts meet every Sunday evening for educational activities. They went on their first camping trip of the year at Lake James with 29 cubs and adults. They participated in the 'Hunger Walk' and will be involved with 'Scouting for Food' on November 16.

Our Boy Scouts went backpacking and camping to Panthertown on October 11-13. In November they are going to Martinsville Speedway for camping and watching the race. They will also be 'Scouting for Food' and camping on Shortoff Mountain in Nebo, NC in November.



Hospital/Out Patient: Bernice Holler, Caleb Brown, Debbie da Rosa, Denise Gilbert, Mary Herman.

Sympathy to: Kyle McClure and family upon the death of his grandma, Helen Setser; Mary Anne Wike and family upon the death of her husband, Rick; Family and friends of Miriam Davis.

Blessings to: Matthew & Rachel Kaylor upon the baptism of their son Mason Wade Kaylor

Other Prayer Needs: Our church and school staff and students; the unchurched in our area and throughout the world; our church, school; church leadership; peace; our national and world leaders; people in Ukraine; World Hunger Crisis; Marriages; Sudan, War in Israel, hurricane recovery efforts.

THANK YOU!

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Many thanks to everyone who manned the truck for **Western North Carolina Hurricane Helene** relief! Please thank these individuals for helping out: Dale and Dianne Lawing, Pat Welch, Pastor Geml, Bernadette Duncan, Cameron and Britney Lundy, Kevin and Nancy Boggs, Renee Long, Gina Sigmon, Anna Ward, Harvey Travis, Marigene Matthews, Opie and Lesa Williams, Kevin Graudin, Penny Matthews, Mark Long and Mary Reitzel and crew. Many thanks to Donna Grigg for the boxes from West Rock and Conover Home and Commercial Hardware for the signage, boxes, labels and tape.

Finding a destination for all the goods that were collected was challenging as a truck that size could not navigate to some of the most needed destinations. Drop off locations were changed daily as warehouses were filled to capacity. Working with Sally Hiller, SED Disaster Response Coordinator and St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Conover, our donations have been delivered to those in need. Thank you for your generosity in helping to fill the truck. Thank you to Adam Campbell for making this outreach possible.

If you want to continue to donate, St. Peter's in Conover is the local drop off point for this area. Hygiene Kits, and Flood Clean-up Kits are still needed. You can pick up a copy of the lists from the Welcome Centers. The lists are very specific. [Here is where you can find them.](#) They are also updating the "Most Needed" list weekly on the SED Disaster Response webpage. [You can find it here](#) or see the next page.



Latest Update from Southeastern District LCMS - New Items Needed for Hurricane Relief

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

We continue to see the generous response of people from around the country as folks respond to the many needs in Western North Carolina. As our Hurricane response now shifts into what is called the “recovery phase” our work and needs begin to change. Teams and individual volunteers are arriving from within our Southeastern District and all over the country to help with recovery. They are removing trees and tree debris. They are doing flood clean-up work. They are sorting supplies and sending them where they are needed.

Together, we are answering the call to serve – to be the hands and feet of Jesus where his compassion and grace are most needed.

How may you continue to help? Pray for the people whose lives have been turned upside down. Pray that the workers will get the water restored to the Asheville area. Pray for the continued support of many.

What is needed? The following are on our top ten list of items this week:

- Liquid laundry detergent
- Liquid concentrate household cleanser
- Dish soap
- Pump spray insect repellent
- Scrub brushes
- Clothespins and clotheslines
- Kitchen gloves in sets of twos
- Hand towels
- Small bottles of shampoo

And yes: we are ready to receive quilts and warm blankets.

Please send all items to **St. Peter’s Lutheran Church 6175 St Peter’s Church RD Conover NC 28613**



Attention everyone 55 & older!!!! Our November meeting will be on November 12th at 11:30AM. We will enjoy a pot luck lunch. Our guest speaker will be Bruce Roseman from the Hickory Fire Department. Please mark your calendar and plan to be with us!! First time visitors do not need to bring a dish.

FROM THE BOARD OF ELDERS

The Board of Elders is seeking an individual to fill the position of **Coordinator of Youth Activities** for Concordia Lutheran Church. Bill Unverfehrt is stepping down from coordinating youth events at the end of October. The position will be part time, and the individual will be compensated based on experience. A job description can be picked up at the church office. Contact Doug Brady, Chairman of the BOE with any questions.

FROM THE BOARD OF ASSIMILATION

GREETERS



Greeters Needed!

Are you looking to get more involved? It's as easy as saying "Hello!" Being a greeter doesn't require much time or energy, yet makes a huge difference by starting our church service off with a friendly smile. We'd love to have you join our greeting team. Please reach out to Sandy Von Rentzell at 303-829-9801 for more information or to sign up! All you have to do is say "Hello!"



SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP!

Fellowship is not possible without volunteers to make the coffee, set out the stocked items, and provide fresh fruit or a sweet or savory treat. You can volunteer by using the QR code or by calling the church office. It is very easy to manage, it just takes a little of your time on Sunday mornings to get things organized. Please consider being a part of this fellowship ministry.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 27
6:30p



Happy Thanksgiving

AFTER WORSHIP, DON'T SAY
BYE - STOP IN THE NARTHEX
AND HAVE SOME PIE!"



Immediately following the Thanksgiving Eve worship service, the Board of Assimilation will host a gathering in the narthex to enjoy some pre-Thanksgiving feast sweet treats! Do you have the best apple pie recipe ever? Is your pumpkin delight legendary? Is there a secret ingredient hiding in the back of your spice collection waiting to sneak into a tasty confection, or does Marie Callender visit your dessert table every year? Please join us and bring your favorite pie to share as we gather in fellowship and give thanks for our church and one another!

Stay Connected with The Stewart's:

We plan to continue updating our family newsletter online regularly. Check back for updates on **The Stewart's Seminary Journey**, use the following QR Code to check-in on updates from us as a family. If you would rather us send the newsletter to you directly, email Jessica at jhstew15@gmail.com.



The Stewart Family

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High Ridge, MO, 63049

FROM THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



SAVE THE DATE!

Ladies' Christmas Brunch

On Thursday, December 12, beginning at 10:30 am, there will be a brunch with a short devotion for our Concordia women. Mark your calendars now for this special event and look for more information to come.

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we, Your unworthy servants, give You humble and hearty thanks for all the goodness and loving-kindness that You bestow on us. We praise You for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life. But above all, we bless You for Your boundless love in the redemption of the world by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. We implore You to give us a right understanding of all Your mercies that our hearts may ever be deeply thankful and that we may show forth Your praise with both our lips and our lives. Direct our lives in ways of holiness and righteousness all our days that we may enjoy the testimony of a good conscience and the hope of Your favor, be sustained and comforted in every time of trouble, and finally be received into Your everlasting kingdom; through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN.





The Parent Block

Spiritual Building Blocks for Parents

Written by Kathy Unverfehrt



Scripture Verse

**“You will call upon Me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.
You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart.
I will be found by you,” declares the Lord.**

Jeremiah 29:12-14

Reflection

Scripture is filled with promises from a loving God who is faithful to His people. This is evidenced from the time of the fall into sin when God promised to send His Son to be the Savior of the world. Throughout the Biblical timeline, we see time and time again where the children of Israel rebelled against a God who promised to bless them if they remained faithful to Him. Even when they were exiled into Babylon because of their unfaithfulness to Him, God was with them, waiting for them to return to Him. Throughout their captivity and times of deep trouble, God’s presence was with them. Although it may have appeared that God had forgotten them, He was preparing them for a new beginning, a new purpose, with Him being the center of their lives. This thought leads us to today where His promises still hold true during our doubting times of God’s Presence. When circumstances of life don’t turn out as we planned, or we encounter setbacks and frustrations, we may wonder where God is in all of this. When our children are experiencing a type of emotional pain – hurt feelings, exclusion, laughed at, disappointments, etc., or perhaps a physical pain of some sort, we may question God’s Presence in the midst of their troubles. As a result, we take life’s situations and try to “fix” them on our own, forgetting that our loving God is right there with us, walking alongside of us. We do not need to despair during the difficult times and places of our life. Through the privilege of prayer and God’s grace, we have the gift of seeking and calling on Him at any time and in every situation. He promises to listen to our every need and the needs of our children, as we lift them to Him. When we look for Him and His help, He promises that we will find Him. We need only to seek Him with our whole heart and teach our children to do the same!

Parent Commitment

*I will faithfully take my worries and concerns to God who promises to listen to me.
I will seek God with my whole heart and teach my children to do the same.*



Parent Post

The Apostle Paul reminds us to . . . *give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus (1 Thess. 5:18)*. Christian men and women make thanksgiving to God a number one priority. We thank our Heavenly Father for all that He has done for us. We thank Him for food, clothing, shelter, family, and all that is needed to support this life here on earth. Most importantly, we thank Him for the gift of His Son Jesus who suffered, died, and rose again so that we might receive eternal life.

Children must be taught how to give thanks. They learn thanksgiving from parents who are thankful to God the Heavenly Father for all that they are and have.
Thanksgiving = Thanks-living!

Stretch your faith-filled parenting:

Lead a family prayer with each family member giving thanks for one spiritual blessing and physical blessing. Help your child to learn the difference of the 2 blessings.

Prayer:

O Lord,
I give thanks to You for all Your mercies. Bless me with the gift of thankful living in response to Your bountiful giving. May my heart continually be overflowing in thankfulness to You.
In Jesus' name, Amen.

(LWML Mustard Seed: Faith-Filled Parenting)

Mealtime Prayer for Young Children

Thank You for the world so sweet.
Thank You for the food we eat.
Thank You for the birds that sing.
Thank You, God, for everything!
Amen.

Table Talk Topics

Here are some questions to share with your children while sitting around the dinner table. They are a fun and interesting way to discover more about your child!

1. Why do you think God created people?
2. What are 2 things that you love about yourself?
3. What is your least favorite thing to do outside?
4. What made you angry or sad today?
5. What is your favorite comfort food?
6. Name three things you are thankful for.
7. Name one family activity that you would like to do this fall.
8. What were you thankful for today?

More Steps to More Effective Parenting

Raising kids is one of the toughest and most fulfilling jobs in the world. Here are 9 child-rearing tips that can help you feel more fulfilled as a parent.

1. Make Communication a Priority

You can't expect kids to do everything simply because you, as a parent, "say so." They want and deserve explanations as much as adults do. If we don't take time to explain, kids will begin to wonder about our values and motives and whether they have any basis. Parents who reason with their kids allow them to understand and learn in a nonjudgmental way. Make your expectations clear. If there is a problem, describe it, express your feelings, and ask your child's input on a solution. Be sure to include consequences.

2. Be Flexible and Willing to Adjust Your Parenting Style

If you often feel "let down" by your child's behavior, perhaps you have unreal expectations. Parents who think in "shoulds" (my child should be able to . . .) mind find it helpful to see if their expectations fall in line with where their child is developmentally.

Kids' environments have an effect on their behavior, so you might be able to change that behavior by changing that environment. If you find yourself constantly saying "no" to your 2-year old, look for ways to alter your surroundings so that fewer things are off limits. This will cause less frustration for both of you. As your child changes, you'll gradually have to change your parenting style. Chances are, what works with your child now won't work as well in a year or two. Tweens tend to look less to their parents and more to their peers for role models. But continue to provide guidance, encouragement, and appropriate discipline while allowing your tween to earn more independence.

(Look for more steps to effective parenting next month.)

Children's Puzzle Page

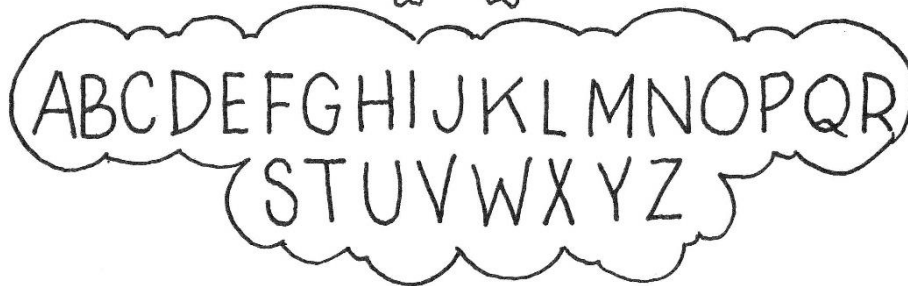
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V H K K A D

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Jesus does not want us to be trapped by sin.

He came to set us free!

What does the Bible say about freedom?

Write the letter that comes AFTER the letter under the line.

Then read the answer.



Poinsettia Order From

We will be placing the order for Poinsettias on Monday, December 2nd. This year the Poinsettias are \$10.00 each. You may designate your Poinsettia in memory or honor of a loved one by filling in the blanks below. **PLEASE PRINT**

Poinsettia #1 Please Circle one: Memory Honor

OF: _____

BY: _____

Poinsettia #2 Please Circle one: Memory Honor

OF: _____

BY: _____

Poinsettia #3 Please Circle one: Memory Honor

OF: _____

BY: _____

Number of Poinsettias ordered _____ X \$10.00 ea = _____

Name: _____

Phone Number _____





Mission Statement

Our Mission is to provide a comprehensive, excellence-driven education in which an integrated faith in Jesus Christ is fostered, celebrated, and shared throughout our community.

November Mission Project

This month, our chapel offerings will be donated to Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. The entire student body will pack shoeboxes on November 15 and pray over them before the boxes start their journey to the ends of the earth!



YEARBOOK BUSINESS AD SALES

Work has begun on Concordia's **2024-2025 Yearbook**. Each year, the yearbook grows and improves and makes an excellent keepsake for the school year. We are asking **individuals** and **companies** to help sponsor the yearbook to help keep the purchase price down. **Ad prices** are as follows: **Full Page = \$100**, **½ Page = \$50** and **¼ Page = \$25**. All persons interested in placing an ad in the yearbook can complete this [form](#) or contact the school office at 828-464-3011. Please email your artwork or logo in a digital format to Yearbook@ConcordiaNC.org. All ad orders, artwork, and payments are due by **Friday, January 10**. Thank you for your support!

SPORTS NEWS

We are gearing up for another exciting **Crusader Basketball** season. All four teams (Boys and Girls, Varsity, and JV) began practice in November under the supervision of some awesome parent coaches! Games will start in December and continue into January. Depending on the teams' records, tournaments will be held in February. Come out to the games and cheer on the Crusader teams!

Fall sports (Soccer, Volleyball, and Cross Country) are wrapping up their seasons soon. We will announce their end-of-season results in next month's newsletter.

WE ARE SEEING DOUBLE!

Two sets of sisters, all Concordia alums, have made the Sweet 16 in the NC 2A Doubles! Pictured from left to right, are Sara Sain, Jenna Sain, Liz Campbell, and Neeley Campbell.



CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

Mark your calendar for these beautiful events. All friends and family are welcome to attend.



News from...

UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

Your Lutheran High School

November 2024

Open House, Shadows Days & Admissions for 2025-2026

The next Open House will be held on February 10th. Prospective students are also encouraged to spend a day “shadowing”, so they can experience what it is like to be a Barracuda. And UCHS is now accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year! You can sign up for an Open House, Shadow Day or begin the online application at <https://www.uchigh.com/admissions>.

Ethics Through Film Festival

UCHS is co-sponsoring an Ethics through Film Series with the Hickory Museum of Art at the Drendel Auditorium. The goal is to facilitate discussions on sacrifice, human dignity, and other topics specifically geared toward high school students. The series is open to the public and any interested area high school students. The first in the series in September featured *Bladerunner*, and was facilitated by Rand Brandes. The next in the series will be *Of Gods and Men*, on November 14th at 5:00 PM, led by UCHS Religion Teacher, Elspeth Shepherd.

Hurricane Relief Efforts

A heartfelt thank you to UCHS Alumni and Klingspor Senior Financial Analyst, Amelia Sisson, for contacting us on behalf of Klingspor Abrasives to designate UCHS as a collection point for hurricane relief supplies for Western NC. Amelia is a fine example of how UCHS core values, such as Servant Leadership, are instilled and continue with our students as they enter the professional world.

Within just one week, our UCHS families generously contributed to both this initiative *and* a supply drive for utility workers. The Klingspor campaign will continue for the foreseeable future to address the ongoing needs of our neighbors in Western NC. If you wish to contribute, please bring your donations to North Campus. Klingspor will continue weekly pick-ups at UCHS.

Senior Class Serves Avery County Residents

We sincerely thank First Baptist Church of Hickory for arranging the opportunity for our senior class to serve at First Baptist Church of Newland. Our seniors engaged with individuals from the Avery County community and listened to their stories and experiences. Students made meaningful contributions by organizing donations, sorting clothing, and distributing food, water, and supplies to those impacted by Hurricane Helene.

Reverse Advent Calendar



- Dec. 1 - box of cereal
- Dec. 2 - peanut butter
- Dec. 3 - mac and cheese
- Dec. 4 - canned fruit in juices
- Dec. 5 - canned tomatoes
- Dec. 6 - canned tuna
- Dec. 7 - apple sauce (plastic jar)
- Dec. 8 - canned beans
- Dec. 9 - mayonnaise (plastic jar)
- Dec. 10 - oatmeal
- Dec. 11 - pasta
- Dec. 12 - spaghetti sauce (can or plastic jar)

- Dec. 13 - tomato soup
- Dec. 14 - chicken noodle soup
- Dec. 15 - canola or olive oil
- Dec. 16 - canned chicken
- Dec. 17 - pancake mix
- Dec. 18 - canned vegetable
- Dec. 19 - hearty canned soup

FILLED BOXES MAY BE BROUGHT TO
 ASHURE MINISTRY
 245 EAST N STREET,
 NEWTON, NC 28658.
 NO GLASS PLEASE. THANK YOU!



For it is in giving, that we receive. ~ St. Francis of Assisi



MONTHLY FOOD LIST

- January Canned Soup or Broth
- February Macaroni or Pasta or Canned Spaghetti Sauce
- March March Madness Challenge
- April Canned or Dried Beans
- May Pet Food (National Pet Month)
- June Cereal
- July Snacks for kids
- August Canned Food with Pop-tops
- September Peanut Butter or Jelly
- October Hygiene Items (National Hygiene Month)
- November Flour or Cornmeal or Sugar
- December Reverse Advent Papers

NOVEMBER



This is a monthly prayer guide for your daily use. Each day as you pray, please feed your Mite Box in support of district and LWML Mission Grants. As you lift up the countries and mission grants listed, pray that the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ would be heard by those who live there or are served by our mite offerings.

Each country listed has been a recipient of a mission grant from Lutheran Women in Mission at some time since 1942. What a joy it is to bring these prayers to our Father's listening ears!

1. For thanksgiving for all the saints who have gone before us.
2. For LWML Mission Grant #26.
3. For the day of activity and the night of rest.
4. For The Sudan, one of the 83 countries supported by an LWML grant.
5. For those in elected offices.
6. For the Lutheran Women in Mission Treasurer.
7. For the country of Taiwan.
8. For the LWML Iowa West District.
9. For thanksgiving of God's goodness and love.
10. For the country of Tanzania.
11. For those who have served in the Armed Forces.
12. For the opportunity to give thanks through song.
13. For medical researchers.
14. For church camps.
15. For the country of Thailand.
16. For the LWML Iowa East District.
17. For school students.
18. For the country of Pakistan.
19. For the peace that only God can provide.
20. For teachers and those studying to be teachers.
21. For LWML Mission Grant #27.
22. For those who provide transportation for others.
23. For the country of Togo.
24. For those mourning a loss.
25. For the opportunity to profess God's name.
26. For the country of Turkey.
27. For those who might not have a bountiful Thanksgiving meal.
28. For the blessings given by the Lord.
29. For the North Wisconsin District.
30. For the country of Uganda.

The Corner Table

Feeding Needs of Catawba County

COMMUNITY KITCHEN • BACKPACK PROGRAM • FROZEN MEALS

Christmas Candy Tin Fundraiser

*Purchase a gift with meaning this holiday season.
Proceeds from our Christmas Candy fundraiser will feed hungry people all year long.*

Candy Tins include:

Chocolate Fudge
White Chocolate Christmas Crackle
Peppermint Bark
Peanut Butter Balls

Price: \$30

Please send your orders to:

The Corner Table, P.O. Box 1051, Newton, NC 28658 or Email to info@thecornertable.org

**We will cut orders off once we have reached 900 tins.*

Pick up is Friday, December 13, 2024, between 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

We are located at 122 N Main Ave, Newton, NC 28658. Questions? Call 828-464-0355

Christmas Candy Tin Order Form

Due by Friday, November 15, 2024

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (Cell) _____ (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Email: _____

Number Of Tins Ordered: _____ @ \$30 each Tin Total \$ _____

Number of Mailing Boxes: _____ @ \$3.00 each Box Total \$ _____

Order Total: \$ _____

Paid Cash Paid Check # _____ I will pay on pick up day

Credit Card Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ CSC: _____ **COVER THE PROCESSING FEE? YES OR NO**

Signature to Authorize Credit Card Payment: _____



PRIZES

GRAND PRIZE:
**NEW EVOLUTION
GOLF-CART**
VALUE: \$11,000+

2ND PRIZE:
APPLE IPAD

3RD PRIZE:
55" SMART TV

4TH PRIZE:
FLAT TOP GRILL

5TH PRIZE:
**\$100 WALMART
GIFT CARD**



HO! HO! HUNGER!

HOLIDAY RAFFLE

PRESENTED BY:



MARSHALL STEAM STATION

12.13.24 AT 2PM

LIVE ON THE CORNER TABLE'S
FACEBOOK PAGE

TICKETS: \$20

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT
THE CORNER TABLE OR ONLINE

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INCLUDING EARLY
BIRD SPECIAL!



November Birthdays and Anniversaries



Monte York	23-Nov
Jill Adair	25-Nov
Paige Furr	27-Nov
Dennis Hunsucker	28-Nov
Frankie Matthews	28-Nov
Joni Reid	28-Nov
Brayden Roseman	28-Nov
Gail Robinson	29-Nov

Cole Hass	1-Nov
Barbara Nelson	1-Nov
Sandy Chi	3-Nov
Sherri Elliott	3-Nov
Ronald Williams	3-Nov
Frankie Hubbard	4-Nov
Laine Cloninger	4-Nov
Katie Coffey	6-Nov
Mike Geml	7-Nov
Abby DeHart	10-Nov
Nicole Hass	11-Nov
Marigene Matthews	11-Nov
Ann Holt	12-Nov
Barry Perry	12-Nov
Michelle Montgomery	13-Nov
Kathy Unverfehrt	13-Nov
Tammy Hayman	13-Nov
Anthony DeHart	13-Nov
Vicki Shull	14-Nov
Bart Travis	17-Nov
Anna Bolick	17-Nov
Matthew Farmer	17-Nov
Evelynn Yount	17-Nov
Jack D'Arcy	18-Nov
Kurt Beal	20-Nov
Leila Walker	20-Nov
Susan Deal	21-Nov
Hoy Holler	22-Nov
Jimmy Spencer	22-Nov
Susan Harman	22-Nov
Linda Bolick	23-Nov











Andy & Amy Matthews	2-Nov
Kurt & Emily Beal	7-Nov
Ronnie & Susan Kaylor	10-Nov
Jimmy & Joyce Spencer	16-Nov
Michael & Leigh Charles	17-Nov
Rodney & Carrie Burns	18-Nov
Donny & Pat Setzer	24-Nov

If your name is missing from one of these lists, please let the church office know. Thank you!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					SED High School Youth Gathering 2pm Joyful Stitchers - BLCFM 3:30pm BSA Troop 383 Martinsville Camping	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2am Fall Back 9am Worship & Communion 10:10am Christian Education 11am Worship & Communion 4pm Confirmation Check in - EM 4pm Cub Scouts	1:30pm Quilt Tacking 6:30pm Scouts	10am Christian Book Club – Library 	7am Ladies Bible Study - EM 3pm Hang out with Mr. U - YC 5:45pm Handbells 6:30pm Praise Band 7:15pm Choir	6:30am Men's Bible Study 8:30am Staff Devotion & Weekly Meeting - EM 11:30am Concordia Golf Tournament at CCC 2pm Pastor's Bible		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9am Worship & Communion 9:50am Morning Fellowship 10:10am Christian Education 11am Worship & Communion 12pm Voters Meeting 4pm Cub Scouts	5:30pm Assimilation - Library 6:30pm Christian Ed-EM 6:30pm Scouts	8:30am Staff Devotion & Weekly Meeting - EM 11:30am PrimeTimers - EM 6:30pm Day School Board - CCDS Library 6:30pm Elders - EM	7am Ladies Bible Study - EM 3pm Hang out with Mr. U - YC 5:45pm Handbells 6:30pm Praise Band 7:15pm Choir	6:30am Men's Bible Study 2pm Pastor's Bible 6pm Trustees - EM		8am BSA Troop 383 - Scouting for Food
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
8am LLL 9am Worship & Communion 10:10am Christian Education 11am Worship & Communion 4pm Cub Scouts	12pm Newsletter Deadline  1:30pm Quilt Tacking 6:30pm Scouts	8:30am Staff Devotion & Weekly Meeting - EM 10am Christian Book Club - Library 5:30pm M & M - Library 6:30pm Stewardship - EM	7am Ladies Bible Study - EM 3pm Hang out with Mr. U - YC 5:45pm Handbells 6:30pm Praise Band 7:15pm Choir	6:30am Men's Bible Study 2pm Pastor's Bible 6:30pm Church Council		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9am Worship & Communion 10:10am Christian Education 11:00am Worship & Communion 3pm Cub Scouts	1pm LWML - EM 6:30pm Scouts Board of Review	8:30am Staff Devotion & Weekly Meeting – EM 	7am Ladies Bible Study - EM 3pm Hang out with Mr. U - YC 6:30pm Thanksgiving Eve Service & Communion 	Thanksgiving Day Church & School Office Closed 	Church & School Office Closed 