

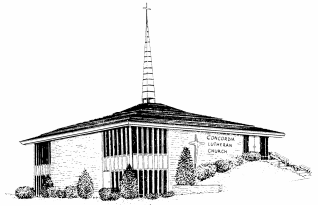


# Talking Together

the weekly newsletter of

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March 5, 2017

## Our Stewardship

Attendance for <b>February 26, 20017</b> .....	157
<b>Budget Needs through January 2017</b> .....	\$27,250.50
<b>Our Operating Income Giving for January 2017</b> .....	\$25,364.91
<b>Total Annual Budget (Operational Expenses Only)</b> .....	\$207,402.00

Serving in Worship	Date	Acolyte	Nursery	Lector	Greeters	Assisting Ministers	
	3/5	Erin Davidson	1 <sup>st</sup> No Nursery	Don Rudow	Flicek (Lent) 3/05 Foster	Shives/Waldron	
		Chase Baker	2 <sup>nd</sup> Brenda Meiron	Betty Amt	Dawson	Gann/Meiron	
	3/12	Tim Davidson	1 <sup>st</sup> No Nursery	Bill Garrison	Garrison (Lent) 3/15 Campbell	Shives/Waldron	
		Adam Brown	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bernie Davidson	Brenda Ellis	Brown	Gann/Tichnell	

**TODAY - Worship services: 8:00 am; 9:30 a.m.; and 11:00 a.m.**

**Christian Education: Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.; Adult Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.**

**Be Our Guest, 12:15; Visitation Ministry Meeting, 12:20; CCDC Open House, 1-3**

Monday .....	MD Bible Study, Shives home, 7p.m.
Wednesday .....	Soup & Sandwich, 5:45 p.m.
Wednesday .....	Lenten Workshop, 7 p.m.
Wednesday .....	Confirmation Class, 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday .....	Choir Rehearsal, 8:00 p.m.
Thursday .....	Sewing Group, 9 a.m.—12 p.m.

## PRAY AND THANKSGIVING

- Karen Davidson –cancer free! – mother of Joe Davidson
- Paula Jensen - Cancer free!! – mother of Stephanie Gore
- The Open Arms preschool is full for the first time in 9 years of operation.

## PRAYER REQUESTS—NEW

- **Campbell and McSweyn families** (death of Linda's brother Bill 3/1)
- **Lori T.** (breast cancer) sister of Mike Taylor
- **Beverly W.** (stroke)
- **Dave I** (recovery mild heart attack, mass on lung)

## PRAYER LIST—REVISE

- **Lvn** (Surgery scheduled for 3/14) Mother of Kori Matheis, CCDC board mbr.

☩ - New entry    M - Member    U - Update

- **Wes B.** (medical issues)
- **Grant L.** (injured in helicopter accident) son of co-worker of Cherie Waldron
- **Dottie O.** (heart surgery) co-worker of Cherie Waldron
- **Sandy C.** (lung cancer/surgery 2/8) friend of Jane O'Farrell
- **Kate (and baby Penelope)** complications w/pregnancy
- **Donna** (chemo) friend of Beth Burdette
- **Christopher** (stage 4 brain cancer) neighbor of Pekariss
- **Laura G.** (chemo/radiation)
- **Ongoing**
- **Steve U.** (Medical Issues)
- **Mary Lou** (Malignant tumor, possible surgery)
- **Evelyn J.** (Continues in rehab)
- **Ed P.** (Medical Complications)

- **Roxie** (Medical issues)
- **Richard W.** (hospice care)
- **Mary Lou G.** (Malignant tumor) Jim Gann asks for special prayer for healing.
- **Paula J.** (Lung cancer)
- **Daniel P.** (Cancer)
- **Dot McA.** (medical issues)
- **Linda McS.** (Parkinson's)
- **Regina H.** (Medical issues)
- **Ginny D.** (Medical issues)
- **Martin** (Personal healing)
- **Brittany Y.**
- **Don B.** (medical issues)
- **Karen D.** (Cancer)
- **Judy K.** (medical concerns)
- **Nancy V.** (Medical issues)
- **Assisted Living/Nursing Home**
- **Emmett A.**
- **Karen U.**

- **Eileen D.**
- **Kim G.**
- **Carl J.**
- **Bill H.**
- **Missionaries / Other**
- **People of Haiti, Florida**
- **North and South Carolina**
- **Rev. David Erber** (Africa)
- **Ed, Mary Fox** - (Guatemala)
- **All persecuted Christians**
- **College Students, Military Members**
- **Nathan, Brent J. Patrick G., Matthew H, Philip Nicholas B., Ian H**
- **Pastor Emil and Family** as they prepare to depart and move to Holy Cross and for Concordia as the congregation is affected by the call.

## "Nurturing the Faith"

The following readings are provided for your preparation for worship, **March 12, Second S. in Lent; Genesis 12:1-9; Romans 4:1-8, 13-17; John 3:1-17.**

## Families of the Week

Week of March 5, 2017

**Michael Hughes** Mike and Andrea have four children, Carter attending Frostburg University, Haley, Kara, and Angie. A relationship with Pastor Emil has brought him to Concordia from the church in Hancock. Mike is an electric bass player for our 9:30 Praise Service and a graphic artist. He has contributed much to us in the form of graphics for our CLC trifold brochure, Loving the Lost logo and he reproduced the logo for promotion of Micah's Backpack for Concordia

**Carl and Nancy Jesse** They are long time members of Concordia and are only junior to Bob and Sylvia Shives, surprise. They have been active in all forms of activities over their years of membership including, but not limited to: treasurer, Newsletter, typing bulletins, Breakfast Committee, Treasurer of LWML. Proud parents of two and proud of grandchildren as well. Carl is in Williamsport Nursing Home after suffering a stroke five years ago and Nancy is a vigilant caregiver for him.

**LWML Featured Mission Grant for March Lutheran Youth Corps \$25,000** "There is an ever-growing number of LCMS college students and young adults joining the Peace Corps and AmeriCorps. They say 'We would do it with the church, but there is nothing for us to do.'" This quote comes from the

executive director's office of LCMS Office of National Mission. Hearing the desire of Lutheran youth wishing to serve with LCMS guidance, the Lutheran Mercy Youth Corp initiative was born. Youth attending the National Youth Gathering of the LCMS have voiced a desire to be of service to the church in a deeper level. Many young adults wish to utilize the time between high school and college or college and the start of full time employment serving in their communities. Lutheran Mercy Youth Corp will provide these students with the opportunity to live and serve in urban or underserved communities. This experience will engage the youth and connect them to ongoing

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries This Week

### Birthdays

3-7 - James Panesci  
3-10 - Mike Fliceck  
3-10 - Charlotte Brown

### Baptized Birthdays

3-3 - Janice Gann

### Anniversaries

None this week

**"Listening to the "Lutheran Hour"**  
You are invited to tune in next Sunday -

**Tune in March 12<sup>th</sup>**

WNAV (Annapolis) 1430 AM 7:00 a.m. WZXXH Hagerstown) 91.7 FM 4:00 p.m.  
WBAL (Baltimore) 1090 AM 10:30 a.m. WTRM (Winchester) 91.3 FM 7:01 p.m.

**"The Power of a New Beginning"** Real help comes to us from the outside. In Christ, new beginnings and greater endings are still possible. (John 3:1-17)

**Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz**

### Featured Mission Grant (Continued from page 1)

opportunities to be Christ's witnesses in acts of mercy for the world. The program will also expand the young people's understanding of life's vocation and the important part service to others and sharing the Gospel plays in fulfilling their vocational call. For the young adults who have yet to settle on a vocation, this provides time for life experiences and possible connections with various employment opportunities.

The time frame for their service will range from three months to one year. Prior to departure, students will receive training which will include theological foundation, relational training and other areas specific to the work they will be asked to perform. Once ready for service and assigned, the students will reside in an intentional community of their peers with a professional church worker serving as a proctor. They will be connected to a local congregation for Word and Sacrament and daily devotions to enable them in remaining faithful to the commitment. [www.lcms.org/young-adult-corps](http://www.lcms.org/young-adult-corps).

**New LifeLight Course** A new Lifelight course will begin on Wednesday March 22nd and will run through the end of May. Class is held from 12-1:30 p.m. The topic is **Ministry** from the Foundations series. An outline of the sessions is shown below. New class members are welcome. If you would like to join this class see Sylvia Shives (8 and 9:30 worship or Jim Gann 11 :00).

1-Getting Started	7-Ordination
2-Basic Principles	8-Time for a Change?
3-God's People and God's Preachers	9-Pastor and People Together
4-God Calls Pastors for the Sake of His Church	
5-Who Can Be a Pastor	
6-Women Pastors?	

**Spaghetti Dinner** Tickets are available today after all services for the 2nd Annual Open Arms spaghetti dinner fundraiser coming up on Thursday March 16th. The cost is \$9 for adults and \$5 for children 3-10. 2 and under are free. There will be a bake sale and a silent auction with many interesting items up for sale.

**Soup, Sandwich and Salad Suppers** begin this Wednesday March 8th and every Wednesday through April 5th. They will be held in the fellowship hall starting at 5:45. Please sign up to bring soup, sandwiches, salad or desserts.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ **Church Library** New Library Book Donations Adult Amish Fiction: *Return to Northkill*; *Jacob's Choice Bk 1*, *Joseph's Dilemma Bk2* and *Christian's Hope Bk3* on library table. Also library book donations that are not used are now displayed upstairs in Narthex they are free for the taking.

♦ **Open Arms** If you haven't visited the preschool rooms you are invited to stop by after Be Our Guest Brunch and say hello. We are well on the way to filling our classes for next year with a possibility of expanding some of our programs such as a three-day option for the two-year old class and adding a fourth day to one of the three day classes

♦ **Sunday School** The last quarter of the Sunday school year begins today. Current plans are to have a regular Sunday school class on Easter Sunday with the Easter story. The traditional Easter egg hunt will be on Saturday April 15th with activities and treats.

♦ **REACH Ingathering** We are collecting items for REACH shelter through March 19th.

♦ **Concordia Choir** *Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him... his name is the Lord exult before him. Psalm 68:5* Choir rehearsals are Wednesday evenings immediately following Lenten worship as we prepare anthems for the Lenten season and Easter. New voices are welcome.

♦ **College Student Care Cards** We will collect donations for the college student gift cards through today.

♦ **Pancake Supper** Thanks to all who came out to support our youth at the ShroveTuesday pancake supper last week. Also thanks to Barb and the young folks (and parents) who came out to help. Chip Brown flips a mean pancake!

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♦ **Yard Sale Coming** Keep saving your yard sale items as you do your spring cleaning. Remember—no TV's, computers, or car seats. More details coming after Easter.

♦ **Easter Lilies** Order forms for Easter lilies have been placed in mailboxes. Deadline to order is March 12th.

**Visitation Ministry** Reminder!! Visitation Ministry will meet on Sunday, March 5, 2017 during the Be Our Guest Brunch. Anyone interested in participating in this ministry should plan to attend. Get some delicious food and bring it to the Fellowship Hall. Meeting will start about 15 minutes after the 11:00 am Service is completed.

**LWML** Mark your calendars for Saturday April 1st—that is the date of the Potomac Zone LWML Spring Rally and Christian Life event. It will be held at the Lutheran Church of St Andrew in Silver Spring. More details to come.



CHURCH MOUSE

In the newspaper this week: **Sydney Shumaker**, a sophomore at South High made the Honor Roll last semester. **Linda reiser** is expected back this week from North Dakota where she has been caring for her mother.