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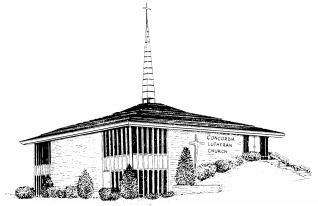
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Our Stewardship

Attendance for April 9, 20017	141
Budget Needs through April 2017	\$76,850.50
Our Operating Income Giving for March 2017	\$25,305.84
Total Annual Budget (Operational Expenses Only)	\$307,402.00

Serving in Worship	Date	Acolyte	Nursery	Lector	Greeters	Assisting Ministers	
	4/16	Erin Davidson	1 st No Nursery	Sylvia Shives	Foster	Shives/Waldron	
		Adam Brown	2 nd Brenda Meiron	Joe Davidson	Abbott/Kline	Gann/Tichnell	
	4/23	Erin Davidson	1 st No Nursery	Larry Hector	Garrison	Shives/Waldron	
		Adam Brown	2 nd Brenda Meiron	Ron Golem	Dawson	Meiron/Tichnell	

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

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

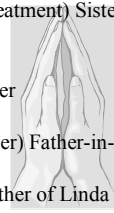
Breakfast in the Fellowship hall, 8:30-11 a.m.

Monday	MD Bible Study, @ Shives home, 7 p.m.
Wednesday	LifeLight® Bible Study 12:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.
Thursday	Planning Council, 7 p.m.
Thursday	Sewing Group, 9 a.m.- 12 p.m.
Saturday	Farewell open House, 2 - 4 p.m.

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Bob K.** (lung infection)
 - **Randy G.** (toxic leukemia/chemo) brother of Jim Gann
 - **Don D.** (Infection in knee)
 - **Vanessa C.** (blood clots in leg and lungs) sister of Roberta Taylor and Cheryl Fertitta
- PRAYER LIST -**
- **Hanna D.** (leukemia) niece of Detweilers
 - **Maureen, Brandon, and newborn** (Injured in auto accident on the way home from the hospital) Friends of Brenda Horsch
 - **Barb B.** (Severs back and knee pain.)
 - **Pam** (Ovarian cancer)
 - **Kimberly** (Personal issues)
 - **Pentz Family** (Barn fire, loss of animals)
 - **Ron** (Hospice Care) Friend of Bob Keane

- **Carole F.** (Radiation treatment) Sister of Don Detwiler
- **Ongoing**
- **Betty W.** (stroke) Mother of Scott Walling
- **Eddie D.** (Prostate cancer) Father-in-law of Kevin Rogers
- **Evelyn J.** (Stroke) Mother of Linda Reiser
- **Lori T.** (breast cancer) sister of Mike Taylor
- **Christopher** (Brain Cancer)
- **Steve U.** (Medical Issues)
- **Ed P.** (Medical Complications)
- **Mary Lou G.** (Malignant tumor).
- **MDot McA.** (medical issues)
- **Linda McS.** (Parkinson's)
- **Regina H** (Medical issues)



- **Ginny D.** (Medical issues)
- **Martin** (Personal healing)
- **Brittany Y.**
- **Judy K.** (medical concerns)
- **Nancy V.** Medical issues)
- **Assisted Living/Nursing Home**
- **Joel F.** (Providence Place)
- **Rev Floyd and Bobbi Duff**
- **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.

Mission of the Month

Orphan Grain Train, Maryland Division

☞ - New entry M - Member U - Update

"Nurturing the Faith"

The following readings are provided for your preparation for worship, **April 16, Easter Sunday; Exodus 14:10—15:1; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; John 20:1-18.**

We welcome these new families and individuals into membership this morning.

Charles and Marilyn Heinemann Charles is a retired Lutheran school teacher and principal. They attended Concordia Bronxville at the same time as Pastor Bill and Susan Pekari. It would be parenthetic to say they are lifelong Lutherans Pastor Bill brought his year book to the adult Sunday School class from that time as evidence. They reside in Stephens City Virginia. They are the parents of children and grandparents as well. Charles is a supply organist and still interested in music, strategic planning and Bible study. Marilyn is interested in prayer shawl

knitting and Hospice Thrift store.

Gail Brandenburg Gail is retired and lives near Concordia. She is a baptized Lutheran has two adult sons and two grandsons. She has lived in Hagerstown for seven years does not drive. (Is this an opportunity for someone to provide transportation?) She usually attends the 9:30 service which she enjoys. She also supports the Micah's Backpack mission.

Pamela Lively Pam is a lifelong LCMS Lutheran originally from Texas. She was looking for an LCMS church and found us. She likes the services and thinks of Concordia as a kind and accepting church. She is a school teacher and has taught for the last seven years, secondary and middle school English and History. She and her husband are expecting their first child in July. She is interested in our prayer shawl ministry and Bible study.

Terrence Dombrowski (prefers T J) T J is

a friend of Michael Hughes and it was Michael who invited him to Concordia. He enjoys our 9:30 service and is hoping we keep it. T J works for Citi Bank near State Line. He turned 50 this year and said he feels age, (wait till he really gets old!) His church heritage is RC but has not been active for a long time. He relocated 18 times before he graduated from school in part because of his father's military career. He enjoys skiing but has been unable to do that this year because of an ankle injury.

John and Trudi Borelli Don and Trudi are retired and live in near Waynesboro, PA. Don was the Dean of Graduate Studies at Texas Tech. They have been LCMS Lutherans for many years him for 20 and Trudi for 40. She was a church Christian Education Director in Lubbock and quite active in Community Bible Study. They have a son in Dallas and a daughter in Waynesboro.

Birthdays and Anniversaries This Week

Birthdays

19 - James Gann
21 - Ian ;Lane
21 - Ronald Bucher
21 - Jacqueline Witmer

Baptismal Birthdays

19 - Robert Roeder
21 - Cort Meinelschmidt

Anniversaries

None this week

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

Tune in April 23rd

WNAV (Annapolis) 1430 AM 7:00 a.m. WZXH 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.

"A Living Hope for a 'Dead as Doornails' World" 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.

(1 Peter 1:3-9)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

Brian and Stacey Crespo Brian and Stacey are from Frederick, MD but now live in Hedgesville, WV. They are parents of four children: Jacob 13, Logan 12, Alyssa 10, and Madison 6. They are Lutherans but new to the LCMS and have found Concordia to be a pleasant, vibrant and welcoming church that the Lord is using to find the lost. They enjoy camping and outdoor activities.

HARC Hike for Hunger and Hope is scheduled for **June 10, 2017** on the C&O Canal in Washington County. All proceeds from this event benefit HARC (Hagerstown Area Religious Council) and Micah's Backpack. Deadline for registration that guarantees you a T-shirt is May 21st. Information and registration forms are on the bulletin board to the left of the mailboxes.

Two school musicals are coming up: *Seussical, The Musical* put on by Barbara Ingraham School at the Maryland Theater and *Guys and Dolls* at Williamsport High. Students involved are Kyra Baker in *Seussical* and Lucy Nordyke in *Guys and Dolls*. Both take place the weekends of April 22-23 and 29-30. Contact the MD theater or Williamsport HS for tickets.

LifeLight Classes start again Wednesday April 19th with 6 sessions left. It is not too late for anyone interested to join the class. The topic of Ministry is very timely with the congregation getting ready to call a new pastor in the coming months.

Quilt Display Our sewing group has been busy this year making quilts for Orphan Grain Train. The quilts will be on display April 16, 23, and 30. The quilts will also be available for sale with the proceeds of any sales going to Orphan Grain Train to help cover the cost of shipping the quilts and other goods to destination countries where they are needed. In addition to the quilts we will also be sending 70 pairs of boys shorts, over 200 dresses, 25 market cloths, and several boxes of sewing supplies. If you are interested in coming to the sewing group or sewing at home, please see Betty Klug or Cheryl Fertitta.

Barn Fire Clint and Sarah Pentz experienced a fire last Sunday night resulting in the total loss of their barn and a ewe and three lambs. Thankfully several other animals were rescued by neighbors. They are working through everything with the insurance folks and plan to rebuild. They plan a cleanup day and will let us know how we can help. Meanwhile they ask for prayers in getting through this tough time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ **Church Library** FOR CHILDREN- Happy Easter Biscuit, Sometimes I Get Scared PSALM 23 for Children & It's Spring! (other Easter and Spring books on display on library table) FOR ADULTS- FIC/Western -*Song Of Blessing Bk 4*, & FIC/America-*Courage To Dream Bk 3*. NON FICTION ADULT-Mayo Clinic *Guide To Alzheimer's Disease 2006* Copyright, What's So Amazing About Grace?., A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23, Becoming A Prayer Warrior & Fearless/book and study guide.

♦ **Open Arms Open Arms** On Thursday the children had a great Easter egg hunt with beautiful weather. Enrollment is in progress for next year and over 40 students have enrolled already as of the last open House on April 2nd! Our current capacity is 52.

♦ **Sunday School** A sizeable group enjoyed the Easter egg hunt and party yesterday afternoon. Thanks to all who provided candy and prizes to fill the egg; to the older students for hiding the eggs and helping the little ones hunt; to Karen Meinelschmidt who provided the decorated cookies; and to Becky Brown for organizing and Sunday school staff who assisted.

♦ **Concordia Choir** *Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation Psalm 95:* The choir will rehearse this week April 19th at 7:30 to prepare a special anthem for next Sunday.

♦ **Opportunity to Serve** The altar committee is seeking an individual or a couple to become part of the Communion Stewards. The need is for someone to do the take-down after late worship two Sundays a month, every-other month. The task takes about 20 minutes and training is provided. Contact Sylvia Shives. (Sylvia.shives@myactv.net) to join this important ministry.

♦ **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.

♦ **Farewell Fellowship Event** Plan to attend the Open House farewell event next Saturday in the Outreach center. Please use the upper parking lot as there is another event in the fellowship hall at the same time and they need the lower parking area. Also take a minute to sign the greeting page with the picture of the church that will be presented to Pastor and family.

♦ **The men of the congregation** are serving breakfast in the fellowship hall throughout the morning. Find some time over the course of the morning to enjoy some fellowship time and a bit of breakfast

LWML Carroll Gatling, Secretary-Treasurer of The Potomac Zone LWML, is pleased to announce that following the Spring Rally on April 2nd the Zone was able to contribute over \$900 to the Chesapeake District. This was designated to go toward the District mission grants. The small pots of flowers on the white cross at the back of the sanctuary were provided by the LWML as a gift to all the children and youth present. They are invited to pick one up after each service.



CHURCH MOUSE

Vince and Cheryl Fertitta spent last weekend in Connecticut visiting family.

Pastor Emil, Elijah and Hanna were pictured in yesterday's newspaper as they participated in the annual walk carrying the Cross on Good Friday.