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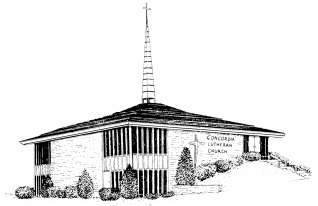
the weekly newsletter of

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June 25, 2017

Our Stewardship

Attendance for June 18, 2017	95
Budget Expenses to Date	\$137,632.00
Our Operating Income Giving to Date	\$114,875.00
Total Annual Budget (Operational Expenses Only)	\$307,402.00

Serving in Worship	Date	Acolyte	Nursery	Lector	Greeters	Assisting Ministers	
	6/25	Tim Davidson	1 st No Nursery	Sylvia Shives	Flicek	Shives/Waldron	
		Madison Bearman	2 nd Bernie Davidson	Jeannette Lietzau	Mullican	Gann/Tichnell	
	7/2	Tim Davidson	1 st No Nursery	Roland Foster	Foster	Shives/Waldron	
		Dory Brown	2 nd ??	Jim Gann	Nordyke	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.

Today - Voters Meeting, 12:15

Mission of the month

Christ Lutheran Church of the Deaf

Praise and Thanksgiving

- **Baby J.** Born in Nov. at 24 weeks is home at last with her foster family after seven months in the hospital.

- **Jessica**, daughter of Bev Walling, for successful surgery and recuperation.

New Prayer Requests

- **Rick F.** (Hip surgery 6-22) Brother of Nancy Flicek

Prayer Requests

- **Hite and Mann Families** (Death of 2 month old Liam)

- **Drew Baker** (kidney stone)

- **Roberta T.** (New radiation and medication)

- **Ruth P.** (Cracked bone in hip from a fall)

- **Randy G.** (Recurrent leukemia) brother

☩ - New entry M - Member U - Update

of Jim Gann

Ongoing

- **Mary Lou G.** (Fragile health)

- **Karen D.** (Recurrent cancer)

- **Wes B.** (Medical issues)

- **Don D.** (Medical issues)

- **Rebecca L.** (Medical issues)

- **Laura S.** (personal issues)

- **Hanna D.** (Remains under treatment)

- **Ann W.** (Breast cancer) Sister of Roland Foster

- **Susan D.** (Breast cancer) sister of Jane O'Farrell

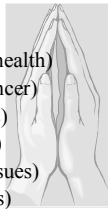
- **Carole F.** (successful treatment)

- **Eddie D.** (Prostate cancer)

- **Barb B.** (Severe back and knee pain.)

- **Lori T.** (breast cancer)

- **Lyn** (Completing chemo treatment)



- **Betty W.** (Stroke)

- **Christopher** (Brain Cancer)

- **Ron** (Hospice Care)

- **Steve U.** (Recovering from surgery)

- **Phyllis M.** (Surgery 7/12)

- **Ed P.** (Medical Complications)

- **Dot McA.** (medical issues)

- **Linda McS.** (Parkinson's)

- **Regina H** (Medical issues)

- **Ginny D.** (Medical issues)

- **Martin** (Personal healing)

- **Brittany** (Personal issues)

- **Judy K.** (medical concerns)

- **Nancy V.** Medical issues)

Assisted Living/Nursing Home

- **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** -

Military

Brent J., Patrick G, Philip,

Matthew H, Nicholas B.,

Ian H, Michael J., Josh L .

Burton C.

"Nurturing the Faith"

The following readings are provided for your preparation for worship, **July 2; Jeremiah 28:5-9; Romans 7:1-13.**

(families continued)

study. Linda also served as a substitute and an aide in the preschool and she helps with Micah's backpack. She likes the 11:00 o'clock service and sometimes attends the 9:30 service.

Families of the Week

June 25

John Ramacciotti John has been attending Concordia since the early 80's and joined after 1988. He served as financial secretary for a number of years. He attends the 8:00 o'clock service.

Linda Reiser Linda has been a member for more than seven years, coming about the time Pastor Emil came to Concordia. She likes the friendly people of Concordia and hearing God's Word. She is a member of the choir and attends the Wednesday Bible

Selected Notes from the June 15th Planning Council Meeting

Executive Director – Joe Davidson The agenda for the Voters meeting on June 25th includes election of officers and board chairs for 2017-19; commissioning of the eight-member call committee, and an update on plans for pastoral coverage through the vacancy period. / The new constitution and bylaws were returned by the review committee of South-eastern District with some minor corrections recommended to keep them in line with district or synod policy. The bylaws committee will make the changes and present the document to the congregation for formal approval. The document was submitted to the congregation for review and comment before sending to the district. No issues were reported to the committee at that time. / Discussion on the Pastor's discretionary fund was carried over from the last meeting. The consensus was to send a quarterly donation from the fund to REACH. No amount was set yet. Arrangements may also be made to designate a person from the congregation to be put on the account so it can still be used for immediate needs that cannot or should not be handed off to REACH.

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Birthdays and Anniversaries This Week

Birthdays

28 - Beverly Walling
30 - Katelynn Marie Tucker
31 - Lukas Gore
31 - Jason Penrod
30 - Cheryl Fertitta
1 - Hugh McSweyn

Baptismal Birthdays

1 - Ralph Diest
Anniversaries
29 - Melody Gibson-Solomon
and Ricky Solomon

"Listening to the "Lutheran Hour"

You are invited to tune in next Sunday -

Tune in July 2nd

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.

"Serving in the Power of the Spirit" Because Christ has paid our debt, we are no longer captive to sin but are free to live for others, in His name. (Romans 7:1-13)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

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Assistant Exec. Director – Rod Bearman Rod will chair the voters meeting on June 25 in Joe's absence. / The audit of the financial records will be scheduled as soon as all parties involved are available.

Financial Secretary – Mitzie Bowman Total operating income for May was \$21,874.80. This is 7.1% more than the same date in 2016. / Total contributions to Loving the Lost from pledges and non-pledges was \$367,183.22. In 25 months the amount received for Loving the Lost is 72.5% of the total pledged.

Treasurer – Don Schleef

Written reports provided on current and year to date for income and spending. Contributions continue favorable in relation to budgeted expenses. / An interesting note is that we received a dividend check for 8¢ from an investment fund.

Lay Ministry – Larry Hector A call committee has been named and will be commissioned at the voters meeting on June 25. / The Deacons from Peace in Christ are scheduled through September. Dr. Jon Diefenthaler and Pastor Steve Funck have agreed to come back as well for future services.

Church Properties – Terry Bowman Terry expressed thanks to all who helped with the many projects completed the week of May 30 - June 2. / A second vacuum cleaner has been obtained for the pre-school to facilitate after school cleanup.

Social Ministry – Jean Tichnell Eloise Kline is taking care of sending grief books to families who suffer a death in the family.

Other A very important church council meeting will be held on July 20 to review the structure of the leadership positions under the new bylaws. The bylaws call for just two meetings a year for the full council—one to coordinate programs and one when preparing the budget.

Smithsonian Trip The Men's Group is sponsoring a trip to the Smithsonian Udvar-Hazy Center next to the Dulles Airport on Saturday July 8th. Members, families and friends of Concordia are invited to join us. We will carpool from the church, leaving at 10 a.m. and will return about 6:30 p.m. You should have received detailed information by email from Don Schleef last week. Please let Don know today if you are interested in the trip.

Ice Anyone? If you have visited the new kitchen you will note that we have a large capacity ice maker. There is ice to share!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ **Church Library** More new books: "Wish You Well" by David Baldacci takes place in southwestern Virginia mountain area starts out in 1936 about a family & their life on a farm in Appalachia; "Chasing the Sun" (bk 1 of the land of the lone star series) by Tracie Peterson Young girl is left taking care of younger siblings and their family's Texas ranch. More next week.

♦ **Open Arms** Congratulations! After months of hard work and reworking the paperwork by Karla the school has reached Level 3 of Maryland EXCELS! Two new aides were hired for this year, one to work with Karla and the other with Tamsyn in the 2-year old class. They were formerly on the substitute list. A new member has been added to the CCDC advisory board, Emily Sklencar, who will be the parent representative. Classes remain full with two withdrawals replaced by two on the waiting list.

♦ **Sunday School** Lessons on the Ten Commandments continue with the third Commandment this week. Volunteer teachers and helpers are welcome any Sunday. There is a sign-up sheet on the education bulletin board beside the office or see Becky Brown or Bernie Davidson. Materials available. We also are accepting snacks for summer SS—small bottles of water, juice boxes, and individually packaged snacks.

♦ **Fall Sunday School** With summer in full swing it is time to start organizing the new Sunday school year starting in September. We are seriously in need of more teachers—specifically the Parents and Twos class, the Early Childhood Pre K-K class and a Young Adult class for high school age and up. Please see Becky Brown if you can help.

♦ **Church Trac Information** Thanks to those who have turned in the information requested for Church-Trac. If you still haven't turned yours in forms are available beside mailboxes. Please get them in as soon as possible so our records can be brought up-to-date.

♦ **Be Our Guest Breakfast** There will NOT be a Be Our Guest Breakfast next Sunday, July 2nd since most of the breakfast team is unavailable and no other team was available to trade months. With the start of the new administrative term we will be evaluating BOG and will decide whether to drop this activity. Many team members have been serving for over 10 years so much will depend on whether we can replace those team members who do not wish to continue.

♦ **Tending the Flame Outreach Conference** There is still time to register for this annual outreach conference sponsored by the Southeastern District. Rev. Dr. Tony Cook, of Lutheran Hour Ministries will help explore and understand the language of Millennials and Postmoderns and teach us how to share the Gospel through everyday relationships. Check the SED website.

LWML The LWML celebrates 75 years of serving the Lord with gladness at the convention in Albuquerque June 22-25. The convention will be available by video streaming at livestream.com/TheLWML Sevions can be viewed live or through the archives at a later time.



CHURCH MOUSE

The **Fliceks** just returned from a trip to Minnesota to visit family. The **Davidsons** are in California to be with Joe's mother. The **Shives** are leaving this week for Oklahoma and Texas to see their newest great grandson.