Concordia Messenger



"How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!" Psalm 133:1

April 2022



Quilting - April 9, (9 am - noon). We meet in the Fellowship Hall. We can use some helpers who don't mind tying knots to finish up some quilts.





LWML is celebrating its 80th

1942-2022 — 80 Years of God's Grace

birthday this year (1942-2022) and encourages individuals and groups to bless others with 80 something. We plan to color 80 cards for Phil's Friends that they mail to cancer patients. Watch for a bulletin announcement and pick up several cards to color.

2021-2023 LWML Mission Grant #8 (Lexington Convention)

Supporting Missionaries in Germany and the Czech Republic—Light of Christ in Eastern Europe—Mission Central— \$56,000

For decades, Christians in Germany and Czech Republic had to hide their faith. Churches that stood for centuries were closed and generations lived with no knowledge of the Christian faith. The Lutheran Church is striving to meet the urgent need to bring the love and light of Christ to people who have been living in spiritual darkness. Recently, immigrants and refugees from the Middle East have settled in Europe, many in Germany. Our missionaries are meeting the additional challenge of

reaching out to those of the Muslim faith with the message of the Triune God. Thousands of immigrants, and German and Czech citizens of all ages, need to hear the Gospel. This grant will help in the support of eight missionaries working in Germany and the Czech Republic.



Missionary Ben Helge, right, leads an English Talk Group as part of his ministry in the Czech Republic. This group meets every Wednesday evening to practice English and to hear the Gospel. The group is open to any high school student, and God continues to send new members to the group, who need to hear the Good News

Ingathering for LWML District Convention on June 17-19, 2022

We are now starting to collect items for one of the sponsored charities in the Fort Wayne area as part of the Human care project. One option is Chris' Cupboard. - "reaching the least, the last and the lost with Christ's love to feed His kingdom". Collecting: hygiene items - chap stick, travel size tissues, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, bar of soap, deodorant, travel size shampoo, travel size mouthwash, mini hand sanitizer, pack of gum, pair of socks, Mustard Seeds or small cards with a Bible verse on it.

Bring items in and place in marked boxes in the Noah Room until June 12, thank you.

Mite boxes - During the month of April we will be collecting the Mites that you have been OUR MISSION GOAL saving since January to start out our new year



towards our District and National goals. If you can not make it on Sunday and you are going by the church during the week you are welcome to drop it by. However, we would very much like to see you come to church to share in fellowship with us and God's gracious gift of Holy Communion. Continued blessing on all of our projects and activities.

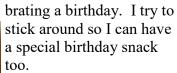
Ladies! Please set aside Sunday April 24th @ 4:30 pm for our annual Spring Social event! Lee Little and Katie Gaschler will present a program on the history of Lutheran churches in the Indianapolis area. They recently published a book: Circle Center Steeples with Katie's photography. Mr. Little also has an Instagram account: oldchurchesindy.

Refreshments will be served. Please sign up at the poster your name and how many will becoming with you so we can have enough refreshments available.

Director Christian **Education**

It's exciting that Easter is later this month! The girls in our family most likely won't have matching dresses this year, but there are plenty of other things to be excited about. Jesus dying on the cross for the sins of the whole world and rising again is pretty life changing and exciting to celebrate with great fanfare. I hate to burst anyone's bubble though, we celebrate that historical moment every Sunday at Concordia! Having Easter breakfast at our church home will be awesome. This will be the first time my kids will get to celebrate Easter breakfast with their whole church family. The kids will also love having the Easter Egg Hunt at the Preschool playground after breakfast (weather permitting, of course).

I love taking my oldest to Preschool when I can and walking by the Preschool. I talk to her about how she gets to be in Preschool next year. She's getting so big and I'm excited for her to make new friends, learn about writing, and hear others talk to her about God. One of my favorite things to do is go to Preschool and teach Jesus Time. Pastor Gaschler and I rotate every week who goes to teach the children. It's always fun to see the kids and talk to them. I also secretly love when a Preschooler is cele-



Preschool is always in need of helpers. Sometimes it's spreading mulch on the playground, yard work, or some help deep

cleaning. Having options of individuals, the teacher can call for subs is nice too (although, church would need a background check for individuals serving in this way). Sometimes there are kitchen helpers needed for events like the Thanksgiving Feast, Christmas Program, or Graduation. If anyone wants to help with Preschool, contacting Jill Scifres is a good place to start.

Another great way to help Preschool is by sharing information about the Preschool. Preschool has its own section on our church website where you can learn more. www.concordia-lcms.com/preschool

> Sarah Shadday, Director of Christian Education



From your Pastor

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Holy Week is soon approaching. I pray you were able to participate in our Lenten Midweek Services, whether in person, or watching online. For Holy Week, we will have a Maundy Thursday and Good Friday service, both at 7:00 PM.

On Easter, Sunday April 17th, we will have a sunrise service at 7:00 AM, an Easter Breakfast in the fellowship hall starting around 8:15 AM, and a later Easter service at 11:00 AM. Please note there is no service at the typical 9:00 AM time on Easter Sunday.

On the note of service times, the Board of Pastoral Care and I are considering how much longer we will keep our 11:00 AM at-risk Service. For newer members, especially those who have joined since Covid, this may come as a surprise. We previously only had a 9:00 AM service, and chose to add the 11:00 AM to help accommodate those avoiding larger exposure to Covid. Our intention always was to reduce back down to one service, though I do not think any of us anticipated how long it would take! We will continue to offer our Monday Night 6:30 PM Divine Service as an alternative time.

If you have concerns about us removing this service, I strongly encourage you to

reach out to me or the Board of Pastoral Care. We understand that it has been well used and appreciated. But we feel strongly about the importance of unity in gathering, as well as the workload it has added for me on Sundays.

As always, you can contact me with questions or concerns via my work cell (317.883.7383) or by email, <u>pastorgaschler@concordia-lcms.com</u>

In Christ, Pastor Gaschler

Jesus waited

From the time God promised that "the seed of women would crush the serpents head" to his conception - Jesus waited.

Waited to be born a man.

Waited a devoted son to his earthly parents. Waited until his appointed time of ministry. Waited for Judas betrayal and His eventual death.

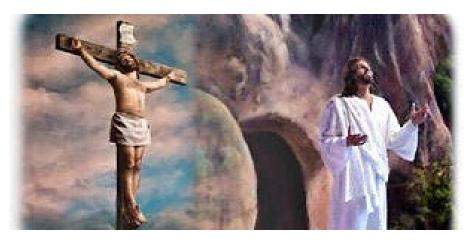
Waited to raise again from the dead. Waited to ascend back to His father.

NOW Jesus waits yet again for the Father to send Him back to claim us to live with Him for eternity.

GOD has waited even longer to pass His final judgement on all of His creation,

He is still waiting.

Like the grass of the fields we sprout, flower and die in the blink of an eye - our wait here is for just a little while compared to how long our Father, and Savior have graciously waited on us - give thanks!





2022



Sunday Worship—9:00 AM
Sunday School & Bible Classes—10:10 AM
Worship service - 11:00 a.m.
Monday Worship Service 6:30 p.m.
Holy Communion at every service

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
13 14 15 16 17	4 5 1 2 1 11 12 8 9 1 18 19 15 16 1	May T W T F S 3 4 5 6 7 0 11 12 13 14 7 18 19 20 21 4 25 26 27 28			1	2 10:00 a Coffee & Craft 10 a O.A.
				Pastor out of of	fice March 31	April 4
9 a & 11 a Divine Service 10:10 Sunday School 6 p Women's Bible Study 10 9 a & 11 a Divine Service 10:10 Sunday School 6 p Women's Bible Study	4 5 p Confirmation 6:30 p NO evening worship service 7 p Operations Pastoral Care 11 5 p Confirmation 6:30 p Divine Service	5 12 7 p Kitchen Table Bible Study	6 5:30p O.A. Lent 6 7p 13 5:30p O.A.	6 a Early Bird Bible Study 7:30 p Choir MAUNDY 14 Thursday 6 a Early Bird Bible Study Dead Line for Board Reports 7 p Evening Worship	15 7 p Evening Worship Good Friday	Garmel marathon water stop 9 a Quilting 10 a O.A. 4:00 p Girls 16 10 a O.A.
17 7 & 11 am Divine Worship Service 8:15 a Easter Breakfast 9;15 a Children's Easter Activities	18 6:30 p Divine Service	19 3 p Board of Ed	20 5:30 p O.A.	21 6 a Early Bird Bible Study	22 6 p Fellowship hall reserved all night	23 10 a O.A. 10 a - 2:30p Fellor ship hall reserved 4:00 p Girl Scouts
24 9 a & 11 a Divine Service 10:10 Sunday School 4:30 p Ladies Spring So- cial	25 5 p Confirmation 6:30 p Divine Service 7 p Directorate	26 7 p Kitchen Table Bible Study	27 Administrative Professionals Day 5:30 p O.A.	28 6 a Early Bird Bible Study	29	30 10 a VBS volunteer meeting

INTERCESSION and PRAYER,

Concordia Members

Recently Hospitalized: Surgery:

Recovering:

- Nancy Waltz Testing / Recovery:
- Annalise Carlisle
- Dieter Tepner
- Diane Bean-Garland
- Phillis Infante
- April Guinn

Friends of Concordia

- Marshall Stephenson 3/11/22
- Sophia Rubio 2/6/22
- Marianne Huckleberry 12/21/21
- Sylvia & Steve Perrish 12/21/21
- Judy Heine 11/22/21
- Courtney Chaney 10/1/21
- Pat Brooks 9/23/21
- Brent Perry 9/8/21
- Tami Economou 8/17/21
- Bill Gascoigne 8/16/21
- Rev. Jacob Sutton 8/3/21
- Rose Swenson 7/27/21
- Anne Perkinson 7/1/21
- Brynn Dunlap 4/20/21
- Renae Barrett 3/19/21
- Peter Economou 1/27/21
- Travis Golden 1/10/21
- Susan Soggs 1/7/21
- Rev. Howard Fabricius 1/2/21
- Minna Van Arsdale 8/7/19
- Brandon Frederking 5/2/19
- Steve Stephenson 4/28/19
- Thomas Taylor 1/20/19
- Thomas Clark 12/16/18
- Anne Kaiser 6/15/18
- Erika Hannaman 1/28/15

Battling Cancer / MS

- Donald & David Buuck 9/27/21
- Beverly Stephens 9/12/21
- Janine Orr 8/16/21
- Sloane Bullman 5/13/21
- Brandi Soggs 1/9/20
- Angela Martin 9/8/17
- Philip Davis 12/12/16

Our Homebound Members

(Our Senior Prayer Warriors)

Please remember and pray for our Concordia homebound members.

- Kathy Carroll, 515 Tropic Ct., Apt. 1504, Indianapolis IN 46237
- Eileen Ely 8/7/19 714 S. Eickhoff Rd. #604, Evansville, IN 47712
- Duane Krall, Demaree Crossing Assisted Living & Memory Care, #12, 1255 Demaree Rd., Greenwood, IN 46143
- Carmen Latondress 183 S Smock Dr. #110, Greenwood, IN 46143
- Cathy McClure, 3933 Creekwood Dr., Greenwood, IN 46142

Non-member shut-ins being visited & communed:

- Gail Reinke 8517 Ridge Hill Dr., Indianapolis IN 46217
- Laura McClain 183 Smock Dr. #109, Greenwood, IN 46143

Please pray for our Military Servicemen & women.

Erica Stephenson, Army, National Guard (now home)

Petty Officer 3rd Class **Jordan Boling**, 302 Windemere Dr., Kingsland GA 31548

Ensign **Chloe Owen**, 526 Batten Blvd., Pensacola FL 32507

Zach Goins, 761 Fordham Rd., Grovetown, GA 30813 (Navy Reserve)

Jadon Ranbarger (LCPL J Ranbarger) Marinee Barracks 8th & I Streets SE, Washington, DC 20003 (USMC) Sue Ranbargers nephew.



We pray the peace of Christ and the hope of the resurrection to:

• *Edie Masters and family* at the passing of her brother *Edward K Feighner*, age 77, of CA on 3/10/22. (608 Watterson Ct., Indianapolis

IN 46217)

Treasurer's

Income Description	Feb 2021 4 Sundays	Feb 2022 4 Sundays	Total To date (9) Sun
Unified Budget	18,261.00	27,736.50	48,198.50
Memorials (Non-designated)	50.00		130.00
Memorials (Designated)			
Designated Gifts *	918.00	1,921.76	2,844.25
Reimbursements & Refunds **		354.11	625.55
Rents & Wedding Fees		100.00	175.00
TOTAL INCOME	19,229.00	30,112.37	51,973.30
Average per/week Unified Budg- et	<i>\$ 4,565.25</i>	<i>\$ 6,934.13</i>	\$ 5,355.39
Amount needed per/week for Unified Budget	\$ 6,630.00	\$ 6,476.00	

Altar Flowers \$ 100, Building Fund \$ 260, Concordia Cares \$ 104, Education \$20, Fellowship 15 \$ 57, Helping Afghans \$460, Initial offering \$ 20, Internet Access \$ 68.17, Landscaping \$ 100, LWCC \$ 10, Pennies from Heaven (Tuzla) \$ 32.67, Poinsettia \$ 10, Souper Bowl of Caring \$20, We Raise Foundation \$ 10, Youth Group \$ 87.92, Youth Group Sub-sandwiches \$562.

Lutheran Church Extension Fund Steward Accounts	LCEF Balance Feb 28, 2022
Anniversaries & Birthday	4,066.06
Board of Youth— (Trip)	7,501.36
Building Fund	13,236.24
Capital Improvements - \$ 4,231.34 Church sign - \$ 946.50 Church Landscaping - \$ 726.60 Heine Family Project - \$ 1,683.73	7,588.17
Concordia Cares	5,087.73
Pre-School Landscaping & Gardening	2,368.22
Total in LCEF Steward Accounts	39,847.78
Interest earned	3.83

Church checking account balance Feb 2022			
Beginning	63,011.37		
Deposits	30,112.37		
Payments	24,977.21		
Ending balance	68,146.53		

Expenses Boards	Feb 2021	Feb 2022	Total To date
Pastoral Care	7,557.86	7,950.66	17,386.23
Congregational Worship	980.26	728.21	1,661.28
Missions and Outreach	697.50	830.00	1,530.00
Christian Education	4,362.74	6,303.60	12,572.01
Stewardship			100.49
Operations	7,375.08	8,742.24	19,740.13
Small Group Ministries			
Christian Living			
Unified Budget Total	20,973.44	24,554.71	52,990.14
Non-boards			
Non budget payments *			
Reimbursement Expenses **	335.53	422.50	793.94
Total Non-Budget Pay- ments	335.53	422.50	793.94
Total payments	21,08.97	24,977.21	53,784.08

^{*} Non budget Payments: .

^{**}Reimbursement expenses: LWCC Reimbursement \$ 68.39, Pre-school Fed. taxes \$ 283.01, Pre-school Indiana taxes \$ 71.10.

Support is included in Unified Budget Expenses	Feb 2021	Feb 2022	Total to date
Missions— District Synod	500.00	500.00	1,000.00
Lutheran High School	750.00	750.00	1,500.00
Lutheran Hispanic Ministry Indy*	187.50	187.50	375.00
Total Support	1,437.50	1,437.50	2,875.00

Worship	2021	2022	Tithes
2/27 s	66	115	7,356.50
3/2	58	58	435.00
3/6 s	84	102	5,150.00
3/10	38	38	433.00
3/13 s	77	92	3,706.00
3/16	31	31	297.00
3/20 s	73	102	2,490.00
3/23			

Sunday attendance includes Monday pm worship.

Our Spiritual Response in Worship, Bible Study and Giving to our Lord

	SS	HS	ADULT
2/27	7	6	43
3/6	7	8	36
3/13	6	5	28
3/20	6	6	27

^{**} Reimbursements & Refunds: Preschool State & Federal Taxes \$ 354.11

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Lutheran Hour Ministries Radio Schedule

The Lutheran Hour—Sundays WIRE (91.1 FM) 7:30 AM WCBK (102.3 FM) 7:00 AM WMCB (1540 AM) 8:00 AM WLW (700 AM) 7:00 AM

4/3 This is the Feast

4/10 Drawn Through the Cross4/17 Can I Get a Witness?

4/24 Doubt, Misplaced

<u>Lutheran Hour is now broadcast on American Forces</u> Network (AFN).

Worship Anew—Sundays WHMB (TV 40) 10:00 AM

Christian Living

April Wedding Anniversaries:

Craig & Diane Smith (46) 4/10 Kaushal & Alex Chaudhary (11)4/1 Jim & Kay Hayes (29) 4/17 Chris & Rose Mihu (34) 4/25

April Birthdays:

Silyder, Linda 4/24	Lanning, Jim Masters, Edie Smith, Craig Bierman, Joel Foster, Marcia Economou, Dick Brooks, Gary Santiago Salazar Kat Bierman, Kris Economou, Betty Stephenson, Erica Krinhop, Betsy Denton, Jacqueline Snyder, Linda	4/1 4/3 4/3 4/4 4/4 4/5 4/6 4/8 4/12 4/13 4/15 4/22 4/23 4/24	Jensen, Darlene Ely, Eileen Emkes, Mike	4/25 4/28 4/30
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Sunday Worship Services 9 a.m. / 11 a.m.

Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 10:05 a.m.

Monday Worship Service

6:30 p.m.

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Rev. Paul R. G. Gaschler

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