

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

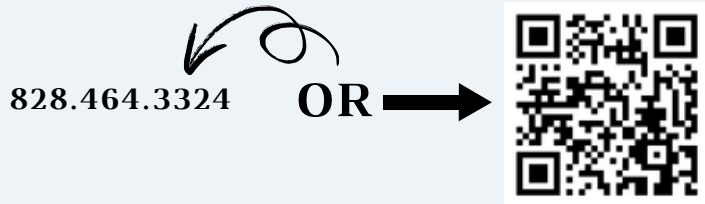
The Official Announcements of Concordia Lutheran Church

Ladies' Advent Brunch

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Thursday, December 5, is the date for the Advent brunch. Come and join in some festive fellowship and a special devotion to help prepare your hearts for this special season. The time will be from 10:30a-12 noon.

Please sign up using the QR code or call the church office. Please RSVP NOW so we now how to prepare for this wonderful event.



Bible Verse for Reflection



This is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance (and for this we labor and strive), that we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, and especially of those who believe.

1 Timothy 4:9-10

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Nursery Hours

8:45a - 12:15p

We are happy to have a church nursery available for your needs. It is located down the main hall off the sanctuary on the right-hand side, just a few doors past the office area. Look for the sign.

Connect with Staff

Michael Geml, Sr. Pastor 517-395-8422
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FREE E-Waste Recycling

Concordia has partnered with Upcycles USA LLC to provide safe and secure recycling for all of the following electronic items: Computers (All-in-Ones), Desktops, Laptops, Chrome books, Servers, Towers, Tablets, iPads, Smart Phones (Apple/Android), Printers, Monitors (LCD ONLY), VCR, DVD, Keyboards, Mice, Chargers, Cables, Desk Phones, Medical & Testing Equipment and Computer Accessories. Watch for the recycle bin to be delivered soon. The bin will remain here until late January 2025.

Pray for:

Members:

Sydney Karre
Peggy Travis
Steven Geml
Donna Hager
Denise Gilbert
Bernice Holler
Frances Kaylor
Ronald Kaylor
Debbie Da Rosa
Caleb Brown
Helen Ann Westfall
Harold Unger

Friends:

Eli Ames
Erma Weber
Daniel Meier

Military:

Eric Galloway
Kendall Hamm
Tony Sherrill
Christopher Walker
Jaylen Joyner
Nathan Malin
Mack Isenhower
Amber Miller
Clay Weedman

Staff:

Christine Beringer
Colleen Fox
Jose Zapa
Stephanie Franklin
Michael Geml

Missionary family of the year: Rev. Jason & Emily Groth, Belize
Seminary Student: Lamar Stewart & family

Connect with Concordia

Tree Trimming TODAY

Please join us today at 2p to decorate and prepare our sanctuary for the celebration of our Savior's birth. This also provides you a wonderful opportunity to view our beautiful handmade Chrismon ornaments up close! Refreshments will be served.

LLL Ribeye Steak Supper is SATURDAY, December 7

Come to the Family Life Center this coming Friday night for the Annual LLL Ribeye Steak Supper. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for children. The meal includes a ribeye steak, baked potato, salad, roll, homemade dessert, tea, coffee and water. The LLL supports these community charities: Ashure Ministries, The Corner Table, The Pregnancy Care Center of Catawba Valley, Lutheran World Relief, Camp Linn Haven and the Back Program of Catawba County.

Christian Education

Sunday Christian Education Classes are offered at 10:10a. Chose from below:

Pre-school 3 – K Classroom beside the nursery. – Led by Jerri Alice, Maggie Lou and Mary Elizabeth Carter.

1st – 3rd Grade – Led by Sharon White & Ron Bumgarner - Education wing of the church

4th - 6th Grade - Led by Kelly Roth - Education wing of the church

7th – 12th Youth – Led by Bill Unverfehrt - Youth Central

Adults – A#1 – Parents Leading Children in Faith - Kathy Unverfehrt

Adults - Chapel - A Longer Look at the Lessons - Led by Pastor Geml

Adults - Emmaus Room - “Person of Interest” - Led by Audra Kuchenbecker - Continues through January 2025

Weekday Bible Study Classes

Ladies Bible Study led by Kim Hauser – Wednesdays 7a – Emmaus Room

Men’s Bible Study led by David Isenhower – Thursdays 7a – Emmaus Room

Weekly Calendar



Pondering for Parents

Teach your children to obey the teachings of God. Show them not to be just hearers of God’s Word, but to put what they hear into action. Lead by example to be doers of God’s Word!

Sunday, December 1

9a Worship - CCDS 1st & 3rd Graders Sing

10:10a Christian Education

11a Worship - CCDS 2nd & 4th Graders Sing and Baptism

Monday, December 2

1:30p Quilt Tacking

6:40p Emmaus Room Occupied

6:30p Scouts

Tuesday, December 3

10a Christian Book Club

Wednesday, December 4

7a Ladies Bible Study

11:30a Advent Midweek Worship #1

12p Advent Meal - EM

5:30p Advent Meal - EM

6:30p Advent Midweek Worship #1

Thursday, December 5

6:30a Men’s Bible Study - EM

8:30a Staff Devotions and Meeting

10:30a Ladies’ Advent Brunch - EM

2p Pastor’s Bible Study - EM

6:30p CCDS Grade 1-4 Christmas Program

Friday, December 6

2p Joyful Stitches

Saturday, December 7

4:30-7p LLL Steak Supper

Sunday, December 8

9a Worship & CCDS 5th-8th Grade Sing

10:10a Christian Education

11a Worship & Communion

1p Emmaus Room Occupied

4p Cub Scouts





Confirmation Partners Needed

Become a prayer partner for one of our Confirmands!

Become a mentor to one of our Confirmands!

Contact Pastor Geml or the church office!



Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Thank you for your outpouring of love and dedication in filling all the gift requests that were on the Angel Trees! Your generosity has not gone unnoticed by the community. Board of Mission & Ministry

Faith Thought



The Lord loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones.
Psalm 37:28

CHILDREN’S ACTIVITY BAGS

Our children’s church activity bags have been updated with Advent/Christmas items. You can find these activity bags located on the Welcome Center in both the narthex and transept areas of the church. When church is over, please return it, with all the items in the bag, so they can be available again next week for the children. Thank you!

Don’t forget about Concordia’s Prayer Circle.

If you would like to submit a request for prayer, please contact Dianne Lawing at 828-850-1460 or dlawing0912@yahoo.com; Cindy Sigmon at 828-302-2688 or thecrew@charter.net; Sharon White at 828-238-4869. The Circle will pray for you in strict confidence. Please call the church office if you would like to be added to the prayer list in the highlights.

In addition to Advent Services, the church will be serving a soup and sandwich/salad lunch at 12 noon and supper at 5:30p in the Emmaus Room each Wednesday, December 4, 11 and 18.



OFFERINGS & TITHES

All are invited to make an offering today as a worship expression of thanksgiving to God, and in support of the ministries of Concordia Lutheran Church. You may place your gift in the offering plates near the entrances as you enter or leave. May God bless our offerings and tithes, and bless the ministries which these gifts enable.

Just the Facts:

General Fund Offerings: \$ 11,847

Budget Needs: \$ 18,541

Attendance: 213

Online Offerings: \$ 2,561

Member of the week: Doris Kirby – 4435 S NC Hwy 127, Hickory, NC 28602-9301

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