

Concordia Lutheran Church

Announcements

April 4, 2021 – April 11, 2021



WELCOME

We welcome our visitors, and we are happy to have you worship with us this morning. Please join us again. You are always welcome.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

John 20:1 – “Now on the first day of the week ...” All is made new by the Resurrection of Jesus! Even the day of worship has transitioned from the Old Testament’s Saturday Sabbath to the Lord’s Day of the New Testament. For the Lord has made all things new. He has begun a new week for a new creation in rising from the dead as the New Adam. We are also made new in Him – a new heart, a new life, new desires, and a new outlook toward God. All this comes from our Risen Lord’s grace. Especially after the sort of year we’ve had since last Easter. It’s sure good news to hear that the Lord makes all things start afresh.

OUR CHOIR WILL BE SINGING TODAY

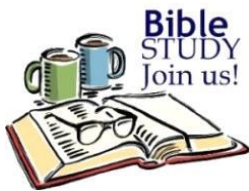
FYI: for your safety, the entire choir has been vaccinated against COVID-19.



SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

There will be no Bible class this morning. Please join us next Sunday for our study, “Christians Wrestle with Suicide.” Here are a few questions we will address under Part Two: “Gospel Relief for the Despairing.”

- How do you offer Christian hope to the one who’s experiencing despair.
- What should you do if you determine one is suicidal?
- What might you say to the Christian who questions whether relief will ever come?



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Our next several studies will cover the Old Testament Bible stories: Next Wednesday we will cover the account of Cain and Abel. Here are a few questions we will answer: How do Cain and Abel’s offerings differ? Why did Cain murder his brother Abel? How is Abel a type of Christ? What is Cain’s Curse? How does Cain respond to his punishment? Why does God make Cain?



CONCORDIA’S CELEBRATION

We will be having a joyful celebration recognizing Concordia’s 69 years of God’s grace on **Sunday, May 23rd**. The worship service will be at **10:30 a.m.** followed by a catered luncheon in our Fellowship room.

Due to the current pandemic situation and state protocols, and in order to provide the caterer with an accurate count, we kindly ask that you sign up on the sheet posted on the table in the Narthex for **either the worship service, the luncheon or both**. You can also call the church office at 651-451-0309 or e-mail the church office at concordiachurch@gwestoffice.net to RSVP. All RSVPs must be received no later than **Friday, April 30th**.

Do you have a memory you would like to share? We are asking that you write down a favorite memory you have of Concordia and give them to Sue Ogorek or e-mail them to her at keogorek@comcast.net by **Friday, April 30th**. A collection of the memories will be included in the bulletin at the last service. Please see Sue Ogorek, Kimberly Olson or Cindy Stoltenow with any questions.

CONCORDIA’S PHYSICAL CONTENTS

With the fast-approaching Woodbury merger deadline of June 1st, we will be downsizing the church’s physical contents, such as wall artwork, books, hymnals, and furniture among other things. In an effort to be sensitive to everyone’s feelings, we ask you to please call the church office at 651-451-0309 or e-mail the church office at concordiachurch@gwestoffice.net to let Miriam know if you have donated an item to Concordia in the past and would like it back. Arrangements will then be made for you to pick it up. Certain specific church-related items will be donated to other churches/organizations in need. Otherwise, all other items will be offered to the congregation when they are organized and ready. Items will be displayed in the Narthex in the coming weeks. Please see Sue Ogorek, Kimberly Olson or Cindy Stoltenow with any questions.



A big thank you to Kevin Huebscher for providing the palm leaves and various other adornments for our Palm

Sunday service. Our church was exceptionally beautiful last Sunday as we praised God in a declaration of victory over sin.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ

We would like to let our friends at Concordia know that Gail and I have been saddled with some huge unpaid medical bills (\$13,000 from two years ago.) Our children have set up a "Go fund me" page to help pay off some of our debt. If you would like to contribute online or at church, we would be very thankful. If you can't contribute we are okay with that too. We love you all!

Your brother and sister in Christ,
Bruce & Gail Avenson



Please contribute directly to the family through:

- GoFundMe: <https://gofund.me/1ea1e724>
- Cash in an envelope with Bruce & Gail's name on it.
- Check made out directly to Bruce & Gail Avenson.
- Cash envelopes and checks can be placed in the offering and will be delivered to them.



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am

APRIL 7

Adult Bible Study

FRIDAY

9:00 am

APRIL 9

Church Cleaners

SUNDAY

9:00 am

10:00am

APRIL 11

Worship with communion

Bible Study & Sunday School

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

Worship Service – Every Sunday, at 9:00 am

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF

Bruce Avenson, Gail Avenson, & Cathy Johnston

ANNOUNCEMENT AND SERVANT ARTICLE DEADLINE

The deadline for turning in bulletin announcement articles is Wednesday each week by 9 am. The deadline for turning in Servant articles is the third Thursday of each month by 9 am. Email is the preferred method for delivering your article(s). concordiachurch@qwestoffice.net

CONCORDIA CONTACTS

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