

# Concordia Lutheran Church

## Announcements

November 8, 2020 – November 15, 2020

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### 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:

**Matthew 25:4** – "... but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps." Why did they take flasks of oil with them? Because they listened to the bridegroom's words and believed what He told them. Our actions always start with and flow from our beliefs. What do your actions in the realm of financial stewardship say about what you believe?

### SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY



Our current Bible study is *The Religion of Political Correctness*. We have yet to compare and contrast the Christian teaching of the Sanctify of Life with the politically correct teaching of human rights. Our study will then conclude with a discussion on how to live with and confess our faith to the politically correct.

### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Join us for our new study, entitled, *When You Must Wrestle with God* (A Short Study on the Book of Job). Wrestling with God is what we do when we need a definitive answer from God regarding our latest struggle which makes no sense. As we cry out seeking his comfort, we may, in fact, tell God, "I refuse to let go of you! I'm not going to *let go* of your Word, until you *bless* me through your Word!" And he surely will. We needn't quit in our struggle until we receive that gem from Scripture that picks us up in our despair and strengthens and encourages us.

### TIME TO RESERVE YOUR POINSETTIAS!



Help make the altar beautiful this Christmas Season. Time to reserve your Gertens Poinsettias. Order deadline is November 15<sup>th</sup>. Each plant cost is \$15.00, and you can choose red or white Christmas Poinsettias. Please see Marcia Lally before or after church in the Narthex or call her at 651-451-0652.

### GENERAL ELECTION

The general election was held here on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. The head election judge who was responsible for this polling site was especially excited about the large turnout. He reported that there were 1,653 votes cast. To help the election run smoothly and to monitor our building, I want extend a sincere thank you to the following people: Paul Helgerson, Marica Lally, Muriel Rose, Mark and Cindy Stoltenow, Irene Weber, Kris Westad and Carol Zellmer. Your time and dedication is greatly appreciated.

### HOLIDAY GIFT GIVING

Concordia will be participating in the Neighbors Inc. Holiday Gift Program again this Christmas. We will be purchasing gifts for two boys ages 14 & 7. We have a wish list for both of the boys. If you would like to participate by purchasing a gift or donating money for a gift please contact Kimberly Olson at 651.366.0714 or by email at [kischolson@gmail.com](mailto:kischolson@gmail.com).



Due to COVID we have a very small shopping window. The gifts need to be delivered to Neighbors the week before Thanksgiving. The final date to drop off gifts at church will be Sunday November 15th.

\*Note from Neighbors regarding undesignated gifts: We are only able to accept toys and gifts for a specific family or senior in our adoption program. If you would like to help but are unable to adopt a family or senior, please consider making a financial donation at [neighborsmn.org/donate](http://neighborsmn.org/donate).

Thank you for your support!



Our Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service will be Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. Sadly, we had to change the Pie

Social this year to follow gathering protocol guidelines, so as you leave church, you may take an individual prepackaged slice of pie home to enjoy.

### VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING

Be sure to mark your calendars for our Voter's Assembly Meeting held Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. At this meeting we will vote to approve the 2021 budget as well as have a town meeting. The meeting will be held in the sanctuary to allow for social distancing and we will be using the cordless microphone to allow for questions.

**FROM THE LCMS "PRAY FOR US CALENDAR"**

Sunday, November 8

Give thanks as you pray: Thank God for daily bread. Pray for all those who are hungry today.

\*To read daily prayers go to:

<https://www.lcms.org/worship/pray-for-us-calendar>

**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](mailto:concordiachurch@qwestoffice.net)

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>WEDNESDAY,</b> 10:00am 11:30 am – 12:30 pm	<b>NOVEMBER 11</b> Bible Study Private Communion by Appointment
<b>THURSDAY,</b> 10:00am – 12:30 pm	<b>NOVEMBER 12</b> Private Communion by Appointment
<b>FRIDAY,</b> 9:00am	<b>NOVEMBER 13</b> Church Cleaning
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 9:00 am 10:15 am	<b>NOVEMBER 15</b> Worship Bible Study & Sunday School

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**Worship Service – Every Sunday, at 9:00 am**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF**

Bruce Avenson, Gail Avenson, & Cathy Johnston

**ATTENTION**

A reminder to all church key holders to make sure the doors are securely closed and to check that the doors are locked. There have been incidents where the doors catch and do not lock. Thank you.

**CONCORDIA CONTACTS**

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