

THE Concordia Messenger



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

June 2024



Quilting -See you **June 8, 2024 at 9 a.m.**
What can you do? You can sew together tops at home, if you would like to come to the church and sew we have two machines and bags of kits to put together. Don't sew? Then come and tie knots in the quilts we have ready. It's a lot of fun!

2023–2025 Mission Grant #11
(Milwaukee Convention)

Lutheran Women in Mission Finish the Job— Ministry in Mission, Haiti — \$85,000

Ministry in Mission has been working in Haiti for 15 years with the leadership of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti to meet the needs of people as they respond to devastating hurricanes and political unrest. An earthquake in 2021 destroyed many churches, and work began to rebuild them. Currently, the churches are open for worship as work continues. The necessary materials are in the country to finish floors, repair electrical work, install toilets, and complete furnishings.

This grant will help purchase other needed supplies to finish the restoration work. Ministry in Mission and the Lutheran Church of Haiti also continue to care for the spiritual and physical needs of the people at the Center of Refuge Orphanage and The Jacamel Lutheran Home for the elderly.



A mission team from the Iowa West District serves food to the children. (see picture bottom of column)

2023–2025 Mission Grant #15
(Milwaukee Convention)

Feeding Haitian Children Through Gospel and Meals — Trinity HOPE — \$58,082

In Haiti, 4.4 million people suffer from acute hunger, and the cycle of poverty continues. Haitian children attending school have trouble learning with empty stomachs. Trinity HOPE feeds and shares the Gospel daily with children, teachers, and cooks in Christian schools nationwide.

This grant will feed approximately 538 children, teachers, and cooks each school day for two academic years at Paul et Isabel Lutheran School in Hinche, Haiti.

Children are taught to pray before they eat and, when not hungry, are better prepared to participate in classroom activities. They are fed physically and spiritually every day they are in school and become missionaries to their families, bringing them out of the darkness of voodoo, a national religion, and into the light of Jesus.



The children in this photo are the future of Haiti. The Christian education they receive will serve them well and equip them to make a difference in their country. Some may become teachers, others may become nurses. Trinity HOPE believes the key



The month of **JULY (1- 31)** we will be collecting Mite boxes. So start thinking about bringing them in and putting them in the Narthex area under the in the large Mite box under the area where we put our offerings and get the attendance cards.

WEST WING RENO UPDATE:

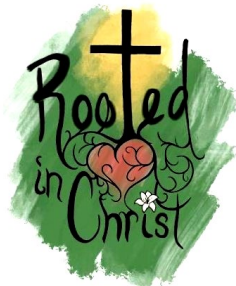
The numbers are in! But first a **Huge** thank you to all who made the West Wing Reno fundraiser kickoff a success. Thank you to Diana Sullivan, Auction M/C extraordinaire! You were both fashionable and fabulous, and we appreciate your talents. Huge shout out to the West Wing Reno Team: Gail Brooks, Diane Conrad, Heidi Ford, Diane Smith for their tireless work. Many thanks also to Dick Brooks, Mike Ford, Mike Tinsley, Kaylee and Abigail Brooks.



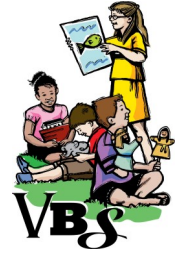
We had a total of 70 beautiful baskets and items donated for the Silent Auction. The Luncheon was supported by a Thrivent action team. Hal Blank, CEO of Grace on Wings gave a informative talk. But, brothers and sister’s in Christ, what was the most wonderful thing for me was seeing the Fellowship Hall full of laughter. How everyone came together to support Concordia’s next step was a fabulous thing to see, and for that I thank EVERYONE! A total of \$3,502 dollars was raised at the event! To God Be the Glory! Adele Tinsley

Ladies:

There is still time to register for the 29th Biennial LWML Indiana Convention at Hendricks County 4-H Conference Center, Danville, IN. See the LWCC bulletin board for registrations forms.



Vacation Bible School



Vacation Bible School is **June 10-14th 9am-11:30am** this year. Our theme is “Celebrate the Savior.” It’s always fun to celebrate! If you want to join in our celebration; here are some ways you can help:

- * June 2nd 11:45am-12:45pm VBS Volunteer Training (see above)
- * June 9th 11:45am VBS Set Up (you can help with set up even if you can’t come help during VBS week!) and **LAST DAY TO BRING VBS DONATIONS**
- * June 10th-14th 9am-11:30am Vacation Bible School Programming
- * June 13th 6:30pm VBS Program and Celebration
- * June 14th Noon VBS Clean Up

If you are an adult and were not able to attend the Wednesday, May 15th or Sunday, June 2nd volunteer training; please let me know. We need to make sure all adults have been through child protection training and have a background check.

Director of Christian Education

Disney released footage of newer rides in Tokyo Disney and some of the effects they have are amazing. Two that are particularly



jaw dropping to me is Anna from Frozen unfreezing and the Beast’s transformation from Beauty and the Beast. Immediately, after seeing these things my husband and I started speculating on how they worked.

Something I easily take for granted is the amazing things God does on Sunday morning (every day really). He takes ordinary bread and wine and with His Word gives us HIS body and blood and forgiveness of sins. He takes ordinary water and with His Word makes us part of His family and gives us forgiveness of sins and His Holy Spirit. He uses ordinary people to accomplish His work. He created all things. Jesus did many miracles. He reconciled the world to himself with His

death and resurrection.

God does great works and He even tells us how He does these things. He uses His Word to accomplish what he sets forth for it to accomplish. God is omnipotent (all powerful) so He can do all things. Our human brains sometimes want to intricately understand how it works. Sometimes we'll settle for at least the basic workings. God does that for us (even if we don't fully like the answer). The simple answer is His Word. There are other things about God, like how the Trinity works that our minds will never fully comprehend, and that's ok. If we were able to fully understand and know God in our sinful state, would that really be a God worthy of our worship?

Yet, one day, in heaven we will be with God. Our God given belief that Jesus is our Savior is the only way to heaven. There, Jesus is preparing a place for all believers of all times, places, and people. There, we still may not have every single answer we've always wanted, but we will dwell in the courts of the most high. We'll sing praises to God with all the other saints around us. It will be more amazing and beautiful than anything we humans could ever imagine. Even if we can't fully comprehend it now, we will better understand it when we're there.

Sarah Shadday
Director, Christian Education and Preschool

Preschool Ice Cream Family Social on May 21, 2024



What a great day for some cool food on a hot day!



Mom's Dad's and Grandparents all joined in the fun of Summer and Ice Cream.



Humm - now who do suppose these dishes are for, surly not a little one. Go ahead and enjoy it you have earned it!



Now who said sister can't get along! We can when it comes ice cream and Grandma.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 The Holy Trinity 9:30am - Worship 10:45am - Sunday School 6pm - Sunday Women's	27	28 7pm - Women's Tue Bible	29	30	31	1 10am - O.A.
2 Second Sunday after 9:30am - Worship 10:45am - Sunday School 11:45am - VBS Volunteer 6pm - Sunday Women's	3 6:30pm - Properties 7pm - Elders	4	5 10:30am - DCE Meeting	6	7	8 9am - Quilting 10am - O.A.
9 Third Sunday after 9:30am - Worship 10:45am - Sunday School 12pm - VBS Set Up 6pm - Sunday Women's	10 9am - Vacation Bible	11 9am - Vacation Bible 7pm - Women's Tue Bible	12 9am - Vacation Bible	13 9am - Vacation Bible 6:30pm - VBS Program	14 9am - Vacation Bible	15 10am - O.A.
16 Fourth Sunday after 9:30am - Worship 10:45am - Sunday School 6pm - Sunday Women's	17 7pm - Church Council	18	19	20	21 LWML 2024 Dist. Con.	22 10am - O.A.
23 Fifth Sunday after 9:30am - Worship 10:45am - Sunday School 6pm - Sunday Women's	24	25 7pm - Women's Tue Bible	26	27	28 8am - Sarah out of town	29 10am - O.A.
30 Sixth Sunday after Sarah out of town 9:30am - Worship 10:45am - Sunday School 6pm - Sunday Women's	1 6:30pm - Properties 7pm - Elders	2	3	4	5	6 10am - O.A.

Treasurers Report

April 2024

Income Descriptions	Apr 2023 5 Sundays	Apr 2024 4 Sundays	Total to Date
Unified Budget	56,036.00	49,076.82	111,305.42
Memorials (Non-Designated)		590.00	640.00
Memorials (Designated)			-
Designated Gifts	3,414.80	2,976.72	12,485.52
Reimbursements & Refunds	34.78		-
Rents & Wedding Fees			120.00
Miscellaneous		4,337.43	24,653.99
Total Income	59,885.58	56,980.97	149,204.93
Average per week Unified Budget	11,977.12	12,269.21	8,561.96
Amount needed per week for Unified Budget	6,570.00	6,728.85	6,728.85

Support is included in Unified Budget Expenses	Apr-24	Mar-24	Total to
Missions - District Synod	1,000.00	-	2,000.00
Lutheran High School	1,500.00	-	3,000.00
Lutheran Hispanic Ministry	375.00	-	750.00
Total Support	2,875.00	-	5,750.00

*Jan payments will be made in Feb

Board Expenses	Apr 2024	Total To Date	Total Budget
Pastoral Care	8,924.31	35,335.75	125,400.00
Christian Education	10,078.53	34,209.09	81,800.00
Congregational Worship	175.04	679.22	7,200.00
Missions & Outreach	2,895.00	5,790.00	21,500.00
Office	218.62	2,866.78	32,500.00
Properties	11,007.44	46,752.78	81,500.00
Unified Budget Total	33,298.94	125,633.62	349,900.00

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

	SS	HS	ADULT
4/28/24	0	0	0
5/5/24	7	4	27
5/12/24	0	0	0
5/19/24	0	0	0
cong. meet- ing			45
5/26/24			

Lutheran Church Extension Fund Steward Accounts	Balance 04-30-2024
Anniversaries & Birthday - 1073	4,599.52
Board of Youth - Trip - 5446	7,111.89
Building Fund - 2978	19,656.39
Capital Improvements	10,323.67
Church Sign	957.12
Church Landscaping	865.85
Heine Family Project	1,702.66
Total Capital Improvements - 9545	13,849.30
Concordia Cares - 6370	3,471.65
Inheritance Fund - 7423	123,404.65
Preschool Landscaping & Gardening - 2434	147.33
Total in LCEF Steward Accounts	171,976.28
Interest Earned	78.36

Worship	2023	2024	Tithes
4/28/24	85	81	22,697.00
5/5/24	88	96	5,657.00
5/12/24	94	91	7,156.00
5/19/24	95	98	3,395.00
5/26/24	86	tba	tba

INTERCESSION and PRAYER

Concordia Members

Testing / Recovery:

- Gene Waltz
- Jim Roemer
- Diane Smith
- Peter Economou
- Tommy Ragsdale

Friends of Concordia

- Ralph McGraw 1/2/24
- Alexandria Carrier 9/1/23
- Connie Henderson 5/14/23
- Rick Wildrick 3/30/23
- Family members and Konny Hanneman; Sandy Risner 11/13/22, Hazel, Levi, Joshua & Savannah Bragdon 11/13/22, Marianne & Charles Huckleberry 12/21/21 Sylvia, Steve & Nicole Perrish 12/21/21
- Terry & Diana Deamron 9/10/22
- Beverly Stephens 8/20/22
- Ed Stephens 2/18/24
- Terry Haskett 5/15/22
- Missy, Austin & Travis Golden 4/20/22
- Judy Heine 11/22/21
- Pat Brooks 9/23/21
- Tami Economou 8/17/21
- Rose Swenson 7/27/21
- Anne Perkinson 7/1/21
- 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
-

Battling Cancer / MS

- Mary Ann Bryant 1/9/24
- Kelsey Merena 10/25/22
- David Buuck 9/27/21
- Brandi Soggs 1/9/20
- Jackson Emkes 4/8/24

Our Homebound Members

(Our Senior Prayer Warriors)

Please remember and pray for our Concordia homebound members.

- Sharon Bruhn, 1375 Nicole Dr. Unit 329, Franklin IN 46131-0028
- Konny Hannemann, 6818 Cadwell Circle, Indianapolis IN 46237

Please pray for our Military Servicemen & women.

- **Erica Stephenson**, Army, National Guard
- **LTJG Chloe (Owen) Munoz**, 501 B Corsair Dr., Milton, FL 32570
- **Ivan Munoz**, USS Gravelly, Mediterranean Sea)
- **Zach Goins**, 822 Timbervale Trail, Highlands Ranch, CO, 80129 (Navy Reserve)
- **CPL Jadon Ranbarger** (c/o 6565-A Kekahuna Pl., Kailua, HI 96734)



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

- **Susan Henrickson** and family and friends on the passing of her husband **Rev. Charles Henrickson**, age 71 on 4/28. (1031 W Elm St, Greenwood, IN 46142)

Reasons to rejoice

Proverbs 11:10 says, "When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices," The Hebrew word for *righteous*, notes Timothy Keller, indicates people who, because they believe in God, "disadvantage themselves to advantage those around them." In other words, people living righteously "will be such a benefit to the public good of the whole city that the entire populace will exult."

Keller than asks: "Are you the kind of person, and is your church the kind of church, about which others in your community might say, 'I don't share their beliefs, but I shudder to think about what this city would be like without them?'"



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

6/2 Lit Up
6/9 Selfless Sending
6/16 Water Power
6/23 You're Really into This, Aren't You?
6/30 An Eager Conversationalist!

Lutheran Hour is now broadcast on American Forces
Network (AFN).

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

The Concordia Messenger

Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church
 305 N Howard Road
 Greenwood, IN 46142-3836

Telephone: 317.881.4477
Facsimile: 317.881.4498
E-mail: office@concordia-lcms.com
Website: http://www.concordia-lcms.com



Sunday Worship Services
 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes
 10:30 a.m.



Pastor Vacant

Staff

Sarah Shadday—*Director Christian Education*
Erica Stephenson - *Deaconess*
Sarah Shadday—*Preschool Director*
Brad WHEELER- *Admin. Assistant*

Office hours Mon. - Fri. 8am - noon

June Wedding Anniversaries:

Dick & Gail Brooks (45) 6/1
 Cliff & Heidi Whitrock (29) 6/7
 Scott & Laura Ronczka (31) 6/12
 Wayne & Carol Monroe (10) 6/14
 Daniel & Jessica Moreth (11) 6/15
 Don & Cindy Boesenberg (48) 6/19
 Herb & Barb Hoeltke (61) 6/22
 Mike & Heidi Ford (58) 6/23
 Tony & Andrea Kaiser (7) 6/25
 John & Tracy Guinn (25) 6/26
 Dick & Betty Economou (54) 6/27
 Bryan & Genny Hartley (28) 6/29

June Birthdays:

Bulthuis, Mistie	6/4	Kilgore, Della	6/17
Coffey, Shannon	6/4	Akers, John	6/17
Roberts, Rhyon	6/6	Henrickson, Susan	6/18
Yeater, Jim	6/9	Akers, Hannah	6/21
Caruana, Sharon	6/10	Bierman, Mike	6/23
Shadday, Matt	6/12	Roemer, Doris	6/23
Crouch, Aubrianna	6/13	Spray, Mike	6/27
Bontrager, Logan	6/15	Guinn, John	6/29
Caruana, Philip	6/15	Ralph, Barbara	6/29
Hanneman, Konny	6/16	Munoz Chloe	6/30

Church Council

President
 Bruce Markel

Vice-President
 Chris Brooks

Mike Emkes, Elder

Mike Finger, Elder

Mike Ford

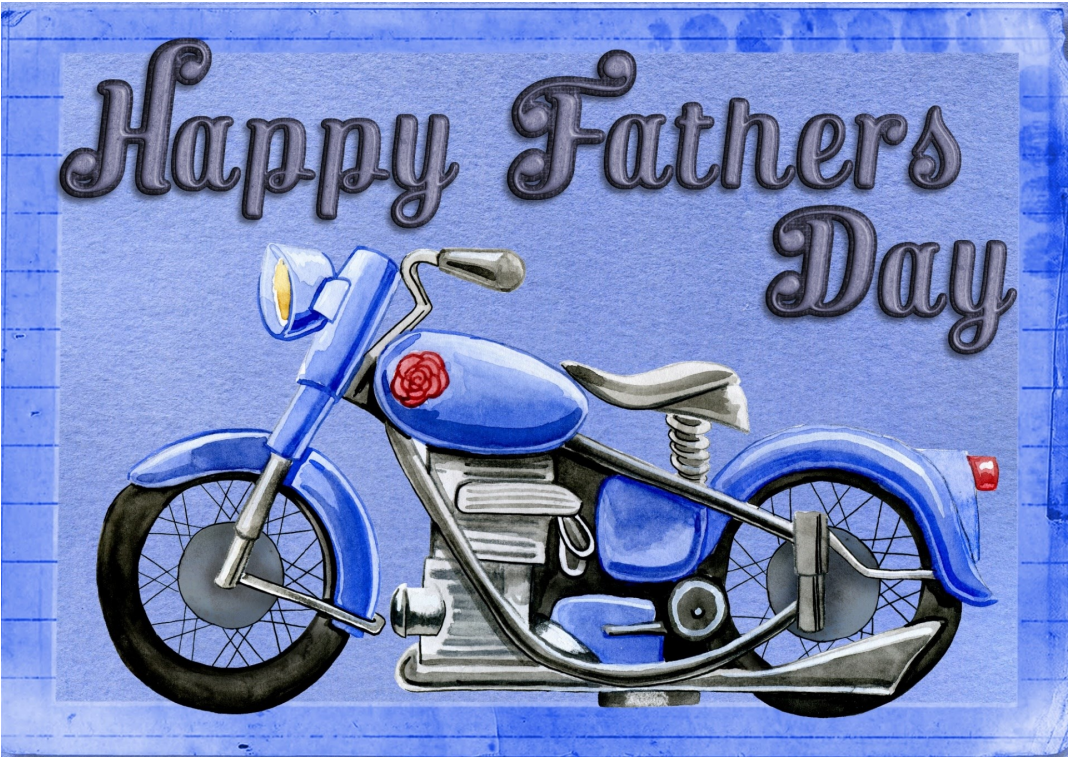
Emily McNally

Julia Yeater

Recording Secretary
 Edie Masters

Treasurer
 Tammy Owen

Financial Secretary
 Carol Monroe



THE
Concordia Messenger

67th Edition

June 2024



**Concordia Lutheran Church
& Preschool**
305 N Howard Road, Greenwood, IN 46142