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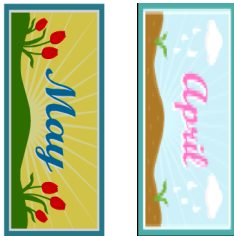
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### Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church Worship Services

- Saturday Worship 6PM
- Sunday: All One Service:  
Indoors & Outdoors 9:30AM  
(Drive-in Church in large Parking Lot)  
Streaming on Facebook Page;

Link on our webpage (www.concordiaelc.com)

\* SUBJECT TO COVID Rates and Synod and CDC Guidelines



**Mission statement**  
"We celebrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ by living and sharing His Word and caring for God's creation."


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**WEAR RED FOR  
PENTECOST  
May 19!!!**

**COLUMBIA FOOD BANK  
COLLECTION ITEMS**

**April...  
Open Collections**



**May...  
Peanut Butter**



Information for the next newsletter can be sent anytime.  
**Please email articles to:** rose-gall195@gmail.com or place in the wall holder outside the office, or the Secretary bin in the west narthex. Thank you!

**May Anniversary Wishes to:**

- 2-Steve & Cheryl Markle
- 3-John & Angela Bryson
- 4-Gene & Tammy Walter
- 5-Jeff & Nancy Young
- 10- Joseph & Jill Corvino
- 15-Wayne & Debra Hoffman
- 16-James & Joni Battaglia
- 18-Gary & Kirsty Houck
- 20-Abigail & Michael Lewis
- 22-Gordon & Carol Lively
- 23-Barry & Judy Kline
- Adam & Kasey Schaum
- 27-Dan & Cheryl Milbourne
- 28-Bill & Heather Eckman
- 31-Jeff & Carol Gill

If your birthday or anniversary was missed, or is incorrect, please call Rose in the Parish office.

**Weekly Video**

There is a link on the website [www.concordiaelc.com](http://www.concordiaelc.com) to the weekly video. It's also LIVE on our [FaceBook page on Sunday mornings](#) at 9:30am.

**Saturday Evening Fellowship Time**

The first Saturday of each month a time of fellowship and refreshments will be held in the front narthex after the service. Please join us!

**May Birthday Wishes to:**

- 1-Nancy Rundell
- 2-James Battaglia, Kaylee Dougherty
- 3-Deborah McCoy
- 4-Daniel Zechman, Kierstin Shenk
- 6-Kristy Snyder, Phil Freeman
- 7- Ray Long, Kristin Moritz
- 8-Vicki Gieniec, Lorin Weigard
- 9-Karl Moritz, Amber Sliger
- 10-Matthew Dickel
- 15-Lisa Castleman, Jennifer Schaum, Levi Silva
- 16-Rose Gallagher, Donald Zerphey
- 18-Robert Breneman, Jr.
- 19-Jane Morgan
- 20-Carol Gill, Carol Lively,
- 21-Dan Milbourne, Tammy Walter, Derek Zercher
- 22-Cheryl Amey, Evan Matthews, Nicholas Fisher, Paul Waters
- 24-Desiree Reich
- 25-Kevin Venella
- 26-Hallie Bachman-Bair, Chris Birk, Joyce Miller
- 27-Craig Dombroski
- 29-Sean Gallagher
- 31-Linda Morrow



# April Celebrations



## Wedding Anniversary Wishes to:

- 4-Philip & Sherry Rebman  
Ken & Lori Smith
- 5-Mike & Vicki Gieniec
- 9-Bob & Lisa Castleman
- 15-Richard & Sherry Cornell
- 18-Ken & Lynne Houck
- 22-Paul & Christina Morgan,  
Connie & Daniel Zechman
- 28-Jim & Suzanne Spickler
- 29-James & Angela Meisenbach

If your birthday or anniversary was missed, or is incorrect, please call Rose in the Parish office.

### PLEASE LET US KNOW

We must make an appeal to you to **CALL** the church office if you or a member of your family is admitted to the hospital.

### ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF ELECTRONIC GIVING!

Our church offers electronic giving, which allows you to make donations on a scheduled, automatic basis. PICK UP A FORM IN THE NARTHEX OR SEE THE OFFICE FOR DETAILS!

## Birthday Wishes to:

- 1-Amy Sheaffer
- 2-Scarlett Walker
- 3-Victoria Arnold
- 4-Anne Morrow, Christine Null,
- 5-Sofia Shirey, Beverly Mathis,  
Myla Mathis
- 6-Michelle Harnish, Mason Corvino  
Fred Clarke
- 7-Kali Singleton, Janet Clarke
- 8-John Benard, Jr., Erin Chille, Joseph  
Schultheiss
- 9-Janet Renfer
- 10-Pastor David Kingsborough
- 12-Conner & Mitchel Hilt,  
Luke Renfer
- 14-Sue Zerphey
- 15-Jean Houck, Garrett Mowrer
- 16-Angela Bryson, Carole Daley,  
Jerry Lawrence
- 18-Steve Miller Jr, Robert Null,  
William Kauffman
- 19-Ronda Knighton
- 20-Margaret Hartman, Benjamin Hilt
- 21-John Dickel
- 24-Diane Groff, Alisa Kolsun, Cody  
Sliger, Sheila Painter
- 25-Adrienne Mannino, Adam Kane
- 26-Suzanne Spickler
- 27-James Mathis, Valerie Zwally
- 29-Mary Jane Reed, Carl Weber,  
Sadie Waltz
- 30-Shai Wagner

## Pastor Mary Anne's Message ...



Where do you see God working in your life?

I personally love this time of year because I can so clearly see the hand of God in all of creation – blossoms, blooms, new life, and the newness and freshness of spring. It all points me toward resurrection and new life.

But God is working in the not so evident ways and places as well. I must admit that it is harder to see the new life in bunches of dried leaves and rot, but it is there, nurturing the seeds of new life and growth.

Whether you are cleaning out flower beds, mowing the lawn or enjoying the warmer temperatures I challenge you to find the ways God is working in you and your surroundings. As in the case of Jesus' post resurrection appearances, Jesus shows up suddenly and rather unexpectedly in the course of normal day to day affairs, sharing his peace and love.

Christ has promised to be there in Holy Communion and Baptism and where two or more are gathered in his name. God is with you all the time! Trust God's promise and rejoice in the new life and hope of the resurrection!

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Christ is Risen! Yippee!

*Pastor Mary Anne*

### Church Council Information

The council minutes will continue to be posted on the Bulletin board in the west narthex. There is also a copy in the purple Council Minutes binder on the counter in the office. Please see calendar for Council Meeting dates and times. Visitors are welcome.

**2024 Officers: President:** Cheryl Milbourne **Vice President:** Deb Eshleman  
**Secretary:** Janet Clarke **Treasurer:** Mike McCoy  
Pastor Mary Anne Kingsborough

If you'd like to serve on a committee, please see Pastor or call the office. (See back page for any new committee assignments.)

### Important Service Time Change for Summer

**Sunday worship will begin at 10:00AM from June 2nd –August 25<sup>th</sup>**

During the months of June, July and August our Sunday worship time will change from 9:30 to 10am.

As you know we are now sharing Pastor Mary Anne with St. James Lutheran Church. Their regular worship time was 9am which they moved to 11am so Pastor could lead both services. During the summer they move to an earlier time as they do not have air conditioning in their Sanctuary, and will be worshipping at 8:30am.

Church Council has voted to move our service to 10am in the summer to allow Pastor to lead both services. As the summer service is usually condensed it will only mean a 15 to 20-minute ending time difference from our usual time.

Please contact Pastor or any member of Church Council if you have any questions!

### **Social Ministry will be collecting for the Faith Friendship Villa**

in Mountville during the month of April. This is their Wish List.

Items can be placed in the **front narthex**.

#### Small items

dryer sheets  
liquid laundry detergent  
disposable razors  
roll of stamps  
deodorant  
shampoo  
toothpaste and toothbrushes  
shaving cream, rolled oats  
Cream of wheat, spaghetti sauce  
#10 cans of fruits and veggies

#### Large items

box fans  
twin mattresses  
bed pillows  
twin sheet sets  
leather /faux-leather like new furniture  
upright freezer  
industrial can opener

OR: go to [www.faithfriendship.org](http://www.faithfriendship.org) and click on DONATE.

### **GERANIUM ORDER FORM PENTECOST 2024**



- I wish to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ red geranium plant(s).  
Cost: \$5.00 per 6" potted plant.
- I will provide my own red geranium plant  
(Mark with name for identification)

Presented by: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
(living)

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
(deceased)

Presented to the Glory of God

I will be taking my order of geraniums

Please plant to beautify our church property.

Return this order form and your payment to the parish office or drop it in the offering plate in an envelope marked to the attention of "Rose." Checks should be made payable to "Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church." **(Deadline: May 5)**

### **Our Community Pancake Breakfast (May 4)**

**8:30-10:30AM.**

Please Sign up or call the office if you would like to host. It involves preparing coffee and orange juice, and making and serving pancakes & sausage. Feel free to come on May 4th just to see how it is done. :)

## Upcoming Events

### Sunday School for Children

Sunday Funday—Apr 14, May 12

May 25—Memorial Day Parade - Mountville VFW—10am-12:30pm

**No Sunday School during June, July, and August**

Sunday worship will begin at 10:00AM from June 2nd –August 25<sup>th</sup>

Sun-Tues, June 9-11 Vacation Bible School 6:15-7:45pm

Preregistration required. See page 7.

Sunday, August 25—Church & Community Picnic

**On Easter Sunday we celebrated First Holy Communion with 3 new communicants: **Blake Kauffman, Georgia Walker, and Andrick Steele**. Congratulations to them and also to their Families!**

**On Pentecost Sunday, May 19, we will celebrate the Rite of Confirmation for Zach Dietrich, Natalie Houck, and Aiden Mathis.** Please join us for this special event followed by a Reception in the Fellowship Hall.

### Concordia Wish List 2024

The **Wish List** is a compilation of needed items for the church, outside of budgeted items. This includes replacement of property and equipment in poor condition, that needs replacement or maintenance.

- A. Parking Lot** Donations of any amount are welcome. \$18,000 has been collected so far. Council is reviewing new quotes.
- B. Opportunities for Assistance w/partner church of Luteba, Tanzania (See letter in narthex or ask Pastor)**
  - Scholarship for evangelist-\$600
  - Widows group work fund-any amt
  - Luteba Church Building fund-any amt

**THANK YOU** to all those contributing!!

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Parking Ushers</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Assisting Minister</u>
4/7 9:30am	Ken & Lynne Houck	Doug Ockrymiek	Dave Kolsun
4/14 9:30am	Diane Groff	Evan Widdall	Marge Fasnacht
4/21 9:30am	Bruce & Becky Birk	Ronda Knighton	Brittney Kauffman
4/28 9:30am	Ed & Sharon Fisher	Mike McCoy	Evan Widdall

**Scouts will be mulching on Monday evening, May 6th!**  
**Volunteers are welcome to come and help!**

**We are considering publishing a new Concordia Cookbook.** If you are interested in helping with this or contributing recipes, please contact **Rose** in the office.

### Meals for Members

**Providing meals to each other in times of need** is a wonderful way to serve one another here at Concordia. When big life events happen (illness, loss of job, recuperating from surgery, birth, etc) it's a big relief to know a meal is headed your way.

The **Social Ministry** committee wants to remind all members reach out and let the church know if this is something that would be beneficial to you and your family. There is a website that makes it very easy to sign up to deliver a meal, which we will share when the need arises.

Providing a meal for a fellow member in need is as simple as signing up, doubling up your own dinner or making something, and delivering it to the recipient. If you have any questions, please text or call **Heather Eckman** at 717-368-2960, or call the church office.

**Thank You**

**Thank you so much** for the wonderful tray of cookies and fruit at Christmas. It was enjoyed very much. Also thank you to all those who baked the cookies and made the deliveries.

–Sincerely, Jack & Barb Benard

**Thank you to all who donated Candy** for the Easter Egg Hunt! **Thank you to all who purchased flowers** to beautify our church on Easter day!

**Thank you to all who contributed** to the Lenten Dinners, to the dialogues actors, and to all who attended.

**Memorial Day Remembrance**

If you would like a **special remembrance of a deceased veteran** on **Memorial Day** weekend, please give his/her name to Rose or place a note in the offering plate. We will pray for and remember all veterans who have passed.

**2024 Graduates!**

If your son or daughter is graduating from high school or college this year, we at Concordia would like to honor and pray for them in June. Please see Rose or call the office (285-4626) so we can add their names to our list.



**2024 Lutheran Camping Corporation Events**

- May 4** Work Day at Kirchenwald
  - May 19** Summer Camp Kick-off Worship & Picnic at Kirchenwald
- Always check [www.LutheranCamping.org](http://www.LutheranCamping.org) for the most updated calendar.

**Update from Habitat for Humanity - Apr 2024**

**South Fifth Street, Columbia** - Volunteers completed all interior doors, and are working on kitchen cabinet assemblies. Precutting siding is next.

**ATTENTION:PARENTS**

**CONCORDIA EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



**June 9-11 Sunday-Tuesday**

**6:15-7:45pm each night**

Open to kids Age 3 thru 12  
Helpers & Children are needed!  
Pre-registration is required.



**Theme: “Be Not Afraid!”**

**Pre-registration required:**

**Child’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**May your child(ren) go home with others? No**

**Yes Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle Age Group: 3-6 7-9 10-12**

**Any allergies? :** \_\_\_\_\_

**Turn in at church office or call by June 1st (717-285-4626)  
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