



The Concordian

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“Called to Nurture and Live our Faith, Encourage our Service, and Actively Share the Gospel”

From the Pastor:

One of my very best friends I had while in high school recently had a scare. A family member, a brother, who has been through some difficult health issues, was released from the hospital and was not where everyone expected him to be. He was, as far as his family knew, missing.

At least two different family members posted their concerns on Facebook, and it was several hours before they were able to reassure the rest of us that he had been found, that he was safe. They did not immediately post further details, so the rest of us didn't know whether he had decided to stay with friends and had merely not thought to notify his family, or whether something less “easy” was the case.

Now, I know that he had gone to the pharmacy and was sitting there (long beyond the pharmacy closing time) waiting for a ride home. (The grocery store was still open.) The problem was that he hadn't called anyone to let them know he was waiting!

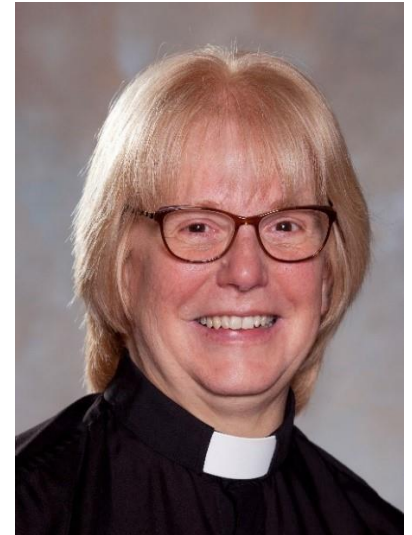
Another missing person was a child... in that case, things did not resolve in any way well. The mother, who did not have custody, failed to return him to his father. Both were found dead in her vehicle, and information as to cause of death was not immediately available. Was it

intentional, or some kind of accident? Were they sleeping in the car, succumbing to carbon monoxide?

As my father aged, he began to suffer from a kind of dementia that affected his learned adult behaviors. He began acting more like a teenager, then like a toddler, etc. He never became lost, as happens to many with dementia, but he failed to notify anyone of his walks, or expected return. He forgot how to pay for things in the store. All this necessitated his moving into a nursing facility that was protected by locked doors, with exit only through the nursing station.

So often, my friends will share Facebook posts that notify the community of missing people. I always click on the linked article, and there determine whether the person has already been found before sharing it myself. About three times out of four, this is the case. The advantage of social media is that more people become aware of the need more quickly. The disadvantage is that so many quickly share things without checking the validity of the post first. (For missing people, it might be better that way...)

My friend's brother did not know that he was missing. The



family did not know that he wasn't—not really, anyway! If only there were an easier way to communicate and to understand God's communication with us. What was God saying in that whole situation?

None of us is missing from God's care, even though we may have pulled back from gathering with the congregation for one reason or another. Let us find ways to support one another in this ministry, giving of ourselves in ways that express God's never-ending care, God's never-ending love, God's all-knowing presence. Please find ways to welcome all who gather, letting go of past hurts, and offering ourselves as Christ's. In Jesus' name.

Pastor Michelle



Parish Nursing
Notes.....

It is September again—the end of summer! But it is also a time to enjoy all the produce from my garden and the local Farmer’s Markets. I think it is no coincidence that the list of National Health Observances has “Fruits and Vegies—More Matters” listed under September. God has given us directions in this matter. In Genesis 1:20 He says, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food.” And today’s nutritionists agree that is a good basis for a healthy diet. According to the new My Plate standards, half of what you consume at each meal should be fruits and vegetables. Fruits and vegies are great sources of many vitamins, minerals, and natural substances such as fiber, folate, magnesium, potassium, and vitamins A and D. These all help protect you from chronic diseases such as stroke, type 2 diabetes, some types of cancer, heart disease, and high blood pressure. Some contain iron and calcium to help avoid

anemia and osteoporosis. Most of them are lower in fat and calories, and higher in fiber than other foods, making it easier to control weight as well. They make your plate look much more colorful and attractive. They are convenient to prepare and available in an almost infinite variety. No wonder God created them for us! And there are sure to be some that you like!

Herbs also have health benefits—as well as taste benefits! And again, God gave us this advice: “Give me your vineyard, that I might have it for an herb garden...” (1 Kings 21:2). Sage has been shown to improve attention and decreases symptoms in Alzheimer’s patients. Thyme has antimicrobial properties. Rosemary has been associated with memory since ancient Greece. Basil has long been used in India to treat asthma, stress, and diabetes, and has strong antimicrobial properties. And when you use these in combination, they actually have even more benefits! And you can use them to flavor all foods, not just fruits and vegies!

It can be so easy to add some cut up fruit or berries to your breakfast, and a tasty salad and some vegies to your lunch and supper. And an apple, a banana, some grapes, or raw vegies make great snacks. And fruit can be the basis for many desserts. The amounts can add up fast! The added benefit is that you’ll feel better, have more energy, and probably see the numbers on the scale go down, and the number of birthdays go up as well! And

you will also be passing on a healthy legacy to your children. God created us! He knows our bodies and their needs, and He gave us some pretty good directions on how to take care of them. Adding some more fruits and vegies to your diet is a pretty good (and tasty!) way to start. And we know that we also need whole grains, fat-free or low-fat milk products, lean meats, fish, beans, eggs, and nuts—and at least 15 minutes of physical exercise daily. There is no magic pill you can take to be healthy. But God gave us some pretty good directions. And adding some more fruits and vegies to your diet is a pretty good (and tasty!) way to start. So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God,” (1 Corinthians 10:31), and take care of your “temple,” the body you were given by God..... Jean



Concordia Fall Kick Off
Sunday, September 22

Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Worship at 10:00 a.m.

Picnic Lunch to Follow

Everyone is welcome!

**Please invite your family,
friends, and neighbors to
join us!**

CONCORDIA'S ORGAN FUNDRAISER



Organ Fund: \$19,840 of \$36,000 raised
as of August 19, 2019

Your donations are greatly
appreciated!!!



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If you sent a memorial and were not included
on the list, please contact the church
office

Dear Concordia Lutheran Church,

We are so grateful for your generous support of ELCA missionary, The Rev. Alex LaChapelle!

Until this summer, Pastor Alex had been serving as the Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) country coordinator for the Southern Africa YAGM program. The ELCA has discontinued the YAGM program in Southern Africa due to changes in South Africa's immigration policy resulting in the inability for us to acquire visas for our volunteers.

Pastor Alex continues to feel called by the Holy Spirit and this church to walk alongside our global neighbors in mission service. **Therefore, starting in September 2019, he will take on a new missionary call as Pastor of the International Lutheran Congregation in Nairobi, Kenya.**

In this time of transition, Pastor Alex and the Global Mission Funding team are especially grateful for your prayer, encouragement and continued financial support, which serve as an anchor and lifeline when other circumstances change.

Because he is not able to visit all of his sponsoring congregations as often as he would like, Pastor Alex has created a video to share with you. You may access this video at <https://vimeo.com/353447944> (please note: when you follow this link, you will receive the message "Video is private." Please enter the password **Alex2019** to continue.)

We encourage you to watch and share this video (and the password!) and to learn from Pastor Alex as he reflects on service, life and worship in the contexts he has served.

You can reach Pastor Alex at Alexis.LaChapelle@elca.org, and if you have any questions about your sponsorship, please let us know at GlobalChurch@elca.org or 773-380-2820.

We thank God for your generous support and prayerful encouragement of Pastor Alex as he transitions into this new role!

Peace,

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COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
AT 6:00 PM

Meeting Date Changes
Property & Management Committee
Wednesday, September 11 at 6:00 pm
Worship & Music Committee Tuesday,
September 17 at 6:00 pm

Benevolence Committee Meeting
Next meeting will be
September 8 at 11:00 a.m.

Altar Flowers for September

September 1

In Memory of Loved Ones
by Nancy Spiering

September 8

In Memory of Loved Ones
by Millie Score and Family

September 15

In memory of Ken & Mildred Olson and Ray
Nurmi by Michael & Joyce Olson

September 22

In memory of Joel and Martha Dahl
and Dick and Mae Riedasch
Given by Dick and Jean Riedasch

September 30

In memory of Robert and Jean Allen and
Ted and Eileen Ketola
Given by the Ketola Family

**The DEADLINE for articles and announcements
in the next issue of "The Concordian" is
September 19
Concordian Helpers September 24 at 9:00 am.
Thanks for marking this on your calendar!**

**CLCW Fall Craft and Vendor Sale
October 26, 2019
8:00 a.m.
Tables are \$25**

**Please Contact Nancy O'Neill
at 218-391-6141**

Night Out

September 18, 2019

**Ladies will meet at Key Port at 5:00 P.M.
Men will meet at VIP at 5:30 P.M.**

**Confirmation Kick Off
Saturday, September 14
2:00 to 4:30 pm
At
Camp Amnicon**



Sue Avis, Carol Banker, Nancy Bohn,
Susan Brannan, Matthew Breitzmann,
Jeanne Downs, Brianna Frank,
Eunice Grimsrud, Jarrett Gronski,
Marcie Hanson, Andrew Harmer,
Debra Johnson, Staci Johnson, Wyatt Johnson,
Ashley Kelleher, Alexander Ketola, Amy King,
Clara Komatz, Dawn Lambert, Jaylynn Lawler,
Jacquelyn Ledin, Joyce Littler, Merry Lott,
Matthew McDonald, Sara Moore,
Charissa Nelson, Brian Nelson, Dawn Nelson,
Patrick Nelson, Joyce Olson, Matthew Peterson,
Andrea Piirainen, Dennis Quam, Brett Quist,
Donna Quist, Lois Renoos, Mildred Score,
Barbara Sorenson, Marie Strom, Patricia Ullan,
Erin Wahner, Jean Weber, Michael Wick,
Joseph Wojtoff, Nicholas Zehm

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and
the God of all comfort, who comforts us in
all our troubles, so that we can comfort
those in any trouble with the comfort we
ourselves receive from God.**

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Serving in September

Ushers

September 1	Team III
September 8	Team I
September 15	Team II
September 22	Team III
September 29	Team I

Bus Driver

September 1	Kris Hanson
September 8	Pete Quist
September 15	Brett Quist
September 22	John Gronski
September 29	Kris Hanson

Scripture Readers

September 1	Richard Wnek
September 8	Anne Gronski
September 15	Steve Ledin
September 22	Mark Thompson
September 29	Ed Lindegren

(Readings may be picked up in the office the prior week.
If they are not picked up, we will mail them to the reader.)

Altar Servers

September 1	Altar Guild
September 8	Altar Guild

Coffee Kiosk Servers

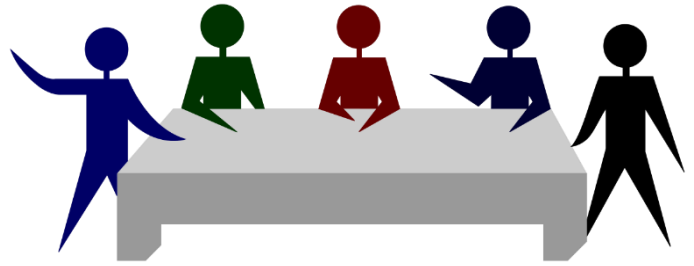
September 1	Jan Lippitt
September 8	Kris Hanson
September 15	John Gronski
September 22	Nancy O'Neill
September 29	Youth & Family Committee

Financial Assistants

Deb Harmer & Sue Martin

Communion Assistants

September 1	Jane Pietrowski & David Sloan
September 8	Richard Wnek & LeRoy Eliason



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together with you in ministry:**

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Lori Sewall

Property Management Matthew Eastman Shawn
Quist

Stewardship John Gronski

Kris Hanson

SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 a Blood Pressure Checks 10a-11a Worship with Communion	2 Labor Day Office is Closed	3 8a-12p Office is open 9a-9:30a Staff Meeting 10:30a-11:30a Pastor's Text Study (Pilgrim)	4 8a-12p Office is open 10a-11a Altar Guild	5 8a-12p Office is open 10a-11a Library Workers 2p-2:30p Superior Rehab Worship	6 Office Closed	7
8 10a-11a Worship with Communion 11:00 a Concordia Cares	9 8a-12p Office is open	10 8a-12p Office is open 9a-9:30a Staff Meeting 10:30a-11:30a Pastor's Text Study (Pilgrim)	11 Patriot Day 8a-12p Office is open 6p-7p Property Management Committee	12 8a-12p Office is open 10a-11a Library Workers	13 Office Closed	14 9a-1p Work Day 2p-4:30p Confirmation Class Rally at Camp Amnicon
15 10a-11a Worship 4p-5p Helen Hankey Concert Series, Featuring Hector Landa	16 8a-12p Office is open	17 8a-12p Office is open 9a-9:30a Staff Meeting 10:30a-11:30a Pastor's Text Study (Pilgrim) 1:30pm Harmony House 6p-7p Worship and Music Committee	18 8a-12p Office is open 3:30p-5p Confirmation Class (Bethel Lutheran) 5:00 p Ladies' Night Out at Keyport 5:30 p Men's Night Out at VIP	19 Newsletter Articles/Announcements Due 8a-12p Office is open 10a-11a Library Workers 2p-2:30p Superior Rehab Worship	20 Office Closed	21
22 10a-11a Worship 4p-12a Fall Pastor's Convocation 11:15 a Possible 1 st Communion Class	23 Fall begins Fall Pastor's Convocation 8a-12p Office is open	24 12a-5p Fall Pastor's Convocation 8a-12p Office is open 9a-9:30a Staff Meeting 9a Concordian Helpers 10:30a-11:30a Pastor's Text Study (Pilgrim)	25 8a-12p Office is open 3:30p-5p Confirmation Class (Bethel Lutheran)	26 8a-12p Office is open 10a-11a Library Workers	27 Office Closed	28 10a-11a Confirmation Class
29 10a-11a Worship 11:15 a Possible 1 st Communion Class	30 8a-12p Office is open	Notes:				

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Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 Sunday School

10:00 am Worship

Communion served on the 1st and 2nd Sundays.
Fellowship (coffee & goodies) in the church library
after the worship service (when scheduled).

Mission Statement

As members of the body of Christ at Concordia,
we are called to be God's forgiven, gifted,
diversified and unified people.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
we **nurture and live our faith** in Jesus Christ,
encourage our service in His church,
and **actively share the Gospel**
in our community and the world.