Pastor's Corner

By: Pastor Tom Eckstein



Concordia's Financial Situation As Of Mid-June

As of mid-June we are about \$31,000 BEHIND in our giving versus our budget need – which is common for this time of year. But God has worked through His people at Concordia through the years to meet our financial needs so that our ministry and mission may continue. Even though we are behind in our giving, we have financial "padding" to help us pay the bills. In the past we have usually made up our budget deficit by the end of the year either ending "even" or also "in the black." As Concordia's members continue to give regular and sacrificial offerings throughout the rest of 2025, we pray that by God's grace we will end "even" or, better yet, "in the black" so that we can continue with the mission and ministry of Christ's Church in 2026.

Missions Supported By Our Offerings

Some of the offerings our members give to Concordia are used to support missions outside of our congregation. Below are some examples of missions that your offerings to the Lord support:

- 1. We currently give 8% of our offerings to the ND LCMS District, and we hope to increase that to 9% in 2026.
- 2. We give \$1080 to support "Mesiaki Nairinka" at an orphanage in Kenya, Africa.
- 3. We give \$5000 to support "Lille Douglas" with tuition support for her studies at Concordia in Seward, Nebraska, where she is training to be a full time LCMS church musician.
- 4. We give \$3000 to "Youth for Christ" in Jamestown.
- 5. We give \$2500 to the "Women's Care Center" in Fargo.
- 6. We provide \$3000 for "social ministry" needs for needy Concordia members and needy members in our Jamestown community.
- 7. We give \$1000 to support "Becky Grossmann's" ministry in Lutheran Bible Translators.

Pray For Our Youth Attending National Youth Gathering

From July 16th through July 25th, 10 of our youth will be attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering in New Orleans. The adult counselors attending with them from our congregation are *Nayva Mulder, *Jen Hoffer and *Daine Flieth. There will be around 30,000 youth and adults

attending this event. Please keep them in your prayers for safe travel to and from this event, and also that they will blessed spiritually as they celebrate their faith in Jesus together and also that they may be a witness for our Lord in the city of New Orleans.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Eckstein

Newsletter Notes from Deaconess Nayva



Fellowship

Grief Support Fellowship 2nd Sunday 12:00pm

July 13th: Noon August 10th: Noon

Outreach

Stephen Ministry

Wednesdays No meeting in July August 13th & 27th

Bible Study

Hymn Study

Thursday, June 6th 10:00am Friday, August 1st 10:00am

> Marian Duff (Host) Ave Maria B₂5

A New Song

Bible Study on the Psalms
Thurs, July 10th 1:00pm
Thurs, August 14th
1:00pm

Vera Schulz (Host) 114 12th Ave NE Apt. 2030

Women's Bible Study

Soul Spa

By Sharla Fritz

Tuesdays Fellowship Hall 7:00PM July 1st August 12th and 26th

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Feel Free to join us anytime.

Deaconess Nayva



Main Street Living TV Program www.mainstreetlivingnorth.com

Every Sunday on the local Fox Station at 9am

Remembering "Dutch" Te Slaa:

Almighty God in his good and wise providence called our brother in Christ, Arlen "Dutch" Te Slaa, to Himself in Heaven on Good Friday, April 18th. He passed peacefully, surrounded by family, at Dougherty Hospice Home in Sioux Falls, SD. While Dutch spent most of his working career in sales, the position that gave him the most satisfaction was Main Street Living. He was one of the founding members in 2001, and a driving force in the ministry during its first 20 years. Dutch had a passion for sharing Jesus with the world. And the unique ability to motivate people to action. All involved in Main Street Living are indebted to his vision and drive to share the Gospel with the Upper Midwest and beyond. We commend Dutch's family, and the congregation of Zion Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls where Main Street began, to God's rich grace in Christ. May you find comfort in the sure and certain hope in the resurrection through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please continue to share information about our LCMS "Main Street Living" media ministry with others. You can view archived programs anytime at www.mainstreetliving.com – then click on the link identified as "Fargo/Bismarck." Worship

services from the 5 other MSL broadcast areas, as well as the weekly "This Is The Life" programs, are also available for viewing on the website.

Thank you for your needed financial support! Checks may be sent to:

"Main Street Living NORTH," 821 5th Ave S, Fargo, ND 58103, or donate by Credit Card or your PayPal account on the website.

God's blessing in Christ! -

Ken Koehler, MSL North Volunteer Coordinator.



Concordia's LWML group will not meet in June. The National LWML Convention in Ohama, NE will be taking place on June 26-29. The theme is "Growing in God's Grace". Nayva Mulder will be attending.

The first Sunday of June is Mite Sunday

Thank you to everyone for donating to the noisy mites. We collected **\$115.46** in June.

We collect our mites to help fund all our District and National LWML mission grant projects for this biennium....the mission grants, to be selected at the LWML Convention, will be chosen from a list of 47 proposed projects.

Some of the proposals are for programs in LCMS missionaries, counseling services for children and adults, pastoral education in West Africa, Lutheran Braille Workers, deaconess training for international students, Orphan Grain Train outreach in Ukraine, Disaster Response Ministry, homeless shelters and transition houses, Lutheran Hour Ministries, Christian camps and retreat centers, Christian leadership training, Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Lutherans for Life, prison ministry, Lutheran Family Services helping families in crisis, Lutheran Student Fellowship, and Christ-centered medical care.

To learn more, visit https://www.lwml.org/convention and view Mission Grant Proposals in the link.

Thank you for helping to share God's word and mercy through your mites.

2025 Turtle Mountain Ladies' Retreat



Please join us September 26 – September 28, 2025 at Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads for the Third Annual Turtle Mountain Ladies' Retreat. This event is for ladies who are members of an LCMS church who want to come together, family style, to study theology, enjoy fellowship, good food, fun, and Lutheran worship. Our speaker,

Rev. Sean Daenzer, is director of LCMS Worship and the chaplain at the Synod's International Center. He previously served for seven years as pastor of a dual parish in rural North Dakota. His topic is Liturgical Worship: A faithful vehicle for delivering the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The event begins at 5:00 p.m. Friday and ends 1:00 p.m. Sunday. Cost is \$150.00 which includes all food and lodging. Registration is capped at the first 50 who mail in their registration form and \$50.00 non-refundable deposit. Complete retreat information will be sent out to registrants in advance of the retreat. We hope you will join us for this wonderful opportunity. For information contact Noreen Linke at noreen@linkes.net or 281.770.6686, mobile.

New for summer this year, alternative to VBS

The Board of Education met and decided to do a family event for all members of Concordia and all ages this summer. Instead of VBS this year, we planned Family Fun Nights with Yard Games on June 3rd and Water Games on June 24th. In addition to games, we had a devotion and some singing, socializing and also a campfire and smores. We had a group of 14 people on the June 3rd.

For August we are planning for August 5, 5pm – 8pm as we are planning a service project with a meal following.

Check the flyer for more details. We hope that you plan to join us.

--Sunday School Superintendent Sue



\$ Wall of Money \$

Have you heard about the exciting fundraiser for the Youth called the **Wall of Money?** Check out the display in the Narthex. Simply pick the amount you want to give, place it in the envelope, and put the envelope into the offering plate. There are still lots of envelopes available.

If all the envelopes are used, the donations will total over \$5,000.

Youth Group in July/August

July Saturday 12th - 10am - 2pm Car Wash

Sunday, July 13th NYG Sending Service 10:30am

NYG 2025 July 16th - 25th

August

Tuesday, August 5th - 5pm Family Fellowship

Friday, August 8th 6:30pm Youth Group

Monday, August 11th (leaving 5 pm) Thunder Road Fargo

Sunday, August 17th Noon

Shirts for Sale!



*Do you want to **support the Youth** in their fundraising efforts?
*Do you have **\$20** to spend?

If you answered "YES" to any one of these questions, then you should consider buying one of the Concordia Lutheran Church T-shirts on sale. They were designed by the Youth for their trip to the National Youth Gathering this summer. Look for the sample on the table in the Narthex and see Nayva for available sizes.



Help support our youth while getting your car clean. Enjoy lunch while you wait. FREE WILL

OFFERING Saturday July 12th
10:00-1:00 at the

RM Stoudt Dealership. See the

attached flyer for more details.

Elder Schedule

| Sun. 7/6 | 8 _{am} | 10:30 am |
|-----------|-----------------|--------------|
| | E= Gordy L. | E= Doug P. |
| Wed. 7/9 | 7 pm | E=Quincy B. |
| Sun.7/13 | 8am | 10:30am |
| | E=Dernel D. | E=Josh R. |
| Sun. 7/20 | 8am | 10:30am |
| | E = Curt S. | E = Larry W. |
| Wed. 7/23 | 7pm | E=Quincy B. |
| Sun. 7/27 | 8am | 10:30am |
| | E = Dave H. | E = Ed M. |

Musicians:

| Sun. 7/6 | Daine Flieth |
|-----------|----------------|
| Wed. 7/9 | Daine Flieth |
| Sun. 7/13 | Daine Flieth |
| Wed. 7/16 | Carmen McBride |
| Sun. 7/20 | Carmen McBride |
| Wed. 7/23 | Carmen McBride |
| Sun. 7/27 | Ione Somsen |
| Wed. 7/30 | Ione Somsen |

<u>Communion/Altar</u> <u>preparation</u>:

Marjorie Patzer



Please pray for those serving our country...

- SFC Randy Flieth; ND Army National Guard-drilling in Fargo, ND
- Darren Kuhlmann;
 Whiteman Air Base, MO

Please pray for those that are dealing with cancer...

- Rose Martin
- Ann Schulz
- Hazel Thu (Sister of Rose Martin)
- Mark Eckstein (Cousin of Pastor Tom Eckstein)
- Cindy Wimer (Sister of Lila Stokkeland)
- Cassie Rott (Friend of Daine Flieth)
- John Hinz (Brother of Dave Hinz)
- Marlane Middlestead; (Sister-In-Law of Shirly Genter)
- Marcella Lange (Friend of lone Somsen)

Please pray for those dealing with various health issues...

- Sue Corwin
- Joan Lee
- MJ Westerhausen
- Pauline Stangland
- Clarice Spitzer
- Corrine Scott
- Elden Englund
- Arianna Walch
- Delvida Obenauer
- Marian Duff
- Lyn Rutherford
- Karen Connell
- Sheila Corwin
- Paul Schafer III (Son of Lila Stokkeland)
- Rayna Mayhair (Infant daughter of Tom and DeAnn Mayhair)
- Mervin Wohler (Brotherin-law of Ann Snow)
- Robert Olson (Son-in-law of Berna Kunze)

- Tana Lonefight (Friend of lone Somsen)
- Brad Boerger (Brother of Tom Boerger)
- Blair Baker (Cousin of Bill & Tina Busche)
- Rachel Mulder (Mother of Nayva Mulder)
- Joy Jerome (Cousin of Nayva Mulder)
- Evelyn Bollinger (Great granddaughter of Kathey Ziegler)
- Sue Hedberg; (Daughter of Gerri & Lloyd Bauske)
- Pam Syverson (Friend in the community
- Gordie Christenson (Cousin of Randy Flieth)

Please pray for those dealing with the recent loss of a loved one:

- Family of Mervin Wohler (Brother-in-law of Ann Snow)
- Family of Don Brandenburg

(Friend of Orphan Grain Train)

SACRED ACTS:

Confirmations

Baptisms

Funerals

Current Membership Stats:

Baptized Members-615 Confirmed Members-459

lembers-45<u>9</u> **2025** Baptisms (Child)-2, (Adult)-3 Confirmations (Junior)-0, (Adult)-2 Weddings-0

Funerals-2

Transferred In-4 Transferred Out-2 Profession of Faith-4

Removed due to inactivity-o

The Family Matters

In this feature of our newsletter, we focus on family concerns. All of us have young people in our sphere of influence in some way everyone is part of a family. Our resource this month is "Connected Families" at connectedfamilies.org

Connected Families is a non-profit ministry that exists to **support** Christ-centered transformation in families. Some of the topics covered in their blog content are:

Adoption and Foster Care
Anger
Anxiety
Emotional Regulation
Responsibility
Chores
Discipline & Consequences
Encouragement for Tired Parents
Faith & Your Child
Sensitive & Intense Kids
Sibling Conflict
Parenting Teens

The following is an excerpt from one of the resources on knowing your child's strengths...

"Affirm your child's strengths in misbehavior

Let's say a child doggedly resists instructions to do a chore before playing. What might your typical response look like? Yelling, grounding, threatening, or taking away privileges? Instead, you can say with lightness, "You have an amazing determination to go after what's important to you. If you can use that determination to get your chores done, you'll be able to get to the other things you want to do." A classic format to affirm a giftgone-awry could be:

- I see that you have a powerful gift for______
- How you're using that now is not as helpful as I've seen you use it before.
- Maybe you could use that gift to help us solve the problem we're dealing with.

It may take time to readjust your thinking about your child's gift gone awry. However, we have found that when parents learn to identify and affirm their child's strengths during misbehavior, it often helps kids to let go of defiance and open their hearts to using their gifts in God-honoring ways."

This excerpt was from an article by Jim and Lynne Jackson titled "Want To Know Your Child's Strengths? Find Clues in 12 Common Misbehaviors". To read more, visit

https://connectedfamilies.org/childs-strengths-gifts-gone-awry/

Miscellaneous Announcements

Gratitude Calendar

The Gratitude Calendar is a simple, powerful tool to help us grow in thankfulness and strengthen our walk with God. Each day, it prompts us to reflect on and write down something we're grateful for-whether it's a blessing, a person, or a small moment of joy. By intentionally focusing on gratitude, we shift our hearts toward God's goodness, even in difficult times. Using the calendar takes just a few minutes a day, but it can deepen our faith, build a more joyful spirit, and encourage us to see God's hand in every part of our lives. Let's use it together as a church to cultivate a heart of praise and thankfulness. See the Grateful Hearts, Faithful Hands Calendar attached.

thrivent

Thank you for considering Concordia Lutheran Church when making your Choice Dollars donation. In June we received a deposit of \$13 on behalf of Kim Murray, the Thrivent client who requested funds to be directed to Concordia.

If you would like more information about the Choice Dollars program at Thrivent, call your Thrivent representative.



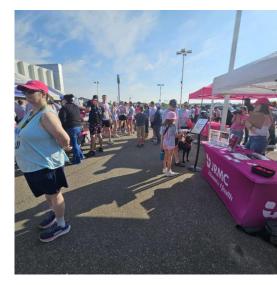
This spring, the Grow With Us, Go With Us project is responding to the needs expressed by our LCMS North Dakota District pastors and leaders at the recent convention. The goal is to grow faithful Lutheran marriage and mental health counseling, along with other services to support church workers and laypeople, in your area. Lutheran Family Services (LFS) is inviting you to partner with them to help grow their network of care throughout North Dakota. You can do this by making a gift of \$10 or more by June 30th to support the launch of LFS services in North Dakota. Contributions will be collected in the church office and sent together after the June 30th deadline. See the bulletin flyers or go to lutheranfamilyservice.org for more information.



Church Office Hours

If you need access to the church during the week please call the church office (252-2819), Pastor Eckstein (658-9473), or Nayva (430-9049) to see if arrangements can be made to accommodate your needs.





On June 7th, our own Nayva Mulder participated in the Running of the Pink! All proceeds from the event went to local charities supporting treatment for Breast Cancer

Fellowship Time

I hope everyone has been enjoying the Fellowship Time between 9:00 and 9:30 on Sunday mornings. This is a time to come together to visit and greet one another. Thank you to those who have volunteered make coffee and provide treats for us. We would like to invite more people to offer help in this way; there is a sign-up sheet available downstairs in the kitchen area if you are willing to help. (Financial contributions to support purchases of treats are also welcome).



The following was received recently after the burial for Bonnie Mathias:

"Thank you for being a welcoming congregation to our parents when they made Jamestown their home, Thank you Pastor Eckstein for your strong spiritual quidance."

The Family of Roger & Bonnie
Mathias



Daily devotions and many other resources (like podcasts, Bible studies, and news features) are available through the Lutheran Hour Ministeries on their website. You can even subscribe to have emails with devotions sent to you daily. Check it out at www.lhm.org



Be part of bringing God's Word to every language through Lutheran Bible Translators. Your voice, prayers, and generosity help expand the reach and impact of Bible translation around the world. Visit https://lbt.org/# to learn more.



The Founders established the Supreme Court of the United States as guardian and interpreter of the Constitution. The Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty offers a free booklet that summarizes the major Supreme Court decisions in the areas of Religious Liberty, Life, Education, and Marriage. See

https://LCRLFreedom.org/resources to download your copy.



The board of Stewardship is collection Microwave popcorn again this year for the UJ Block Party. Help us welcome the UJ students back to Jamestown by providing them with a snack and a message of greetings from Concordia. Just deposit your popcorn near the display in the Narthex and watch as the pile grows bigger! Our goal this year is 1,000 bags.



If you wish to make announcements in the bulletin or newsletter, contact the church office at:

concordiaitsecretary@gmail

Concordia Events Calendar – July 2025

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| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat |
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| | | 10am-Bible Class 4-8pm – Pastor Eckstein @ Grace/ Carrington 7pm -Women's Bible Study @Concordia | 7pm – Service | 8:30- 9:30am Men's Bible Class 10am – Women's Bible Study @Ave Maria - B25 (Marian Duff, Host) | 4 th of July – Church Office Closed | 7:30am – 12:30pm Pastor Eckstein serving Grace/Carrington 9-12pm-Orphan Grain Train *Nayva in St. Louis for "End of Life" conference, 7/05 – 7/09 |
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| 8am & 10:30am Services (Lord's Supper) 9-9:30am – Fellowship time 9:30am – Adult Bible Class | 9-12pm-Orphan Grain Train 7pm – Elders & Stewardship meeting | 10am-Bible Class 4pm-8pm - Pastor Eckstein @ Grace/ Carrington | 7pm – Service (Lord's Supper) | 8:30- 9:30am Men's Bible Class 1pm – Women's Bible Study @Vera Schulz Apartment | | 7:30am – 12:30pm Pastor Eckstein serving Grace/Carrington 9-12pm-Orphan Grain Train 10am – Youth Car Wash |
| 2- 4pm-Pastor @ Trinity/Adrian | | | | 1 | | fundraiser at RM Stoudt's dealership |
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| 2-4pm-Pastor @ Trinity/Adrian | Chicago, 7/28-7/31 | 8 | | | | |

*Fridays-Pastor's Day Off!
*Mondays-Deaconess Nayva's Day Off!
*Chancel Duties: Marjorie Patzer

Birthdays and Wedding AnniversariesSearch: =July; Who = (everyone except removed); Filter = Birthday or Wedding

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | MATTHEW HUST (b.) ANITA SCHOLZ (b.) | LAYNA HOFFER (b.) JODI MADDOCK (b.) JEFF WOLSKY (b.) LLOYD and BECKY KUHLMANN (w.) KEN and (CAROL) ROEKER (w.) LYLE and LILA STOKKELAND (w.) | MARSHA HUST (b.) SANDRA JOHNSON (b.) | LILA STOKKELAND (b.) |
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| LAKYNN DIETRICH (b.) BROCK HOCHHALTER (b.) | ANDREA ECKSTEIN (b.) (STEPHANIE) LOOSE (b.) LEVI and DANIELLE WESTERHAUSEN (w.) | AMANDA KRUEGER (b.) (NELLI) LIPETZKY (b.) | SUSAN DODDS (b.) JAYLA HOFFER (b.) (RYLEY) SMITH (b.) | HAZEL FLIETH (b.) | | DARRELL and MARJORIE PATZER (w.) |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| STEPHANIE FOX (b.) KINZLYANN LAVALLIE (b.) KELSEY PARISIEN (b.) NICK STARKEY (b.) JOSEPH and (KRISTEN) HOGGARTH (w.) | BRANDON KRAWCZYK (b.) KURTIS LUSTERMAN (b.) PAUL and PEGGY SPITZER (w.) | NICK WEBBER (b.) AARON WOLSKY (b.) | ROSEMARIE CLAUSON (b.) TRACY DENNING (b.) MOLLIE LINDBERG (b.) DANIELLE WESTERHAUSEN (b.) | TRAPPER DEPEW (b.) KIRK DIETRICH (b.) JODEE HANSON (b.) GLORIA MORLOCK (b.) KIMBERLY and (KELLEN) BJONE (w.) | LISA BOERGER (b.) ALEX PIESKE (b.) KEN ROEKER (b.) FLYNN WATKINS (b.) HUDSON WATKINS (b.) JAMES and JULIE NORMAN (w.) | MARJORIE PATZER (b.) BILL and TINA BUSCHE (w.) |
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| | DARIN HUST (b.) SARAH ROWELL (b.) VERA SCHULZ (b.) ALISSA SHEALY (b.) | (ETHAN) HOLMQUIST (b.) DARIN and LAURA HUST (w.) | LEAH THOMS (b.) | DEBORAH FODE (b.) JEN HOFFER (b.) MICHAEL HUST (b.) GAGE MCCLEAN (b.) LYLE STOKKELAND (b.) | BRITTANY and BRADY VEN HUIZEN (w.) | DAWSON DENNING (b.) ARIANNA WALCH (b.) |
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JULY

This is a monthly prayer guide for your daily use. Each day as you pray, please feed your Mite Box in support of district and LWML Mission Grants. As you lift up the countries and mission grants listed, pray that the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ would be heard by those who live there or are served by our mite offerings.



Each country listed has been a recipient of a mission grant from Lutheran Women in Mission at some time since 1942. What a joy it is to bring these prayers to our Father's listening ears!

- 1. For LWML Mission Grant #16.
- 2. For God to bless our national LWML and LCMS leaders.
- 3. For the country of Lebanon.
- 4. For the opportunity to serve angels in disguise (Hebrews 13:2).
- 5. For the willingness to Serve the Lord with gladness! (Psalm 100:1-2).
- 6. For the Lutheran Women in Mission Public Relations Director.
- 7. For Mexico, one of the 83 countries support by an LWML grant.
- 8. For the LWML Pacific Southwest and the California-Hawaii-Nevada Districts.
- 9. For neighbors. Ask God to bless them through you.
- 10. For those who need healing.
- 11. For the country of Liberia.
- 12. For wisdom to see those who are lonely and need God.
- 13. For mentors.
- 14. For our leaders to be given wisdom and discernment.

- 15. For Lutheran Indian Ministries.
- 16. For the LWML Oregon and Washington-Alaska Districts.
- 17. For your family, extended family, and church family.
- 18. For the community where you live.
- 19. For the country of Malaysia.
- 20. For friends and acquaintances who are far from God.
- 21. For LWML Mission Grant #17.
- 22. For your coworkers in mission.
- 23. For the country of Lithuania.
- 24. For the persecuted around the world.
- 25. For your ability to extend forgiveness.
- 26. For the country of North Korea.
- 27. For the missions of your church and your support of them.
- 28. For those who work in service jobs.
- 29. For those living with pain.
- 30. For those struggling with relationship challenges.
- 31. For those experiencing loss.

2025 Turtle Mountain Ladies' Retreat

Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads, St. John, ND



lease join us for the third annual Turtle Mountain Ladies' Retreat. This event is for ladies who are members of an LCMS church who want to come together family style to study theology, enjoy fellowship, good food, fun, and Lutheran worship all in the beautiful Turtle Mountains of northern North Dakota. Event begins at 5:00 p.m. Friday and ends 1:00 p.m. Sunday. Registration is capped at the first 50 who mail in their registration form and \$50 non-refundable deposit. Complete retreat information will be sent out to registrants in advance of the retreat.

For information contact Noreen Linke at noreen@linkes.net or 281.770.6686 mobile.



GUEST SPEAKER:

Rev Sean Daenzer

The Rev. Sean Daenzer is director of LCMS Worship and the chaplain at the Synod's International Center. He previously served for seven years as pastor of a dual parish in rural North Dakota.

Daenzer holds a Bachelor of Music in Organ from Hope College, Holland,

Mich. (2006), and a Master of Divinity from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind. (2011).

He and his wife, Audrey, have four living children (Lucia, Monica, Renata and Christina) and two awaiting the resurrection (Perpetua and Matthias).



THIRD ANNUAL

TURTLE MOUNTAIN Ladies' Retreat

DATES:

Sept 26 - Sept 28, 2025

LOCATION:

Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads, St. John, ND

SPEAKER:

REV. SEAN DAENZER

TOPIC:

"Liturgical Worship:
A faithful vehicle for delivering the
Gospel of Jesus Christ."

ORGANIZER:

Noreen Linke

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Bottineau

COST:

\$150 - includes two nights lodging and food

DEPOSIT:

\$50 - Non-refundable

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN YOUTH GROUP CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

Help Support Our Trip to the 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans!

Saturday, July 12 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM RM Stoudt Dealership 800 23rd St SW, Jamestown, ND

Come get your car sparkling clean and support a great cause!

All proceeds help send our youth to the LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA-July 19-23, 2025



FREE WILL OFFERING

Every Dollar Helps!

ENJOY LUNCH WHILE YOU WANT!
We'll be serving hamburgers,
hot dogs, chips, and pop.

Thank you for your support and prayers!



Grateful Hearts, Faithful Hands Calendar – July 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Gratitude is an Attitude | | Thank God for His unchanging love – read Lamentations 3:22-23 | Pray for someone you've never met but who worships at your church. | Write a note of encouragement to a church musician or choir member | Thank God for the gift of prayer – spend time simply listening today. | Tell someone how they reflect Christ to you. |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Share a small act of generosity anonymously. | Give thanks for your spiritual mentors and role models. | Call someone older than you and thank them for their wisdom. | Give thanks for your daily routines and the ways God meets you there. | Fast from complaining – replace each grumble with a gratitude. | Send flowers or a cheerful message to someone in the hospital or care facility. | Pray for children and teachers in local schools. |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| Thank God for second chances – remember a time He gave you one. | Encourage someone who is serving in a hidden or humble way. | Read a Bible story and thank God for what it reveals about His character. | Make or find a small cross to carry with you as a reminder of thankfulness. | Pray for your church's future, vision, and mission. | Thank God for technology that keeps you connected to others. | Create a worship playlist filled with songs of gratitude. |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| Reflect on how God has grown your faith in the past year. | Pray over your church's ministries and outreach efforts. | Take a break from screens and spend 10 minutes in thankful silence. | Write out your favorite Psalm of thanksgiving and keep it visible today. | Thank God for a difficult season that brought unexpected growth. | Tell a friend what you see God doing in their life. | Make a point to thank every person you interact with today. |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |
| Thank God for your church's mission in the community. | Pray for churches around the world facing persecution. | Give thanks for the gift of forgiveness – both given and received. | Invite someone into a conversation about gratitude. | Close the month in worship, thanking God for His neverending grace. | * | THANK |



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BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAYS
7:00 PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Soul Spa

40 Days of Spiritual Renewal

By Sharla Fritz

Bible Study with a glass of Iced Tea