

Pastor's Corner

By: Pastor Tom Eckstein



Concordia's Financial Situation: End of February 2026

We are about \$20,000 behind in giving versus spending as of the end of February, which is normal this time of year for two reasons: 1) We pay some "big bills" up front in January/February (such as insurance for the year and various missions we support; 2) Giving in January/February is usually lower based on giving trends from past years. However, the good news is that we do have some financial "padding" to make up for the giving deficit, and as Concordia's members continue to give well in the coming months, as they have in the past, we will be able to continue to move forward in mission and ministry for Christ's Church.

Lent Sermon Series for Sundays and Wednesdays

Pastor Eckstein will continue with his Sunday and Wednesday sermon series for March. Pastor's midweek Wednesday Sermon series is titled "For Us" and is

based on stanzas from the hymn "O Love, How Deep." For the Sundays during Lent pastor is doing a sermon series titled "Honest Repentance."

Soup Suppers during Wednesdays in Lent

Mid-week Lent Soup Suppers will continue through March 25th. The Soup Suppers will be from 5:30PM to 6:30PM and are hosted by various groups at Concordia. There will be a "free-will" offering that will support various ministries at Concordia. Plan to join us!

Plan Ahead for Holy Week & Easter Services!

There will be NO Wednesday evening Service on April 1st! The **Maundy Thursday** Service will be at 7:00PM on April 2nd. The **Good Friday** Service will be at 7:00PM on April 3rd. The schedule for **Easter Sunday** on April 5th will be as follows: 7:00AM = Easter Sunrise Service; 8:00AM = Easter Breakfast; 9:30AM = Sunday School & Adult Bible Class; 10:30AM = Easter Service (same service and sermon as the 7:00AM Service) .

New Church Pictorial Directory Planned for Concordia

Concordia's council has decided to utilize an online company that allows congregations to produce their own church directory at a much lower cost than hiring a professional photographer. Elissa Rosin will be taking pictures of

families after Services on Sundays. There is a sign-up sheet in the church entry where your family can choose a Sunday to have your picture taken after the 8:00AM or 10:30AM Service. You can dress as you normally dress for church. Taking your family's picture will take only a couple of minutes. Once we have pictures of Concordia's members, we will print our own directory and make them available to members. (Addendum: You can submit your own photo to Elissa via elissarosin@proton.me. Call Elissa with questions 368-1456)

*Your servant in Christ,
Pastor Tom Eckstein*

Newsletter Notes from Deaconess Nayva



Fellowship

Grief Support Fellowship
3rd Sunday 12:00pm

March 15th

Bible Study

Hymn Study
Friday, March 6th
10:00am
Marian Duff (Host)
Ave Maria B25

Everlasting
By Christina Hergenrader
Bible Study on the Psalms
Tuesday, March 10th
2:30pm
Vera Schulz (Host)
114 12th Ave NE
Apt. 2030

Thursday, March 12th
1:00pm
Eventide Nursing Home
Karen Connell (Host)
Eventide Room 404

Fellowship

Grief Support Fellowship
3rd Sunday 12:00pm

March 15th

Outreach

Stephen Ministry
Wednesdays 1pm-3pm
March 11th and 25th

Deaconess Nayva



Main Street Living TV Program
www.mainstreetlivingnorth.com
Every Sunday on the local Fox
Station at gam

THE CHRISTIAN SEASON OF LENT is in full swing this entire month – and with it comes a special time for Christians to prepare for the two most important days of the Church year, as we consider our fallen sinful condition, and our need for a crucified and risen Savior! May God’s Holy Spirit open the doors of our hearts ever wider that we may more deeply understand and receive the redeeming work of our Lord!
Please continue to share information about our LCMS “Main Street Living” media

ministry with others. In addition to being broadcast each Sunday morning, 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.



LWML Circles are meeting as follows:

Dorcas Circle 2nd Monday 1:30pm
Ruth Circle 2nd Tuesday 1:00 pm
Naomi Circle 2nd Tuesday 7:00pm

Quilting will meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 1:00-3:00pm.

LWML will meet on March 3rd at 3:00pm. They will be planning for the Soup Supper on March 4th from 5:30 -6:30. All proceeds from the free-will offering that evening will benefit the Quilting activities of Concordia.

Women’s Bible Study

Soul Spa

By Sharla Fritz

Tuesdays
Fellowship Hall 7:00PM
March 3rd, 17th & 24th

Feel Free to join us anytime.

The latest copy of the Messenger has been printed and can be found on the LWML table in the Narthex.

The 2026 LWML North Dakota District Convention will be held June 26-28 in Devils Lake, ND. The theme is "We are Fed by Living Water". See the Winter Messenger for details about accommodations, ingathering items, servant events, etc.

The first Sunday of the month (March 1st) is Mite Sunday

Thank you to everyone for donating to the noisy mites. We collected **\$148.64** in February!

We collect our mites to help fund all our District and National LWML mission grant projects --33 mission grants were chosen at the national convention for this biennium..

The grant being featured this month is Mission Grant #7 The Light of Jesus Christ to Unwed Homeless Mothers - A Place of Refuge Ministries of South WI, Inc., U.S. | \$75,000

A Place of Refuge (APOR) is a sanctity of life ministry that positively impacts the lives of unwed, homeless pregnant women and their preborn children. Both mom and baby are equally worthy of Jesus' love, as He commands their safety and protection, which motivates APOR to offer valuable services.

Women can reside at the Refuge House for their entire pregnancy and up to a year following the birth of the child. APOR teaches life and parenting skills.

The women attend worship at a local LCMS congregation every Sunday. The current staff is teaching the Catechism to the moms. The Holy Spirit has brought many moms and babies to the baptismal font.

This grant will fund the purchase of a new van for transportation to church, Bible studies, doctors' appointments, and grocery shopping, plus a set of five parental skill books to be gifted to each new mom.

For more information, go to: <https://www.lwml.org/2025-2027-mission-grant-7>

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



Fellowship 9:00-9:15 Treats and Juice

Sunday School Classes 9:30-10:15

Please bring you children to Sunday School so we can teach them about Jesus.

On **Palm Sunday, March 29th**, children will join adults for a special Palm Sunday lesson. The children will sing Hosanna, Loud Hosanna and walk into the church with palm branches at the 10:30 service.



Youth Group in March/April

Sunday March 1st Noon

Friday, March 6th 6:30pm

Sunday, March 22nd 9:15am
Bible Class with Adults

Wed. March 25th 4:30pm
Soup Supper

Friday, March 27th 6pm
Movie David

Saturday, April 4th 10am
Easter Breakfast Prep

Sunday, April 5th 8am Easter
Breakfast

Volunteers for March:

Elder Schedule

March

Sun. 3/1	8am	10:30am
	Dernel D.	Larry W.
Wed. 3/4	7pm	Quincy B.
Sun. 3/8	8am	10:30am
	Dave H.	Josh R.
Wed. 3/11	7pm	Ed M.
Sun. 3/15	8am	10:30am
	Dave H.	Doug P.
Wed. 3/18	7pm	Quincy B.
Sun. 3/22	8am	10:30am
	Curt S.	Ed M.
Wed. 3/25	7pm	Quincy B.
Sun. 3/29	8am	10:30am
	Curt S.	Josh R.

Musician Schedule

March

Sun. 3/1	8am	10:30am
	Carmen M.	Carmen M.
Wed. 3/4	7pm	Carmen M.
Sun. 3/8	8am	10:30am
	Daine F.	Daine F.
Wed. 3/11	7pm	Daine F.
Sun. 3/15	8am	10:30am
	Carmen M.	Carmen M.
Wed. 3/18	7pm	Carmen M.
Sun. 3/22	8am	10:30am
	Daine F.	Daine F.
Wed. 3/25	7pm	Daine F.
Sun. 3/29	8am	10:30am
	Ione S.	Ione S.

Communion/Altar preparation:

March

Jane Lorig (March 1st) /
Amy Neustel



Please pray for those serving our country...

- SFC Randy Flieth; ND Army National Guard-drilling in Fargo, ND

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

- Becky Kuhlmann
- Andrew Braun
- Jan Thoreson (Sister of Leon Westerhausen)
- Larry Hewitt (Friend of Elstads)
- Gayle Schmidt (Sister of Greg Kutz)
- Mark Eckstein (Cousin of Pastor Tom Eckstein)
- Cassie Rott (Friend of Daine Flieth)
- Marlane Middlestead; (Sister-In-Law of Shirley Genter)
- Marcella Lange (Friend of Ione Somsen)

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

- Ann Schultz
- Norma Morlock
- Nancy Elstad
- Kitty Bender
- Carol Martin
- Marian Duff
- Joan Lee
- Pauline Stangeland
- Corrine Scott
- Arianna Walch

- Delvida Obenauer
- Kathey Ziegler
- Lyn Rutherford
- Karen Connell
- Sheila Corwin
- Rose Norheim (Friend of Ione Somsen)
- John Bull (Friend of Lyle and Lila Stokkeland)
- Robert Olson (Son-In-Law of Berna Kunze)
- Tana Lonefight (Friend of Ione Somsen)
- Blair Baker (Cousin of Bill & Tina Busche)
- Rachel Mulder (Mother of Nayva Mulder)
- Joy Jerome (Cousin of Nayva Mulder)
- Sue Hedberg (Daughter of Gerri & Lloyd Bauske)
- Gordie Christenson (Cousin of Randy Flieth)

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

Family of Elden Englund

Family of Mary Jane Westerhausen

Family of Gayle Schmidt (Sister of Greg Kutz)

SACRED ACTS:

Baptisms

Confirmations

Funerals

Elden Englund, 7/31/1939 – 2/2/2026

Mary Jane Westerhausen,
12/11/1958 – 2/12/2026

Current Membership Stats:

Baptized Members-455
 Confirmed Members-347
 2026

Baptisms (Child)-o, (Adult)-o
 Confirmations (Junior)-o, (Adult)-o
 Weddings-o
 Funerals-2
 Transferred In-o
 Transferred Out-o
 Profession of Faith-o
 Removed due to inactivity-82

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 something we're grateful for. 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.

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Thank you for considering Concordia Lutheran Church when making your Choice Dollars donation. Recently Concordia received a deposit of **\$1,153** due to the requests made by the following members:

Gordon Bischoff
 Rev. Thomas Eckstein
 Gerald and Janice Guthmiller
 Allan Hartmann
 Lloyd Kuhlmann
 Kim Murray

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



We received the January letter from LBT missionary, Becky Grossmann, who we support. In it, she described the topic of AI in Bible translation work, as discussed at the Bible Translation Conference in Thailand. She also included many pictures of the travels in Thailand. Her letter is posted on the corkboard in the Narthex.

Lutheran Bible Translators work tirelessly to bring God's Word to life in many communities. Can you support them with prayers? Becky made the following prayer requests:

1. Pray for the family of Maan translator Mary Donkeh who went to be with Jesus Nov 7th. We miss her dearly.

2. Pray for Josephine, Bandi translator, and for others that are helping her plan her educational development for future Bible translation roles.
3. Praise that both the Maan and Dan teams have finished the final reading for their entire Bibles. Both will be sent to the typesetter soon.



Honor Quilt

On January 29th, Ed Matthiesen received a pleasant surprise. During the regular coffee hour at the Deer Ridge apartments, Ed was called forward to receive a handmade quilt and a certificate to honor his service and dedication to his country. The intricately pieced quilt was presented by members of The Jamestown Quilters Guild, who provide this honor to local military veterans. The certificate stated: *'Quilts wrap you in love and One who sleeps under a quilt is comforted by love, connected to the past with the present and the future.'* Congratulations Ed, and thank you for your service.

Dr. Joel Biermann Explores Sabbath.

“Remember the Sabbath Day.” We have learned that this means that we should go to church and pay attention. But the third commandment has still more to offer, and a closer look at the command soon moves beyond Sunday morning into all of life. God’s directive calls us to consider big and essential questions like “What does it mean to be human?” and “What’s the point of life?” These profound questions concern every person every day.

We all work, we all rest, and we all need and must choose some direction or purpose in our working and resting and playing. All these ideas are tied up in the meaning of sabbath. The implications for life are profound.

Dr. Joel Biermann will discuss a broader understanding of sabbath in his presentation on Saturday, **March 14th at St. Andrew’s Lutheran Church in West Fargo.** The event is free. A lunch will be served with a free-will offering to defray costs. Please RSVP at office@bslcfargo.org or call (701) 293-1047. See the flyer posted in the Narthex for more information.



Concordia Publishing House has made books available to Concordia Lutheran Church for a

discounted price. The selections will change each month. Please see the enclosed flyer for the book selections available this month. If you are interested in purchasing, please see Nayva or contact the church office to place an order.

Jamestown Area Grief Support Team

The Jamestown Area Grief Support Team is offering a **Grief Support Group.** The group will meet once a week on Thursdays at 5:30pm at the First Assembly of God Church, 1720 8th Ave. SW, Jamestown, beginning March 12th and will run for six weeks. Anyone who has experienced the death of someone important to them is encouraged to attend, whether the loss was recent or in years past. The group is free of charge, but registration is required to ensure that enough materials are available.

Participants should plan to attend all six sessions. For more information or to register, call Tamra at 701-368-8471 or Maren at 701-269-2676.



The following are excerpts taken from the LFS **Crosswalk**, a monthly eNewsletter. The subject is Social Media’s influence on us.

Social media is part of everyday life. It helps us stay connected, informed, and engaged with the world around us. Used well, it can even be a tool for encouragement, learning, and community.

Like many powerful tools and technology, social media can quietly shape us.

Here Are Five Signs Social Media May Be Influencing Your Life More Than You Realize

1. *Your Mood Shifts After You Scroll*
2. *Comparison Creeps In*
3. *Silence Feels Uncomfortable*
4. *Your Attention Is Constantly Pulled Elsewhere*
5. *Your Thoughts Are Influenced More Than You Expect*

Here are a few simple practices many people find helpful:

- *Create Social-Media-Free Spaces Or Times*
- *Be Intentional About What Fills Your Feed*
- *Pause Before You Scroll*
- *Replace Scrolling With Something Life-Giving*

Social media doesn’t have to be all or nothing. With discernment and intention, it can remain a tool we use—rather than something that quietly uses us.

To read the complete blog written by Mollie Clark, go to:

<https://lutheranfamilyservice.org/2026/01/5-signs-social-media/>

SOLA

NEW LCMS CAMPUS MINISTRY LAUNCHED IN MINOT!

SOLA (*Students Of Lutheran Apologetics*) officially launched this January 2026 in Minot, becoming the first confessional Lutheran campus outreach in the city of Minot, ND. In a time when college students are bombarded with relativism, identity confusion, and vague spirituality, SOLA offers something different: Christ crucified, the clarity of Scripture, and the bold confession of our Lutheran faith.

This isn't just another student club. It's a *Gospel-centered ministry of apologetics, catechesis, evangelism, and fellowship*—grounded in the Lutheran Confessions. **SOLA** exists to form students who not only survive the university years with their faith intact but *thrive* as articulate, faithful witnesses of Christ.

- First Advisory Committee met on January 11
- Weekly Table Talks already underway
- Weekly Bible Study to start February 13
- Local LCMS congregation fundraising has begun

Pray for this new LCMS-U work in our state! Support it. Share it. Let's confess Christ at Minot State University!

For any questions, contact Mr. Caleb Hoverson at:

calebhoverson@yahoo.com



The following note was received in the church office:

To: Concordia Lutheran

Thank you so much for the card and gift card. It is very much appreciated. I enjoy helping where I can, glad to be part of a loving church family.

Sue Corwin

Concordia Lutheran Church Voters meeting February 1, 2026

The voters meeting was called to order.

There was nothing to vote on but an update was given for projects for this year. Also we ended 2025 in the black by \$40,000.

Upcoming expenses for the year are:

*Handicapped door to be installed by the mail box

*Flat roof repairs need to be done

Repairs done in 2025:

*Gutters were fixed

*The plexi glass on the stained glass was replaced

*Still working on the boiler system for the heating problems

A thank you card and gift was presented to Sue Corwin for her years of service to the church.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Sue Corwin
Secretary pro-tem

Church Office Hours

If you need access to the church during the week please call the church office (252-2819), Pastor Eckstein (419-5797), or Nayva (430-9049) to see if arrangements can be made to accommodate your needs.

If you wish to make announcements in the bulletin or newsletter, please contact the church office at:
concordiajtsecretary@gmail.com

Concordia Events Calendar – MARCH 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 8am & 10:30am Services (Lord's Supper) 9-9:30am – Fellowship time 9:30am – Adult Bible Class 11:30 Hand Bell practice Noon – Youth Group 2-4pm-Pastor @ Trinity/Adrian	2 9-12pm-Orphan Grain Train 7pm – Elders/ Stewardship meetings 7:30 – Council meeting	3 10am-Bible Class 1pm – Quilting 4pm-9pm – Pastor Eckstein @ Grace/ Carrington 7pm – Women's Bible Study @Concordia	4 9:30-11:30 – Pastor Eckstein @Trinity/ Adrian 5:30-6:30 – Soup Supper 5:45-6:45 – Confirmation 7pm – Lent Service (Lord's Supper)	5 8:30-9:30 Men's Bible Class 7pm - Choir	6 10am – Women's Bible Study @Ave Maria - B25 (Marian Duff, Host) 6:30pm – Youth Group	7 7:30am – 12:30pm Pastor Eckstein serving Grace/Carrington 9-12pm-Orphan Grain Train
8 8am & 10:30am Services 9-9:30am – Fellowship time 9:30am – Adult Bible Class 11:30 – Hand Bells 2- 4pm-Pastor @ Trinity/Adrian	9 9-12pm-Orphan Grain Train 1:30pm – Dorcas Circle	10 - Bible Class 1pm – Ruth Circle 2:30pm – Women's Bible Study @Vera Schulz Apartment 4pm – Board of Ed meeting 4pm-9pm – Pastor Eckstein @ Grace/ Carrington 7pm – Naomi Circle	11 9:30-11:30 – Pastor Eckstein @Trinity/ Adrian 1-3pm – Stephen Ministry meeting 5:30-6:30 – Soup Supper 5:45-6:45 – Confirmation 7pm – Lent Service	12 8:30-9:30 Men's Bible Class 1pm – Women's Bible Study @ Eventide Room 404 (Karen Connell, Host) 7pm - Choir	13	14 7:30am – 12:30pm Pastor Eckstein serving Grace/Carrington 9-12pm-Orphan Grain Train
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***Chancel Duties: Jane Lorig (1st week)/ Amy Neustel**

Mondays – Deaconess Nayva's Day Off!

Fridays – Pastor's Day Off!

2/13/2026
11:39 am

Concordia Lutheran

March 2026

Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

Search: =March; Who = (everyone except removed); Filter = Birthday or Wedding

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 BECKY HOMES (b.) TAMMI LINDBERG (b.) ANNETTE OVA (b.)	2 JANICE KIDD (b.)	3 JOAN LEE (b.)	4 (PIPER) DUPPONG (b.)	5 (JASON) THOMS (b.)	6 KERRY HOCHHALTER (b.)	7 AL EPPEN (b.) (BRYLEE) IVERSON (b.) RICHARD PIESKE (b.)
8 TERESE CARTER (b.) SANDY DARROW (b.) SHARI MURRAY (b.)	9	10 DOREEN ALBOHM (b.)	11 PETER LINDBERG (b.)	12 KENNY DENNING (b.) DAINE FLIETH (b.)	13 MALIA ROBINSON (b.)	14 TERRY MCCREEDY (b.)
15	16 AVA HOCHHALTER (b.)	17 KASEN KRUEGER (b.)	18 REINHOLD MORLOCK (b.)	19 (LUKAS) SCHUMACHER (b.)	20 TAMMY CHAPIN (b.) KATHY WEGLEITNER (b.)	21
22 SHEILA PFEIFFER (b.) ED and DEB HAGEL (w.)	23 JERRY BRAUN (b.) DALE NEUSTEL (b.)	24 ELLEN EPPEN (b.) JERILYN KAISER (b.) (COOPER) TIMM (b.)	25	26 ASHLEY MARAGOS (b.) TY SPITZER (b.)	27	28
29 REUBEN MORLOCK (b.) CLARICE SPITZER (b.)	30 (ROBERT) WALTON (b.)	31 LAURA HUST (b.) CAMMY OST (b.)				

MARCH

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 LWML at some time since 1942. What a joy it is to bring these prayers to our Father's listening ears!



1. For a clean heart (Psalm 51:10).
2. For LWML Mission Grant #6.
3. For China, one of the 83 countries where LWML has supported a grant.
4. For the work you do.
5. For things that make you smile or laugh (Psalm 68:3).
6. For the Lutheran Women in Mission Vice President of Communication.
7. For the country of Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast).
8. For the LWML Mid-South District.
9. For trials that strengthen and refine you (James 1:2-4).
10. For your basic needs.
11. For the country of Cuba.
12. For wisdom (James 1:5).
13. For government and world leaders.
14. For church leaders.
15. For the Czech Republic.
16. For the LWML Gulf States District.
17. For your family.
18. For the city/community where you live.
19. For the Dominican Republic.
20. For friends who are nonbelievers.
21. For LWML Mission Grant #7.
22. For your coworkers.
23. For the country of Ecuador.
24. For the persecuted.
25. For your enemies (Matthew 5:44).
26. For the country of Egypt.
27. For the missions of your church.
28. For those in nursing home facilities.
29. For those who clean and maintain your church.
30. For those facing life changes.
31. For those with serious illness.

Grateful Hearts, Faithful Hands Calendar – March 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 Thank God for the people of Concordia Lutheran Church!	2 “I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving.” Psalm 69:30	3 Send a card to a missionary or ministry partner. 	4 What is a kind act someone did for you recently? Did you express your gratitude to them yet?	5 Reflect on a hymn or song that brings you joy. 	6 Call or visit someone who may feel lonely.	7 What has been your biggest blessing this week?
8 Thank God for His faithfulness in your life. 	9 Thank a veteran for his or her service to our country.	10 Say a prayer of thanks before each meal today	11 Share something you’re thankful for with a friend.	12 Focus on saying “Thank you” for the day.	13 “Give thanks to the LORD, for He is GOOD. His love endures FOREVER.” 1 Chron. 16:34	14 What is something you’re thankful you got to experience this week?
15 Express your gratitude in songs of praise and joy!	16 Re-read your favorite Bible passage about thankfulness.	17 Write a note to someone who encouraged you in faith.	18 Name a skill that you’re thankful that you have.	19 “I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.” Psalm 9:1	20 Thank someone for their quiet service behind the scenes.	21 Donate food or  clothes to someone in need.
22 “We give thanks to You, O God, we give thanks!” Psalm 75:1	23 Challenges are an opportunity for growth. Name a challenge that you recently overcame.	24 Support a church ministry with time, talent, or treasure.	25 Name a habit that has improved your life.	26 Pray for a family that you know from church.	27 Share daily gratitude at dinner.	28 Name someone you are grateful to spend time with; tell them how you feel.
20 Share a verse about gratitude on social media or in a text.						



SOLA

Defend the Faith. Equip the Faithful.



SOLA Advisory Committee

- Mrs. Diane Pierson**
Chairwoman and MSU Representative
- Rev. Phillip Beyerndorf**
Theological Supervisor
- Mr. Ian Thomas**
Fundraising Coordinator
- Mrs. Cathie Wasser**
Treasurer
- Rev. Timothy Stout**
NW Circuit Visitor
- Mr. David Filipek**
MSU Student Club President
- Mr. Sean Krill**
St. Mark's Representative
- Mr. Ryley Plesuk**
St. Paul's Representative



Mr. Caleb Noverson
Sola Director



Mrs. Diane Pierson
Chairwoman and MSU Representative



Table Talk



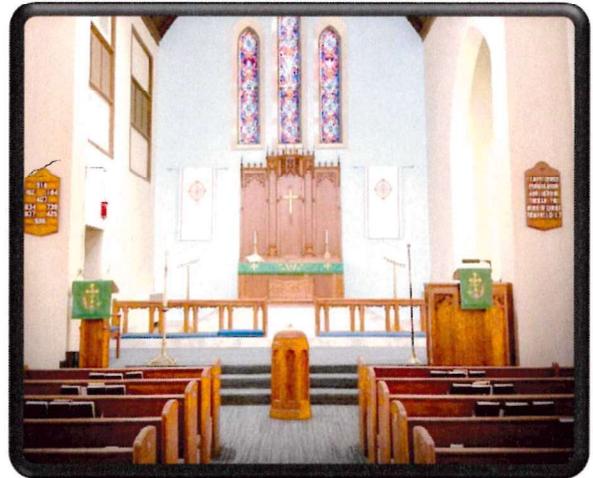
Lost in the Scroll?

Living Sober Minded in a Digital World

North Dakota Youth & Young Adult Catechesis Retreat
St. Paul's Lutheran | Minot, ND

Friday, April 10th of 2026

- 6:00 PM Registration and Optional Meal (*Main Entrance & Fellowship Hall*)
- 7:00 PM **Early Evening Daily Prayer** (*Fellowship Hall; Liturgist Walla*)
- 7:20 PM Welcome, Introductions, & Rules (*Fellowship Hall; Poppinga, Pierson & Shappell*)
- 7:30 PM **Plenary I: Church Service Walk Through:** (*Sanctuary; Richard & Walla*)
- 8:35 PM Group Picture in Sanctuary
- 8:45 PM Icebreaker/Game (*Fellowship Hall; Leader Pfennig*)
- 9:40 PM **Vespers** (*Sanctuary; Liturgist Walla; Precher TBA;*
Organ: Berg)
- 10:10 PM Free Time (*Fellowship Hall*)
- 11:30 PM **Evening Prayer** (*Sanctuary; Liturgist Walla;*
Precher TBA; Organ Filipek)
- 12:00 PM Get Ready for Bed/Quiet Time
- 12:30 AM Mandatory Sleep Time



Saturday, April 11th of 2026

- 7:15 AM Lights On
- 8:00 AM **Matins** (*Sanctuary: Liturgist Walla;*
Precher TBA; Organ Sorensen)
- 8:40 AM Breakfast (*Fellowship Hall*)
- 9:00 AM Announcements (*Dakota Hope; SOLA; etc...*)
- 9:30 AM **Plenary II: Lost in the Scroll Part 1** (*Fellowship Hall; Durham/Parkhurst*)
- 10:30 AM Icebreaker (*Pfennig; Fellowship Hall; Leader Pfennig*)
- 11:15 AM **Plenary III: Lost in the Scroll Part 2** (*Fellowship Hall; Durham/Parkhurst*)
- 12:15 PM Lunch, Pack, and Clean (*Lunch in the Fellowship Hall*)
- 1:30 PM **Closing Divine Service with Communion** (*Sanctuary: Liturgist Richard; Precher TBA; Organ Hagemeister*)
- 2:35 PM Final Inspection of Church & Dismissal

MOVIE NIGHT



Friday, March 27th 6:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Lutheran Early Response Team



Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
North Dakota District

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MARCH 14

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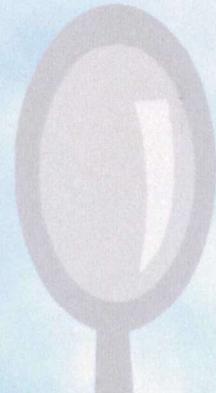


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