



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

May, 2009

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

A little girl wanted to be a great pianist, but all she could play was "Chopsticks". Her teachers tried to get her to learn more...but she kept going back to that one song. After some time, her parents decided to arrange for a great Maestro to show her how to play. Of course, the little girl was delighted.

When the little girl and her parents arrived at the Maestro's mansion they were escorted by the butler into the parlor, where they saw a beautiful concert grand piano. Immediately, the little girl ran to the piano and began playing "Chopsticks". Her embarrassed parents started across the room to tell her to stop. But as she played, the Maestro entered.

He took his seat at the piano next to her and listened to her play. After a moment, he began to play along with her, adding all kinds of new chords and runs. The parents couldn't believe their ears. They were hearing a beautiful piano duet, played by their daughter and the Maestro...and the central theme was "Chopsticks".

At times, you may feel like you don't amount to much...that God can't use you because you just can't do much. Think of that little girl. All she could play was "Chopsticks". And everybody had their fill of "Chopsticks". Yet the Maestro encouraged her to keep playing.

God knows what you can do. He created you with a unique set of gifts and talents. When you compare your abilities to others...you may think all you have is "Chopsticks". But God says: "Keep on playing...and make room for Me on the bench." God is able to take the little things we do and turn them into something beautiful. Remember what Paul told the Christians in Ephesus: "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." *Ephesians 2:10* God has gifted you. You are part of His plan. And when He adds His blessing to your efforts...He will use you to be a blessing!

Peace+
Pastor Dave



National Day of Prayer

- ◇ May 7th, 2009
- ◇ 7-8am Prayer Breakfast at Old Town Pub
- ◇ 12-1pm Prayer on the Courthouse Lawn



Pray for our: Nation; Military; National, State

Concordia Highway Clean-Up

- ◇ May 16th, 2009
- ◇ Meet at 9am at the Little Old Schoolhouse on Hwy 40 -right side
- ◇ Wear work gloves, sturdy boots/sneakers, long pants

Call Jake Weber or the Church office with questions or for more information.



Happy June Birthdays

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| 5-3 Pastor Dave | 5-16 Amaris Duryea |
| 5-3 Greta Sue Thurston | 5-17 Randall Nelson |
| 5-7 Olivia Gorr | 5-23 Donovan Davis |
| 5-7 Jerry Thornton | 5-23 Trish Hendricks |
| 5-8 Helen Berntson | 5-25 Leo Starbuck |
| 5-12 Wendy McCreight | 5-26 Ryan McConnell |
| 5-12 Marissa Bauder | 5-26 Michael VanDahl |
| 5-13 Bruce Gorr | 5-27 Ron Staudt |
| 5-14 Leona Thurston | 5-27 Braden Vitek/White |

- 5-27 Dennis Scheiwe
- 5-29 Patrick Weber
- 5-30 Janis Noyer
- 5-30 Ian Noyer
- 5-30 Lee Willman



- Happy May Anniversary
- 5-17 Clair & Ginger Erickson
 - 5-28 Rusty & Susan McIntosh
 - 5-28 Mike & Martha Fosdick

2009 American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Last year Concordia Lutheran Church's participation in the Relay For Life Event was outstanding. Participate in this year's event and make a difference for others and your community!

Join one of the Concordia Teams by going to: www.steamboatrelayforlife.com

Event dates: August 7th & 8th, 2009
Steamboat Springs High School Athletic Field

Concordia Members' Corner.....

Men's Bible Breakfast is going to be May 9th at 7am at the Egg & I. Join us for fellowship, study and food.



LWML Spring Rummage Sale:
Drop off new or gently used items starting May 3rd!

Rummage Sale: 5/15 from 9am - 5pm & 5/16 from 9am - Noon

Vacation Bible School

Gadget's Garage

@Holy Name

Mark Your Calendars

July 13th - July 16th

9am until Noon

Preschool 4 through 5th Grade

**We are looking for VBS teachers & volunteers*

Call the Church office if you can help!

A joint VBS collaboration of Concordia Lutheran and Holy Name Catholic Church

Congratulations to our 2009 Confirmation Students:

Sydney Finkbohner
Thomas Tarcha
Nikki Vande Velde
John Vande Velde
Allison Williams



God's blessings on
your future!

Spring Flower Sale....

Thank you for supporting this Concordia Youth Group Fundraiser!

• Pick-up Day is Thursday, May 28th at Concordia
Noon - 6pm.

• Questions...please contact Sandra Hogrefe at 879- 4884.

Habitat For Humanity 2009 Carpenter's Ball

- ◇ Saturday, May 9th, 2009
- ◇ Steamboat Grand
- ◇ 6pm Cocktails & Silent Auction
- ◇ 7pm Dinner
- ◇ 8pm Dancing & Entertainment

Individual tickets are \$50 and proceeds to benefit Routt County Habitat for Humanity. Call 970-871-6101

Steamboat Pregnancy Resource Center Baby Bottle Campaign

Support the Please take a baby bottle and fill it with your change!

Our Website

The address is: www.steamboatlutheran.org



Missed a Sunday? Do you want to hear the sermon? You can click on the sermon section and choose the audio sermon and listen to it at your computer! Also, find the latest news and events and the calendar which will keep you up-to-date on meetings and happenings!