



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Not long after the I.Q. (Intelligence Quotient) test was developed, a number of studies were conducted to find out how different groups of people scored on the test as a group. The test was administered to men and women, young and old, rich and poor, and many ethnic groups. One of those ethnic groups was the Hopi Indians.

When the Hopi received the test, they immediately started to ask each other questions and to compare their answers. The instructor saw this happening and quickly intervened, telling them that they each had to take the test alone. "You are not permitted to help each other or to share your answers with each other," he told them.

When the Hopi heard this, they were outraged and refused to take the test. They all got up to leave. The instructor asked them, "Why are you leaving?" One of the Hopi replied: "It is not important that I am smarter than my brother, or that my brother is smarter than me. It is only important what we can do together."

Unfortunately, we live in a world that puts a big emphasis on what we do alone. As a result, we suffer from things like: low self-esteem, competitiveness, jealousy, greed, anger, and hostility toward those who out-perform us.

God created us to live in community with each other. He created us to work together, to share our resources with each other, to help each other out. The principle that is to guide our community is love, not competition. In 1 Corinthians 12, the Apostle Paul writes about "the body of Christ", and in the process talks about how we each are a gifted part of the body...but that no one is greater than anyone else. We have truly been designed to live in community with each other, each of us using our gifts for the good of all.

Peace+
Pastor Dave



HORIZONS SPECIALIZED SERVICES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you have been gifted to be a mentor and volunteer helper, Horizons is looking for you to help one-on-one with their clients. Contact the volunteer coordinator, Rebecca Hansen at 879-4466 extension 111.



Happy July Birthdays

7-2 Linda White	7-18 Harrison Williams
7-4 Greg Fritz	7-20 Garrett Anderson
7-5 Dale Mast	7-20 Mary Beth Smith
7-7 Jeanne Willman	7-27 Debbie Wolf
7-9 Jade Hanson	7-27 Andy Hogrefe
7-10 Sherri McKnight	7-27 Leon Vandahl
7-14 Elaina Vande Velde	7-28 Erik Svendsen
7-15 Robert DelValle	7-28 Lara Craig
7-15 Debbie Scott	

Happy July Anniversary

7-8 Chris & Rebecca Duryea
7-12 Brian & Jerry Thornton
7-15 Joe & Lottie Turon
7-24 Greg & Sherry Kammerer
7-29 Greg & Jan Fritz
7-29 Brad & Lara Craig



Concordia's Annual Food Drive for Lift-Up of Routt County

This year's Lift-Up food drive is during the month of August. In the past, Concordia's participation in this food drive has been a big success. Your generosity has touched many lives in our community and your donations are very much appreciated.

You do make a difference in the lives of so many who are struggling just to feed themselves or their family. Food bags will be distributed in August.



Concordia Members' Corner.....

Men's Bible Breakfast is July 11th at 7am at the Egg & I. Join us for fellowship, study and food.

Relay for Life Bake Sale is July 12th- Save your appetites! Yummy treats are on sale in the entryway after 1st service!

Relay for Life Bingo Party: You are invited to join us for some Bingo Fun & small prizes! Saturday, July 25th from 6:30-8pm.



Worship in the Park

Sunday, August 23rd - 10am (one service)
Bring your lawn chairs or blanket and enjoy music by our praise team and worship service with Pastor Dave in "Library Park" (13th & Lincoln)

Vacation Bible School

Gadget's

Garage



Mark Your

Calendars

July 13th - July 16th

9am until Noon

Preschool 4 through 5th Grade
At Holy Name Catholic Church

**We are looking for VBS teachers & volunteers
Call the Church office if you can help!*

Have A Safe & Happy
Independence Day!



Concordia's Church office will be closed on Monday, July 6th in observance of this holiday.

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's 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!