



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

755 Concordia Lane Steamboat Springs. Colorado 80487

"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"

February/March 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I am excited to share with you some information about worship opportunities and about our goal of making 2013 "The Year of TRUTH and FREEDOM".

WHEN LOVE SPEAKS

Jesus said: *"Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends."* John 15:13 (NIV) Jesus made that sacrifice for us on the cross. During the Sundays in Lent, beginning February 17th, we will follow a series of messages based on the 7 statements of Jesus from the cross. As we see Him love us enough to lay down His life for us, we will listen and learn "When Love Speaks". This series will conclude in our Holy Week services. The messages will have the following themes:

- "A Word of Forgiveness" - Luke 23:32-37
- "A Word of Assurance" - Luke 23:39-43
- "A Word of Loving Care" - John 19:25-27
- "A Word of Substitution" - Matthew 27:45-46
- "A Word of Humanity" - John 19:28-29
- "A Word of Victory" - John 19:30
- "A Word of Trust" - Luke 23:44-47

MIDWEEK LENT DEVOTIONAL SERVICES

This year we will again enjoy the "family-style" devotional worship setting downstairs on the Wednesday evenings during Lent. The first devotional service will be on Ash Wednesday, February 13th. Our traditional Soup Supper will be from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Our Devotional Worship will follow from 6:30pm until 7:00pm. (Note: on Ash Wednesday we will celebrate Holy Communion which will make for a slightly longer service.)

This year our devotions and discussion questions will come from John's Gospel. Almost half of the Gospel of John covers Holy Week. This year we will read a chapter of the Gospel each week, beginning with the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and concluding the final week with Jesus' arrest. There will also be a couple of discussion questions each week for each table to share. From John's Gospel we gain insight into what happened, and insight into the heart and mind of our Savior. Plan to join us.

2013: The year of TRUTH and FREEDOM

Jesus said: *"If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."* John 8:31-32 (NASB) Truth and Freedom are precious things...and we need them like never before. This year I am encouraging everyone to get into a regular reading plan for God's Word. I personally use reading plans from "youversion.com". The readings come to my email inbox, which make it very convenient for me to stop and read. We have shared a few other resources that members have let us know about that they have enjoyed. The most recent reminder I received is about [Portals of Prayer](#) and the fact that it is even available online now.

I am asking each of you to do 2 things. First, find a reading plan that you can commit to. If you need help in that, let me know. Second, sign up on the sheet in the entry way with your name and email address. Throughout the year I will touch base with you to encourage you and to hear about your experiences in God's Word. Together, let's make 2013 "The Year of TRUTH and FREEDOM"!

Pastor Dave



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!

Lent & Easter 2013

◇ Soup Suppers:	2/13, 2/20, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20	5:30 - 6:30 pm
◇ Ash Wednesday	2/13 (Communion)	6:30pm (downstairs)
◇ Lent Worship Services	2/20, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20	6:30pm (downstairs)
◇ Palm Sunday	3/24	8 & 10:30 am
◇ Maundy Thursday	3/28 (Communion)	7pm
◇ Good Friday	3/29	7pm
◇ Easter Sunday	3/31 (Communion)	6:30am
◇ Easter Sunday	3/31	8am & 10:30am

African Children's Choir Concert

Sponsored by: The Entwistles
& Supported by Concordia Lutheran Church

**March 27th, 2013 at Strings Pavilion
6:30-8pm**

- Host families will be needed to house the children and chaperones on March 27th
- Volunteers to help at the Event are needed

The Concert is free and tickets will be distributed starting March 3rd. Save the date because you won't want to miss this amazing concert!

These children are from Uganda and many have lost one or both parents. They travel all over the world singing.

Support comes from free will donations at the concert and the sale of their CD's.

Check out their website: [ww.Africanchildrenschoir.com](http://www.Africanchildrenschoir.com)

Concordia Members' Corner.....

Men's Bible Breakfast is February 8th and March 9th at 7am at the Egg & I. Join us for fellowship, study and food.

SIS meeting: 2/25/13 7pm at Dianne Weber's house.

Adult/Youth Haiti Mission Trip 2013

We will be turning in our final Mission Trip names for those going to Haiti in November. There may be financial help available. Please contact Ron Wentzel 846-5190 or Bryan Scheer 308 641-3038 for more information or to sign up.



Happy February & March Birthdays

2/6 Nina Hanson	3-1 Samuel Schumacher	3-23 Grace Olinger
2/13 Hope Scott	3-2 Monica Hillmer	3-23 Katelyn Olinger
2/15 Jeremy Schumacher	3-3 Marty Boomgarden	3-25 Deb Nelson
2/16 Tom Hillmer	3-7 Doug Smith	3-25 Nancy Kounovsky
2/17 Bettiann Carrell	3-9 Gene Carrell	3-27 Bette Rinck-Vandahl
2/17 Patrick Smith	3-11 Hannah McCreight	3-28 Ava Ford
2/21 Ryan Hogrefe	3-14 Dianne Weber	3-28 Bonnie Baggenstoss
2/21 Jackson McCreight	3-17 Jake Weber	3-29 Sarah Kammerer
2/24 Keith Zuehlke	3-17 Nick Weber	3-29 Wendy McConnell
2/27 Mariah Starbuck	3-20 Matthia Duryea	3-30 Lance Andrews
3/1 Jim Schlaver	3-22 Mette Smith	3-30 Donna Wentzel

Happy Anniversary

3/11 Joel & Clare Tarcha
3/12 Clint & Nina Hanson
3/12 Dave & Joni Moss
3/14 Donna & Cy Starbuck
3/14 Keith & Shirley Zuehlke