



## CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

755 Concordia Lane Steamboat Springs, Colorado 80487

**"Learning, Living, Sharing the Gospel"**

**April 2018**

Christ is risen! Hallelujah!

The celebration of Easter – Resurrection – continues. Several asked me on Monday, “How was your Easter?” My response was, “My Easter is still good!”

Why do I say that? I say it this way because I want to communicate the reality that Easter – The Resurrection of Jesus the Christ – is not a one-time celebration. Sunday’s festivities are not a one-and-done event. Resurrection, as experienced by Jesus of Nazareth, is but the beginning. Read how Paul announces this reality:

*But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.*  
(1 Corinthians 15:20-23)

The earliest Christian communities had much to wrestle with. They were convinced something had happened that radically altered the way they viewed the world. This “something” was the Resurrection of their Master and Teacher, Jesus. Peter, James and John (to name a few), lived the rest of their lives dealing with and discovering the implications of Easter.

In fact, as the Scriptures reveal, “resurrection” continues! Read how John records what Jesus revealed to him:

*They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection.*  
(Revelation 20:4-5)

There is much to ponder here for sure. The point I want us to focus on is the stated fact that “they came to life” and “they reigned with Christ” during the intervening time between the First and Second Comings of Jesus. When did you “come to life” and when did you “begin to reign” with Christ? At your Baptism. This is your resurrection ... the first one! The Second Resurrection is yet to come!

Paul reminds: *Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.*  
(1 Corinthians 15:58)

Can you look at your phone in the same way? “My Easter is still good!” Yours?

Luv ya’  
Pastor Craig

### Happy April Birthdays



4/9 Donna Gruis  
4/11 Kim Young  
4/12 Emily Craig  
4/20 Eric Sacher

4/21 Mary Beth Bradfield  
4/30 Beth Watson

## Sisters In Spirit Women's Retreat 2018

Ladies— please join us for a day retreat at Sue Krohn's on Saturday, April 7th. Ellie Bach Paulison will be our special guest speaker. Bring your Bible, something to write with, hiking shoes if you are hiking, games if you are playing!

Welcome begins at 11:00am & we conclude at 3:00pm.

Call the church office 879-0175 to sign up or sign up on the entryway table. **(RSVP requested)**

### Concordia Members' Corner.....

**LCMS Western Circuit Conference:** Tuesday, April 10th 10am- at Concordia.

**SIS Retreat:** 4/7/18 11:00am-3:00pm at Sue Krohn's house.

**Church Council:** 4/9/18 5:30pm

**Men's Bible Breakfast** is April 14th at 7am at the Egg & I. Join us for fellowship, study and food.

**Guys Fellowship:** 4/23/18 at 5pm at Dude and Dan's.

**Gal's Fellowship:** 4/23/18 at 5pm at Aurum.

**New Member Class:** 4/11/18 at 6pm

**COMBINED SERVICE & POTLUCK:** Sunday, April 29th. Adult Bible Study 9am-9:45am & Service at 10am. Potluck following service. Bring whatever you would like and enough to share!

### Vacation Bible School 2018

#### *Splash Canyon*

Mark Your Calendars  
June 25th- June 28th



9am until Noon  
Preschool 4 through 5th Grade at  
Concordia

### 5th Sunday Combined Service and Potluck

**Sunday, April 29th— service at 10am  
Potluck after Service**

**Bring whatever you would like to the  
potluck (enough to share with 8-10  
people)!**

### Concordia's Website .....

The address is: [www.steamboatlutheran.org](http://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!

CONCORDIA'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY

YTD Through February 2018

<i>P&amp;L SUMMARY</i>	<i>YTD ACT</i>	<i>YTD BUD</i>	<i>Over/(Under)</i>
			<i>Budget</i>
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 37,919	\$ 41,150	(\$ 3,231)
EXPENSES	\$ 43,207	\$ 43,540	(\$ 333)
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) (Contrib. less Expenses)	(\$5,288)	(\$ 2,390)	(\$ 2,898)

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CASH AVAILABLE at February 28, 2018

YVB CHECKING		\$ 28,750
LCEF MMF TOTAL	\$168,095	
LESS SPECIFIED PORTION	<u>(\$120,409)</u>	
LCEF AVAILABLE		<u>\$ 47,686</u>
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE-Unspecified		\$ 76,436
MORTGAGE BALANCE (3.875%) -		\$187,801