



Concordia Lutheran Church

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Friends of King Jesus,

October ... 2019! The start of Q4 for this year! There are less than 90 days remaining in this decade!

Can you imagine it? I remember exactly where I was when the clock and calendar transitioned out of the 20th century and turned into the 21st century! Today, we are at the point in time where we've lived nearly two decades through the new century ... only eight more decades to go! ☒

This seems like a good time to evaluate progress. We know that corporations and companies are entering a season of appraising their efforts. Yes, there are Q4 goals to achieve. Yes, there are 2019 goals to pursue. Yet, this seems a good time to ask some important questions: "How are we doing?" "Where are we going?" "What's next?"

These are good questions at a time when some aspects of life are ending while, at the same time, other aspects of life are beginning. This is a common Biblical theme: beginnings and endings, beginnings through endings, endings becoming beginnings.

The Apostle Paul faced such a moment in his life. He recognized that the chapters of his life were ending while, at the same time, the chapters of his protégé Timothy were still unfolding. It is at such a time that Paul writes (2 Timothy 4):

"I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing."

I need to read this more than once. I want to encourage you to do the same. Read these final exhortations and evaluations of Paul, listening to the Spirit for encouragement in the last days of 2019. What phrase sticks with you? Where is the Spirit whispering into your own life? What is the LORD saying for your family? How can this shape our communal life together until Jesus returns?

Luv ya'!

Pastor Craig

Happy October Birthdays

10/6	Jan Fritz	10/8	Charlyn Vance
10/8	Lynn Jones	10/11	Jennifer Berdine
10/16	Barb Illenberger	10/16	Zach Holm
10/16	Jonathan Rinck	10/22	Bob Harris
10/25	Dean Duryea	10/29	Ruth Moon

Happy October Anniversary

10/1	Don & Judy Sherrod
10/12	Rosemarie Idler & Eric Armbrust



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AND A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:**

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RUMMAGE SALE

Concordia's Annual

FALL RUMMAGE SALE

**Friday, Oct 11th from 9am-5pm &
Saturday, Oct 12th from 9am-Noon**
755 Concordia Lane,
Steamboat Springs, CO

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Fall Rummage Sale: Friday,
Oct. 11th from 9am - 5pm & Saturday,
Oct 12th from 9am - 12pm

Men's Bible Study Breakfast: Saturday,
Oct. 12th at 7am @ the Egg & I

Men's Night Out: Monday, Oct 28th at
5pm @ *Dude & Dans*

Women's Night Out: Monday, Oct 28th
at 5pm @ *BrauHaus*



MAKE YOUR MARK

Make sure to "make your mark" with a colored pin where you traveled this year in 2019 on the map in the Narthex!