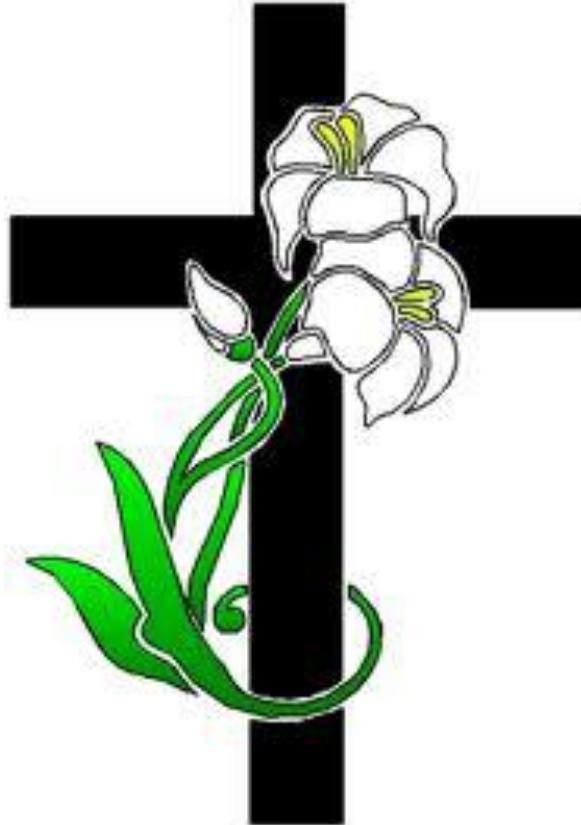


Welcome to
Concordia Lutheran Church
Machesny Park, IL



Mother's Day
Third Sunday of Easter
May 7-8, 2011

WORSHIP INFORMATION

8:00 am

Service: page 158

Hymns: "This Joyful Eastertide" # 140
"Abide With Us, Our Savior" # 287
"With High Delight" # 134
"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" # 128

10:30 am

Songs: "Holy Is Our God"
"Then I Will Praise You"
"Abide With Us, Our Savior"
"Feed Us Now"
"He Will Come and Save You"

INTROIT/PSALM 116:1-14

P: I love the LORD, because he has heard
C: **my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

P: Because he inclined his ear to me,
C: **therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

P: The snares of death encompassed me; the
pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
C: **I suffered distress and anguish.**

P: Then I called on the name of the LORD:
C: **"O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"**

P: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
C: **our God is merciful.**

P: The LORD preserves the simple;
C: **when I was brought low, He saved me.**

P: Return, O my soul, to your rest;
C: **for the LORD has dealt bountifully with
you.**

P: For you have delivered my soul from death,
C: **my eyes from tears, my feet from
stumbling;**

P: I will walk before the LORD
C: **in the land of the living.**

P: I believed, even when I spoke,
C: **"I am greatly afflicted";**

P: I said in my alarm,
C: **"All mankind are liars."**

P: What shall I render to the LORD
C: **for all his benefits to me?**

P: I will lift up the cup of salvation
C: **and call on the name of the LORD,**

P: I will pay my vows to the LORD
C: **in the presence of all His people.**

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and
to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen.**

Collect For Third Sunday of Easter

O Almighty and Eternal God, now that You have assured us of the completion of our redemption through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, give us the will to show forth in our lives what we profess with our lips; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit; one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." ⁴⁰And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." ⁴¹So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Epistle: 1 Peter 1:17-25

If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, ²⁵but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Holy Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with

us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.”

²⁵And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?” ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Sermon Notes

“Stay with Us, Jesus”

Text: Luke 24:28-29

1. Why did the Emmaus disciples ask Jesus to stay?
 - A. It was the _____ thing to do.
 - B. They were _____ by His words.
 - C. They were _____ the conversation.
 - D. They were _____ from this man.

E. They found it _____ to have him in their home.

2. How did Jesus respond to their request?
 - A. He _____ accepted their invitation.
 - B. He _____ them His Word
 - C. He _____ them the Sacrament. (Communion)
 - D. He _____ them for their future.
 - E. He _____ them with reason to rejoice.

Please Remember in Prayer

We seek, O gracious Lord, Your divine presence and favor for those with medical challenges: **Charles Bailey, Gene Bartelt, Ruby Campisi, Myron Guthrie, Ron Jensen II, Robert Knope, Jenna Martin, Fred Miessler, Irv Muenster, Dorothy O'Brien, Pat Picavet, Naomi Schewe, and Evelyn Serdar.** Guide and direct all who are in the medical arts and give them insight, clarity of thought, wisdom, and skill to serve for the benefit of their patients. Lord, in Your mercy ... **Hear our prayer.**

We seek, O merciful Father, Your divine presence and favor for our members who are shut-in: **Pat James, Evelyn Jungerberg, and Oliver Kankaala.** Give them peace, calm, and a spirit of love, that their lives may show forth Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy ... **Hear our prayer.**

We seek, O Author of the Christian home, on this Mother's Day we thank you for every home where Your word is freely shared, we seek Your divine blessing on all the homes that make up this congregation: **Elaine Grimes, Kip, Trina, & Ellie Gritzmacher, and Rhonda, Tyler & Corey Gunn.** Fill them with the joy of knowing You and sharing

Your good news with others. Lord, in Your mercy ... **Hear our prayer.**

We seek, O Spirit of Truth, a rich measure of Your guidance for our Confirmands who next Sunday will kneel before this altar: **Kylie Anderson, Luke Anderson, Megan Clarida, Chelsea Hawkins, Rachel Kobernat and Joey Rigotti.** Give them hearts that are sincere, and minds that are open, that they may think seriously upon the importance of this day. Lord, in Your mercy ... **Hear our prayer.**

We seek, Lord of the Church, Your blessing for all those committed to the spread of the Gospel of Your Son, Jesus Christ. We thank You for those who have heard the call of Your Holy Spirit to serve as pastors, deaconesses, chaplains, missionaries, and other leaders. And today we pray especially for those students who this past week received calls and assignments into ministry through our church body's seminaries, Concordia Seminary in St. Louis and Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne. Empower them. Sustain them. Bless them and their families. Be their inspiration and strength so that the work they do in Jesus' name will touch the lives of many and will bring glory to You. Lord, in Your mercy ... **Hear our prayer.**

We seek, Lord of all nations, Your hand of mercy and protection on all who serve our nation. We thank You for the leadership provided during the past weeks by our President Obama, and pray You give Him wisdom for each new day. We ask Your guiding presence on all who serve in the Congress and other bodies of government. Especially we request, Your protection on all serving in places of great danger. Lord, in Your mercy ... **Hear our prayer.**

As We Worship This Weekend

5:00 PM

Keyboard: Elaine Grimes
Acolyte: Cole DeLacy

8:00 AM

Organist: Elaine Grimes
Lector: Stan Gifford
Elder: Walt Haight
Communion: Linda Jones/Janet Phillips
Usher Team: #3 Harper
Acolyte: Kylie Anderson

10:30 AM

Keyboard: Elaine Grimes
Lector: Shawn Campisi
Elder: Gary Thompson
Communion: Larry & Barb Stenzel
Usher Team: #8
Acolyte: Sarah Smith

Next Weekend – May 14-15, 2011

See List posted in Narthex

Birthday and Anniversary

Birthdays

5/10 Megan Clarida & Magdalene Skarr
5/12 Sarah Kobernat
5/13 Rebecca Kobernat

Anniversaries

5/11 Glenn & Beverly Burdick
5/11 Gary & Carol Thompson

The Calendar – May 8-14, 2011

Today:	8:00 & 10:30 9:20 a.m.	Worship Sun. school & Bible class
Monday:	9:00 a.m.	Bible study
Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	MLB
Wednesday:	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m.	Chapel Prayer time PTL Meeting
Thursday:	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Quilting Choir
Saturday:	5:00 p.m.	Worship

Next Sunday: Confirmation Sunday @ 10:30 a.m.

Statistically Speaking

Attendance:	15 + 51 + 54 = 120
Sunday School Attendance:	26
Tithes and Offerings:	\$ 3,463.97
Sunday School Offering:	\$12
Debt Fund:	\$102
Good Friday Offering:	\$25
Maundy Thursday Offering:	\$25
Easter Offering:	\$176

Notes and Information

1. **Spring Rummage Sale:**
F.R.O.G Fully Rely On God

Now that's a friendly little FROG for you: Spring time green and a great symbol for our Spring Rummage Sale. The Spring Rummage Sale is scheduled, Thursday, June 2nd, Friday, June 3rd, and Saturday, June 4th. We invite you to consider donating items that are gently used or no longer needed to this annual sale. Funds raised from the sale will help sponsor youth events and Sunday School



materials at Concordia. If you have items to donate to this worthy cause, please know that we normally receive items at the school gym on the Tuesday and Wednesday – into the evening, the week of the sale. (May 31st & June 1st – this year) However, if the drop-off schedule is not convenient, please contact us and we will arrange for drop-off at the church office or pickup at your home. If you have large items to donate and would like them picked up, please let us know ahead of time and we should be able to take care of that for you (sorry, no elephants or large empty safes). Your items will be greatly appreciated. We can supply donation receipts for tax purposes. Please call: Alan & Doreen Spiegler @ 815-623-9821 or the Church Office @ 815-633-4983 .

2. **LFL Quote:** “The Bible tells you that God in love designed your very existence. Psalm 139 says, ‘For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made’ (NIV). You can be sure, wherever you go and whatever happens to you, that your Creator loves you dearly.” *Rev. Mark Jeske, speaker on “Time of Grace” – A “Life Quote” from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org*

Worship Next Weekend

Next weekend is an important milestone for six young people. They will, in the 10:30 service, confirm their faith in Jesus as their Lord and Savior. The readings for next weekend are: Acts 2:42-47; 1 Peter 2:19-25 and John 10:1-10. The text for our sermon will be 2 Timothy 3:15-16. The theme divides itself into two thoughts: The fruit of Ignorance, and the Fruit of the Word.

Concordia Lutheran Church Financial Report

May 8, 2011

From Bill Strong, Treasurer and Harold Huber, Business Manager

Chapter 11 requires that we try to pay bills as we receive them each week. On bill paying nights we need to pay a bill prior to listing the bill below. Any help with payment will be a great help in keeping current. Thank you again for your continued support of Concordia!

Account **Amount** **Due** **Status**

Week 1			
Church Mutual	\$2178.68	6/1	U
Empirical Tech Works (pc repairs)	\$160	5/11	P
Empirical Tech Works (pc repairs)	\$390	5/14	P
North Park Water	\$73.10	5/11	U
Waster Management	\$311.65	5/11	P

STATUS KEY: U = Unpaid P = Paid D = Donation

Our Mission



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN

“Serving Christ from Cradle to Crown”, faithfully communicating the saving Word of God, and providing excellence in ministry for the benefit of all people of all ages, is the mission of Concordia.

Holy Communion

It is the custom of Concordia to offer Holy Communion in most of our worship services. If you are a Baptized and Confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregation you are welcome to partake. If you are not an LCMS member, we ask that you refrain from partaking until you have visited with our pastor. We believe what the Bible says about Communion to be correct and true, namely that we receive with the bread and wine the very body and blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of our sins, the strengthening of our faith, and the assurance of life eternal. We also believe that this sacrament should only be received by those who share in this Biblical belief.



Distribution of Communion

Distribution of the wine is by common or individual cup. The center cups of the individual tray contain grape juice for those who for medical reasons cannot have the wine. Those desiring a blessing from the pastor, but not communing, are asked please place 2 fingers over their lips to alert the servers of their desire.

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