



Welcome to Concordia Lutheran Church

*Seventh Sunday of Easter
June 4-5, 2011*

As We Worship Today

8:00 am

Service: page 158 (Abbreviated for summer)

Hymns: "All Hail the Power" # 272 v.1-4

"You Are the Way" # 283

"Blest Be the Tie that Binds" # 295

"Draw Near and Take" # 240

"All Hail the Power" # 272 v. 5-7

5:00 pm & 10:30 am

Songs: "You are My Own"

"By Grace"

"Draw Me Close to You"

"Hear Me Say I Love You"

"Turn Your Eyes"

"Let the Flame Burn Brighter"

Holy Baptism

In our 10:30 hour of worship, the children of Samuel and Jennifer Schubert will be welcomed through Holy Baptism. They are **Savana Cristine**

Schubert, born 11-01-1999, and **Julia Ellen Schubert**, born 06-04-2005. Sponsors for Savana and Julia are Steve Schubert and Terri Schubert. May the Lord richly bless these children and their parents as they begin the journey as baptized members of God's family.



INTROIT/PSALM 68:1-4¹

P: God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered;
C: **and those who hate him shall flee before him!**

P: ²As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away;

C: **as wax melts before fire, so the wicked shall perish before God!**

P: ³But the righteous shall be glad;

C: **they shall exult before God; they shall be jubilant with joy!**

P: ⁴Sing to God, sing praises to his name;

C: **lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the LORD; exult before him!**

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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 7th Sunday of Easter

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, we pray, leave us not without consolation, but send us the Spirit of truth, whom You promised from the Father; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit; one God, now and forever.

First Lesson: Acts 1:12-26

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away.¹³ And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James.¹⁴ All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said,¹⁶ "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus.¹⁷ For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry."¹⁸ (Now this man

bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out.¹⁹ And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)²⁰ "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate,
and let there be no one to dwell in it';
and,

"Let another take his office.'

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,²² beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection."²³ And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias.²⁴ And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place."²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Epistle: 1 Peter 4:12-19, 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.¹³ But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed.¹⁴ If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of

God rests upon you.¹⁵But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler.¹⁶Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name.¹⁷For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?¹⁸And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

¹⁹Therefore let those who suffer according to God’s will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.⁸Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.⁹Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.¹⁰And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.¹¹To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Holy Gospel: John 17:1-11

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you,²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give

eternal life to all whom you have given him.³And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do.⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶“I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you.⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours.¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them.¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

Sermon Notes

“The True and Abiding Fellowship”
John 17:11

1. Fellowship between _____ and His _____.
2. Fellowship between _____ and His _____.
3. Fellowship between _____.

Please Remember in Prayer

Today we remember in prayer those with Medical challenges: **Charles Bailey, Gene Bartelt, Dennis Brady, Ruby Campisi, Ron Jensen II, Jenna Martin, Fred Miessler, Irv Muenster, Dorothy O'Brien, Pat Picavet, Naomi Schewe, Evelyn Serdar and Bob Warren.** We ask that the Lord in wisdom and mercy provide for them in the way that is right and best, as we pray: Lord, in Your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

We ask the Lord to send His angels to watch over all of our members who are shut-in, especially: **Marion Seinwill, Carol Stenzel, and Dortha Corey.** We seek God's comfort and encouragement as they live out their days in service to Him. Lord, in Your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

We seek the blessing of the Lord on all who make up the Concordia family, especially **Allen & Doris Holecek, Melvin Homuth and Robert & Sharon Horton** as we pray: Lord, in Your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

We seek the Lord's direction and blessing on the Ministry Leadership Board as they go about their assigned tasks this summer. We pray for those working on the major funding for the future of Concordia, and we pray that we might all remain strong in our faith as we serve the Lord this week. Lord, in Your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

We seek the guidance and strength of God on all who serve our nation. We especially lay before our Lord those who serve in times and

places of danger, that He would protect them from all harm. Lord, in Your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

Serving This Weekend

5:00 PM

Keyboard: Karen Dhuse
Acolyte: Cole DeLacy

8:00 AM

Organist: Elaine Grimes
Lector: Eileen Gifford
Elder: Walt Haight
Communion: Lyle Bennett/Dan Ling
Usher Team: #3 Harper
Acolyte: Kylie Anderson

10:30 AM

Keyboard: Karen Dhuse
Lector: Barb Stenzel
Elder: Royce Fringer
Communion: Larry & Barb Stenzel
Usher Team: #8
Acolyte: Sarah Smith

Next Weekend – June 11-12, 2011

See List posted in Narthex

Worship Next Weekend

The readings for next weekend (Pentecost Sunday) are: Numbers 11:24-30, Acts 2:1-21, John 7:37-39. The sermon will be based on the Acts account of Pentecost and is entitled, "The Wonderful Work of the Holy Spirit".

Statistically Speaking

Attendance: 23+46+46=115
Tithes & Offering: \$3,929.75
Debt Fund: \$100

Birthday and Anniversary

Birthdays

6/8 Joan Baier & Jim Johnson
6/9 Sharon Horton & Bruce Mayer
6/10 Robert Horton

Anniversaries

6/9 Brad & Judy Heinrich
6/10 Erwin & Shirley Ling

The Calendar – June 5-11, 2011

Today: 8:00 & 10:30 Worship
Tues: 7:00 p.m. Education Team Mtg
Thurs: 9:00 a.m. LWML Quilters
7:00 p.m. Choir
Sat: 11-4 p.m. Brat/Burger Day
12-3 p.m. Open House
5:00 p.m. Worship

Notes and Information

- Burger & Brat Day:** Next Saturday, June 11th is our annual Burger & Brat Day from 11-4. We are still in need of volunteers. We will also have an open house from noon -3. We welcome music again this year from Rockford's RAMI Award winning "Epiphany". Please join us.
- On the Road:** Our "On the Road" Membership Classes will begin Next Sunday, June 12th @ 9:15 a.m. (See handout for sign-up information.)
- Note from the O'Brien family:** Sunday June 5th will be the last day at Concordia for Sherry, Charli, and Riley before we head south to what will be our new home in Alabama. I will be here on the 12th and then will head south. This has been my Church since my Mom brought me here as a baby, so this is like home to me. Several of you have seen me grow up and now watch my children grow. I was baptized and married here, and Sherry has also made this her home. My children were baptized here and I was able to witness my father baptized at Concordia. I thank my mother for this gift she has given me and my family, and each of you for your friendship, prayers and examples of what it is to be a Christian. As we will not see all of you in church we would like to say goodbye. May God continue to bless Concordia and each of you. Chuck, Sherry, Charli and Riley: 1025 Campground Circle, Scottsboro, Alabama, 35769

4. **Note from Carol Stenzel:** Dear Concordia friends (old & new), I miss my church and congregation of over 50 years so much. I'm just thankful for the Inclusion Ministry team each week. I'm also thankful that I am still able to support Concordia in prayer and financially. I know that God will continue to watch over you all and I pray that there will be a day when my health will make it possible to return again. May God continue to bless you all. In His love, Carol Stenzel.

5. **Birthday Reception:** Today, there will be a reception after 2nd service to honor Lorraine Scott's 90th birthday. There will be cake and other snacks and refreshments. Please join us. No gifts please, cards only

6. **VBS:** Our VBS will be July 24-28. We are in need of volunteers. If you are interested in helping, please contact Doreen DeLacy @ 815.979.6311.

7. **LWML Collection:** The Lutheran Womens Missionary League is gathering donations of items for the needy which will be taken to the convention being held June 23rd through the 26th. Your

Gifts from the Heart will be given to agencies in the Peoria area and to Orphan Grain Train. Our LWML ladies have chosen to ask for your help in donating the following items for men. Please place them in the collection box in the narthex. Men's Socks, Stick Deodorant, Disposable Razors, Toothbrush, and Bar Soap. Monetary donations would gladly be accepted. Thank you for your participation.

8. **LFL Quote:** "Just as the sacrifice of Christ ultimately resulted in much good, so the sacrifice of adoption can result in much good. A life is saved, new life is given, a family is found for a child, and the birth mother can know, that in serving her child and sacrificing for what is best for that child, she is serving Christ. She can move forward in hope and joy." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life* – A "**Life Quote**" from **Lutherans For Life** – www.lutheransforlife.org

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Financial Report

June 5, 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. 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			
Cintas Fire (Kitchen vent system)	\$177.20	6/6	P
Chase Bank (mortgage)	\$9005.11	6/1	P
Church Mutual	\$2316.43	7/1	U
Concordia Publishing (Luth Witness)	\$7.50	6/13	P
Northern IL District			
2012 Dist Convention	\$366.79	12/1	U
Fall 2011 Regional Conf.	\$100.00	6/16	P
North Park Water	\$94.52	6/20	P
Rock River Water Reclamation	\$1309	6/16	P
Stateline Copy (Toner for copier)	\$916.89	6/23	P
Waste Management	\$311.69	6/1	P

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



Our Mission

“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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