



Walking Together

Concordia Lutheran Church

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September 12-13, 2026

Worship/Christian Education Options September 12-13, 2026

Worship in the Sanctuary Saturday Sept, 12, 5:30 With Holy Communion, Sunday Sept 13, 8:00 and 11:00 With Holy Communion
Christian Education Hour 9:30—10:30 Adult classes: NEW CLASS *Revelation* with Pastor Mark. NEW CLASS *Between the Testaments* with Pastor Bill Pekari in the Outreach Center. Younger classes downstairs, older classes upstairs Luther room and Lion's Den

Lectors	Sept. 12-13, 2026	Sat. 5:30 Chip Brown	Sun. 8:00 Tim Buss	Sun. 11:00 Adam Brown
Greeters		Volunteer	Kathy Enterline	Paul and Ingrid Cronise
Lectors	Sept. 19-20, 2026	Sat. 5:30 Al Radek	Sun. 8:00 Sarah Pentz	Sun. 11:00 Bob Keane
Greeters		Volunteer	Christine Bell	Christne Belland Kathy Schleeef



Our Stewardship

Attendance Sept 5-6 5:30 -24..... 8:00 -40.....11:00 - 69
General Fund August 2026.....\$30,N/A.....YTD N/A

New/updated Prayer Requests

†**Craig R.** (pacemaker at JH)
†**Bob M.** Sr, (Hospice care)
Twins (Jason is at home, Dominck remains in hospital in fragile condition) Grandsons of the Pekaris.
Pastor Bill P. (heart procedure)
Cari L. (God knows the need)
Buck N. (hospitalized 9/3)
Jim G. tests, medication changes)
Sylvia S. (Carpal Tunnel pain)
Joanne E. (rehab after surgery)
Christine B. (therapy /surgery)
Ongoing
Amy R., relapse of lymphoma,
Kathy D. (home, after rehab))
Geoff K., (cancer)
Lee L. (2 heart attacks)
Emmalee, (God knows the need)
Tom O' (chemo) and **Jane Gabriel** and **Abby**
Rodney B. (recovering)
Ken J. (chemo)
Marian F. (Cancer treatment)
Dan and Patty H. (medical issues)
Rita, (chemo for cancer)
Madison, (Crohn's)
Jenn J. (chemo)
Ed and Trudy C. (health issues)
Frank W. (Senior issues)
Jeannette L. (cancer care)

Barbara L (2 cancer & chemo)

Gary R. (health issues)

Dottie M. (Senior issues)

Brooke R (health issue)

Pam Y. (Rheumatoid arthritis)

Martin (Personal issues)

Nursing H, Assisted Living

Carolyn L, Somerford Place

Ruth P. Menno Haven

Ron & Millie B. Homewood

Bob & Phyllis M. AL in Florida

Missionaries/ Other

Pastor Mark and family

Tim Buss, DCE

Beverly Walling, Deaconess

Open Arms Preschool

Sunday School

Youth/Young Adult Groups

Stephen Ministry

Melissa Pflug, Eurasia

Erber Family, Africa

Fox Family, Guatemala

Persecuted Christians

Ukraine - country and people

Israel and Palestine

People affected by natural disasters and extreme weather

Military **Philip P. Michael H. Nick**

B. Jackson B. Ethan B. Victor C. Brandon E. Rodney B. Pierre M. Quinn P.

Calendar this week September 12—20

Sunday Youth Group 6-8 pm,

Monday LifeLight Acts Pt. 2, 1:30, Luther Room

Griefshare, Luther room, 6pm

Wednesday Confirmation Class, 6-7:15, Sanctuary

Choir rehearsal, 7:30

Thursday, Mission Stitchers, 9 am, Community Room

EC Meeting, 4 pm, Luther room

Young Adults, Pool party/ games Robinson's

Looking Ahead

Sept 20, NYG Information Meeting before Youth Group

Sept. 25-27 Chesapeake District LWML Convention

September 27, Brief Congregational meeting,

Nurturing the Faith

Readings provided for your worship preparation, based on the Lectionary for September 20, seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost Psalm 27:1-9; First Reading Isaiah 55:6-9; Epistle Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30; Gospel Matt 20:1-16.

September Mission of the Month

LCMS Disaster Response

Concordia Chainsaw Team

Birthdays and Anniversaries Sep. 13—20 +

August Birthdays

15 Al Radek

19 Joanne Eberly

21 Tim Horner

Baptismal Birthdays

14 Pastor Bill Pekari

Anniversaries

13 David and Isabella Bouffard

14 James and Jessica Ruddie

Youth and Young Adult Corner

Contact Info. E-mail - for Mr. Tim dcetimbuss@gmail.com
Cell Phone - 970-712-1617 Church Phone - 301-797-5955

Sunday School There may be some adjustments to classes.

Preschool through elementary, Community Room with Mr. Tim

Middle and High School, Lion's Den with Jesse Lowery

Young Adult class, Luther Room, Erin Davidson, Facilitator

Youth Group Sundays 6-8

Young Adults September 17, pool and games, Robinson's

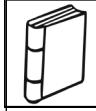
National Youth Gathering 2028 Informational Meeting

Are you a youth interested in the possibility of attending the National Youth Gathering in July 2028? We will be holding an informational meeting on **Sunday, September 20 at 5:00 PM**, immediately before our regular youth group session. This meeting is for youth who may be interested in attending and their parents, and will provide an opportunity to learn more about the gathering and begin discussing plans for our group. Youth who are interested in attending must be **14-19 years old in July 2028**. We are also looking for potential parent chaperones who may be interested in accompanying the group. If you think this is something your youth may be interested in, please plan to join us!

Church Directory The new directories have been placed in the mailboxes of everyone who had pictures taken or who submitted photos. A few extra copies were ordered for new members. Our thanks to **Pat Fridgen and Judy Robinson** for all the work they did to publish the new directories.

Lutheran Witness Subscriptions are due now. The cost is \$22.00 per year. Subscription forms have been placed in the worship folders. Additional forms are on the table in the Welcome Center. Place forms (with check, payable to Concordia Lutheran Church) in specially marked basket in the office.

Opportunity to Serve one volunteer is needed to be a counter. Full training is provided, Responsibilities include helping to count church contributions once every 4 weeks, always working with a partner. Interested applicants should contact Sara Hilmer at saralwml@gmail.com or 717-608-1972.



Library Notes Are you dealing with grief or do you know someone who is? Check out the selection of books on the topic displayed on the table outside of the outreach center.

Concordia Choir *Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Psalm 100:2*

We meet Wednesdays 7:30 pm. New voices welcome!

Open Arms Preschool We opened on Tuesday with 39 students. This is fewer children than last year, and one less classroom.

Open Arms is looking for two additional grandparent readers! Please contact Natalie if you are interested in reading to our youngest students once a month-month. Openarmshagerstown1@gmail.com.

Micah's Backpack Great response to the food/cash drive. Micah's Backpack received lots of food items and \$564.00 in the cash donation box. We will report the offering plate donations when hear the result. This will make the beginning of the school year budget much more secure. Thanks!!! For now we will continue to need Mac&Cheese, Jif to Go and snack items.

Help Wanted Alex and Quinn Parlier are expecting their first baby girl in November! They are looking to hire in-home care within the church for Margaret Evangeline starting January 2027. Expected hours are 8 AM - 4 PM, Monday through Thursday at \$15/hour. Welcome to read or study while the baby is down! If interested, please contact Alex and Quinn at +1 (630) 800-6986 or parlierhouse@gmail.com



Lutheran Women in Missions Small group bible studies for women are starting soon. See the list of groups that have been established on the bulletin board near the Welcome Center and if you would like to join in, contact someone in the group that fits your schedule. There are only 5 lessons on the topic of Spiritual Warfare, and we hope the groups can finish the studies before Thanksgiving. Want to start a group of your own? Your group can include other church members, neighbors or friends. Contact Joan Culler or the church office for copies of the lessons. **Don't forget Gifts From the Heart** to send to the convention: \$10 or \$20 gift cards from Walmart or Target for seminarians at St, Louis and Fort Wayne seminaries.



CHURCH MOUSE

Where are They Now Here are some additional young folks to add : **Zachary Turfle** will be attending Harrisburg University. The Turfle family is recently new to Concordia. Another addition to the list is **Logan Burcker** who is attending _____; One of the very first Open Arms students, **Landon Evans**, is now a freshman at Frostburg U. this year. He is the son of Open Arms Director Natalie Evans. Correction: **Ella Rogers** is attending the University of Kansas, not Kansas University—Who knew?

Terry and Joan Culler are attending the Installation of the new Pastor at Alsace Lutheran Church in Reading, PA where Terry served as interim Pastor for two years.