

*The Liturgy we use in our worship is based on Scripture, either as a direct quote or for direction.*

### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship, please silence your phone)*

### **PRELUDE**

*(we stand)*

### **INVOCATION** *(Matt. 28:19; Col. 3:17)*

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS** *(Rom. 3:23; Jam. 5:16; 1 John 1:8-9; Matt. 16:19)*

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)*

Most merciful Father,

**We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

### **HYMN** *(Green hymnal) # 315* ***“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”***

### **GREETING** *(2 Cor. 13:14)*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, at the glorious transfiguration of your only Son, you confirmed the mystery of our faith by the witness of the disciples and by your own voice from the cloud. Mercifully complete our adoption as your children, and give us, with our King, an inheritance of his glory. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*(we sit)*

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*(then the children 2 years old to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may attend Children's Church; 3 years and under must be accompanied by a parent)*

## **READING OF SCRIPTURE (1 Tim. 4:13b)**

### **FIRST READING                      Exodus 24:8-18**

<sup>8</sup>Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." <sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank. <sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." <sup>13</sup>So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them." <sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. <sup>17</sup>Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>18</sup>Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 2:6-13**

<sup>6</sup> "I myself have set my king  
upon my holy hill of Zion."

<sup>7</sup> **Let me announce the decree of the LORD:**

**He said to me, "You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.**

<sup>8</sup> Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance  
and the ends of the earth for your possession.

<sup>9</sup> **You shall crush them with an iron rod  
and shatter them like a piece of pottery."**

<sup>10</sup> And now, you kings, be wise;  
be warned, you rulers of the earth.

<sup>11</sup> **Submit to the LORD with fear,  
and with trembling bow before him;**

<sup>12</sup> Lest he be angry and you perish;  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.

<sup>13</sup> Happy are they all  
who take refuge in him!

Here ends the reading of the Psalm.

### **SECOND READING                      2 Peter 1:16-21**

<sup>16</sup>We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For when he received honor and glory from God the

Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,"<sup>18</sup> we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain.<sup>19</sup> And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts,<sup>20</sup> knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation.<sup>21</sup> For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*(we stand)*

**GOSPEL VERSE Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL Matthew 17:1-9**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.** (*Rev. 14:7*)

<sup>1</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup>He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." <sup>8</sup>And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. <sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord! **Praise to you, O Christ!** (*Ephes. 1:12*)

*(we sit)*

**SERMON Rev. Carlin Ours**

*(we stand)*

**HYMN (Celebration hymnal) # 431 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"**

**APOSTLES' CREED (*Gen. 1:1; Acts 2:36; 2 Cor. 3:17*)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (*1 Tim. 2:1-3*)**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each petition...,

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS** (1 Tim. 2:1-3)

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each petition...,

*Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(we sit)

**OFFERING** (Mal. 3:10)

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

***“Build My Life”***

***Youth Choir***

**CHORUS:** *Jesus, the Name above every other name  
Jesus, the only One who could ever save  
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You, we live for You*

*Worthy of every song we could ever sing. Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring.  
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for You, oh, we live for You. CHORUS*

*Holy, there is no one like You. There is none beside You.  
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart and lead me in Your love to those around me CHORUS*

*Holy, there is no one like You. There is none beside You.  
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are.  
And fill me with Your heart and lead me in Your love to those around me.*

*And I will build my life upon Your love. It is a firm foundation  
And I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken.  
And I will build my life upon Your love. It is a firm foundation  
And I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken*

*Holy, there is no one like You. There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart and lead me in Your love to those around me  
I will build my life upon You. Lead me in Your love*

(we stand)

**DOXOLOGY**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow: Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**We give you thanks, O Lord, for your tender mercies and for all that you have so faithfully provided for us. May our gifts be a sign of our love toward you and our desire to do your holy will. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** (Ruth 2:4; Lam. 3:40-41; Ps. 105:1; 1 Cor. 11:23-26)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so with the Church on earth and the host of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, in mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his Holy Supper. **Amen. Come Lord Jesus.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

### **INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION** *(John 1:29)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. **Have mercy on us. And grant us peace. Amen.**

*(we sit)*

### **DISTRIBUTION**

*(we stand)*

### **COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, keep you in His grace and lead you into eternal life. **Amen.**

**We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you have fed and refreshed us with this Holy Sacrament. Strengthen us in faith and fervent love toward one another, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, whose body and blood we have humbly received. Amen.**

### **BENEDICTION** *(Num. 6:24-26)*

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### **HYMN** *(Green hymnal) # 518* ***"Beautiful Savior"***

### **EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, share the light of Christ! **We will. Thanks be to God!** *(Lk. 7:50; Josh. 24:21; 1 Cor. 15:57)*

### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

**Next Sunday,** Genesis 3:1-21; Psalm 32:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11



**February 15, 2026**

185 Concordia Church Rd  
China Grove, NC 28023



**NALC**

North American Lutheran Church

**Sunday, February 15**

7:00am Council Meeting (Youth)  
8:30am Breakfast  
8:45am Youth Choir Practice (Hosanna Class)  
9:00am Sunday School  
10:00am Worship Service  
11:00am Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)  
4:00pm VBS Planning Meeting (Parlor)  
6:00pm Chancel Choir Practice

**Monday, February 16**

9:30am Fit for the King Exercise (FLC)  
11:00am Bible Study (Friendship Classroom)

**Tuesday, February 17**

9:30am Joy Seekers Tuesday Bible Study  
6:00pm Shrove Tuesday Meal (FLC)

**Wednesday, February 18**

9:30am Fit for the King Exercise (FLC)  
7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)

**Sunday, February 22**

8:30am Breakfast  
8:45am Youth Choir Practice (Hosanna Class)  
9:00am Sunday School  
10:00am Worship Service  
3:00pm Preschool Task Force (Parlor)  
4:00-5:30pm Youth Meeting (FLC)  
6:00pm Chancel Choir Practice

**Monday, February 23**

9:30am Fit for the King Exercise (FLC)  
11:00am Bible Study (Friendship Classroom)

**Tuesday, February 24**

9:30am Joy Seekers Tuesday Bible Study  
6:30pm Bible Study (Friendship Classroom)

**Wednesday, February 25**

9:30am Fit for the King Exercise (FLC)  
6:00pm Lenten Meal and Bible Study (FLC)

**Saturday, February 28**

11:00am CPR Class (FLC)

**Sunday, March 1**

8:30am Breakfast  
8:45am Youth Choir Practice (Hosanna Class)  
9:00am Sunday School  
10:00am Worship Service  
6:00pm Chancel Choir Practice

**This Week's Offerings and Tithes**

**February 8, 2026**

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Received</u>
Sunday School	83	\$ 51.10
10:00am Service	165	\$ 9,539.00
General Fund-Online Giving		\$ 1,338.75
Building & Improvement Fund		\$ 890.00
Building Fund-Online Giving		\$ 61.38
Building Fund-Memorials		\$ 155.00
Capital Improvement Campaign		\$ 275.00
Good Shepherd		\$ 75.00
Music Fund		\$ 500.00
Specials and Memorials Fund		\$ 200.00

**General Fund Weekly Stewardship**

Annual budget	\$ 450,152.50
Received as of Feb 8	\$ 49,681.97
Weekly Budget	\$ 8,657.00
Received on Feb 8:	\$ 11,477.75

Online giving available at [www.concordia-lutheran.org](http://www.concordia-lutheran.org)  
Donate to General Fund and Building Fund

**The church event calendar is on our website:**  
[concordia-lutheran.org](http://concordia-lutheran.org)

Check it out for upcoming events & facility availability.

**Stream Sunday morning's Worship Service:**

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**Church Office hours:**

Monday-Thursday, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm - 704-857-2163

**Faith Community Nurse hours:**

In office - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday  
Available Thurs. by phone or appointment 704-594-1311

**Concordia's Ministry Team**

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**THANK YOU** for choosing Concordia as your place of worship this morning. We are glad to have you here! Please take a moment to sign the pew register book so we can welcome you by name. The pew register book is located at the end of the pew, please pass it down the pew after signing. Church records are important for our church history.

For your convenience, Concordia offers a **guest wifi connection:** Guest (no password required)

**THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REQUEST UPDATES:**

**Members at home & special concerns:** *Kay Ritchie*

**Recovery & Assisted Care:**

**Inpatient Care:**

**Friends & Family:** *Don & Kay Nesbitt, Bobby Austin, Frank Jones, Robert Ward*

**Christian Sympathies, Family of:** *M.D. Ford, Donald Wyatt Jr*

**THIS WEEK'S ALTAR FLOWERS** are given for the glory of God and in honor of Omar Williams' birthday by Jan.

**THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS:**

*Jeanette Diekman 2/16*

*James Ritchie 2/16*

*Grey Bokus 2/17*

*Jim Adams 2/18*

*Omar Williams 2/18*

*Grace Bostian 2/19*

*Debbie Shepherd 2/21*



**FOOD PANTRY DONATION SUNDAY:** For February, we will be collecting Breakfast Items: individual cereal cups, oatmeal, grits, breakfast bars, pop tarts, complete pancake mixes, powdered milk. Donations can be placed in the designated area in the back of the Family Life Center. Financial contributions can also be designated to the Food Pantry.



**SHROVE TUESDAY MEAL:** Feb 17-Youth

**LENTEN MEALS:**

Feb 25-Friends in Fellowship, Mar 4-Friendship SS Class, Mar 11- Hosanna & Pathfinders SS Classes, Mar 18-Amazing Grace, Mar 25-Council



**PALM SUNDAY CHORAL SERVICE** will be Sunday, March 29 at 6pm at Concordia.



**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS  
DURING LENT**

**SUPPER AT 6 PM  
BIBLE STUDY AT 6:30**

**Pick up a prayer journal on the first night of Bible Study  
and accept the challenge to begin journaling**

Journals are located in the FLC



**YOUTH EASTER PARTY: SATURDAY, MARCH 28** at 10:30am-12:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**DONATIONS OF CANDY** are needed to stuff Easter eggs. Please place them in the basket near the stairs to the sanctuary or in the baskets in the FLC. (No chocolate please). If you prefer to make a monetary donation please see Sheri Foster.

**THANK YOU** to the congregation and neighbors for all the prayers, calls and cards for Brenda. Dennis Karriker



**CORRIHER GRANGE SPAGHETTI SUPPER** will be on Thursday, February 19th.



**CPR HAND-ONLY TRAINING: Saturday, February 28,** at 11 am in the Fellowship Hall

Every year, 350,000 people die from cardiac arrest in the United States. Knowing how to save a life with CPR is vital. Join us for an education on how to perform CPR and learn how to save a life!

**RSVP: [tia.wackerhagen@advocatehealth.org](mailto:tia.wackerhagen@advocatehealth.org)**

**Low impact exercise in the Fellowship Hall** - Mondays and Wednesdays 9:30-10:30am

**Copies of the Health Herald have been sent via email and are available on the information table. Enjoy health related stories, events and even word puzzles.**

# Youth at Concordia

## Upcoming Events and Activities



K - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

6<sup>th</sup> Grade - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade



### FEBRUARY IS YOUTH MONTH

#### **FEBRUARY 17**

- 4:30pm– Cook and clean up for Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

#### **FEBRUARY 22**

- 4-5:30pm– Special guest speaker and meal at Concordia

#### **MARCH 28**

- 10:30am-12pm-Youth Easter Party in Fellowship Hall

#### **APRIL 17-19**

- CMR Youth Spring Retreat 2026 at Murrells Inlet, SC  
Youth 6th grade and older, contact Tabatha Overcash for more detail.

#### **APRIL 24-25**

- Lock-in at Concordia

#### **MAY**

- TBD

#### **JUNE**

- Summer Celebration

#### **JULY 2026**

- NALC Continental Youth Gathering in Roanoke VA  
Ages 12-18—Contact Pastor Ours by March 1, if you are interested.

**An information sheet is available at the Usher Stations.**

# Concordia Prayer Partners

Please contact the office to have a name added

## Members at home and special concerns

Guy Beaver	Dennis Karriker
Phyllis Beaver	Dale Karriker
Mike Bebbber	Nancy Karriker
Clement & Lenora Bost	Princess Karriker
Midji & Pastor Larry Bost	Bobby & Coleen Kerr
Rich Bostian	Mike McLaughlin
Sarah Brandt	Tony & Frankie Menius
Brenda Carpenter	Tabatha Overcash
Susan Clark	Joan Ritchie
Harold Cline	Judy Ritchie
Gail Fisher	Kay Ritchie
Jan Garver	April Roberts
Steve Garver	Suzanna & Claire
Hilda Goodnight	Roth-Tubman
Gene & Leila Hobbs	Kathy Smith
Carolyn Howell	Jettie Wise
Dan Johnson	
Becky Karriker	

## In-Patient, Recovery and Assisted Care

Duane Wood	<i>(Deal Care Inn, Mooresville)</i>
Mary Ann Hammonds	<i>(Landings of Cabarrus, Kannapolis)</i>
Gail Fisher	<i>(Brookdale Assisted Living, Salisbury)</i>
Janette MacDonald	<i>(Lutheran Home, Salisbury)</i>
Jim Howell	<i>(Liberty Commons, Salisbury)</i>

## Christian sympathies to the families of:

M.D. Ford  
Donald Wyatt Jr

## Active Military

Jason Ciscel  
4020A N Rudd Ct, Jointbase MDL, NJ 08641  
Husband of Teresa Rosas Ciscel

Dalton Parnell  
Lance Corporal US Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC  
Son-in-law Scott and Debi Overcash



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## Family & Friends

Contact the church office to extend a name on this list beyond 60 days.

Tammy Alfano	1/18/26
Bobby Austin	2/15/26
Will Fesperman	1/25/26
Brandt Goodnight	1/25/26
Gene Hobbs	1/25/26
<i>(Husband of Leila Hobbs)</i>	
Leslie Honeycutt	1/25/26
Barry Hyde	1/25/26
<i>(Son of Brenda Carpenter)</i>	
Belinda Johnson	1/25/26
<i>(Daughter of Kathy Smith)</i>	
Frank Jones	2/15/26
Frances Jordan	1/25/26
<i>(Sister of Tabatha Overcash)</i>	
Linda Mann	1/18/26
Stanley McCoy	12/7/25
<i>(Father of Brian McCoy)</i>	
Reba McNeely	1/25/26
Tony & Frankie Menius	1/25/26
Don & Kay Nesbitt	1/25/26
Grace Nesbitt	1/25/26
Wayne Reed	1/11/26
<i>(Pastor Ken's father)</i>	
Christina Ruyle	1/25/26
<i>(Daughter of Elke Hawkins)</i>	
Jeremy Sellers	1/25/26
Toni Storey	1/25/26
<i>(Sister of Carolyn Michael)</i>	
Laura Tadlock	1/25/26
Robert Ward	2/15/26
Henry Wiley	1/25/26
<i>(Father of Elizabeth Ritchie)</i>	
Patsy Zeggert	1/25/26



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- **GENERAL FUND**
- **BUILDING FUND**

## TITHES & OFFERINGS:

- Each fund has a separate bank account, so please write a separate contribution check for each fund/account. *(Ex: one check for General Fund one check for Building Fund)*
- Please write your name on your offering envelope.
- The "General Fund" addresses all the 2025 budgeted Ministries, including Concordia's Outreach and Witness Commitments.
- You can mail your contributions to the church. 185 Concordia Church Road, China Grove, NC 28023



Feb 17	<b>Shrove Tuesday Pancake Meal</b>	6:00pm in FLC
Feb 18	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>	7:00pm in Sanctuary
Feb 25- Mar 25	<b>Wed. Lenten Meals &amp; Bible Study</b>	6:00pm in FLC
Mar 29	<b>Palm Sunday Service</b>	10:00am in Sanctuary
Mar 29	<b>From Palm Sunday to the Cross The Journey and The Celebration</b>	6:00pm in Sanctuary
April 2	<b>Maundy Thursday Service</b>	7:00pm in Sanctuary
April 3	<b>Good Friday Service</b>	7:00pm in Sanctuary
April 5	<b>Sunrise Service</b>	7:00am in Sanctuary
April 5	<b>Easter Eucharist Service</b>	10:00am in Sanctuary

March 28 **Youth Easter party** 10:30am-12pm in

### Worship Helpers

**Ushers:** Feb— Jason & Jenni Ritchie, Gabe Holshouser, Easton White, Walker Morrison, Wyatt Morrison  
 Mar— Charles Starnes (Head Usher), Sev Sellers, Eddie Starnes, Josh Severt, Thomas Starnes, Russell Foster, Ethan Foster

**Elevator** Feb— Alan & Che Morrison  
 Mar— Tim & Jutta Beaver

**Announcements** Feb - Alicia Holshouser  
 Mar - Brenda McAlister

**Lay Reader** Feb - Youth  
 Mar - Kim Starnes

**SS Opening Leaders** Feb - Jan Williams  
 Mar - Dan Johnson

**USHERS –SHIRLEY ALLEN ELEVATOR-LEE GOODNIGHT LAY READER/FRONT PORCH - CONTACT DONNA MORRISON**

#### Altar Flowers

#### Children's Church

#### Front Porch Visits

#### Breakfast

<b>Feb 1</b> Henry Goodnight	Haley Karriker	Jason & Jenni Ritchie	Hosanna SS Class
<b>Feb 8</b> Shirley Allen	Mackenzie Dabbs	Joe & Shirley Allen	Mark & Margaret Nelson
<b>Feb 15</b> Jan Williams	Erin Wolff	Randy & Ginger Overcash	Melvin & Brenda McAlister
<b>Feb 18</b> Friends in Fellowship			
<b>Feb 22</b> Friends in Fellowship	Haley Karriker	Eddie & Elizabeth Ritchie	Starnes Family

**FLOWERS- HILDA GOODNIGHT**

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH- CHE MORRISON**

**BREAKFAST-MARGARET NELSON**

### Communion Assistants

**Feb** Tony Brown, Omar Williams, Derry Brown, Kathy Irvin, Donna Morrison  
**Mar** Joe & Shirley Allen, Charles & Kim Starnes, Kathy Blalock

**COMMUNION –CONTACT MELINDA DABBS, BRENDA MCALISTER, DONNA MORRISON**

### Youth Worship Helpers

#### Acolyte

#### Crucifer

#### Bible Bearer

#### Banner Bearer

<b>Feb</b> Olivia Gersten	Berkley Gersten	Norah Wells	MaryLynn Overcash
<b>Mar</b>			

**YOUTH WORSHIP HELPERS -**

<b>Sound</b>	<b><u>Feb 1</u></b>	<b><u>Feb 8</u></b>	<b><u>Feb 15</u></b>	<b><u>Feb 18</u></b>	<b><u>Feb 22</u></b>
<b>System</b>	J Honbarger	J Faggart	J Williams	J Williams	D Brown

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:

2- Lee Goodnight	13- Lisa Shue	25- Susan Stubbs
4- Judy Haire	Scotty Diekman	28- Chanda McCoy
5- Dane Corriher	14- Brian McCoy	Hilda Goodnight
7- Jan Garver	16- Jeanette Diekman	Coleen Kerr
Berkley Gersten	James Ritchie	
8- Jerry Karriker	17- Grey Bokus	
9- Carolyn Kay	18- Jim Adams	
Carolyn Michael	Omar Williams	
11- Analiese Lopez	19- Grace Bostian	
Al Lopez	21- Debbie Shepherd	
12- Kathy Irvin	24- Olivia Gersten	
Jonathan Faggart	Bennett Sellers	

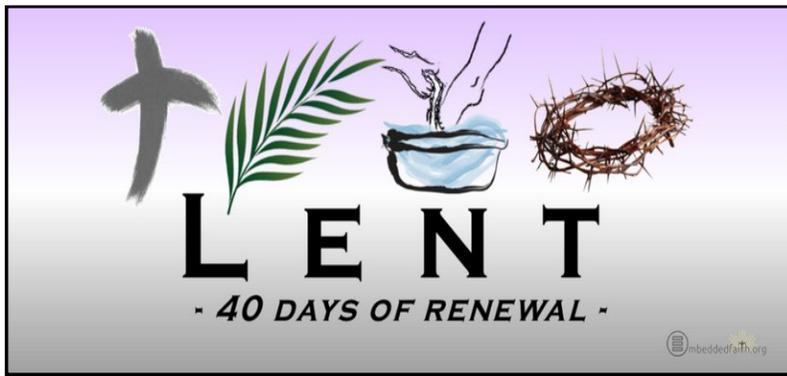
**Children classes:**  
 Middle and High  
 School class

3rd – 5th Grade class  
 K – 2nd Grade class  
 Pre-K class



**Adult classes:**  
 Men & Women's class  
 Friendship class

Pathfinders class  
 Hosannah class (young adults)



**GRACE AND DISCIPLESHIP**

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
**Romans 6:23 (ESV)**

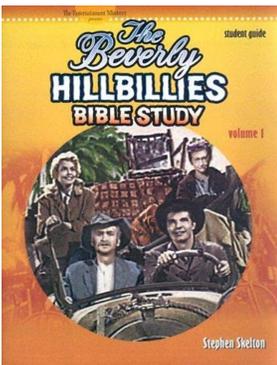
Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.  
**Galatians 6:2 (ESV)**

February 17	<b>Shrove Tuesday Pancake Meal</b>	6:00pm in FLC
February 18	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>	7:00pm in Sanctuary
Feb 25-Mar 25	<b>Wed. Lenten Meals &amp; Bible Study</b>	6:00pm in FLC
March 29	<b>Palm Sunday Service</b>	10:00am in Sanctuary
March 29	<i>From Palm Sunday to the Cross The Journey and The Celebration</i>	6:00pm in Sanctuary
April 2	<b>Maundy Thursday Service</b>	7:00pm in Sanctuary
April 3	<b>Good Friday Service</b>	7:00pm in Sanctuary
April 5	<b>Sunrise Service</b>	7:00am in Sanctuary
April 5	<b>Easter Eucharist Service</b>	10:00am in Sanctuary

March 28    **Youth Easter Party**    10:30am-12:00pm in Fellowship

<b><u>Lenten Meals</u></b>	
2/17	<b>Shrove Tuesday-Youth</b>
2/25	<b>Friends in Fellowship</b>
3/4	<b>Friendship SS Class</b>
3/11	<b>Hosanna &amp; Pathfinders</b>
3/18	<b>Amazing Grace</b>
3/25	<b>Council</b>

<b><u>Greenery</u></b>	
2/18	<b>Friends in Fellowship</b>
2/22	<b>Friends in Fellowship</b>
3/1	<b>Friendship Class</b>
3/8	<b>Hosanna &amp; Pathfinders</b>
3/15	<b>Amazing Grace</b>
3/22	<b>Council</b>



**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS DURING LENT**

**SUPPER AT 6 PM  
 BIBLE STUDY AT 6:30  
 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25**

**Pick up a prayer journal on the first night of Bible Study and accept the challenge to begin journaling**

**Journals are located in the FLC**

