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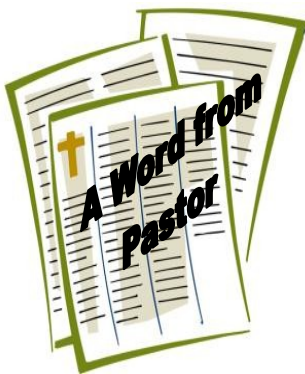
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Please join us for worship at 5:30 p.m. Saturday
or 10:00 a.m. Sunday.

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN

CHURCH — SCHOOL — PRESCHOOL

Jesus Loves Children...So Does Concordia!



Grace, peace, and mercy; from God our Father, and from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

“Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when He finished, one of His disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” And He said to them, “When you pray, say: “Father, hallowed be Your Name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.” - Luke 11: 1-4

“Lord teach us to pray ...” The age old request is still a concern for God’s people today. Prayer and meditation are sometimes confused and many do not see the connection between both. Martin Luther often talked about praying the Catechism not only for the sake of learning what to pray, and how to pray but also as a means of meditating on, and learning from, the Catechism. He wrote an article/letter to a dear friend of his, Peter, his barber in which he spoke of a “Simple way to Pray.” In this letter, Luther encouraged not only his friend and barber, but all of us to pray the Catechism and outlined how to do so in a four step process.

1. Instruction – what is this section/portion of the Catechism teachings
2. Thanksgiving – bring thanks to God for the provision and help in regard to this point of teaching

3. Confession – confessing how I have failed to heed this Word of God
4. Petition – praying for self, family, friends, others in regard to this point of the Catechism

This is but a very brief explanation of Luther’s “Simple Way to Pray.” I would commend to you all the full article written by Dr. Luther provided on the table in the Narthex or from the office as we as a congregation pray with and for each other as individuals and for our congregation as I pray daily for each of you.

In His Name,
Pastor James Hennig



Thank you so much to all who come out to donate blood during our blood drives. It feels so good to know that Concordia can help our community in this way. What better way is



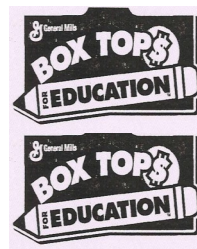
there to help others than by giving blood (which God enables us to regenerate) to others.

The Center is currently are in desperate need of all Blood Types!

NEXT DONATION DATE: February 2nd from 10:00am-1:30pm!!

We will be in the gym for this drive, due to the possible bad weather in winter. We will have donuts available as well as coffee or hot chocolate and the Blood Center is giving away the Green LOVE to Give T-Shirts! Even if you cannot or unable to donate, come and join us for the fellowship of getting out and supporting this much needed cause.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: We collect BOX TOPS. You will find them on specially marked General Mills, Pillsbury, Kleenex, and many other products. Just cut them off and bring them in.



Our next submission date is March 1st.

Please bring them in so they don't expire by February 26th! Thank you

**Hand-Cut Steaks • Fall-Off-The-Bone Ribs
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← Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser goes on every Sunday. Just give your server your church bulletin and they save them for a quarter and then send out a check to church for 10% of all sales that quarter!