



# THE CONCORDIA TRUMPET

April/May 2019

Concordia Lutheran Church, Watertown, NY

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## + From Your Pastor +

*“But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles...” - Isaiah 40:31a*



One dark and dreary day, bespeaking the aura of Lent, a plane taxied out to a runway for takeoff. Dense fog hung in the air. Visibility was poor. Inside the cabin, things were just as dreary. Stone-faced passengers stared dully at newspapers. No one spoke. The anxiety and apprehension within the cabin was as thick as the fog outside. *People like to see where they are going. They are uneasy when they cannot.*

After thundering down the runway, the plane left the ground with a shudder. For what seemed like an interminable amount of time, the plane clawed its way through the fog. Then --- suddenly --- it burst into sunlight! Blue sky. No clouds. Bright, shimmering sunlight.

A passenger broke the silence when she quietly concluded, *“Every day is a sunny day if you get enough altitude.”*

You and I are in the midst of our Lenten journey. For many of us, there is apprehension in our lives as we are figuratively “fogged in” with concerns about health (our own and our loved ones); finances; an unfulfilling job; estranged relationships; the state of our country. Like the uneasy passengers, we sometimes question where we are headed.

But let us never forget Who is in control! As we sing in the old hymn: *“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me.”* His flight plan for you and me may have unexpected delays and detours. We may even feel at times that his GPS is malfunctioning. But don't despair! Remember the words, *“I will never leave you or forsake you.”*

The darkness of Good Friday was shortly followed by the brilliance of Easter morning. When you find yourself “fogged in” in heart, mind or soul remember to LOOK UP to the Son – the Light of the World!

Pastor Luisi

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK



Sat. April 13 at 4 pm  
Sun. April 14 at 10 am



Thurs. April 18 at 6 pm



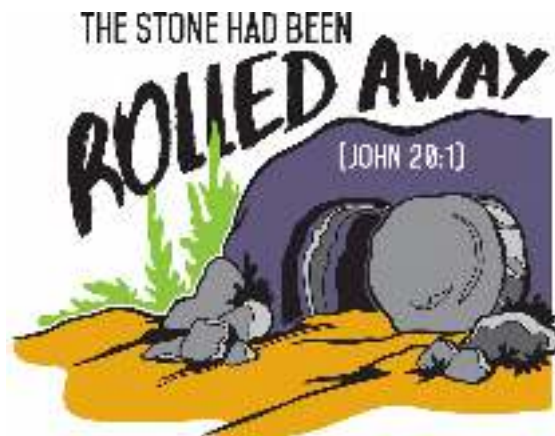
Fri. April 19 at 6 pm



**EASTER WORSHIP SERVICE**  
*A Celebration of the Resurrection  
of Our Lord!*  
*Sunday, April 21 at 10:00 am*

**An Easter Brunch Potluck Meal**  
will be held after the worship service for  
anyone who would like to stay and share  
our Easter joy and gratitude.

Watch for the sign up sheet which will be  
posted in the fellowship hall.



## Announcements

\*\* Thank you to all who attended Concordia's Annual Meeting on February 10. The four church council members whose terms were expiring were re-elected to serve another 3-year term: **Carl Zimmer, Pat Ryan, Phil Lueders, and Eric Holloway**. We thank you and the other church council members for your commitment.

\*\* There will be **no Saturday worship service on the day before Easter, April 20**. We invite those who like to attend that service to worship at the Easter service on April 21 at 10 o'clock.

\*\* **Pastor Luisi** represented Concordia at the **Watertown Urban Mission Annual Meeting** on February 27.

\*\* **Thrivent** reports that \$1064 in charitable outreach was directed to Concordia in 2018. Thank you if you were one of the donors!

\*\* **Operation Christmas Child** is a year-round project. Items requested for the shoeboxes for children in need are: small toys (yo-yo, jump rope, balls, hand-held games); small stuffed animals; Ivory bar soap; and packages of wash cloths. No war related toys or liquids, please.

\*\* Information for the **June/July** newsletter should be put in the drop-off box on the church office door or sent to Ginny at [vhasseler@gmail.com](mailto:vhasseler@gmail.com) by **May 26**.

## April/May Schedule for Concordia

- ~ Saturday Worship Service at 4:00 pm
- ~ **No Saturday Service on April 20.**
- ~ Sunday Worship Service at 10:00 am
- ~ Sunday School & Youth Group at 11:10 am

### April

#### **14 Palm Sunday**

**Church Council** meeting at 9:15 am

**18 Holy Thursday** service at 6 pm

**19 Good Friday** service at 6 pm

**21 Easter-** Christ is Risen!! Worship at 10 am

**Easter Brunch Potluck** after worship

### May

**12 Church Council** meeting at 9:15 a.m.

**Mother's Day Potluck** after worship

**18 Armed Forces Day**

**27 Memorial Day**



**Jamie Luedtke**  
**and**  
**David Barnard**

are happy to announce  
their engagement on  
February 23.



They plan to have a courthouse wedding on April 26 in Appleton, Wisconsin where Jamie's family is located and will be joined there by David's family from Florida and Maine. Jamie will be deployed to Korea later this month and David deploys later this year to a place currently unknown, so they hope to have a celebration with friends and family in early 2021 when they each return from their deployments.

*May the love and blessings of Jamie and David multiply and may God's grace continue to guide them both on this new and wonderful journey.*

Are you aware that Concordia has a Facebook page which has new posts several times every week?

Check it out and "Like" us to keep us higher in the listings.



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**to our Souper Bowl of Caring Chili Cook-Off winners:**

- 1- **Josh Schneider** (venison)
- 2- **Eric Holloway** (beef and sausage)
- 3- **Mark Delosh** (traditional)

Thank you also to **Sid Wheeler, Tony Summerlin** and **Owen Lewis** for their entries and to **Owen** for his leadership of the event on February 3.



A check for **\$454** was hand delivered by **Pastor Luisi** to the Watertown Urban Mission's Executive Director, **Dawn Cole** as you can see in this photo which is also posted on Concordia's Facebook page.

**Thank you to all who contributed** and made it possible for us to beat our 2018 total of \$353!

The chili winners had a choice of 3 prizes: Lindt chocolates; Pasta and Sauce donated by Owen's store **Green Planet Grocery** on West Genesee St. in Syracuse; or a Price Chopper gift card.

## Volunteers for April and May

*Sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for these opportunities to serve.*

### FELLOWSHIP

Apr. 7 Rosina, Joanna, Ginny  
14 Owen Lewis  
21 Easter Brunch Potluck  
28 Rosina Allen  
May 12 Mother's Day Potluck

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Apr. 7 Fultons  
14 Pat Ryan  
21 Easter Flowers  
28 Ruth Scheppard  
May 5 Lewis  
12 Holloways  
19 Fultons  
26 Ginny Hasseler

### WORSHIP ASSISTANT

Apr. 7 Mary Jane Fulton  
14 Niki Scheppard  
21 Eric Holloway  
28 Eric Holloway  
May 5 Eric Holloway  
12 Niki Scheppard  
19 Eric Holloway  
26 Niki Scheppard



If you or you and a friend are able to host the fellowship time on a Sunday morning, please sign up for one of the empty slots on the sheet in the fellowship hall. Those who stay for fellowship really enjoy it so it would be nice to have some refreshments for all to share.



With sympathy we remember the family and friends of **Teresa Banks**, mother of Ed Fritz and grandmother of Gary Fritz, who died February 14 at 101 years of age.

We also extend our sympathy to the family and friends of our former member **Ida Rose Evereth** who died at 99 on March 13 in Bend, Oregon where she resided. Burial will be in North Watertown Cemetery on June 4 at 11 am.

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2. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of the eligible products you purchase when you shop through AmazonSmile.

Don't forget, you must start your shopping each time by visiting [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) to participate!

**Did you know that Concordia received a donation of \$18.18 from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of AmazonSmile program activity between October 1 and December 31, 2018?** It may not sound like much, but the more people there are who shop using the AmazonSmile program the larger the donation that Concordia could receive. "AmazonSmile is the same Amazon that people already know. Same products, same prices, same service."



**May 12, 2019**



**Armed Forces Day**

**May 18, 2019**

**Memorial Day**

**May 27, 2019**



## Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church

### Council Members and Other Leaders

The Rev. Paul D. Luisi, Pastor  
 Ginny Hasseler, President, Christian Education Chair  
 Phil Lueders, Vice President, Social Ministry Chair  
 Nicole Scheppard, Secretary  
 Ruth Scheppard, Treasurer  
 Gary Fritz, Property Co-Chair  
 Eric Holloway, Property Co-Chair  
 Pat Ryan, Youth Group Chair  
 Tony Summerlin  
 Dave Wallace, Stewardship Chair  
 Carl Zimmer

Pastor Luisi, Worship & Music Chair  
 Mary Luisi, Worship Bulletin Carol Stacey, Financial Sec.  
 Ginny Hasseler, Newsletter Samantha Scheppard, Fellowship Chair  
 Liz & Greg Hasseler, Web Masters

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5 Mark Delosh  
 5 Carl Zimmer  
 8 Jamie Luedtke  
 14 Barbara Thiebeau  
 23 Robert Shipley  
 28 Rosina Allen  
 29 Ruth Scheppard

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1 Rosalyn Lewis  
 1 Phil Lueders  
 2 Jayda Wheeler  
 6 CJ Schneider  
 7 Barbara Delosh  
 10 Sharon Nagler  
 16 Eric Holloway  
 17 Mary Summerlin  
 23 Ed Fritz  
 27 Linda Gruber

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## *The Concordia Trumpet*

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**Sunday School: 11:10 am (Sept. to June)**  
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**Good Friday: April 19 at 6 pm**  
**Easter: April 21 at 10 am**

Website: <http://www.concordialutheranwatertown.com>

Find us on Facebook.

*The Mission Statement for Concordia Lutheran Church:  
See, Grow, and Serve in the Ways  
of the Christian Faith.*