

The Pacific Hills Messenger

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This next week is National Lutheran Schools Week. Lamb of God Preschool will be celebrating this week with other Lutheran schools around the country and the world. We do have fun events and spirit days planned, but more importantly we are thanking God for the opportunity to share the saving love of Jesus with the children in our care every day. We would also like to take the time to thank you, the members of Pacific Hills Lutheran Church, for your generous support of our preschool. Whether you donate financially, serve as a prayer partner, or help in some other way, we appreciate you. We would not be here without your ongoing support of this important ministry. We ask for your continued prayers and contributions, so we can keep sharing the love of Jesus with the children and families who walk through our doors. Thank you!

Kay Storck

Director/Teacher Lamb of God Preschool

Church Events

Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15am	Education Hour
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30am	Eucharist
	11:30am	Foundation Trustees
Tuesday	9:00am	Tai Chi
	9:30am	Alanon
Wednesday	9:30am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Fellowship
	6:00pm	Youth Confirmation Class
	6:45pm	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	10:00am	Women's Bible Study
	6:30pm	Tai Chi
	6:30pm	Trustees Board
	7:00pm	Gamblers-12 Step
Sunday	8:00am	Eucharist
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15am	Education Hour
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30am	Eucharist

THANK YOU to Joan Workman for using her talented sewing skills in making the beautiful quilted cover for the new piano in Acker Hall. It is wonderful protection for this beautiful new instrument. We appreciate her doing this and if you happen to be down in Acker Hall take a look at her outstanding work!

Preparing to Celebrate our 65th Anniversary. Mark your calendars. On June 14, 2020 we will be celebrating 65 years as a congregation. It was "near" this date in 1955 (on June 12th) that Pacific Hills Lutheran Church was organized with 112 communicant members, most of which were transfers from First Lutheran. To commemorate this day, our Board of Elders is putting together a special committee to help facilitate a day of worship, fellowship, lunch and other activities. The renovation will be well underway by June 14. This will give us opportunity to look back and thank God for what has been even as we look ahead to the great things that God has in store for us as a congregation. Stay tuned for more details.

Board of Missions and Social Ministry Mission of the Month in January is a Baby Drive for Essential Pregnancy Services which provides support for mothers and their babies. Donations of diapers (up to age 2), wipes, baby clothing, lotion, shampoo, body wash, bottles, bottle brushes, blankets, baby food and baby items are needed and may be placed in the bins in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity.

Essential Pregnancy Services "Glow" Banquet. The 24th Annual EPS Fundraising Dinner will be **Thursday, February 6.** Doors open at 5pm, dinner at 6pm. It will be hosted at the Embassy Suites of LaVista. The keynote speaker will be Shawn Carney, depicted in the inspiring true story, Unplanned, and CEO and President of 40 Days for Life. **Please help fill the Pacific Hills tables by going to www.friendsofeps.org/glow.** Click "EPS Banquet Banner" and select "Brenda Whealy" or "Mike Whealy" as your table host. If you need help, call Brenda at 402-201-1106.

An Update from Campus Ministry Living H2O: Campus Ministry Living H2O, at its December board meeting, prayerfully decided to "suspend operations" due to the lack of students participating in the ministry. There are still some administrative things that need to be done before a decision is made to "close the ministry." However, at this time, the ministry requests that future gifts be directed to other ministry choices of our donors.

For your consideration: The piano in Acker Hall has been replaced. The old one is available for donation to the first person who claims it. You must also be responsible for moving it out of Acker Hall. Call the church office to let them know you would like to claim the piano and will move it. If you have questions or need more information about this instrument, call Sara Young at 402-397-7987.

Bible Verse of the Week

"Follow me, and I will make you
fishers of men."

(Matthew 4:19b)

Pacific Hills members: March 2019 began the first year of the Forward in Faith Together capital fund campaign.

Please check to see if you will meet your first year commitment based on your personal pledge. Remember to use separate envelopes from your regular offering envelopes. Envelopes for Forward in Faith Together are available in the narthex.

Please pick up your 2020 Offering envelopes that have been placed on the table in the coatroom.

If you would like to sponsor the Altar Flowers in 2020, the Flower Chart has been placed on the bulletin board in the coatroom.

Sunday School Classes begin at 9:15am:

Nursery opens at 9am (main floor-south door entrance-canopy extension)

Pre-Kindergarten through 2nd grade students will meet together for opening in Rooms 206/207 and then break into two separate groups for lessons.

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students will remain in Rooms 206/207

1st and 2nd grade students will move to Room 212

3rd through middle school students will meet in Room 208

Adult Bible Study begins at 9:30am in Acker Hall

Topic: A Biblical Study of the End of Times

Events of Other Congregations and Agencies

Celebrate Christian education with Concordia Schools at the **14th Annual Concordia Gala** on Friday, March 6. Highlights will include silent auction, dinner, live auction and featured entertainment from **Joe Cole's Comedy Magic**. The 2020 Gala will be held at the Embassy Suites in LaVista beginning with silent auction and cocktails at 5:30pm and dinner following at 7pm. Tickets are on sale now at [Concordia Gala website](#). **RSVP deadline is February 15th.** Sponsorship and donation opportunities are also available. If you have any questions, please contact Cristine Minneman at 402-660-1034. This year's theme is "Perfect Vision" based on Psalm 16:11.