

# *The Pacific Hills* Messenger

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## Church Events

### Love is in the air!

Love is in the air! February is the month when we talk about valentines, love, and showing affection to the people God has placed in our lives. At preschool we have been talking about God's great love for us. During Lutheran Schools Week we learned that Jesus especially loves children. And every day we talk about how Jesus loved all of us so much he died on the cross for us. The best way we can show love to others isn't by purchasing flowers or gifts, but by making sure the people in our lives know about the eternal life that was purchased for us by the death and resurrection of Jesus. That is the best valentine of all. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16

Kay Storck

Director/Teacher

Lamb of God Preschool

<b>Sunday</b>	8:00am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	9:00am	Blood Pressure Screening
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:15am	Education Hour
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30am	<b>Eucharist</b>
	12:00pm	Worship & Music Committee
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00am	Tai Chi
	9:30am	Alanon
	11:30am	Senior Lunch Bunch
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00pm	Youth Confirmation Class
	6:45pm	Women's Bible Study
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00am	Women's Bible Study
	6:30pm	Tai Chi
	7:00pm	Elders Board
	7:00pm	Gamblers-12 Step
<b>Friday</b>	7:30pm	Omaha Philatelic Society
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**Sundays altar flowers** are given to the glory of God by Mark and JoAnn Stastny for many blessings received and for 36 years of marriage.

**VACATION:** Over the next 10 days, February 4-14, Pastor and Cheryl will be on vacation! If there are immediate pastoral or home care needs, please contact Bill Wagner (402-884-1623) or Marilyn Wegehaupt 402-334-2896).

**Senior Lunch Bunch** will meet for food and fellowship on Tuesday, February 11 at 11:30pm at the Farm House Cafe, 3461 S. 84 Street. Everyone welcome, no RSVP needed. (We will cancel the event if schools are closed due to inclement weather).

**Are you interested in creating a heart for outreach** within the congregation, to encourage a welcoming, friendly, active environment to attract others so we can share Christ? This is the focus of the Outreach Board for this year. We are looking for members to assist with events, projects, and ideas. If this interests you, please contact Lisa McCoy at [LGRM@cox.net](mailto:LGRM@cox.net).

**Preparing to Celebrate our 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.** Mark your calendars. On June 14, we will be celebrating 65 years as a congregation. It was "near" this date in 1955 (on June 12<sup>th</sup>) 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.

**New Adult Confirmation Classes** will begin Monday, March 2, at 6pm in Room 115. Please indicate your desire to participate with Pastor directly or with Linda in the church office. Classes meet for 6-weeks and lead to membership at Pacific Hills. **The Next Reception of New Members either by Confirmation or Transfer** will be the Sunday right after Easter, April 19. If you desire to transfer please also indicate with Pastor directly or with Linda in the church office. Thank you.

**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

"You are the light of the world."

(Matthew 5:14a)

**Lenten Soup Suppers** will be available on Wednesdays before the evening service. Invite your friends, neighbors, coworkers, etc. to enjoy a bowl of hot soup and bread before evening service. Everyone is welcome! Supper is 5pm to 7pm in Acker Hall on March 4, 11, 18, 25 & April 1. It's free, but there will be a basket if you care to make a donation. If you would like to assist with serving, please contact Lisa McCoy. Soup of the week for March 4 is minestrone.

**Lamb of God Preschool is now enrolling for the 2020-21 school year.** We have classes for children ages 3-5. Spread the word to your neighbors and family members. Affordable tuition with financial assistance if needed. See Kay Storck for more information.

**As part of the church's renovation plans,** the Pacific Hills Library will be going away. Some books have been boxed up and saved for the new "family room," but most of the books will need to be removed. If anyone is interested in what remains, please feel free to look through the books that are out on the tables and shelves in the library and help yourself. They will be there through the month of February. Whatever is remaining at the end of the month will be removed and donated.

### 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.