

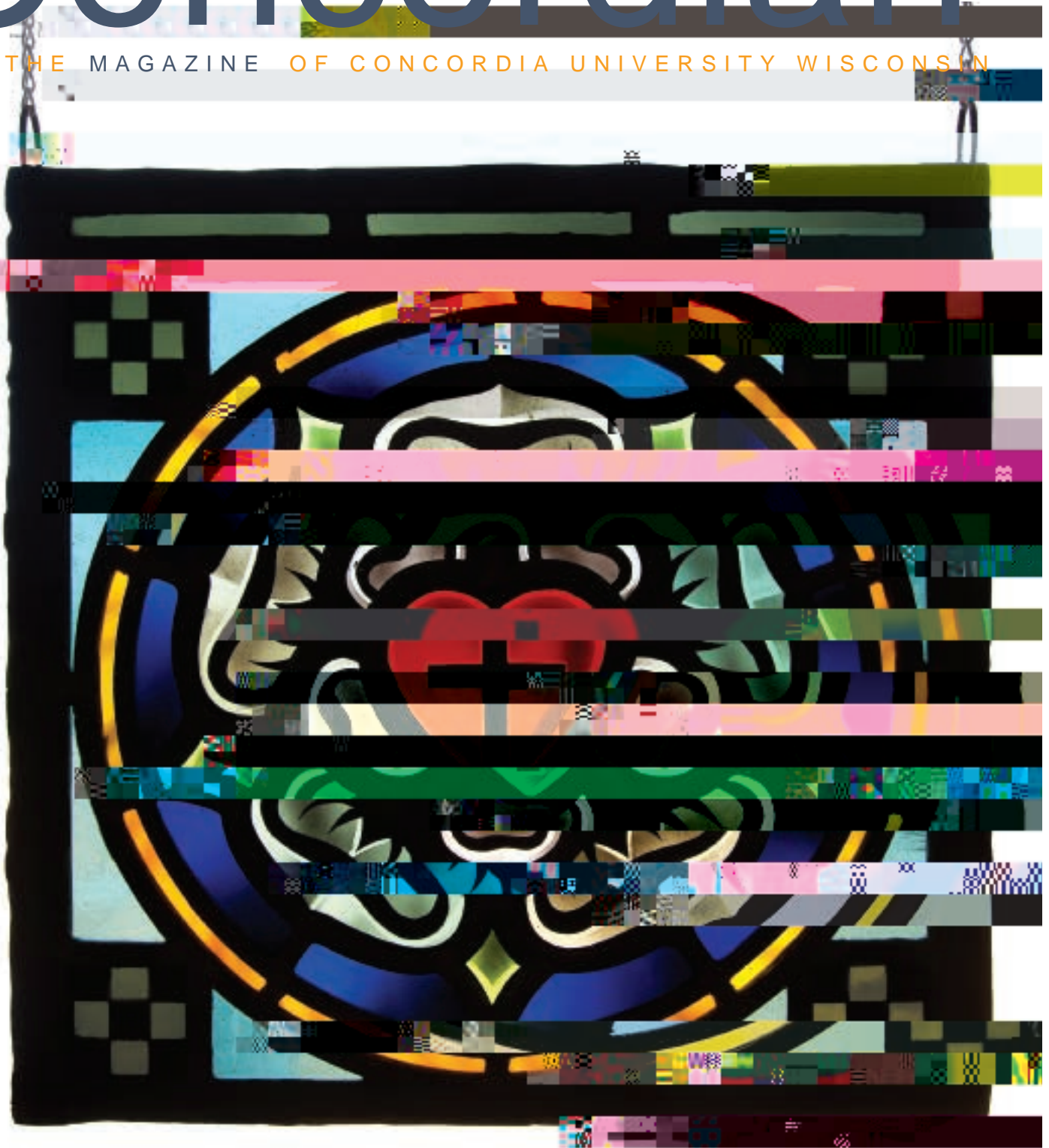
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**CALL TO DUTY** An Iraq War vet using his position at CUW to inspire other veterans.

**DRUGS, INC** A new CUW degree program and center is training pharmaceutical manufacturers.

# Concordian

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Home  
With One Heart

# Home is Where the Heart is

The selection of just the right name is typically a matter of careful consideration. Companies and organizations engage focus groups and hold strategic planning sessions to identify the name that best communicates their goals and objectives. Expectant parents review lists and examine family genealogies to identify just the right name for their newborn. Names matter.

The founders of Concordia may have lacked originality or creativity (several colleges and universities picked Concordia for their name—some before us, some after us). Their choice was not a matter of settling for a word that all might agree upon, although reaching “concordia” might imply as much. Instead, the naming of Concordia was a deliberate statement about what was supposed to matter at this institution.

While Concordia might be synonymous with harmony, the founders were not simply advocating the pursuit of some abstract and elusive virtue. Rather, the name hearkens to a specific rapprochement that was achieved in the late sixteenth century among Lutherans. Polarized by decades of division and disagreement following Luther’s death, Lutheran leaders wrestled through their theological struggles and finally achieved significant confessional unity. The document to which they subscribed in 1577 was entitled the Formula of Concord, or in Latin the “Concordia.” Our name was chosen because what we believe, teach, and confess matters.

To break down that Latin a little more, Concordia literally means “hearts together.” At the heart of Concordia’s mission is our Lutheran identity. The doctrines and confessions of the Lutheran Church remain the bedrock foundation upon which Concordia is built, just as our founders envisioned. Of course, the loving heart of God reflected in the saving work of Christ is universally applicable. Lutheran identity, therefore, is at its heart winsome and welcoming. Concordia has the awesome privilege of providing a Christ-centered higher education experience in the best of the Lutheran tradition. The fact that thousands of students from other Christian traditions, from non-Christian religious heritage, and from unchurched backgrounds also call Concordia home might have surprised our founders—I believe it would be a happy one!

It is said that “home is where the heart is,” and Concordia is a place where people with many names from many places gather together around a mission that pulses vigorously serving Christ in the Church and the world. In this issue, we hope you will get more of a feel for why Concordians love to call Concordia home and why this University matters so much to them.

REV. PATRICK T. FERRY, PH.D.  
President

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# Sta Spotlight



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# Homekeeper

Concordia's Inspiring and Beloved Mother and Grandmother

By Gary D'Amato, Contributing Writer

**E**velyn Hutchins' job title at Concordia University is "housekeeper," but that doesn't begin to explain what she means to the University, to its faculty and staff and most importantly, to its students.

She straightens desks and cleans windows, yes, but she also does what no amount of soap and elbow grease can do; she brightens peoples' lives.

In fact, a more accurate job title for Hutchins would be "homekeeper," because her knack for connecting with people, her generosity, her keen sense of humor, and her concern for others make her a sort of unofficial campus matriarch. One would think the nature of her daily tasks would make her all but invisible to the Concordia community and yet people flock to Hutchins for advice, for hugs, and for words of wisdom gleaned over a life well lived.

"If you would ask people on this campus—faculty, staff, and students—who is the most beloved person on the campus, it's Evelyn, hands down," says Andy Luptak, vice president of student life.

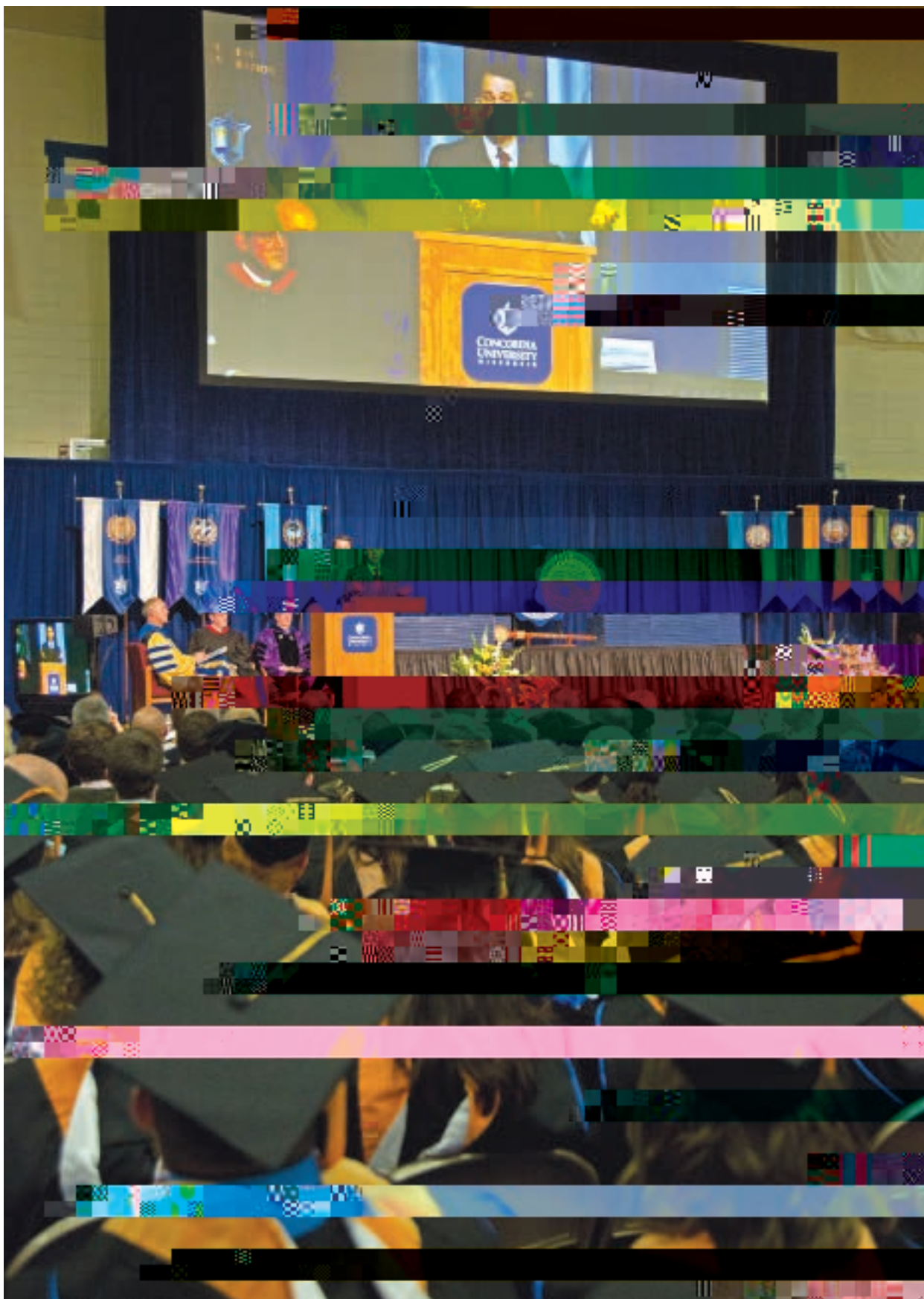
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# Campus News

**H**e was named one of Time Magazine's 100 most influential people



# Campus News

## First in Class

### Upcoming Campus Events

#### July

08-11 – Higher Things Youth Conference

#### August

09 – Inaugural Lake Moon Festival 4-10 p.m.,  
Campus (Blue Area)

25 – First Day of Undergraduate 10(-10 p.m)-9.



# Vice President, Professor, and Coach Completes a 48-Year Run

Retirement Doesn't Have to Mean Leaving for Good

Whether it was coaching, teaching or administration, Dr. Andy Luptak has seen it all. Luptak retired as Concordia University Wisconsin's Vice President of Student Life in June after a 48-year career. It was his first job after graduating from college. He taught physics, physical education and served as the football coach at Concordia's high school, which was phased out a few years later.

Staying on at the college as it transitioned to a four-year institution, Luptak became the first head football coach. The inaugural season

in the Illini-Badger Conference didn't go so well; the team only won two games that season. However, Luptak's teams won the conference championship twice and earned a national ranking over the next three years. The school won in the Midwest Bowl against the winner of a neighboring conference remains the only post-season victory in Falcons' football history. Luptak left coaching because he took a sabbatical to work on his doctoral dissertation. "I miss certain aspects of coaching, but I never regret retiring when I did," he reminisced. By the time he went on to earn his doctorate

a textbook used in similar courses around the nation. One of his long-term goals was realized when CUW's new student center opened in October 2012.

Luptak said he owes a lot of thanks to the four presidents with whom he's worked, his staff, the student body, and his wife and family. While he only recently retired, Luptak plans to keep calling CUW home at least some of the time. He will continue teaching students in the master's of student personnel administration program. **Gary Achterberg, Contributing Writer**



he was already the school's chief student officer. While the size of the University and the scope of his responsibilities have expanded greatly over the years, it is still essentially the same job from which he retired.

Luptak is very proud of building a student life department that includes counseling, health services and a behavioral intervention team long before it was mandated by federal law. He and Dr. David Eggbrecht launched a freshman seminar program to acclimate incoming students to college life. Luptak wrote a chapter on financial planning for students

## Andy's Accomplishments

**1 Annabelle E. Wolf Award:** Awarded by the Wisconsin College Personnel Association (WCPA) as the highest recognition given for "dedication, involvement and achievement" in the Student Personnel Profession.

**17 The Randy Thrush Award:** Awarded by the WCPA for "outstanding leadership and service to the Association."

**2013 Established The Andy Luptak Award:** Annually given to an undergraduate student who has distinguished himself/herself in leadership at a Wisconsin college or university.

## Claws vs. Paws

The third annual Claws vs. Paws Milwaukee Lakefront Marathon Challenge will take place on October 5, 2014, involving faculty, staff, and current students from both CUW and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. The university with the best average finish time will be awarded the traveling trophy, which CUW currently holds. Team training is now underway for the two dozen runners competing on team Claws (CUW).

Rev. Dr. Patrick T. Ferry, president of CUW, has participated in each of the races thus far and believes the marathon is a shared experience among all those involved.

The idea is to be part of the Concordia team and for the competition to be second, said Ferry.

Another aspect of the race that makes the challenge unique is the fact that the marathon route passes through both university campuses

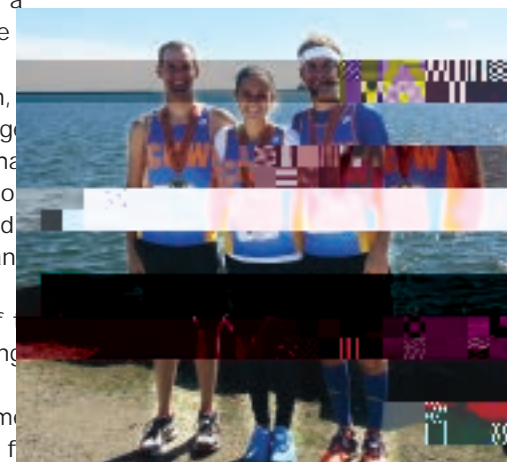
giving even more special meaning for runners of both teams. Past runners, Rebecca Ludwig (Team Claws) and Lora Rae Langowski (Team Paws) reveal what makes this race special for each of them.

The challenge was a perfect way to do my first marathon. I had the team for support, a great course, and it was a good way for me to show my Falcon pride. Rebecca Ludwig

If not for the Claws vs. Paws competition, I don't know that I would have had the courage to sign up for the marathon. I am lucky to have had a friend who was on the team the previous year to convince me and who believed I could do it. I am most grateful for meeting so many interesting, brilliant, and kind people I would likely never have met if not for being part of the competition. The sense of camaraderie during long runs not only between team members, but with complete strangers as well, made me realize that it was more than a competition; it

every head nod, wave, and smile exchanged I felt more and more part of the clan of folks we call runners. Lora Rae Langowski  
For more information on the race, visit: [cuw.edu/ClawsVsPaws](http://cuw.edu/ClawsVsPaws).

**Craig McCarthy, Editor**



## Campus News

# Unlikely Guests Occupy New Space on Campus

The Deceased Help Bring Learning to Life

By Craig McCarthy, Editor

Mentioning the word cadaver will foster mixed reactions from people as it's not every day that the general public thinks about the important role and function these corpses play, especially in an academic setting.

At CUW, cadavers are a lifeline for students who are in specific health sciences programs, such as occupational therapy (OT), physical therapy (PT), or the most recently added program, physician assistant (PA). They are housed in the lower level of CUW's Health Professions building and allow students to inspect and examine the human body in ways that just can't be replicated through viewing videos, working with models, or using other teaching methods, according to program directors.

"Students are always amazed when they see the spinal cord up close and realize that it's as important as it is. It's no thicker than your pinky finger," said Kathy Lemley, professor of Anatomy and coordinator of the cadaver labs at CUW.

In fact, cadavers are such an intricate part of the curriculum that in the spring, the University doubled the amount of space devoted to studying cadavers by opening up a second lab to the tune of approximately \$600,000. The expansion also included a remodel of the first lab, so that both labs are now comparably equipped.

"By having the two labs, we now have the flexibility to consider expansion of our programming," said Lemley. "It allows the programs to grow without having to increase class sizes and allows us to serve more students while keeping smaller classes."

It's not all about class size though. The technology in the newly opened lab, which includes six plasma televisions, a camera for instructional purposes, and a teaching station, all add up to a state-of-the-art facility with very few rivals around the nation.

"There is nothing as high tech as this," said Travis Godbersen, a student in the master's OT program at CUW. At the time of this writing, Godbersen and his classmates were studying Bio 550, also known as "Gross Anatomy."

"It is interesting," said student Megan Holliday. "You do learn anatomy a lot better when you can see it on a human body, compared to a model, because it's a completely different aspect."

While the lab space has doubled, so has the number of cadavers the University will acquire, from eight to a total of 16 by next year. Rachel Rodia is pursuing a master's of OT degree at CUW and did her undergraduate studies at the University of Arizona. She believes additional cadavers are a huge benefit.

"The cadaver labs that I've been in before have only had one or two cadavers," said Rodia. "Being able to have a cadaver to yourself [at Concordia], for the most part, or one or two people sharing, is very helpful."



The additional lab also gives students more room to spread out, according to Dr. Michelle Heinan, director of the PA program. She's excited about the new program, which started in 2013, and believes having a premium lab will be key to the overall success of the students.

"It's really beneficial for students to be exposed to cadavers," said Dr. Heinan. "I think a lot of students who are looking to go into PA programs are looking for that cadaver lab."

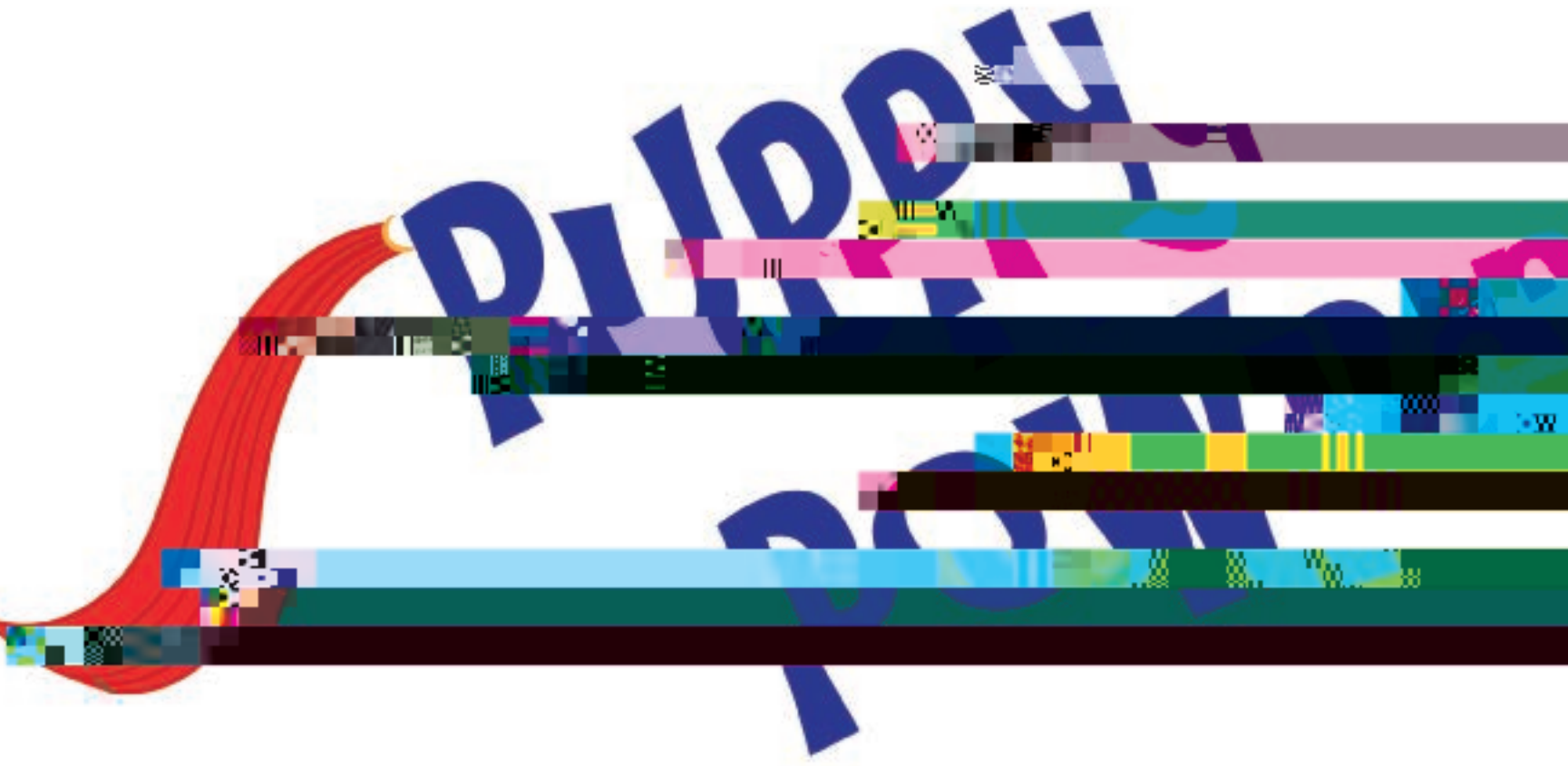
While observing actual cadavers in a state-of-the-art setting is without a doubt a vital component for students studying certain programs, the faith-embedded curriculum is something that CUW is especially proud of, known for, and doesn't shy away from.

"Just the aspect of being able to see God's work in all that detail is amazing," said Lemley.

"When I met the professors and learned about the belief, I really wanted to come here," said Godbersen.

The cadaver labs seem to align with the University's mission statement, helping students develop in mind, body, and spirit for service to Christ in the Church and the World. Whether students are studying to be occupational or physical therapists, or physician assistants, the underlying Christian values are ever present in the cadaver labs and prepare students to meet the medical challenges of the future head-on.

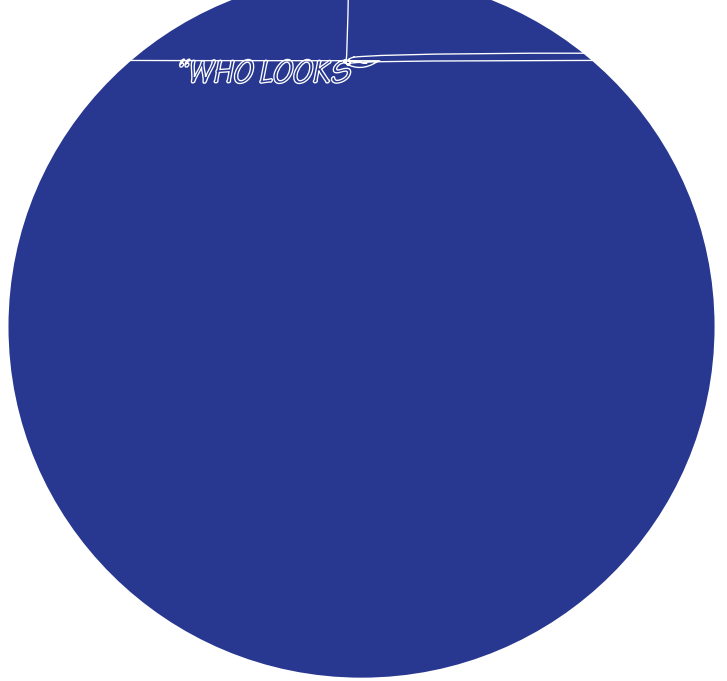




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“WHO LOOKS



CUW acquired Zoey from Lutheran Church student handlers attended several days of Charities (LCC) in January 2014, after almost two years of planning. Enters left LCC's first presentation at Concordia in awe.

For the caregivers, the training consisted of three, eight-hour days of book and hands-on training where they learned how to command a

We were all impressed, said Enters. In February 2013, not long after the presentation, Enters and Dr. John Oberdeck, CUW's Director of Lay Ministry, paid a visit to the LCC headquarters in Addison, Ill. where they were able to learn more about the program and interact with the dogs including Zoey.

It's like learning to swim and being thrown into the deep end of the pool, said Enters. Before Zoey could be brought home to Concordia, each caregiver and handler had to pass the American Kennel Club's Good Citizen test with Zoey to demonstrate his or her mastery of the skills and commands.

Enters recognized the real ability behind Zoey's adorable exterior. Training didn't end when Zoey came home to Concordia. Zoey and her handlers work continually to maintain their skills and commands. As long as she's wearing her vest, Zoey is on the job and following the commands of her handlers.

Even when Zoey goes home with her caregivers at night either her primary or secondary caregiver would enhance the emotional wellbeing of our campus community, said Enters.

Enters brought the plan to the Administrative Council in August 2013, and with President Ferry's blessing, the application process began. Once approved for the program, 11 volunteers applied and were approved to be trained as caregivers and handlers. The three caregivers, four staff handlers, and four

campus, and counseling applications.

On the ride back to CUW, Enters and Oberdeck hashed out a ministry plan for a comfort dog at CUW which included classroom, campus, and counseling applications.

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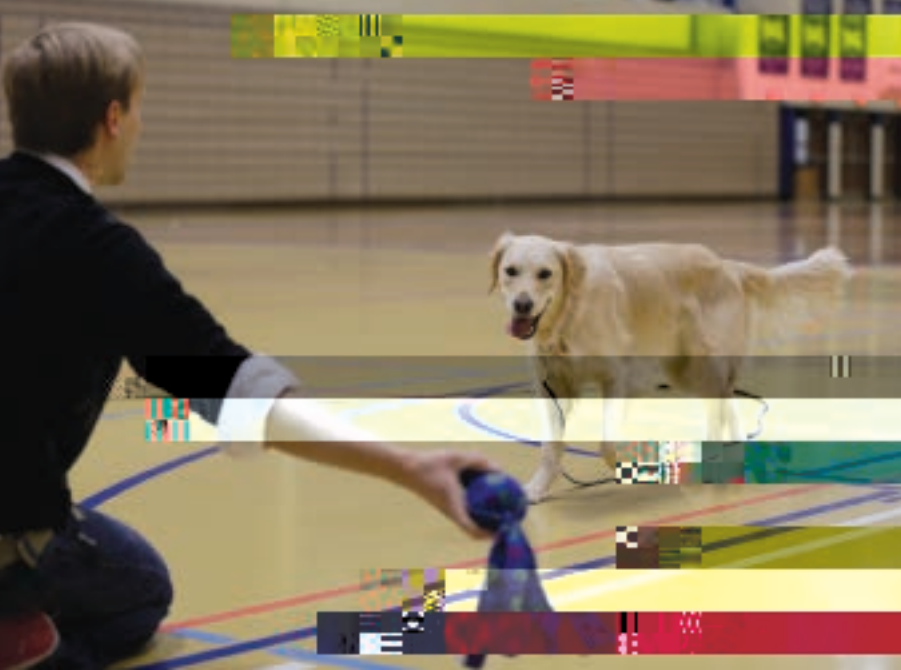
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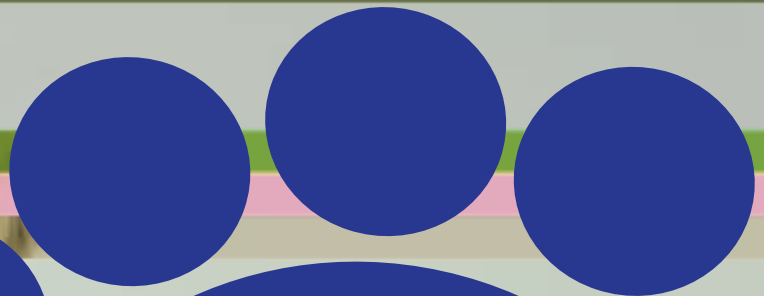
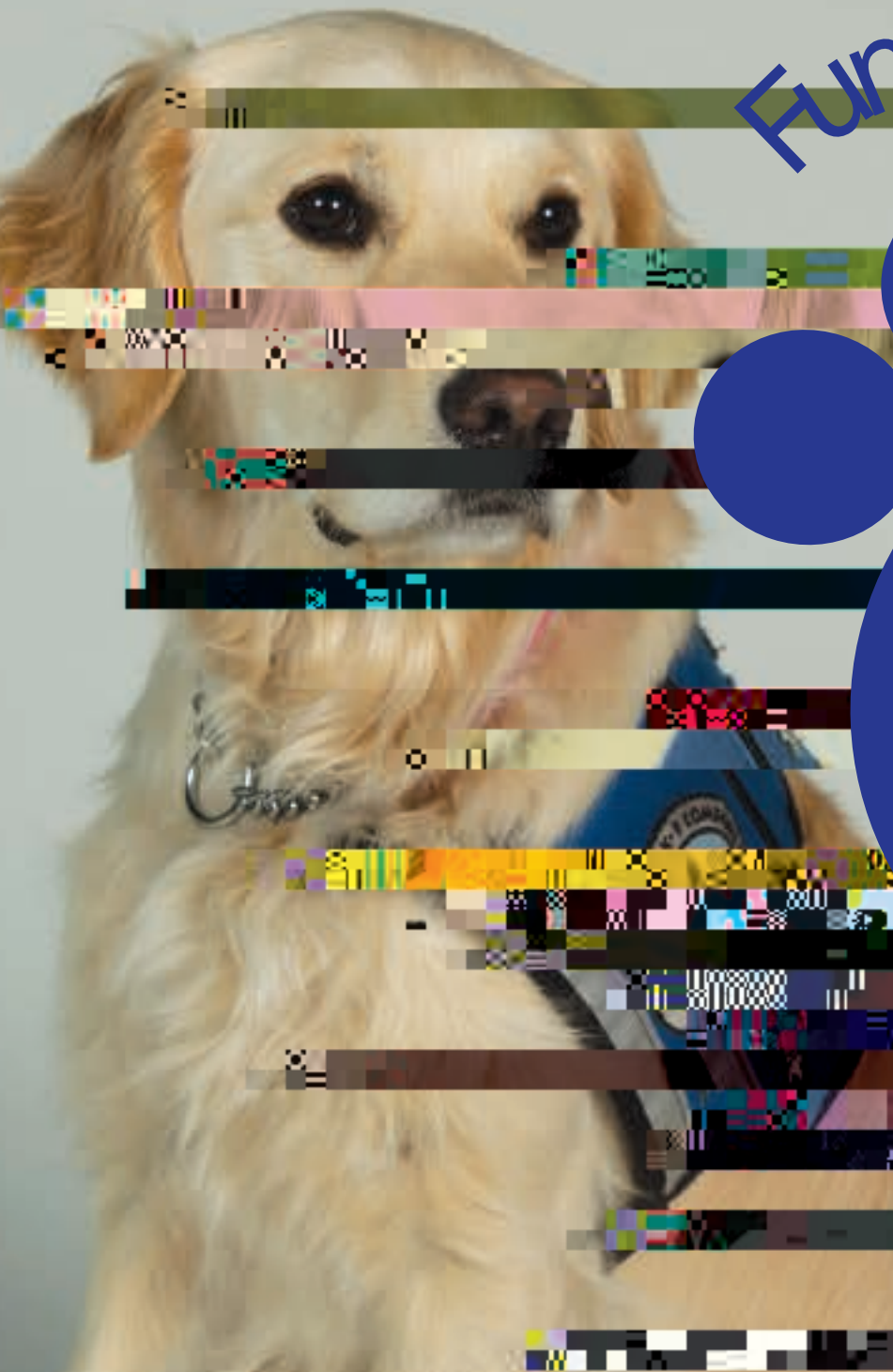
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# Fun Facts



• Zoey gets all of her food, veterinary care,



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Instagram us a picture of you and Zoey @CUWisconsin

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## The Name on the Uniform Says It All

Noah Kegley is a recent CUW graduate who during the 2013-14 season was the Senior Captain of the CUW Men's Basketball team. Earlier this year he shared a message on

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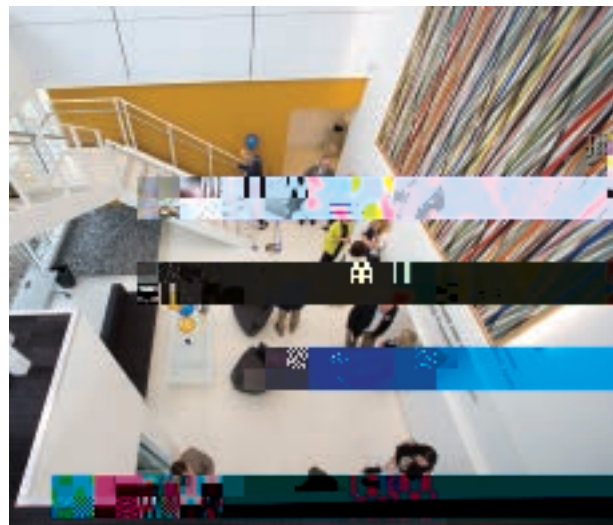
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## Finding Home

# Embracing the Duty

CUW's Milwaukee Midtown Center Counselor: Veteran,





Military education benefits are available to veterans and individuals on active duty. Depending on eligibility, benefits could include tuition, fees, a housing allowance, and stipends for books and supplies. If eligible, service members may transfer benefits to their dependent children. Military service and training can also translate into college credit.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the military education benefits available, contact Barb Ellmaker, CUW Veterans Benefits Coordinator: 262.243.4350 or [barb.ellmaker@cuw.edu](mailto:barb.ellmaker@cuw.edu)



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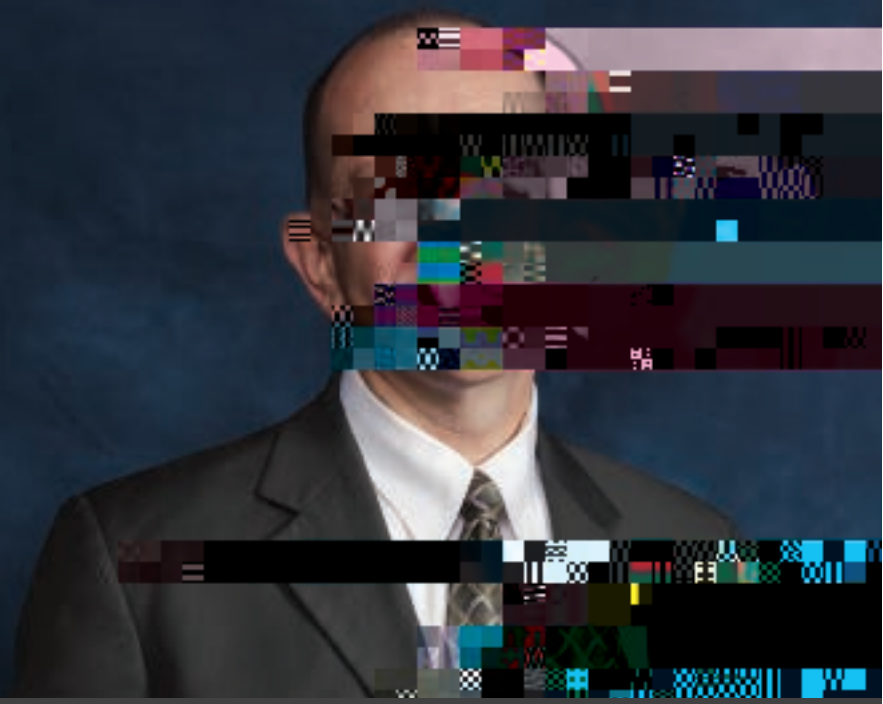
## From Haiti to Concordia

A Home Away from Home



“The Lord has  
always been  
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In my role at Concordia, I have the privilege of meeting with many of our University friends and alumni. While some of these meetings take place on campus or at an individual's place of business, in many cases, I am invited into someone's home. Over a cup of coffee, we talk about our students and how they are developing in mind, body, and spirit, for service to Christ in the Church and the world. In other words, we talk about Concordia's mission and how it is being nurtured among our students who will live it out in whatever vocation they are led to pursue.

Talking about our mission while meeting in a home is only natural. As I look around a person's home, I see the pictures on the walls and other treasures that speak volumes about what is important to that individual. Our mission is a constant reminder to us about what is important at Concordia and why we carry on the ministry as we do. Through these conversations, whether in the home, workplace, or on campus, we bind our hearts together with a shared commitment to help our students.

Throughout this issue of the *Concordian*, I hope that you have had a chance to experience in a small way how our students feel about the Concordia experience. To many of them, Concordia has become their home, even if only temporarily. After a few short years, they will take what they have learned and the mission that has become part of who they are, and live it out wherever their new home may be. Though they leave us when they graduate, their hearts remain united with ours.

That's what Concordia means: with one heart. Our hearts are together, committed to the mission that we share. As you read this, I trust that you, too, experience this sense of Concordia; one heart with us in mission, serving Christ in the Church and the world. Thank you for being a part of that, for your commitment and support of our students, and for binding your heart with ours in mission, wherever your home may be.

REV. DR. ROY PETERSON  
Vice President of Advancement

# FutureAlumPosts

1 **Ashley Giguere** (@ashgiguere)

Everyone says it, but I love my school! #lakemichigan #cuw

**Alayna Brandt** (@AlaynaJoy24)

I chose CUW b/c I knew I'd receive a Christ-centered education & be a part of the Concordia family. I will always love this school. #whyCUW

**Danielle Navis** (@dani\_lynn92)

I chose this school because of the wonderful people here, the beautiful campus, and the Christ-centered education. #whyCUW #lovethisschool

**Ionut Kuhls** (@IonutKuhls)

I chose Concordia for the strong conviction of faith to do what is right for God that faculty and students have! #whyCUW

2 **Cassie Rucks** (Instagram cassandra\_sue12)

A beautiful day like today makes me happy I chose this amazing school. I never thought I would be this happy with my decision. <3 #cuw #funinthesun #feelingblessed



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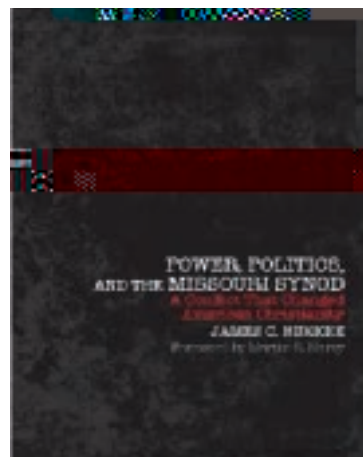
### Achievements

**Kenneth E. Harris Jr.** ('00) was promoted to Police Lieutenant at the Milwaukee Police Department. He and his wife, Carla, reside in Milwaukee, Wis.

**John L. (Lamar) Hardwick** ('00) was recently appointed the new Lead Pastor of New Community Church in LaGrange, Ga. New Community Church is a thriving non-denominational multi-ethnic and multi-generational church. He and his wife **Isabella (McHungula)** ('99) reside in Newnan, Ga.

**Rob Frederick** ('10) just moved to Team Lead in Human Resources with Target.

**Robert Gutsche, Jr.** ('08) and his wife **Bridget Casey** (MBA '09) and a team of journalism professors at Florida International University in Miami were one of 12 teams to receive a \$35,000 grant from the Challenge Fund for Innovation in Journalism Education awarded by the Online News Association. The FIU team will produce student journalism



# A Home Away from Home

“Even the sparrow has found a home...a place near your altar” (Psalm 84:3)

“Home is where the heart is.” That quote is attributed to Pliny the Elder, a Roman who lived at the time of Jesus (c. AD 23-79) and died in the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius.

Our hearts’ affections and our feelings toward places can be strong—the houses we grew up in, places where we’ve known the love and community of others. Going by that sentiment, Concordia is certainly a home to many. It’s true of our resident students who bring enough televisions, couches, knick-knacks, and photos to make their rooms feel like home. While they live here on campus, they may still have another place they call home.

And vice-versa. Any of us who don’t live on campus can still call Concordia home if “home is where the heart is.” Any who embrace the mission of Concordia and the faith we celebrate here—students, parents, alumni, friends, supporters—can have hearts tied to Concordia and consider this a home.

Psalm 84 speaks of the temple—God’s house—which the writer longed to be connected to in heart and mind, but also physically. Our Chapel, “God’s house” here

on campus, is certainly a primary place where hearts come together to worship God. But whether we’re literally in the same place—God’s house or not—Concordia is still our home when our hearts are tied together in faith.

When I was growing up, at some point I realized that some people end up homeless, others have big homes, and there are those who have multiple homes. But it struck me, at some later point, that Jesus, in his adult life, was homeless; and yet since Jesus is God, God’s house (the temple or the synagogue) made sense to be his home.

Those who are tied to Concordia, and consider it their second home, are more blessed than they think!

REV. STEVE SMITH  
Campus Pastor







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