## **Concordia News**

A newsletter for members, families, and friends of Concordia Lutheran Church and Concordia Cemetery Association

Concordia Lutheran Church/Cemetery Association January 2007



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#### A TIME TO MARK TIME

We need a time to mark time. The clock on the wall marks the minutes and hours. The calendar on the wall helps when we move from day to day, Even more it helps when we move from week to week, And when we tear off a page we move from month to month, So moving to a new year could be a great time for marking time.

It is time for a new calendar and to mark that time I want you to know that I have enjoyed being your pastor this past year. I have enjoyed getting to know you and that takes some time. I have enjoyed leading you in worship, praying at your bedside and bringing Holy Communion to your home. It is the privilege of being your pastor.

Now, a new year, marking a new time because our vision is somewhat different this year. We look forward to celebrations and reunions, worship and fellowship, study and prayer. We look forward to visioning and mission; however, we never know about the future because it is in God's hands and our walk into the future is one where Christ is our leader so we look forward to make the walk.

Blessings as you mark time this New Year.

Pastor Paul

Concordia Lutheran Church Concordia Cemetery Association PO Box 158 Dil worth MN 56529



WELCA January 2007 No Meeting

#### **Cookie Servers**

January 7- Carolyn Edwards January 14- Germaine Gress January 21- Delores Hagene January 28- Regina Hanson

#### **Finger and Toe Tree News**



WELCA sponsored the Finger and Toe Tree again this year. We had a very successful year. We collected a total of 13 hats, 24 pairs

of mittens, 12 hat and mitten sets and 4 hat/scarf sets. The items from the tree were donated to the YWCA. Thank You to everyone who participated.





the annual meeting. You can e-mail them to me or give them to me at church. My e-mail address is <u>MGrover1424@aol.com</u>. Thank you.

Barb Grover



#### **Order Forms**

We will be putting order forms for the **catered dinner** and for **coffee mugs** in the **February** issue. If you misplace your order form it will be re-issued in April and can also be found on the website. **www.concordianews.org** Please fill them out and mail them back as soon as possible. We need to be able to tell the caterer how many will be at the meal.

We are **pre-ordering** coffee mugs and need to know how many to order. The order forms need to be sent so they are received by **no later than April 30**<sup>th</sup>. Thank You.

135<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

# **Thank You FOI;**

**Concordia Newsletter** In memory of Norman Hanson Ottar & Irene Hogstad

**Concordia WELCA** *In memory of Art Hanson* Margret Kragnes

**Concordia Ceme** tery Association In memory of LeRoy Olson Dean & Phylis Nelson

**Copier Fund** Regina Hanson

#### **Cemetery Association News**



If you wish to make a donation of any kind to the Cemetery Association, please send your checks to the Cemetery Treasurer, Raymond Johnson at the address below.

Raymond Johnson 1955 29<sup>th</sup> St. Circle S. Moorhead, MN. 56560



#### Arthur I. Hanson, 92

Arthur was born on July 8, 1912 to Nels and Laura (Svenkeson) Hanson on a farm in Clay County. He grew up and attended school in Riverside Country School. He was baptized, confirmed in his faith and a lifelong member of Concordia Lutheran Church. For many years he served on the church board as the treasurer and as a trustee. Arthur was a lifelong farmer who enjoyed farming, carpentry, fishing and traveling. But most importantly, Arthur enjoyed spending time with his friends. family and

He is survived by one brother, Walter Hanson, Glyndon, MN; three nephews, Keith (Kathy) Hanson, Glyndon, MN, Neil (Polly) Hanson. Glvndon. MN. Les Hanson. WI: three nieces. Janesville. Chervl (Richard) Ostlie, Northwood, ND, Loretta (Arvid) Nesdahl, Florida, and Faye (Roger) Wegscheid, Arizona; sister-in-law Regina Hanson, Glyndon, MN: and many great nieces friends. and nephews and

Arthur was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Lawrence and Norman Hanson.

### **BITS and PIECES**



**Thank you** to the following who purchased a poinsettia for Christmas. They sure made our church look festive.

Valdemar & Delores Hagen Don & Evangeline Johnson Lloyd Gunderson Eddie & Carolyn Edwards Margret Kragnes Ella Swanson Glenn & Doris Kassenborg Regina Hanson Dick & Mavis Wang Doris Eidem Osie Juve Harold & Sally Horpedahl WELCA (2) Eileen Gunzel Irene Olson

#### **Christmas Gift Bags**

Christmas Gift Bags were handed out on December  $18^{th}$  to all of the homebound members of our congregation.

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#### **Pandemic Preparedness**

At our recent Meritcare Faith Community the speaker was Mary Jagim,RN, Emergency Preparedness Consultant of Meritcare Health System. She spoke about "Pandemic Influenza Preparedness" and how we in the community need to be aware of this and how to prepare for it, should it happen. The immediate concern is the Avian Influenza (Bird Flu). It refers to a large group of different influenza viruses that primarily affect birds. Most of these viruses do not effect humans, however some of these viruses can infect humans and cause significant illness. Pandemic influenza often develops when an animal or bird virus mixes with a human virus to form a new virus. We are used to the seasonal influenza which happens every year, caused by a virus and usually is not serious and only affects about 10% of the people. Where as pandemic flu could affect 35% of the people and could result in a high death rate.

Planning for the pandemic is very challenging as there is so much that won't be known until it actually happens and from past experience it will cause significant disruption to the social economic, normal activities and resources in our community. At the present the bird flu is in other countries of the world but it will only be a matter of time before it will affect the United States. They know from the past three influenza pandemics of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century (Spanish Flu, Asian Flu, and the Hong Kong Flu) the impact that it could have.

She stressed the importance of preparing and how all community-based organizations should take precautions before an influenza pandemic arrives in the United States and how we can minimize the spread of the virus. Meritcare has done extensive studies and has a list of resources that are available which will be posted at the church, along with a Faith Based & Community Organizations Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Checklist.

Submitted by Irene Olson

# **JANUARY 2007**

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28 GREEN	29	30	31			
Coffee 9:00am Church 10:00am		Irene Olson				

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Sunday Worship: Coffee 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Communion 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month

Concordia Women of the ELCA Second Tuesday – 1:30 pm

Pastor: Rev. Paul Bortnem