## Concordía News

### August 2008

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

#### Words from Pastor Gretchen



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Dear Friends in Christ,

In July, we heard the Gospel lessons about sowing seeds. And I commend you for you are doing just that! The seeds of a ministry of hospitality which you are sowing are flourishing. Thanks to all for the hospitality you offered in the wonderful ice cream social in July. What joy! How exciting!

On the first Sunday in August, the Gospel lesson calls us to put our resources into God's hands and to trust that God will use them for good.

The gospel lesson for August 2<sup>nd</sup> from Matthew 14 states:

<sup>13</sup> Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup> When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup>When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to them, "They need not go away, you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup>They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup>And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup>Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup>And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup>And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Jesus had compassion for the people; he saw their need and did not turn them away. Jesus knows your needs and promises to be present for you no matter what your circumstance in life. He generously gives you the Bread of Life ... and along with life he also gives you forgiveness and salvation.

Jesus blessed the loaves and gave them to the disciples to distribute to the crowds. God also blessed Concordia Lutheran Church and he calls us to joyful, generous lives in service in His name. Thanks be to God for you! You are blessed to be a blessing!

In August, the children's messages will help children to learn the Apostles' Creed. Please invite children and parents to join us for this fun series.

Peace be with you, Pastor Gretchen

### WELCA ANNOUNCEMENTS



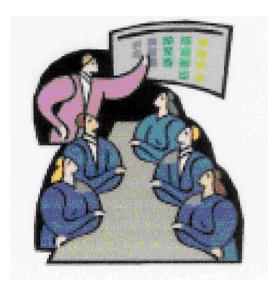
### WELCA

August 12, 2008 1:30 PM **Bible Leader:** Group **Lunch:** Ella Swanson



### **Cookie Servers**

August 3 - Germaine Gress August 10 - Barb Grover August 27 – Polly Hanson August 24 – Sally Horpedahl August 31 - Osie Juve



**Council Meeting** 

There is going to be a council meeting on Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, right after church.

This picture of the church is from a newspaper article in the Fargo Forum on Saturday, July 12, 2008. The content of the article was "How's that again?" It was an article about area churches that have unique names. other Some of the churches mentioned in the article were: Nora Lutheran Church, Gardner ND; Eksjo Lutheran Church, west of Lake Park MN; and Pontoppidan Lutheran Church in Fargo ND.



### **Concordia Lutheran Church** 6470 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue N., about 10 miles northwest of Glyndon, Minn.

According to history published in a 1980 church directory, Concordia Lutheran Church came to be when two congregations, Our Savior's and Moland, merged in late 1891.

The congregations chose the name Concordia, which, according to the directory means "harmony." And, if you want to trace the meaning of the word way back, Concordia was a Roman goddess having to do with agreement and harmony.

**Pronunciation**: Say "con" (as in "to take advantage of" but with a little more of a "u" sound) plus "cord" and "dia" as in the Spanish word for "day." Emphasis is on "cord."

# **Thank You FOF;**

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In honor of Doris Eidem's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Regina Hanson Stan & Lorraine DeJong Renae Brantner

### Concordia Cemetery Association

*In memory of Pearl Mattson* Osie Juve

*In memory of Mel Wang* Dick & Mavis Wang

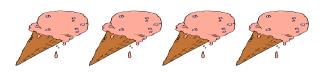
*Donations*: Jane & Ted Bekkerus Bonita Lilly



Thank you to Andy Ulven (grandson of Glenn and Doris Kassenborg) for mowing the cemetery. Keep up the good work. We all appreciate the job you do.

Quit griping about your church: If it was perfect, you couldn't belong.

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**Thank You** to all who attended the ice cream social on Wednesday, July  $23^{rd}$ . We had a good turn out and a good time. Thank you to all who provided the food, beverages, and activities. A special thank you to Harold an Vonnie Anderson for the music they provided.

Donations for the Concordia Cemetery Association may be mailed



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

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You are always welcome at Concordia Lutheran Church

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### Sunday Worship:

Coffee Hour- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School- 9:30a.m. Worship Service-10:00 a.m. Communion -1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month

### Concordia Women of the ELCA:

Second Tuesday-1:30 p.m.



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