

# Concordia News

## January 2009

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



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### **Christmas Greetings!**

My name is Bruce Krogstad. I have recently begun serving Concordia as interim pastor. I have served rural/small town ministry for over 12 years, campus ministry for 8 years, and continue to serve the 133 Air Wing, Air National Guard in Minneapolis as chaplain. I recently started serving half time with the Fargo VA.

My responsibilities at Concordia will be the same as Pastor Gretchen Person's: visiting the sick and shut-ins, officiating at funerals and weddings, conducting weekly Sunday services as well as Lenten worship services. During the times I am gone for military commitments I will pay a pastor to fill in for worship services. I have spoken with Pastor Bill Ahfeldt and he continues to be willing to fill this valuable role. This will be helpful, as I will be gone from the end of January to mid-February with the Air Force, per a previous commitment.

Should you know of anyone who is hospitalized feel free to inform me as strict laws prevent hospitals from notifying clergy when a parishioner is admitted. In the same way, if you know of someone who is shut in and cannot attend worship, please notify me. My email address is [brucekrogstad@yahoo.com](mailto:brucekrogstad@yahoo.com). My cell phone number is 218-329-2245.

I look forward to the opportunity to worship with you and get to know you. May the promise of God breaking into the darkness bring you and yours a measure of hope and light this season. I pray you have a blessed Christmas and Epiphany.

In the name of Jesus Christ,

*Bruce Krogstad*

WELCA ANNOUNCEMENTS



**WELCA**

No meeting this month



**Cookie Servers**

January 4 WELCA  
January 11 WELCA  
January 18 Delores Hagene  
January 25 Regina Hanson

THANK YOU to all who purchased a poinsettia at Christmas time. Our church looked beautiful!



I will be in Arizona for the months of January, February, and March. If you have any information or articles that you would like to have in the newsletter, please send them to me at the following email address:

[Mgrover1424@aol.com](mailto:Mgrover1424@aol.com)

Thank you!  
Barb Grover



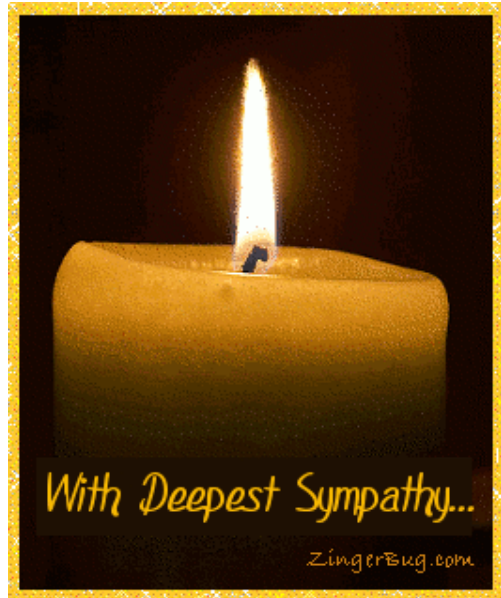
*We were called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.*

*Important Date!*

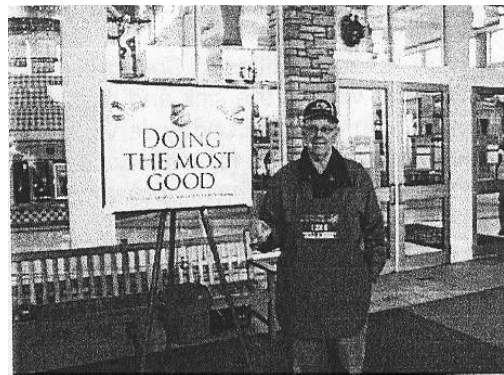


The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, February 1, 2009. Potluck dinner before the meeting .

Our sympathy to the following families:



Henry Skolness Family  
Leota Kolle Family  
Jane Bekkerus Family



Harold Horpedahl, ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at West Acres Shopping Center. Harold and his 3 daughters took turns ringing the bell for their 5 hour shift.

# Thank You For:

## Concordia News

### *Gift*

Helen Jean Anderson

## Concordia Cemetery Association

### *In memory of Henry Skolness*

Harold & Sally Horpedahl

### *In memory of Leona Kolle*

Harold & Sally Horpedahl

### *In memory of Margaret & Willy Svenkeson*

Barb & Lowell Johnson

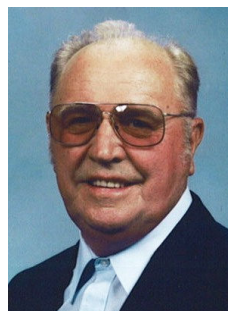


**Lee Kolle, 78,** Felton MN, died on December 14, 2008, in MeritCare Hospital, Fargo ND.

Lee, daughter of Ovean J. and Hazel (Bradford) Hite, was born on December 1, 1930, in Felton MN.

She grew up and attended school there, graduating from Glyndon High School. Lee married Walter Kolle on April 6, 1956, in Concordia Lutheran Church near Glyndon MN. They made their home near Felton MN.

Lee is survived by her husband, Walter Kolle, Felton MN; four sons, Gary (Ruth Dolven) Kolle, St. Joseph MN, Kerry (Theresa) Kolle, Moorhead, Larry Kolle, Sabin MN, Keith Kolle, Willmar MN; one daughter, Kim (Bryce) Holmgren, Willmar; eighteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild; siblings, Hazel (Jim) Haarstad, Moorhead, Deloris Bradford, Federal Way WA, Donald Bradford, Olympia WA, Lowell Bradford, Portland OR, Helen Eastlick, Longview WA, Vona Williams, Ranier OR, and Delano Bradford, Olympia WA.



**Henry E. Skolness, 89,** Villa Maria Nursing Home, Fargo ND, died there on Tuesday, December 9, 2008.

Henry was born on January 31, 1919 near Averill MN to Ole and Charlotte (Boe) Skolness. He grew up and attended school there. He served in the US Navy during WWII, from 1942 to 1943. He returned to Averill and was a partner in Skolness Construction from 1946 to 1954. He farmed near Averill from 1954 until retiring in 2004. Henry married Edith Dahl on November 16, 1940, in Moorhead. She died in January of 1984. Edith's sister, Lovern Solem, had moved here to care for her in her final years and remained as Henry's companion until her death in May of 2004. Henry had wintered in Donna, Texas, from 1982 until 2004.

Henry is survived by two sons, Henry Jr., Moorhead MN, and Trygve (Dee Ann), Glyndon MN; one daughter, Charlotte (Richard) Offutt, Summerfield FL; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife and a brother and sister.

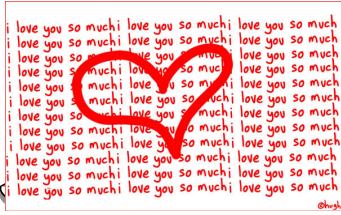


**Bernherd M. Bekkerus, 89,** died on December 20, 2008. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, December 23, 2008, in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

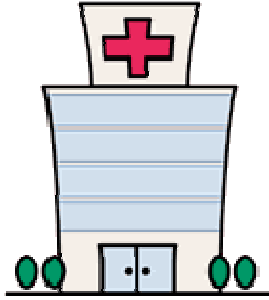
Bernherd was born on September 6, 1919, in Oakport Township to Theodore and Sophie (Hegland) Bekkerus. He was a graduate of NDSU, where he received a degree in chemistry. He worked for Hercules Powder, Inc. in various locations before transferring to Lake Charles, Louisiana, in 1960. Bernherd was a member of the American Chemistry Society for 50 years and served in various positions in the Southwest Chemistry Society in Lake Charles. He was also a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church for 44 years.

Bernherd is survived by his wife of 63 years, Lois (Dickenson) Bekkerus and his daughter Carol Susan (Becky), both of Lake Charles, and sister-in-law Jane Bekkerus, of Moorhead.

# Bits and Pieces



## Start Thinking Valentines



If you know of someone who is in the hospital or would like a home visit please let me know. I can be reached at 218-329-2245. Thank you!

*Pastor Bruce*

Say "I love you" with a Lutheran marriage encounter weekend. Get away from the everyday demands of the world so the two of you can really focus on each other. You'll spend two nights in a comfortable hotel and enjoy five delicious meals from Friday at 7:00 pm to Sunday at 5:00 pm.

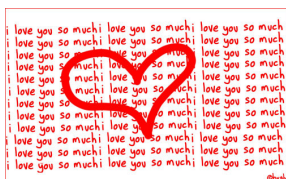
Four presenting couples, including a Lutheran clergy couple, give a series of presentations followed by questions the couples discuss in the privacy of their hotel room.

There is no counseling and no group sharing. No one tries to change who you are. Its great for couples who already have a good marriage and want to enrich their relationship, but it also does wonders for those marriages that have lost their luster through years of child rearing and work obligations.

The next Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends in Minnesota are February 13-15 and April 24-26 in Brooklyn Center, or March 27-29 in Duluth. Please register a month in advance.

For more information, contact Dick and Judy Dehnel at 952-432-3105, Pete & Phyllis McMahon at 763-651-1575 or visit

[www.godlovesmarriage.org](http://www.godlovesmarriage.org)



## Concordia Lutheran Church Fund donation addresses:

1. **Concordia Lutheran Church- General Fund**  
Checks should be made out to Concordia Lutheran Church and maybe mailed to the church treasurer at:

Clinton Babolian  
65 King Street  
Moorhead, MN. 56560


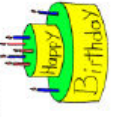



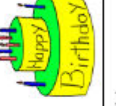

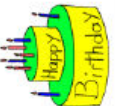


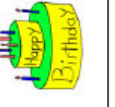

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Valdemar Hagene  
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Glyndon, MN. 56547

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Raymond Johnson  
1920 29<sup>th</sup> St. Circle S.  
Moorhead, MN. 56560

# January 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 New Year's Day 	2	3 Sally Horpedahl 
4 WHITE Communion 9:30am Coffee 10:30am Church 	5	6 Epiphany Begins Germaine Gress 	7	8	9	10 Eddie Edwards 
11 WHITE 9:30am Coffee 10:30am Church Polly Hanson 	12	13 No WELCA Meeting this month 	14	15	16	27
18 GREEN 9:30am Coffee 10:30am Church Harriet Wangberg 	19 MLK Birthday 	20 Inauguration 	21	22 Dolan Rasmussen 	23	24
25 GREEN 9:30am Coffee 10:30am Church	26	27	28	29	30 Irene Olson 	31

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\_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please clip the upper portion of this page and mail with any changes.*

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**You are always welcome at  
Concordia Lutheran Church**

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**Sunday Worship:**

Coffee Hour- 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School- 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service-10:30 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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