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Dictionary.com defines Epiphany as the following:

- 1. A Christian festival, observed on January 6, commemorating the manifestation of Christ to the gentiles in the persons of the Magi; Twelfth-day.
- 2. An appearance or manifestation, especially of a deity.
- 3. A sudden, intuitive perception of or insight into the reality or essential meaning of something, usually initiated by some simple, homely, or commonplace occurrence or experience.

What is lacking in the above definitions of Epiphany, is the the understanding of it being an entire season in the church year. It is more than just a brief event. God's revelation of Himself through Jesus Christ is not a flash in the pan event. It is more than a profound experience with a life span of a Mayfly. Over several weeks God sits us down and shows us who His Son is and who He is not. However, this is not some impersonal theological exercise. God reveals more than just facts about Himself, He reveals His identity as One who is there for us. Epiphany is not some cold formula that reaches no deeper than our brains. It is a season during which God seeks to win us over by an accurate and loving portrayal of what His Son was and still is up to. Epiphany is not an objective history lesson as much as it is a love poem with your name inserted. You are the object of not only the grand movements of human history but you are the individual and personal beneficiary of God's grace as revealed through His Son Jesus Christ. God did not just reveal His Son for the world but more importantly revealed His Son for you.

Epiphany is a profoundly personal time during which we see that God did not just send His son for everyone, but sent Him for you and for me.

May God bless you during this season as He reveals Himself to you as His beloved child,

Pastor Bruce

Announcements & Assignments



Date: February 8

Time: 1:30 PM

Place: Fryn Pan





February 6	Orpha Hoelstad
February 13	Germaine Gress
February 20	Osie Juve
February 27	Regina Hanson
March 6	Linda Koester
March 13	Carolyn Edwards
March 20	Irene Olson
March 27	Sally Horpedahl

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



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"The Story of Naaman" is the subject for Kids Corner in February. Kids Corner is located in the Congregation section of our website.

My grandson was visiting one day when he asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?" I mentally polished my halo and said, "No, how are we alike?"

"You're both old," he replied.



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The audience is asked to remain seated until the end of the recession.



Concordia Congregation

Potluck follows service then annual meeting February 6, 2011

Concordia Cemetery Association

February 12, 2011 10 AM at Concordia Coffee and cookies served





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can be made in honor or in memory of a loved one or event. We'll send confirmation of your gift to the address you provide.

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Ray Johnson 7333 70 St N Glyndon, MN 56547



Bring canned or boxed groceries to the church and put them in the box in the Church narthex. They will be brought to one of the following: ++Dorothy Day House ++Churches United for the Homeless ++Bread of Life

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Concordia General Fund

In Memory of Adel Swanson: Burton & Lorna Rockstad Gene Kragnes Kjell and Orpha Hoelstad Walter & Sylvia Teigen

Concordia Cemetery Association

In Memory of the Kosen Family: Anne Kosen

In memory of Emil and Signe Boen: Anne Kosen

Donations for Gravestone Restoration: Carl & Eva Hedstrom (Aunt Orabel Thortvedt) Cherie Sabo (Sabo Family) Al & Genelle Sather (Juve Family)

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Donation Cherie Sabo

Presidents Day or Washington's Birthday?

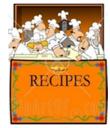
Washington's Birthday has been an official federal holiday since 1885. In 1968, Congress moved the observances of Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, and Veteran's



Day^{*} to Mondays to create more 3-day week-ends. Washington's date of birth was February 22. Ironically, observed on the third Monday in February, the holiday can never fall later than February 21.

Each state designates its own holidays and chooses whether or not to observe federal holidays. A few states do not recognize Washington's Birthday as a legal holiday. Lincoln's Birthday was never a Federal holiday, although (particularly in the north) it has been widely observed as a

Recipe of the Month



Taconite Tater Tot Hotdish

Ingredients

1-1.5 pounds ground beef
1 can cream of mushroom soup
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 small onion, chopped
2 small cloves garlic, chopped
8-12 oz Pepper Jack cheese, shredded
1 pkg Tater Tots
Salt & Pepper

Directions

- Brown ground beef, drain fat.
- Saute onion and garlic.
- In a large bowl, mix beef, onion, garlic, soup, salt & pepper
- Spread evenly into 9 X 13 baking dish. Cover with ½ shredded cheese. Place tater tots evenly in one layer over entire pan.
- Bake at 450 degrees for 30 minutes, or until tater tots are crisp.
- Cover with remaining cheese and continue baking until cheese melts.

Senator Klobuchar won the "2011 Minnesota Congressional Delegation Hotdish Cook-Off" with this recipe!

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President's Day (cont'd)

state holiday. With the addition of two new federal holidays - Columbus Day (1971) and Martin Luther King's Birthday (1986) – many states eliminated the Lincoln holiday. Some states, including Minnesota, declared the federal Washington's Birthday holiday as Presidents' Day in honor of all presidents.

*Veterans Day returned to its original fixed-date observance on November 11, 1978.

People are funny: they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church!

On the Buffalo



By Levi Thortvedt

Excerpts from the serial published in the *Moorhead Daily News* in 1938

Sketch of the Thortvedt cabin by Orabel Thortvedt

Things went along day after day until one morning Thone, my sister, and I went over to "Old Fish Place" to set out our traps. I had a fine big muskrat in my trap and just as I had gotten it out we heard a yell and a splash in the river about 25 rods upstream. We looked up the river and saw men wadng across to our side dressed in red, blue and gray. We thought it was Indians and ran home, leaving muskrats, and reported the Indians were coming. Mother hollered for father, who was in the woods. He came running and asked what it was. She said we had seen Indians coming across the river. We pointed to the place and father asked, "Why do you think it was Indians?"

"Well, they had red blankets on," we said. Father stood and looked a while but nothing was seen. After a while something appeared moving one after another in regular Indian fashion, coming very near in the direction of our house. Father said, "Well, they are full bloods and they have clothes." They were coming closer and closer with a peculiar action, stooping down to the prairie once in a while. Then all at once father woke up and made a quick motion with his hand. "It is surveyors," and so it was.

We went down to meet them and they were equally surprised to see white people. They left their instruments and came to the house to get a good drink of milk. They asked if we had butter to sell. "Yes, plenty," was the answer. They decided to move their camp nearer to ours so it would be handy to get milk and butter. Father asked if he could go along with them for a while to learn how to understand section stakes and quarter stakes. "Yes, sir, come," was the answer from a well-built man, apparently the leader of the outfit. His name was Charley White. "Come along and we will show you how to take the number of your claim. Your house stands in section 29, town 142, range 48, in the northeast quarter."

Father was with them for two days and Sir! he could tell when he found a section stake in what direction it laid, as four sections always come together with their corners. This was valuable knowledge for these new settlers, who did not know a bit about those hieroglyphics that were cut deep in the wood of every section stake.

George Cooly was the head surveyor and had charge of the crew. Charley White came next, he was father's instructor in reading section stakes. When they left, Charley promised to send father a fine cane as soon as he got back to St. Paul late in the fall.

When they left the settlers began to hunt up the section stakes to get the description of their claims. Father helped them. Now they could file anytime, but this was put off until the fall when their other work was finished.

Next Month: Cattle Lost!

For God so loVed the world, That He GAve His onLy BegottEn SoN That whosoever Believeth In Him Should Not perish,

But have **E**verlasting life.

John 3:16

I don't understand why Cupid was chosen to represent Valentine's Day. When I think about romance, the last thing on my mind is a short, chubby toddler coming at me with a weapon.

~Author Unknown.



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<u>Concordia Women of the ELCA</u>: Second Tuesday: 1:30 p.m.

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