



Concordia News

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

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Dear Members and Friends of Concordia Lutheran:

This month many in our community will be celebrating their Buffalo River Heritage of which Concordia

Lutheran played a key role. Many people find researching their family tree to be a very rewarding endeavor. I consider having met four of my grandfather Jens Krogstad's first cousins in Norway. One of my favorite photos is of Reidulf Krogstad with his hand on top of his grandfather's (my great-great-grandfather) Jen's tombstone. In the background is Vernes Lutheran Church of which my ancestors were founding members in the 11th century (it is the original building). Reidulf informed me that our ancestors were farming in the area three hundred years prior to the establishment of the church. My parents currently live on the same farm that my father's grandparents homesteaded in 1883. For many Norwegians a predictable response might be, "It must be nice having such young soil."

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The prophet Isaiah speaks to the importance of being aware of our heritage in the following passage:

Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,
Who seek the LORD:
Look to the rock from which you were hewn,
And to the quarry from which you were dug.
Look to Abraham your father,
And to Sarah who gave birth to you in pain;
When he was one I called him,
Then I blessed him and multiplied him.
Isaiah 51:1-2

As important as my ethnic heritage is to me, my most important heritage is the spiritual one that started when the first Jew: Abraham (and Sarah). WE tend to think of justification as originating with Jesus but God's first act of claiming a person as his own through a special covenant (agreement) took place over 2,000 years before Christ. God chose Abraham who was raised in the ancient city of Ur (modern Iraq). He was raised in a part of the world that practiced something similar to astrology as their religion. Yet God in his mercy claimed Abraham as his own child and made a vow to him in the first covenant He ever made with people.

Let us look to the rock from which we were hewn, and be grateful that we, like Abraham, are recipients of this great grace of God through his son, Jesus Christ.

God bless,
Pastor Bruce

Announcements and Assignments



Meeting: Tuesday, September 11
Time: 1:30
Lunch: Fryn' Pan

Week-End on the Buffalo
September 22-23,
2012

Mark Your Calendar



Cookie Servers

September 2	Delores Hagene
September 9	Becky Jetvig
September 16	Polly Hanson
September 23	Sylvia Teigen
September 30	Doris Kassenborg
October 7	Linda Koester
October 14	Osie Juve
October 21	Barb Grover
October 28	Carolyn Edwards

Saturday, Sept. 22, 2012 - 10 a.m.

- Speakers include:

Mark Piehl, archivist at the Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, who will talk about the upcoming exhibit of works by Orabel Thortvedt of our community and Anne Stein of Georgetown.

Jim Skree, archivist at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church and the Stone Church in Houston MN (and cousin of many in the Buffalo River community). Most early pioneers migrated from Houston County in the southeastern corner of Minnesota, and he will talk about the historical, ethnic, and familial connections these two communities share.

- Lunch
- Bus tour of pioneer homesteads/homesites (\$10.00)

Sunday, Sept. 23, 2012 - 9 a.m.

- Coffee
- Communion service at 10 a.m.
- Lunch

Pre-registration is encouraged.

A registration form is found later in this newsletter. Forms are also available on the Buffalo Week-end website:

www.buffalopioneers.org

The size of the bus will be based on the number of pre-registrations. Preregistration guarantees you a spot on the bus. Empty seats will be sold at the Week-end for \$10 each.

Fall Begins on Saturday, Sept. 22!

If you know of someone in the hospital or in need of a home visit, contact Pastor Bruce at 218-329-2245.



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“The Apostles Creed” is the subject for Kids Corner in September. Kids Corner is located in the Congregation section of our website.



Youth is like spring, an over-praised season more remarkable for biting winds than gentle breezes.

Autumn is the mellow season, and

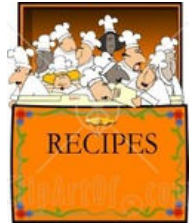
what we lose in flowers we more than gain in fruits.

~Samuel Butler

Donations

With Our Thanks

Recipe of the Month Butternut Squash Au Gratin



Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 large onions, cut into 1-inch squares
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh sage
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 3 pounds butternut squash - peeled, seeded, and cut into 1/2-inch cubes
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 10 tablespoons heavy whipping cream
- 1 cup fresh bread crumbs
- 1 1/2 tablespoons butter, melted

Directions

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a baking dish with butter.
- Heat 1 tablespoon butter and olive oil in a large skillet over low heat; add onions and sage. Cover and cook, stirring occasionally, until onions are browned, about 25 minutes. Season with salt and black pepper.
- Place a steamer insert into a saucepan and fill with water to just below the bottom of the steamer. Bring water to a boil. Add squash, cover, and steam until tender, 10 to 20 minutes.
- Transfer squash to baking dish; toss with garlic and 3/4 teaspoon salt. Add the caramelized onions to the pan and gently mix to combine.
- Warm cream in a saucepan over low heat; pour over squash mixture. Stir to coat. Combine bread crumbs and 1 1/2 tablespoons melted butter together in a bowl; sprinkle over squash mixture.
- Bake in the preheated oven until gratin is bubbling and breadcrumbs are browned, 20 to 25 minutes.

Concordia Cemetery Association

In Memory of LaVonne Akers

Regina Hanson

Myron Hagene

Mike & Kay Edwards

Kristi & Gregg Trautwein

In Honor of Margret Kragnes' 90th Birthday

Harold & Sally Horpedahl

The First Day of School



Teacher: How can you make so many mistakes in just one day?

Pupil: I get up early !

What would happen if you took the school bus home?

The police would make you bring it back !

Father: How do you like your new teacher?

Daughter: I don't. She told me to sit up front for the present and then she didn't give me one!

Mother: Does your teacher like you?

Son: Like me, she loves me. Look at all those X's on my test paper!

Mother: How did you find school today?

Daughter: I got off the bus and there it was!

Son: I'm not going back to school ever again

Mother: Why ever not ?

Son: The teacher doesn't know a thing, all she does is ask questions!

Teacher: Name one important thing we have today that we didn't have ten years ago.

Pupil: Me!



To Verna Kragnes, and siblings David, Amy and JoAnn for providing the cake and a chance for fellowship honoring their mom, Margret Kragnes, after church on Sunday, August 26.

Margret celebrated her 90th birthday on Aug. 23.

Registration for "Week-End on the Buffalo" September 22-23, 2012

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Number in your party: _____

I/We plan to attend on:

Saturday

Sunday

Pre-registration is not absolutely required to attend the week-end activities. The information above will be used for program planning and meal preparation.

BUS TOUR

I/We will participate in the bus tour on Saturday afternoon

# of riders		\$/Person		Total Enclosed
	x	\$10.00	=	\$
Pre-registration reserves your spot on the tour bus. We will use the pre-registration number to rent the appropriate bus size. Any available unreserved seats will be available on Saturday.				











Make check payable to "Week-End on the Buffalo"

Drop your registration form off in the narthex at Concordia or mail it to:

Sylvia Teigen
914 4th Avenue South
Moorhead MN 56560

To assure your spot on the bus, deadline is Sunday, September 16

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 GREEN 9 am Coffee 10 am Worship Communion 	3  Labor Day	4	5	6 	7	8
9 GREEN 9 am Coffee 10 am Worship  Doris Kassenberg Neil & Polly Hanson	10	11  WELCA 1:30	12  Ray & Tara Amundson	13  Sylvia Teigen	14	15
16 GREEN 9 am Coffee 10am Worship	17	18	19	20 NewsLetter DEADLINE	21  Dick & Maie Wang	22 Fall Begins 10 am Week-end On the Buffalo
23 GREEN 9 am Coffee 10 am Worship Communion 11 am Lunch	24 	25	26	27	28  Ray Amundson	29
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Concordia Lutheran Church**

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Sunday Worship:

Coffee Hour: 9:00a.m

Worship Service: 10:00a.m.

Communion: 1st Sunday of the month

Concordia Women of the ELCA:

Second Tuesday: 1:30 p.m.

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