

# Concordia News May 2014



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Reflections on the season of Easter:

This year the reading for Easter Sunday was from the Gospel of Matthew.



Gospel of Matthew has details about the resurrection that other Gospels do not include. In Matthew the announcement of the resurrection was not only by a celestial messenger and the women but also by nature. An earthquake accompanied the event it was of such enormity.

Good Friday worship this last week, was accompanied by a display of nature as heavy winds broadsided Concordia during the service. The moans and groans that it elicited added to the drama of the reading of the passion narrative. It was as if nature were echoing the pathos of Jesus through his betrayal, his kangaroo court, his abandonment by friends and finally by his sense of abandonment by his Father. Correspondingly, on Easter morning, nature reflected the joy and new life of the original Easter by basking us in warm sunshine and calm winds. While we cannot count on nature's "cooperation" with the church year, it is a nice, while it lasts.

Another characteristic of the Gospel of Matthew, is that it, along with other Gospel's, is very clear that joy and fear are not mutually exclusive. The women are afraid as they have seen an angel. They are also afraid because their whole world view has been turned inside out; while they were horrified by their beloved Jesus' death, more terrifying still is a man that dies but does not remain dead. The rules of the universe were turned on their head. All their assumptions about the most basic underpinnings of reality had been called into question. It was not just the earthquake that shook their world on that first Easter morning.

For you and me, can we dare to hope that God can continue to rob death of its seaming victory? If the answer to that question is uncertain or ill defined I invite you to participate in the ongoing account of the resurrection as we continue to celebrate the resurrection this Easter season at Concordia, for it to such like the fearful women and us that God has intervened to save this great season of new life.

> God bless, Pastor Bruce



#### Concordia Ladies

Date: Tuesday, May 13, 2014

**Time:** 1:30 p.m. **Location:** Fryn' Pan

# Coffee and Cookie Servers



May 4 May 11 May 18 May 25 June 1 June 8 June 15 June 22	Delores Hagene Becky Jegtvig Polly Hanson Sylvia Teigen Doris Kassenborg Linda Koester Osie Juve Irene Olson
June 29	Carolyn Edwards
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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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"Peter's Ministry" is the subject for Kids Corner in May. Kids Corner is located in the congregation section of the website.

# Congratulations to Grandparents Neil and Polly Hanson and Great-Grandma Regina Hanson



Big sister Ingrid welcomed her brother Nels Erik Hanson born on January 21, 2014. He weighed in at 8 lbs., 1 oz and was 21" long. Proud parents are Erik and Kris Hanson.



# Welcome Moland Town Board to Concordia Church!

The Moland Township board has requested to use

the entry of the church for their board meetings, held the second Tuesday of each month. They will also hold elections in the church.

## Congratulations to New Grandparents Ralph and Barb Grover



Their daughter Maggie and her husband John became the proud parents of Abigail Ann Minge at 11:59 p.m. on March 25<sup>th</sup>. The strawberry blonde was 20" long and weighed 7 lb. 9 oz. Abby will be baptized at Concordia this summer.



### Olson Granddaughter To Be Confirmed



Irene Olson's granddaughter Sammy
Hatman will be confirmed on May 4, 2014 at the Lutheran Church of the Cross in West Fargo.





Saturday, May 17, 2014 10:30 A.M.

Concordía Lutheran Church 6637 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue North Glyndon MN

MUSICAL PERFORMING DUO Jacob Nelson & Jessie Braaten

Rømmegrøt & Krumkake for sale

From Highway 10: 7 miles north on County Road 11, turn left

From Highway 75: Turn right on County Rd 26 (90 Ave N) Go east 4 miles, turn right on County Rd 11 (70<sup>th</sup> Street) South 1 mile, turn right



# ponations

#### Concordia Cemetery Fund

In Memory of Paul Grover
Cleone Koester & Richard Klomstad
Alice & LeRoy Horpedahl

In Memory of Evangeline Johnson
Don & Wendy Johnson

In Memory of Lorna Horpedahl
Alice & LeRoy Horpedahl

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In Memory of Paul Grover
Cleone Koester & Richard Klomstad

In Memory of Beatrice Morken
Osie Juve



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Spring Ham Dinner. It was a good event for the church and we thank everyone who attended and those who helped with the

preparations and the dinner. Thank you also for the gift certificate from Hornbachers. We appreciate their kindness and generosity.

Thank you to Doris Kassenborg for sharing her portable piano for Lenten Services. We were able to have music during the services in the basement. Thank you, Doris, for your thoughtfulness.

# Moorhead Daily News May 6, 1940 Comets told 4-H Goals

The goals for 4-H work were discussed by Miss Margaret Opp at a Friday meeting in the Riverside school of the Buffalo River Comets 4-H club. Regina Hagene gave a demonstration of sewing, Dorothy Sorby played a tonette solo to the accompaniment of Miss Mabel Gunderson, and Edwin Kassenborg spoke on pigs. Edwin Kassenborg gave a reading and Alverne Rinke was a program chairman. Hostesses were Mmes. Clarence Rinke and Oscar Paulson.

# Recipe of the Month Tim Walz's Turkey Trot Tater Tot Hotdish



Winner of the 2014 Minnesota Congressional Delegation's Hotdish Competition

#### **Ingredients**

1 lb. fresh green beans, cut into bite-sized pieces

4 slices bacon

1 clove garlic, finely chopped

6 tablespoons butter

5-6 tablespoons flour

2 ½ cups whole milk

½ cup half and half

2 teaspoons salt

3 cups shredded cheddar cheese

1 lb. ground turkey

½ teaspoon sage

1 teaspoon pepper

1 egg

1 tablespoon olive oil

½ cup green onions

1/4 cup chopped onions

 $1 \frac{1}{2}$  cup baby bella mushrooms, washed and dried

1 package tater tots

#### **Directions**

- Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
- Blanch green beans by dropping them in boiling water for 2-3 minutes. Use a slotted spoon to remove from water and plunge into ice water.
- Heat olive oil in a 10" skillet. Brown turkey mixture to 165 degrees and place in a 9X13 baking pan.
- Fry bacon until crisp and cut into ¼" strips. Mix into turkey.
- Once green beans are completely cool, drain and mix with turkey.
- Heat 2 TB butter in a skillet. When the butter foams, add mushrooms. Stir gently for 4-5 minutes, or 2 minutes past the browning point. Remove from heat and add to baking pan.
- In a sauce pan, melt butter over medium heat. Little by little, sprinkle in flour and mix. Let cook for 2 minutes. Add milk and half & half slowly and cook for two minutes. Added diced onions, salt and pepper. After a minute, stir in 2 ½ cups of cheese until it melts. Pour over other ingredients
- Sprinkle with tater tots and the rest of the cheese.
- Cook for 45 minutes or until golden brown



I Am a Soldier
By Neal T. Lesh

I am a soldier born to follow or lead. To serve my country in time of its need; To protect our great nation with my heart and my soul

To preserve our new freedoms was one of my goals.

I joined in the struggle [a new nation to forge] And fought with my brethren to run off King George

Severely outnumbered, Red Coats everywhere, To continue the fighting was so hard to bear.

Finally it was over; fighting came to a close From the ashes of tyranny a new nation arose I returned to my family no longer a boy But a man and a soldier with a heart full of joy.

I am a soldier, keeping rifle at hand In defense of our people as we open new land I have sworn to protect with all of my might A republic of freedom based on that which is right.

I am a soldier who is sickened at heart At a nation in danger of breaking apart More than just vanity has brought us this far; Fighting brother on brother in a great civil war

There will never be peace in the land of the free

If we fail as a nation in the wisdom to see That our constitution provides for each man's equal due

Not just for the many at the expense of a few.

I am a soldier, who has fought the Great War, In the trenches of France with a passion to score In the name of what's holy in the name of what's right

Against enemies of liberty, I carried my fight.

From the beaches of Normandy to Iwo Jima's sand,

Soldiers died by the thousands in some far distant land

They had shared noble reasons for the lives that they gave---

For the land of the free and the home of the brave.

I am a soldier, not a demon, as some people believe

For it's not in my nature to kill and cause grief I would rather take up a far greater cause, Turning sword into plowshare without even pause.

It's a much better world when we sleep and devise

All those wonderful musings where our hopes come alive

I am a soldier with conscience and I wish that I knew

How to use all my power to make dreams come true.

I am a soldier standing guard through the night

Supported by others who join in the fight To do what it takes we work as a team So others can share in America's dream.

There are those in this world full of anger and hate

Who'd tear down our country; they now stand at our gate.

That so many people have died at their hand Should send out a signal throughout our great land.

I will take up this battle for the families who cried

For the loss of their loved ones who needlessly died.

Yes, I am a soldier and I'd die if need be, For your right to be happy and your right to be free.

Contributed by Harold Horpedahl

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