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This coming season of Lent, Concordia Lutheran will be using a drama series based on Martin Luther's teachings in recognition of the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. The following is a very good summary of what Lent means to Lutherans provided from Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church in

Virginia:

The season of Lent is a time of reflection and soul searching. It has been a time of preparation for Easter since the earliest days of the church and a preparation for Holy Baptism. Lent is observed as 40 days beginning on Ash Wednesday and ending on Maundy Thursday. All churches with a history before 1500 AD observe Lent. The ancient churches that propagated the New Testament believed observing was a commandment of the apostles.

In the Western Church Sunday is a day of the Resurrection, therefore we skip Sundays in the calculation of the length of Lent. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, the seventh Wednesday before Easter. The last day before Lent has become the "last fling" before the solitude of Lent. This day may be called Mardi Gras,

Shrove Tuesday, Carnival or *Fasching*. By custom, we fast during Lent by abstaining from eating meat during Lent. This is why some refer to the festival Carnival which is Latin for Farewell to Meat.

Eastern churches do not skip Sundays in calculating the length of Lent or as they refer to it as Great Lent. Great Lent begins on Clean Monday, the seventh Monday before Easter and ends the Friday before Palm Sunday and uses the eastern date of Easter. The Lenten fast is relaxed on weekends in honor of Saturday and Sunday. Great Lent is followed by Lazarus Saturday and Palm Sunday. These are feast days and then the fast resumes on Monday of Holy Week. Holy Week is a separate season from Great Lent in the Eastern Church.

**Why 40 days?** There are 40 days in lent, which represent a time of fasting from both foods and festivities. There are three practices during Lent – Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. Some people will give up something they like or money for Lent and donate the time or money to charity. It is a time of reflection with a break in the fast on Sundays. For the Roman Catholic Church, other liturgical Christian churches, Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday form the Easter Triduum. Lent is a season of penitence that ends with a celebration of Easter. In the Eastern Orthodox circles, Lent is known as Bright Sadness. In former times, food was stored in the autumn

and was running out or would spoil if not used up. Few or no new crops were due. This may be the origin of the semi-fast. For the Roman Catholic Mass, the Lutheran Divine Service and Anglican Eucharist, the Gloria in Excelsis Deo and the Alleluia are not sung during the Lenten season.

The Liturgical calendar relives major events in Jesus' life in real time, which is why Lent is 40 days. Assuming Jesus was born on December 25<sup>th</sup>, his conception, his incarnation, would have been nine months earlier or about March 25<sup>th</sup>. That would have been when the angel Gabriel would have announced to Mary the birth of Jesus.

The forty day period is symbolic of many things:

- **Moses & Elijah** spent forty days in the wilderness
- **Noah** had rain for forty days and forty nights
- **The Jews** wandered forty years to the promised land
- **Jonah** gave the city of Nineveh forty days to repent
- **Jesus** fasted forty days in the wilderness with temptation.

Grace and peace,  
*Pastor Bruce*

# Coffee and Cookie Servers

March 5	Linda Koester	April 2	Germaine Gress
March 12	Gordy Kassenborg	April 9	Mavis Wang
March 19	Carolyn Edwards	April 16	Lloyd Gunderson
March 26	Clinton Babolian	April 23	Sue Kassenborg
		April 30	Myron Hagene



## BIBLE STUDY

No Bible study in March



## Concordia Ladies

Tuesday, March 14

1:30 p.m. Fryn' Pan

## Join the ROMEOs!

*Retired Old Men Eating Out*

7:30 a.m. Friday, March 31 - Fryn' Pan



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*

The lesson for Kid's Corner in October is "The Parable of the Lost Sheep" Kid's Corner is located in the congregation section of our website.



In addition, more marriage and baptism records have been transcribed and are now available through 1940. Find them under 'History' in the Congregation section of the website.

## Veterans Coffee Hour

Fargo Air Museum  
1609 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Fargo

**Wednesday, March 15**

10 a.m. – Noon



March 1	March 22
March 8	March 29
March 15	April 5
March 22	

**Supper 5 pm**  
**Services follow**



**Maundy Thursday, April 13**

Communion Service at 5 pm (no supper)



Officers as of the annual meeting on February 5:

President: Gordon Kassenborg

Vice President:

Secretary: Wescott Tommerdahl

Treasurers: Neil & Polly Hanson

Board Members: Irene Olson, Walter Teigen, Clinton Babolian

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## CEMETERY BOARD

President: Aron Kassenborg

Vice President: Gerald Hagene

Secretary: Wescott Tommerdahl

Treasurer: Ray Johnson

Advisor: Harold Horpedahl

**There are two open seats** on the cemetery association board. Family members of those buried in Concordia Cemetery are eligible to serve. If you're interested in learning more about board participation, contact any cemetery association board member for more information.

## Your Donations



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.

### **General Fund or Roofing Fund:**

Make checks out to Concordia Lutheran Church and mail to:

Neil & Polly Hanson  
7312 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
Glyndon MN, 56547

### **Concordia Newsletter**

Make checks out to Concordia News and mail to: Walter Teigen

915 4th Avenue South  
Moorhead MN 56560

### **Concordia Cemetery Association:**

Make checks out to the association and mail to:

Ray Johnson  
7333 70 St N  
Glyndon MN 56547





**How it works:** If you have a prayer request you wish to share, call the Prayer Chain. Start by calling the first person on the list below. If there is no answer, try the second name, and so on. Give your message and ask that it be

shared. That person will pass the message on to the next person on the list, and so on.

1. Ella – 233-4154
2. Osie – 233-5906
3. Barb – 233-4280
2. Regina – 233-8443
3. Doris K. – 233-7238
5. Harold/Sally-233-7201
6. Mavis – 233-5463
7. Polly – 233-8622
8. Orpha – 287-3774
9. Sylvia – 236-6693
10. Kathy – 329-2246
11. Lloyd – 287-8707
12. Irene – 277-8819
13. Jerry Hagene -701-261-4234



## Dorothy Day House of Hospitality, Inc.

*"A caring, Christian community that shelters, nourishes,  
and empowers people who are homeless and hungry."*

### **Moorhead's Dorothy Day House Could Use Your Help!**

The food pantry is located at 1308 Main Avenue in Moorhead. The pantry has the greatest need for volunteers. Hours are Monday and Wednesday from 6:30pm - 7:45pm and Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00pm - 2:45pm. Volunteers help families shop for their food. You are asked to come thirty minutes before opening for a brief orientation. Plan to stay up to thirty minutes after we close. Choose whatever day works best for you but call ahead so your name can be added to the schedule. It is important to know how many volunteers will be available for each shift. Earlier in the day and on Fridays volunteers help with stocking shelves, sorting/organizing donations, light cleaning, and yard work. Please contact Jim, the Food Pantry Coordinator, at 218-284-8895 or [jmanly@fmddh.org](mailto:jmanly@fmddh.org) to schedule a day/night that works best for you.

### **Shelter Opportunities**

The emergency shelter at 714 8<sup>th</sup> Street South serves a hot meal at 6 pm 7 days of the week. Families, churches, school groups, or other

volunteers bring the meal. To participate, plan to serve 15 people plus yourselves. Due to limited space, **we can have a maximum of 4-5 volunteers here at a time.** You are welcome to cook the meal at the shelter (pots/pans and a stove/oven are available). You can prepare it off-site but regulations require that preparation occur in a commercial kitchen. You are welcome to eat at the house; that is always an enjoyable experience for all involved! If this does not work for you, other options include:

- 1.) bring a bag of groceries with a recipe for the staff/guests to prepare or
- 2.) make a donation to our meal fund.

For this opportunity, you can contact Amy, the Operations Director, at 218-233-5763 or [anash@fmddh.org](mailto:anash@fmddh.org).

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Lars asked Ole, "Do ya know da difference between a Norwegian and a canoe?"

"No, I don't," said Ole.

"A canoe will sometimes tip," explained Lars.



With Our Thanks

# **Donations**

## **Concordia Cemetery Fund**

*In Memory of the Partyke Family*

Jenifer Partyke

*In Memory of Paul Partyke*

Charles & Margaret Cheney

## **Concordia News**

*In Memory of Wilfred (Willy) Grover*

Susan Offutt

*In Memory of Ardoth Kragnes*

Osie Juve



**First Day of Spring  
Monday, March 20**



With Our Thanks



## THANK YOU

...to all the congregation and cemetery board members for the time and talent they share with all of us through their service. Your participation in the life of the congregation keeps it going strong!

**Special thanks to Sylvia Teigen** for her years of service on the board and her lifelong commitment to the congregation's young people.

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**Daylight Savings**

**Time Begins**

2:00 a.m.

**Sunday, March 12**

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Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life...

Pope Benedict XVI

*The  
Season  
of  
Lent*



# Turkey-Vegetable Soup



## Ingredients

- |                               |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 TB butter                   | 1 medium onion, diced   |
| 6 cups turkey broth           | 3 medium carrots, diced |
| 2 celery stalks, diced        | 1 cup frozen lima beans |
| ¼ tsp pepper                  | ¾ tsp salt              |
| 2 cups cooked rice            | 1 ½ cup frozen corn     |
| 2 cups shredded cooked turkey |                         |

## Directions

- In 4 qt saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Add onions and cook until tender.
- Pour in broth and carrots, celery, and beans. Add salt and pepper and heat to boiling. Reduce heat and cook until veggies are tender.
- Add rice and corn, heat to boiling.
- Reduce heat and add cooked turkey. Simmer for 10 minutes.



# Lenten Prayer



**from Martin Luther**

*God wants us to pray, and He wants to hear our prayers – not because we are worthy, but because He is merciful.*

Lord Jesus,

You are my righteousness,

I am your sin.

You took on you what was mine;

Yet set on me what was yours.

You became what you were not,

That I might become what I was not.

Amen

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Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*, which means "spring." The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

## Bits and Pieces

Lent is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter" and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

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### **Moorhead Daily News - March 18, 1933**

#### **R. C. Crouch tells of Red Cross at P.T.A.**

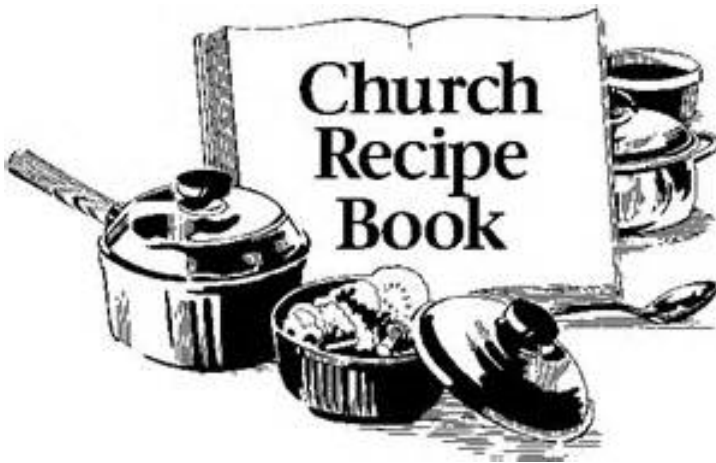
"Red Cross in Clay County" was the topic discussed by Rev. R. C. Crouch, Moorhead pastor, at the Parent-Teacher association of Grover-Gunderson schools, held last night at the Grover school. Rev. Crouch is the county chairman of the Red Cross.

Included in the program were the prize-winning declamatory contest selections by Alfred Richards and Elizabeth Koops. The male chorus of Averill, directed by Clarissa Bergquist, sang.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Obert Tweeton, Mrs. George Tweeton and Mrs. Ole Toso.



# COOKBOOK ORDER FORM



We are doing a cookbook and are taking preorders so we have an idea on approximately how many copies to order. The deadline for preordering will be March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The cost per book is \$13.00, after the deadline the cost will be \$15.00 per book. The proceeds from the cookbook will go to the General Fund.

We will ship the cookbook to you when they arrive, which will be around Mother's Day.

## **Postmarked by MARCH 3**

Price per book           \$13.00  
Shipping & Handling    \$4.00  
Total Cost per book-   \$17.00

## **ORDERED ON OR AFTER MARCH 3**

Price per book           \$15.00  
Shipping & Handling    4.00  
Total Cost per book   \$17.00

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How many copies: \_\_\_\_\_

Extra copies will be available after this date at the cost of \$15.00 per book, plus S&H.

Make checks out to: Concordia Lutheran Church

Send to: Sue Kassenborg

5955 80<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.

Glyndon, MN 56547

# Dates to Remember

## **Worship Services every Sunday**

Coffee Hour: 9 a.m.          Worship: 10 a.m.

Communion 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month

**Lenten Supper and Services** Each Wednesday in March  
Supper at 5 p.m., Services follow

**Bible Study**                  None in March

**Concordia Women** 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 14

**Veteran Coffee Hour** 10 a.m., Wednesday, March 15

**ROMEOS**                  7:30 a.m., Friday, 9

## **Birthdays**

March 1          Peggy Kragnes                  March 20 Karolynn Decker

March 7          Kathy Grover                  March 27 Dick Wang

March 13          Wescott Tommerdahl          March 30 David Kragnes

## **Anniversaries**

March 22 Jim & Linda Koester

March 23 Ralph & Barb Grover          March 31 David & Peggy

March 24 Curt & Kristine Lynde                  Kragnes

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