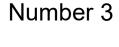
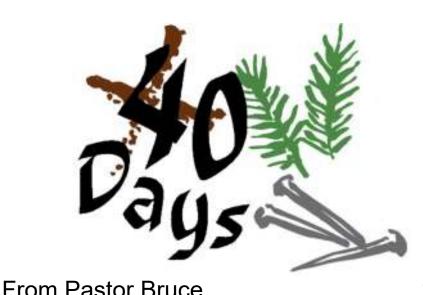
# Concordia News – Large Print

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family, and friends of
Concordia Lutheran Church and
Concordia Cemetery Association





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#### **From Pastor Bruce**



Lent is a season in the church year that is dedicated to

contemplating the radical nature of Christ's life and death. The mystery of divine suffering and the necessary event of the



death of the divine have inspired not only theologians and pastors but also poets, musicians and artists to push the boundaries of human ingenuity in the attempt to plumb the depths/capture the essence and emotional impact of the events of Jesus' life leading up to and including Holy Week. There are many ways humans have sought to explore this great mystery; most recently it has included drama. We have utilized drama at Concordia before drawing upon congregational volunteers to participate. Given that the word "liturgy" literally means (in Greek) "the work of the people" it is appropriate to have lay people involved in worship.

This year we will be using the liturgical drama, <u>Convicted</u>. It is a themed Lenten series that includes full worship liturgies that enable the congregation to step into a court room for Ash Wednesday and the following five weeks of Lent. Each *Convicted* service puts a different Biblical person on trial, accused of a 21st century crime

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pertaining to their role in the events leading up to Jesus' crucifixion. An overall guiding question leads the arguments of each case while the congregation serves as the jury.

All are welcome to be a part of this year's Wed evening events which start March 6 with a simple supper at 5:00 followed by worship.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Bruce



ASH WEDNESDAY

Supper & Service

Wednesday, March 6, 5 p.m.

## **Coffee and Cookie Servers**

March 3 Kathy Krogstad April 7 Carolyn Edwards

March 10 Irene Olson April 14 Germaine Gress

March 17 Becky Jegtvig April 21 Lloyd Gunderson

March 24 Polly Hanson April 27 Orpha Hoelstad

March 31 Linda Koester

# **Bible Study**



### No Bible Study In March or April



# **Concordia Ladies**

Tuesday, March 12 1 p.m.

Fry'n Pan



# Join The Romeos!

Retired Old Men Eating Out 7:30 a.m., Friday, March 29 Fryn' Pan Pastoral Care If you know of someone in the hospital or in need of a home visit, contact Pastor Bruce at 218-329-2245.

In March the subject in Kids Corner is "Don't Brag." Kids Corner is located in the Congregation section of the website.



# **Veteran's Coffee Hour**

Join your fellow veterans at the Fargo Air Museum from 10noon Wednesday, March 13



The word "Lent" comes from the Old English word lencten, which means spring. Beginning in the 9<sup>th</sup> century, it has become the common name of the season of reflection and preparation for Easter.

**Announcements and Assignments** 



# Supper at 5 p.m. Services follow

## Wednesdays March 6, 13, 20, 27

# **Concordia Church Annual Meeting February 3**

Irene Olson and Walter Teigen retired from the Council after serving the maximum two terms. Gordon Kassenborg and Wescott Tommerdahl agreed to extend their maximum terms by one year to offset the number of Council members to be elected each year.

Clinton Babolian continues as Council member for the last year of his first term. Orpha Hoelstad and Jim Koester were elected to the Council for three-year terms. Co-treasurers Neil and Polly Hanson also agreed to extend their maximum terms by one year.

The Council re-elected Gordon President and Wescott Secretary. Jim was elected Vice-President.

Alene Sladky will be delegate to Sanford, Lloyd Gunderson volunteered to be delegate to Eventide and Karolynn Decker continues as delegate to the Northwest Minnesota Synod.

All minutes and reports were reviewed and accepted as was the proposed 2019 Budget.

\*\*Gordon K.\*\*



# Concordia Lutheran Church Ham Dinner



# Sunday, April 14, 2019 Serving from 11:00 am- 1:00pm

Free Will Offering

6637 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue North Glyndon, MN.

Directions: Take Hwy 10 East of Dilworth to County Road 11. Go North 6 miles. The church is on the West side of the road.



#### **Concordia Cemetery Association**

# In Memory of Gerald and Ruby Grover Alene Sladky



The Cemetery Board thanks all who volunteered and made donations in 2018, with special recognition to:

- Laura Von Bank for mowing Concordia Cemetery
- Jeff Winter for mowing Leif Erickson Cemetery
- Neil Hanson for auditing the books
- Alene Grover Sladky for maintaining the website
- Karolynn Decker, Sylvia and Walter Teigen for including Cemetery news in the newsletter
- Gordon and Sue Kassenborg for donating gas for the mower
- All who participated in the Memorial Day service
- Special thanks to organist Kathy Krogstad and pianist Orpha Hoelstad



THANKS to retiring Church board members Walter Teigen and Irene Olson.

THANK YOU to <u>all</u> church and cemetery board members past and present for the time and talent shared with all of us. Your participation in the life of the congregation keeps it going strong!

Everything in life has its own time; time to celebrate and time to mourn. Lent is the time of reflection and transformation; a time to look within and strive to become who we ought to be.

~Aaron Saul

One year for Lent, I decided that rather than *giving up* something, I would find a way to improve my life (and the lives of others) during those 40 days and 40 nights. It started with my grandparents. All of my grandparents lived in Ohio, so they lived about four hours away from our family. They were all very important to me and I realized that even with the distance, I could build a stronger relationship to them during Lent by starting a letter writing campaign. I decided to write to all of them every week during Lent and it felt good to connect with them in a note beyond the typical thank-you note: I was writing something deeper about how they impacted my life and why they were important to me.

#### With Our Thanks

Once Lent was over, I thought I was done with my "Lenten sacrifice." But, I found out that my grandparents came to look forward to my notes and that I had just started a life-long journey, not just a Lenten one.

My grandmother, Lola, lived to be 102 years old. We were so lucky that she lived in a nursing home close to us for the last 12 years of her life, so that we could see her often—even when she began to forget our names. When she came to live in the nursing home and when she died, my parents found my letters to her—she had saved them. That meant so much to me that she enjoyed our conversation from a distance.

When my Nanny got remarried to Bill, I kept up the tradition with him, even after Nanny died. He had been important to her and so he was important to me.

I think that is the gist of thank-you notes, or notes of any kind. While they may be old-fashioned and time-consuming to write, these notes are a very personal way to show and tell someone how important they are to us. As Lent has just started, I've decided that our family will do the same thing: we will remember each day what or who we are thankful for, and then we will choose one person to write to each week. What or who are you thankful for? Have you told them lately? Lent is the perfect time to share your appreciation.

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# **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.

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Make checks out to Concordia Lutheran Church and mail to:

Neil & Polly Hanson

7312 90th 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

# Recipe of the Month Roots and Rice Soup

#### Ingredients

- 8 cups water
- 4 beef bouillon cubes
- 1 1/2 cups rice
- 2 cups turnips, peeled and diced
- 1 cup parsnips, peeled and diced
- 1 large potato, peeled and diced
- ½ cup grated carrots
- ½ cup chopped onions
- 1 chopped garlic clove
- Salt & Pepper to Taste

#### **Directions**

- Place all ingredients in a large pot, bring to a boil over high heat.
- Cover and simmer for 25-40 minutes, or until turnips, parsnips and potatoes are tender.



# Dates to Remember

### Worship Services every Sunday

Coffee Hour: 9 a.m.

Worship: 10 a.m.

Communion first Sunday of the Month

Bible Study

No Bible Study during March & April

Lenten Supper & Service 5:00 p.m. March 6, 13, 20, 27

Concordia Ladies

1 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

Veteran Coffee Hour 10 a.m., Wednesday, March 13

ROMEOs

7:30 a.m., Friday, March 29

### **Birthdays**

March 1 Peggy Kragnes

March 7 Kathy Grover

March 13 Wescott Tommerdahl

March 20 Karolynn Decker

March 27 Dick Wang

March 30 David Kragnes

#### **Anniversaries**

March 22 Jim & Linda Koester

March 23 Ralph & Barb Grover

March 31 David & Peggy Kragnes

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