

# *Concordia News*

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

**Concordia Lutheran Church/Cemetery Association**

**April 2006**

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Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus!

April and the warm winds of Spring are just around the corner. Perhaps a snow storm or two, something to help us keep from getting too far ahead of ourselves. But out here in Concordia Country things are going on just as the good Lord would have it go.

There's a lot of sunshine and forgiveness and that is what warms the earth and the heart. There is a lot of hope and understanding just below the surface of the soil and it is true that all kinds of things boil beneath the surface...things that Luther reminds us need to be taken each day to the Lord as we put on our baptism and remember that Christ has claimed us.

So when we greet one another we greet one another in the Name of Jesus, recognizing our human condition in the light of our redemption.

Come to think of it, that's what Easter is all about.

Blessings.

Pastor Paul

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**WELCA**

April 11 1:30 pm

Bible Leader: Group

Lunch: Irene Olson

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**Cookie Servers**

April 2 – Ella Swanson

April 9 – Germaine Gress

April 16- Easter Sunday

April 23- Sue Kassenborg

April 30- Linda Koester



We are now taking orders for Easter Lilies. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex.

**Cost: \$5.99** if before April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**\$6.99** if after April 7<sup>th</sup>.

Please give or send your money to Clinton Babolian, treasurer.

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## **REMINDER**

Please send us your response to which copy of the newsletter that you would like to receive, as soon as possible. We need this in order to figure out our costs for postage, as we no longer qualify for bulk mailing rates.

Responses can be sent to:

**Concordia Lutheran Church**

**P.O. Box 158**

**Dilworth, MN.56529**

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Contributions for the “Concordia News” newsletter are always appreciated. If you would like to send a contribution, please send it to the treasurer:

Valdemar Hagene  
6756 70<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.  
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If you have any cartoons, jokes, quotes, poems, thoughts of wisdom, or recipes that you would like to share please send them, or e-mail them to me at the addresses listed above.  
Thank You Barb Grover

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Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited until you try to sit in their pew.

# **Thank You For:**

## **Concordia News Gifts:**

Olive Babolian

Clinton Babolian

Ruth Farabee

Cheri Sabo

LeRoy Horpedahl

Earl & Phylis Nichols

## **Memorials:**

*In memory of Mildred Kragnes*

Melvin & Ardoth Kragnes

*In memory of Wanda Grover Sem Pomeroy*

Steve and Alene Sladky

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## **Cemetery Association**

*In memory of Mildred Kragnes*

Terry & Joy Eidem

Erik Rockstad

*New push mower*

Don & Evangeline Johnson

**Thank you to:**

Gordy and Aron Kassenborg for cleaning out the church parking lot this winter.

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**Thank You:**

I want to thank everyone for all the cards and good wishes that you have sent to me. Thank you for keeping me in your thoughts and prayers.

Olive Babolian

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**Concordia Congregation Mission Fund**

Thank you for your support of seminary education. Your support has been a blessing to my wife and I. Your contribution has enabled me to concentrate more on my studies. Thank you

for investing your time, energy and finances in the future leaders of the church. May God bless you in your ministry.

In Service,

Justin E. Johnson

**NEW MAILING ADDRESS FOR:**

Concordia Lutheran Church

P.O. Box 158

Dilworth, Minnesota 56529

**Pastor Paul Bortnem**

If you are in need of pastoral care, please call

Pastor Bortnem at: 701-271-9253 –home

701-730-6656 -cell



## **Little Bobby**

Little Bobby was spending the weekend with his grandmother after a particularly trying week in kindergarten. His grandmother decided to take him to the park on Saturday morning. It had been snowing all night and everything was beautiful.

His grandmother remarked..."Doesn't it look like an artist painted this scenery? Did you know God painted this just for you?"

Bobby said "Yes, God did it and he did it left handed."

This confused his grandmother a bit, and she asked him, "What makes you say God did this with his left hand?"

"Well, said Bobby, we learned at Sunday School last week that Jesus sits on God's right hand."

Submitted by

Doris Kassenborg

## **Recipe Corner:**

### Cream of Cabbage Soup

1 ½ quarts beef stock      1 pint ham stock  
2 quarts chicken stock      8 oz. butter  
6oz. rough cut onions      8 oz. flour  
6 oz. rough cut carrots      6 oz. rough cut celery  
½ head of shredded cabbage  
½ pint whipping cream

Spices: salt, white pepper, Lawry's salt, celery seed, nutmeg.

Place butter in a good sized saucepan, melt over medium heat, add rough cut vegetables, sauté, and then add flour, stir flour in well, and add stocks, and spices. Stir frequently and let simmer for at least 2 hours. Adjust thickness at this time with flour and water. Strain your soup so you have a mild flavored sauce. Add shredded cabbage and simmer about 10 minutes longer or until cabbage is done, turn off the heat and stir in the whipping cream.

The rough cut vegetables are used only to add flavor. Cabbage should be your only vegetable.

Submitted by Osie Juve

# Bits and Pieces

## Historical Information

Lloyd Gunderson read this in the Trinity Lutheran newsletter and thought it would be of interest to many of you.

### **Pastor Andreas A. Ofstedal (1892-1897)**



Born in Voss, Hordaland, Norway in 1855, Ofstedal came to America when he was 16. He attended Luther College and Luther Seminary, both in Iowa, and received the Candidate of Theology degree in 1881.

Upon graduation he married his first wife, Dinah M. Bronson, who died in 1886. In 1888 he married Mathilda Markum. He and his second wife served Trinity as well as the Concordia and Zion congregations from 1892 to 1897. He was the first pastor of Trinity to actually reside in Moorhead.

After leaving Trinity, he served parishes in Chicago, Fertile, MN., and Bend, OR., until his retirement. He was

active in missions, served on hospitals boards and was education director for Concordia and St. Olaf colleges. He died in 1930 at the age of 75.

It was said that Ofstedal was a man of rare tact, and he wouldn't sacrifice his principles for the sake of peace. "He had a sunny disposition" and was an optimist who believed that even the most difficult problem could be solved by faith in God.

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### **Concordia News Website**

There has been quite a bit of interest and some very nice comments about the new website. You can pick up the latest copy of the newsletter, check out the monthly calendar, and find contact information for both the church and cemetery association officers. There is a listing of all those buried in the cemetery, a history of the congregation and copies of the parish confirmation pictures. We have a few photos of the church and groups of members through

the years, and pictures taken of the damage from the 1931 tornado. More picture contributions would be great! If you would like to share an obituary or other news, add it to our message board. Stop by and look around.

**<http://www.concordianews.org>**





Submitted by Alene Sladky

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A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, 5 and Ryan 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. “If Jesus were sitting here, he would say, ‘Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.’” Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, “Ryan, you be Jesus.”

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# April 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 <i>CDT Begins</i> 9 AM Coffee 10 AM Worship	3 7 PM Cemetery Association Annual Meeting	4 7 PM Cemetery Association Annual Meeting	5 Noon Lenten Service Lunch Follows	6	7	8
9 <i>Palm Sunday</i>  9 AM Coffee 10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Men's Ham Dinner	10 	11 1:30 PM WELCA	12	13 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> 7 PM Worship	14 <i>Good Friday</i> Noon Worship	15
16 <i>Easter</i>  9 AM Coffee 10 AM Worship	17	18	19 	20 Newsletter Deadline	21	22
23 9 AM Coffee 10 AM Worship	24	25	26	27	28	29
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