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## From the Pastor

In the Gospels, the 12 disciples are renowned for their incapacity to comprehend not only Jesus' messages but, more tragically, their inability to truly understand who Jesus was. One of the few epiphanies is found in Matthew 16 where Jesus asks the generic question, "Who do people say that I am." The disciples volunteer the information with all the predictable responses: a great teacher, a prophet etc. Suddenly Jesus turns a spotlight on them and asks the question, "Who do you say that I am?" This is a loaded question, not distant from a man or woman asking their spouse if a particular article of clothing makes them look fat. However, into this mix, the ever impulsive Peter wades in at his peril. However, it appears that finally he gets it right when he says that Jesus is the Messiah the Son of God. To which Jesus says that Peter derived this insight not from his cleverness, not from his being well read but as a direct revelation from God. In other words, the typically clueless Peter gets no personal credit even when he provides the right answer. Jesus, while affirming the amazing accuracy of Peter's testimony, says that this was not due to anything Peter brought to the event but was provided by divine intervention.



## From the Pastor

While this provides no reason for Peter to brag, it does provide you and me the opportunity to acknowledge the possibility that we might be connected to the events of the ongoing events of God's intervention for good into the events of human history. Much has been said about the unforeseen impact of a pebble being cast into a still lake, the ripples can carry for significant distances. A small change of events a thousand years ago could have had massive repercussions in modern life.

You and I have been recruited into God's Kingdom in our baptisms. We are his people who exist primarily to be His agents for good in a world gone bad. Whether we know it or not, God not only counts on us but, unbeknownst to us, is working his will for good in the world today. Our bringing a hot dish to a grieving widow, our saying a prayer for a struggling neighbor, our writing out a check for the furtherance of God's mission are but a brief sampling of ways God has and will continue to use ordinary folks like you and me for his greater purpose.

May God bless you as we continue to live our lives for Him,

*Pastor Bruce*

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## Announcements and Assignments

### Concordia Ladies



**Date: September 9, 2014**

**Time: 1:30 p.m.**

**Place: Fryin' Pan**

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### Coffee and Cookie Servers



#### September

September 7 Becky Jetvig

September 14 Polly Hanson

September 21 Sylvia Teigen

September 28 Doris Kassenborg

#### October

October 5 Osie Juve

October 12 Carolyn Edwards

October 19 Irene Olson

October 26 Sue Kassenborg

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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*

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By all these lovely tokens September days are here,  
With summer's best of weather and autumn's best of cheer.

*~Helen Hunt Jackson (1830-1885)*

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“The Parable of Lazarus” is the subject for Kids Corner in September. Kids Corner is located in the congregation section of the website.

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Sunday School begins on  
**Sunday, September 7**  
immediately following worship.

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## Virgil Jegtvig

**1942-2014**

Virgil Jegtvig, age 71, of rural Glyndon, MN, passed away on Monday, August 4, 2014, at home with

family present under the care of Hospice of the Red River Valley. As requested by Virgil, no memorial service was held. We extend our sympathy to Becky, Shereen and the whole Jegtvig family on the loss of Virgil.

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## Announcements and Assignments

### Basement Floor Project 2014

On July 27 and August 3 the congregation met to discuss and vote on a new floor in the basement of the church. The measure passed and new flooring will be installed.



A fund has been set up for contributions to the church basement flooring project. Contributions may be made to the church treasurer:

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

Please designate in the memo portion of the check that it is for the flooring project.

This will be a good addition to our church basement. Most of you remember the changes in the basement over the years and the dinners, weddings, anniversaries, Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Lenten Services, funerals, Ladies Aid, and other events that have made such good use of it. This new floor will begin a new chapter for the church. Thank you for your support.

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With Our Thanks

# **Donations**

## **Concordia General Fund**

*In Memory of Burton Kragnes*

Lorna & Burt Rockstad

Jerry & June Brantner

Pastor Bruce & Kathy Krogstad

Carolyn Edwards

Osie Juve & Family

Gwen Jamison & Family

## **Basement Floor Fund**

*In Memory of Burton Kragnes*

Harriet Merkins

Germaine Gress

Dorothy Bartz

Elaine Anderson Riba

Karol Kae & John Egbert

Wayne & Lois Brandt

Phyllis & Don Ogaard

Allen & Shirley Thronson

## **Concordia Cemetery Fund**

*In Memory of John Trautwein*

Ray & JoLyn Johnson

*In Memory of Virgil Jegtvig*

Doris Kassenborg

Donald Johnson

Ray & JoLyn Johnson

Harold & Sally Horpedahl

With Our Thanks

# More Donations

*In Memory of Virgil Jegtvig (continued)*

Dalan & Diane Rasmussen      Allen & Genelle Sather

*In Memory of Gorder Family*

Gloria Tomas

*In Memory of Partyke Family*

Paul & Jenifer Partyke

*In Memory of Burton Kragnes*

Doris Kassenborg      Myron Hagene

Ella Swanson      Irene Olson

Ardoth, Myron, & Roger Kragnes

Gordon & Sue Kassenborg      Erik & Gretchen Rockstad

Bill & Marlis Zeigler      Lanny & Lois Brantner

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*In Memory of Burton Kragnes*

Judy Cunningham      Regina Hanson

Bev Bosman      Ann Gytri



With Our Thanks

# More Donations

*In Memory of Burton Kragnes (continued)*

Alene & Steve Sladky

Phylis & Don Nelson

*In Memory of Anne Weerts*

Phylis & Don Nelson

*Donation*

Gloria Gorder Thomas

A large, elegant cursive graphic that reads "Thank You". The letters are highly stylized with many loops and flourishes, particularly around the 'Y' and 'U'.

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Thank you to the congregation for the celebration benefit, donations, and continued prayers. It meant so much to me to see you all there. Also thank you to those who spent so much time and effort with preparation of the benefit. Your constant dedication to my health and rehabilitation has left me overjoyed and thankful. Words cannot express my gratefulness to you all. I feel very special to have you all in my life.

God Bless, *Deb Myhre*

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## With Our Thanks



A special thank you to Pastor Bruce Krogstad, Kathy Krogstad, and all of the ladies at the church for their help at the funeral for Burton Kragnes. Everyone was very generous.

*Doris Kragnes and family*

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## CELEBRATION BENEFIT A SUCCESS!

I want to say a BIG thank you to all the Concordia Church Family for making the Debbie and Randy Myhre Benefit a

success. We are most thankful for Deb, who has been through so much with her aneurysms and surgeries. All our prayers were answered!

Now, I want to also thank **ALL** of you for being so generous of your time, talents in baking bars, helping before and during the benefit, handiwork for the Beautiful Savior's Ladies quilts, Ella's afghan, Osie's grape jelly, Sammy's bracelets, Sally's colorful

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dishtowels, Colleen's baked beans, Barb's pumpkin bread, and Linda and Jim's beautiful bouquets of Zinnias! We also received donations from Hornbachers, Barrel of Fun in Perham for chips and licorice, and Walmart. Thanks to Clinton, Irene, Barb, and Sue for being on the benefit committee. And again, thanks to all who generously donated money to help cover a little of the hospital bills.

We made a total of \$3,457.25. Thrivent for Lutherans will donate \$1,000. So Deb and Randy will receive \$4,457.25.

This Benefit could not have happened without all of you. We are blessed to have Deb and Randy's smiles and presence at Concordia. God Bless Deb and Randy with continued strength and us, at Concordia Lutheran, with the fellowship and compassion we have for each other.

In Christ, our Savior, Thank you,  
*Kathy*

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He who feels too small to make a difference  
has never been bitten by a mosquito.



## Bits and Pieces

### School Daze

1. I have never let my schooling interfere with my education.

- *Mark Twain*



2. My school days were the happiest days of my

life; which should give you some indication of the misery I've endured over the past twenty-five years.

- *Paul*

*Merton*

3. I took a test in Existentialism. I left all the answers blank and got 100. - *Woody Allen*

4. My school was so tough the school newspaper had an obituary section. - *Norm Crosby*

5. Smartness runs in my family. When I went to school I was so smart my teacher was in my class for five years. – *George*

*Burns*

6. I'm not going to buy my kids an encyclopedia. Let them walk to school like I did. - *Yogi Berra*

7. In elementary school, in case of fire you have to line up quietly in a single file line from the smallest to the tallest.

What is the logic? Do tall people burn slower? - *Warren*

*Hutcherson*

## Bits and Pieces

8. You learn something every day if you pay attention. - *Ray LeBlond*

9. In youth we learn; in age we understand. - *Von Ebner-Eschenbach*

10. If there were no schools to take the children away from home part of the time, the insane asylums would be filled with mothers. - *Edgar W. Howe*

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From the ***Moorhead Daily News***

**September 6, 1938**

### **Rites Thursday for N. J. Hanson**

*Clay County Resident since 1895 died at Morken farm Monday.*

Funeral Services for Nels Jacob Hanson, 60, Morken Township farmer and resident of Clay County since 1895, will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Wright chapel and at 2 p.m. in Concordia Lutheran Church. The body will be in state Wednesday afternoon and evening in the Wright Chapel.

Mr. Hanson died of heart disease at his home Monday. He had been ill several months. Born October 28, 1871, in Norway, Mr. Hanson came almost directly to Clay County when he emigrated

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from Norway and worked several years as a farm laborer before securing his own land. His marriage to Laura Svenkeson took place in Concordia Lutheran Church July 9, 1910. A member of Concordia Church, he also was on the Riverside school district board for 12 years, acting as chairman.

Surviving are Mrs. Hanson, four sons, Arthur, Walter, and Norman, all at home; Lawrence, Duluth; two sisters, Mrs. Emma Pherson, Norway, and Mrs. Jennie Hoyem, Duluth, and two brothers, Albert and Huldur, Norway.

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## **Concordia Ladies Aid To Serve Lunch Sunday**

Members of the Concordia Ladies' Aid who have birthdays in June, July, August or September will serve a luncheon Sunday in the basement of the Concordia church after the 11 a.m. service. Following the luncheon there will be a program which will include a speech by Rev. O. G. Berg, pastor of Bethesda Lutheran church, Moorhead, a duet, "The Invisible Land," by Mrs. Berg and Mrs. J. B. Bowman, Fargo, and a group of Swedish songs by Rev. and Mrs. Berg.

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# 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

## ***Sunday School every Sunday***

11:00 a.m. (follows worship)

## ***Concordia Ladies***

September 9 at 1:30 p.m.

## ***Birthdays***

September 9 Doris Kassenborg

September 13 Sylvia Teigen

September 18 Ernest Edwards

September 23 Curt Lynde

## ***Anniversaries***

September 9 Neil & Polly Hanson

September 21 Dick & Mavis Wang

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