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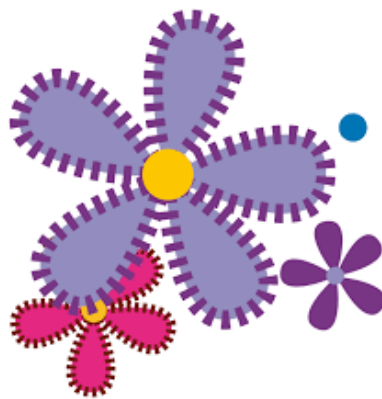
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From Pastor Bruce

This month there will be two opportunities for remembrance at Concordia.

The first will be May 14 with the spring luncheon at Concordia Lutheran, the second will be the Memorial Service on Memorial Day. It is good we remember those who served in the military as they



have helped protect our freedoms and have helped to sustain the greatest political invention of human history: democracy.

Pertaining to theme remembering, you will be seeing information about the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Old Stone Church. Many of the members of this church in the most SE county of MN, became founding members of what was to become Concordia Lutheran. It is almost impossible to overestimate the contributions that these original members made on what we now take for granted as members of Concordia.

In general, we are unaware or underestimate the contributions our ancestors made to the quality of our lives today. My experience of most of Concordia members is that they have strong core values. They value character, self-sacrifice, neighborliness, community, hard work and faith to name a few. Few people create their own value system, for better or for worse, they are handed down through the

generations. None of us come from perfect stock, we all know that even the patriarchs and matriarchs in our families had feet of clay (as each of us do, which is one reason we start each worship service with confession/absolution). However, we have much to be thankful for; such a proud and fine heritage should be both cherished and preserved. Americans poor sense of history, lack of interest about ancestry plus the myth that we are self-made men or women combined with the American mythology that Americans are "New World Men" self-invented and divorced from our ancestral roots (which for most of us at Concordia are in Europe) have led many to forget/reject their heritage.

Many cannot retrace their lineage for no fault of their own. For some, the memories of their own childhood family are painful ones. Not all can or should, but for those who do explore their family history often rich blessings can ensue. It can fill in the gaps of our personal identity, provide a sense of wholesome pride, which unlike negative pride is a pride that has nothing to do with our accomplishments. That knowledge can challenge and inspire us to work hard, persevere under adversity and remind us of importance of our Christian faith.

There is a wonderful passage in one of the prophets which says, "Look to the rock from which you were hewn". Knowing and valuing our ancestry, no matter what it's origins, is but the start of following

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these words. The other is far more important yet, and it is to learn about our spiritual heritage. God has placed us in the spiritual family, the Church, and has given us traditions, history and most importantly his Word and Sacraments to weekly remind us of who we are and most importantly Whose we are. This spiritual heritage is our ultimate blessing. Let us continue to celebrate this together weekly at Concordia!

Grace and peace,
Pastor Bruce



Coffee and Cookie Servers



May 1	Orpha Hoelstad	June 5	Sue Kassenborg
May 8	Polly Hanson	June 12	Sylvia Teigen
May 15	Barb Grover	June 19	Linda Koester
May 22	Kathy Krogstad	June 26	Irene Olson
May 29	Becky Jegtvig		



BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, May 4

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Concordia Ladies



Date: Tuesday, May 10

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: Fryn' Pan

Join the ROMEOS!

Retired Old Men Eating Out

7:30 a.m. Friday, May 27 - Fryn' Pan



Announcements and Assignments



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*

Please email information for the weekly bulletin or prayer list by Wednesday of that week to mgrover1424@gmail.com



Thank you, *Barb Grover*



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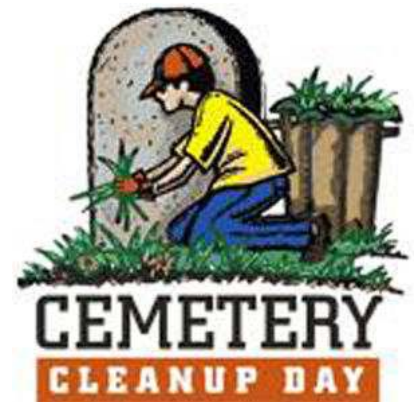
"The Ascension" is featured on Kids Corner this month.

Cemetery Clean-up

Wednesday

May 25

5:00 PM



*In case of weather delay: **Friday May 27 at 5***



Patriotism is supporting your country all the time, and supporting your government when it deserves it.

~Mark Twain



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.

1. Ella – 233-4154
2. Barb – 233-5906
3. Regina – 233-8443
4. 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

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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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Glyndon MN, 56547

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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



Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

Help Osię Juvę Celebrate
her 90th Birthday!

Sunday May 8th
2-4 p.m.

Concordia Lutheran

Hosted by her children & grandchildren

No Gifts, Please

Happy birthday!

Happy birthday!



SPRING LUNCHEON

Concordia Lutheran Church

Saturday 14 May 2016

10:30 A.M.

Music with Laurie Anderson

Rømmegrøt & Krumkake for sale

6637 80th Avenue North

Glyndon MN

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 (70th Street)

South 1 mile, turn right

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

MONDAY, MAY 30, 2016
10 A.M.



**SERVICE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY
A CEREMONY IN THE CEMETERY
WEATHER PERMITTING**

POT LUCK LUNCH FOLLOWS

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH
6637 80TH AVENUE NORTH
GLYNDON, MINNESOTA**

Dr. Pepper Barbecue Sauce



Ingredients

- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 12-ounce can Dr. Pepper (about 1 3/4 cups)
- 1 cup ketchup
- 1/2 cup apple cider vinegar
- 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/3 cup Worcestershire sauce
- 3 tablespoons tomato paste
- 2 teaspoons hot chile powder
- 1 teaspoon white pepper
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- Fresh ground black pepper

Directions

- Melt the butter in a heavy saucepan over medium heat.
- Add the onions and garlic and cook until the onions are translucent, about 10 minutes.

Recipe of the Month

- Add the remaining sauce ingredients and cook until flavors are blended and sauce begins to thicken, about 30 minutes.
 - Taste and adjust seasoning with salt and pepper.
 - Let cool for 10 minutes and then puree with an immersion blender, or in a regular blender.
 - Pour into a glass jar for storage, it will keep for about 2 weeks in the refrigerator.
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With Our Thanks

Donations

Concordia Cemetery Fund

In Memory of Partyke Family

Paul & Jenifer Partyke

In Memory of Doris Gunderson Singleton

Lloyd Gunderson

In Memory of Roland “Wally” Walline

Lance & Marilyn Nelson

Donald Johnson

Harold & Sally Horpedahl

Lloyd Gunderson

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In Memory of Roland “Wally “ Walline

Spouse of Vallie Wik Walline

Verne & Carol Wik and Family



Thank you to Doris Kassenborg for sharing her keyboard again this year for Lenten services. It made our services complete with good music and the feasibility of meeting in the basement for the meal and the service. It was greatly appreciated.



A Special Invitation: Sesquicentennial Celebration of the Stone Church in Houston County

Almost all of the first settlers along the Buffalo River had been members of the Stone Church in Houston County. We have received a special invitation to join them the weekend of August 27-28 to help celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Stone Church.

A special **Buffalo River Day** on Saturday the 27th is planned for us. We'll have a chance to visit and learn about the church and walk the cemetery (where many family members of Concordia's pioneers

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are buried). They will also provide a guided tour of the area to show us where our Buffalo River pioneers lived while in Houston County. In the evening we'll share a special dinner planned especially for us.

The official church celebration will be on Sunday, August 28th.

It is a six+ hour drive to Houston, Minnesota. We need a group of at least 40 people to make chartering a bus viable. We'll leave on Friday morning, August 26 and arrive back late on Sunday night. Based on 40 riders, bus cost will be \$85 per person; hotel rooms are \$176.50 for the two nights (2 queens or 1 king). If there are those who want to drive to Houston County and join the bus tour, unused bus seats will be available for a reduced price.

If you're interested in joining us for this once-in-a-lifetime road trip, let Sylvia know or drop a note to news@concordianews.org A final decision on sponsoring the trip will be based on responses by June 15.

To learn more about the Concordia connection to the Stone Church, visit

[http://www.concordianews.org/congregation/history/stonechurch.ht](http://www.concordianews.org/congregation/history/stonechurch.htm)

[m](http://www.concordianews.org/congregation/history/stonechurch.htm) The story was also included in the book "Concordia Congregation and the Buffalo River Settlement."

Concordia's Veterans



In Concordia Cemetery

Civil War

Aanund Kragnes

Andres Rice

World War I

Almer Gunderson

Signe Lee

Andrew Gunderson

John Morken

George Gunderson

Obert Morken

Leon Hammett

Thomas Olson

Ovean Hite

Paul Skarstad

Joseph B. Johnson

Eugene Studlien

Andrew Kosen

Goodwin Thortvedt

Fred Lee

Ed Wilson

World War I and World War II

Roy Gorder

Robert Olson

World War II

Harold Bekkerus

Lester Kragnes

Florence Grover

Oberlin Kragnes

Gerald Grover

Russell Kragnes

Emmett Gunderson

Vernon Kragnes

Bits and Pieces

Orvis Gunderson

Norman Hanson

Everette Hite

Harold Johnk

Ann Thortvedt Johnson

James Juve

Eloise Olson Kincaid

Davis Kosen

Bernard Kragnes

Gust Langlie

Donald LaPash

Eddie Menholt

Sidney Morken

Henry Skolness

Thorance Snartland

Ralph Stevenson

Carl Swanson

Mable Gunderson Young

Korea, Vietnam, Cold War

Joe O. Babolian

Donald Bekkerus

Clarence Brown

Robert Burke

Ed Edwards

Walter Engesetter

Victor Gress

Valdemar Hagene

Allan Kassenborg

Glenn Kassenborg

Eugene Kragnes

Burton Kragnes

Harold Lohse

Merle Meyer

Alton Mjolsness

Jerry Sabo

Jay Rex Stoutenberg

Richard Tommerdahl

Veteran Sons of Concordia Buried Elsewhere

Daniel Christianson

Allen Gunderson

William Gunderson

Dennis Nelson

Robert Nelson

James Oberg

Bits and Pieces

Bernhard Hegland
Arnold Horpedahl
Ralph Johnk
Henry Kragnes
Olaf Midgarden
Robert Morken

John Oberg
Vernon Oberg
Aulden Olson
LeRoy Olson
Robert Tommerahl
Harold Wik





A Prayer for Memorial Day

You who created us, who sustains us, who call us to live in peace,
hear our prayer this day.

Hear our prayer for all who have died,
whose hearts and hopes are known to you alone ...

Hear our prayer for those who put the welfare of others ahead of
their own and give us hearts as generous as theirs ...

Hear our prayer for those who gave their lives
in the service of others, and accept the gift of their sacrifice ...

Help us to shape and make a world where we will lay down the
arms of war and turn our swords into plough shares for a harvest of
justice and peace ...

Comfort those who grieve the loss of their loved ones
and let your healing be the hope in our hearts...

Hear our prayer this Memorial Day.

In Jesus' name, Amen

D. A. Graham, author

Dates to Remember

Worship Services every Sunday

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

Communion 1st Sunday of the month

Bible Study 5:30 p.m., Wednesday May 4

Osie's Birthday 2-4 p.m., Sunday May 8

Spring Luncheon 10:30 am, Saturday, May 14

Cemetery Clean-up 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 25

weather delay 5 p.m. Friday, May 27

ROMEOS 7:30 a.m., Friday, May 27

Memorial Day Service 10:00 a.m., Monday May 30

Birthdays

May 8 Osie Juve May 15 Harold Horpedahl

May 20 Ella Swanson May 22 Miley Larson

May 24 Debbie Myhre May 27 Ralph Grover

Anniversaries

May 22 Randy & Deb Myhre

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