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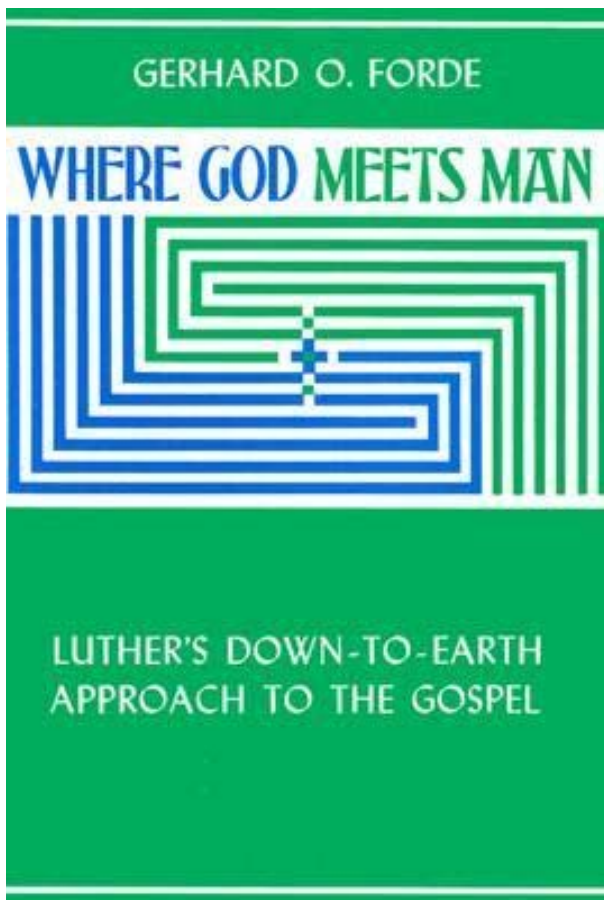
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This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. In the spirit of the event I will be offering a series of excerpts from Dr. Gerhard Forde. I believe there has never been a more profound expositor of Martin Luther's theology than he. Forde was one of my favorite professors at Luther Seminary and had a profound influence on my theology and preaching. I hope that you enjoy this passage. I'd like to thank Will McDavid for posting this quote online.



FORDE ON THE BOUND
(RELIGIOUS) WILL AND
FREEDOM

<http://www.mbird.com/2014/01/forde-on-the-bound-religious-will-and-freedom/>

From Gerhard Forde's ***Where God Meets Man***, one of the most grace-packed bits of Lutheran theology out there:

“It is in this theology of old versus new that we can see, finally, the reason for Luther’s formulation of the problem of bondage and freedom. The old Adam is totally bound. No compromise is possible with him. To allow him a ‘little bit’ of freedom is to open the doors to the whole sticky attempt to combine grace with his fraudulent spiritual ambitions. It is to bind man to his self-imposed legalisms and reduce God to his helper. It is to reintroduce the insipid piety of the ‘little bit.’ There is absolutely no way to cure this old Adam, no way to allow him into the picture. He is ‘totally depraved.’ He must die. And that is just what the Gospel means. The cross and resurrection sounds his death knell. Almighty God moves onto the scene to reclaim his own. And so the gospel is the announcement and realization of total freedom. It is not a matter of little bits. God moves in Christ to raise up a new man – a completely free man – not just to do a partial repair job. *When the old Adam is put to death one is set free from bondage to spiritual ambition, legalism, and tyranny.* And Luther, for one, meant this quite literally. One is absolutely free. It is a total state.”

Here is a drastic parting of the ways with a theology of glory. The Christ of the Cross takes away the possibility of doing something. The theologian of glory might be able to follow to the point of accepting the truth that Christ has fulfilled all things, but then that will have to be used as a motivational tool to make sure the law gets its

due. The point is precisely that the power to do good comes only out of this wild claim that everything has already been done. The language has to break out into preaching. Never mind that when we look to ourselves we find no sign of good works. Never mind our fears and our anxieties. We are looking in the wrong place. Look to Christ! He has done it all. Nothing will be gained by trying to shore up the Old Adam. Christ leaves nothing for the Old Adam and Eve to do. The old can only be killed by the law, not given artificial respiration by recourse to it... To the theologian of the cross the language of grace and faith must be pushed absolutely to this length – until it kills the old and raises the new.

-Gerhard O. Forde, *On Being a Theologian of the Cross*

Grace and peace,
Pastor Bruce



Coffee and Cookie Servers

May 7 Orpha Hoelstad

June 4 Becky Jegtvig

May 14 Polly Hanson

June 11 Sue Kassenborg

May 21 Barb Grover

June 18 Sylvia Teigen

May 28 Kathy Krogstad

June 25 Linda Koester



Bible
STUDY
Join us!

Bible Study

Wednesday, May 3

5:30-7:00 p. m.

Concordia Ladies

Tuesday, May 9

1:30 p.m.

Fryn' Pan



Join The Romeos!

Retired Old Men Eating Out

7:30 a.m., May 26

Fryn' Pan



People may hear your words, but they feel your attitude.

~John Maxwell

If you know of someone in the hospital or in
Pastoral Care need of a home visit, contact Pastor Bruce at
218-329-2245.

In May the subject in Kids Corner is "Confirmation."
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
10-noon Wednesday, May 10.

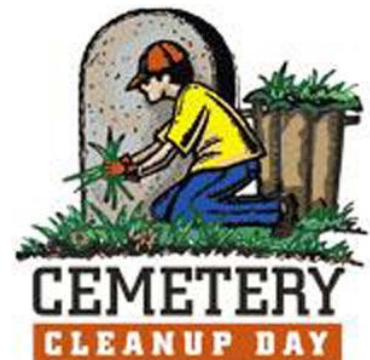
Cemetery Clean-up

Wednesday, May 24

5:00 PM

In case of weather delay:

Friday, May 26 at 5



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Donald Nelson

1938-2017



Don Nelson, 78, of Glyndon, MN passed away Thursday, March 30, 2017 at Villa St. Vincent, Crookston, MN.

Donald Claire Nelson was born in Fargo ND on November 29, 1938 to Gustave and Clara (Christianson) Nelson. He grew up and attended school in Dilworth MN, graduating in 1956. Following graduation, he enlisted in the Army and served two years in Korea.

In 1961, while cruising down Broadway in Fargo, he met Phylis Richards and they were married on August 5, 1961 in Glyndon MN.

Don worked as a truck driver and dock man for 30 years until his retirement. He enjoyed being outside and going for walks. He also had a passion for woodworking, gardening, fishing and while healthy, never missed a day of feeding the birds.

Don is survived by his wife; daughters, Julie Nelson, Sheila (John Mahlke) Young, Karne (Scott) Nelson-Zilka; son, Chris (Maria) Nelson; grandchildren, Austin and Jessica Young and Daniel and June Zilka; brother, Howard (Lorita) Nelson, sister, Eileen Larsen and sister-in-law, Joyce Nelson.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Gordon and sister, Kathleen.

The family would like to thank Hospice of the Red River Valley and the staff at Villa St. Vincent for the wonderful care they provided Don.

A funeral service was held Saturday, April 8, 2017 at Wright Funeral Home, Moorhead, MN. Interment was in Comstock (MN) Cemetery.

Heritage Luncheon Preparations



Thank you in advance for your help in preparing for the Heritage Luncheon on April 13th!

Making *krumkake*: Sunday, April 30th, following worship

Making *Rommegrøt*: Sunday, May 7th following worship

Set-up and Decorating: Friday, May 12th at 10:00 a.m. at the church

**Join the fun!
Enjoy the fellowship!**



HERITAGE LUNCHEON



Concordia Lutheran Church

Saturday 13 May 2016

10:30 A.M.



Music by



Rømmegrøt & Krumkake for sale

Cookbooks 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 29, 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

With Our Thanks

Donations

Concordia Cemetery Association

In Memory of the Partyke Family

Jenifer Partyke

In Memory of Donald Nelson

Donald Johnson

Lloyd Gunderson

In Memory of Merle Meyer

Darlene Meyer

In Memory of Ardoth Kragnes

Roger Kragnes

Concordia News

In Honor of Regina Hanson's 90th birthday

Doris Kassenborg

Dick & Mavis Wang

In Memory of Donald Nelson

Steve & Alene Sladky

Kjell & Orpha Hoelstad



...to Clinton and all who helped with another successful Palm Sunday Dinner!



With Honor & Gratitude
We Remember

"It doesn't take a hero to order men into battle. It takes a hero to be one of those men who goes into battle." --H. Norman Schwarzkopf

“Right to Bear Arms” Hotdish

Colin Peterson’s winning entry

2017 MN Congressional Delegation Hotdish Off



Ingredients

1.5 pounds of lean ground bear meat or other ground meat
(wild game preferred)

1 large yellow onion, diced

1 leek, chopped

1 teaspoon cracked black pepper

1 stick butter

1 pound of frozen potato olés

10 ounce can of cream of celery soup

10 ounce can of cream of mushroom soup

8 sprigs of fresh marjoram, chopped

15 sprigs of fresh thyme, chopped

1 bunch of fresh chives, chopped

12 ounces of frozen French cut green beans

4 ounces sharp Cheddar, shredded

2 ounces aged Gouda, shredded

2 ounces Gruyere, shredded

½ can chow mein noodles

Directions

- Preheat oven to 425°F.
- Grease a hotdish pan using a stick of butter until well greased (don't use all the butter).

Recipe of the Month

- Line the bottom of the pan with a solid layer of potato olés (you won't use the entire bag).
- Put the pan in the oven for 15 minutes to brown the potatoes.
- Melt a pad of butter in a cast iron skillet on medium high heat. Add onions and leek and sauté for three minutes. Put meat in the pan and use a spatula to break down the meat as it browns. Do not overcook. Season with cracked black pepper as you go.
- Remove browned potato olés from the oven and spread the meat mixture on top.
- Turn oven heat down to 375°F.
- In another bowl, mix both cream soups, marjoram, thyme, chives, and frozen green beans. Mix vigorously, then spread evenly over the potato and meat layers in the hotdish. Sprinkle cheddar atop it all. Cover the hotdish with aluminum foil and bake at 375°F for 35 minutes.
- Remove the foil, and sprinkle Gouda, Gruyère, and chow mein noodles atop the hotdish.
- Place back in oven, uncovered, and turn the heat up to 400°F for 25 minutes.
- Remove from oven. Let stand for 10 minutes, if you can *bear* to wait.



Moorhead Daily News

May 29, 1926

Page One Headline: **Lightening Kills J T Holte**

John T. Holte, prominent farmer of the Kragnes vicinity, was instantly killed at 5:08 a.m. today when struck by a bolt of lightening while fishing from a boat with Nels Larson and Knud Sunde of the Kragnes district at Cotton Lake, 12 miles northeast of Detroit Lakes.

Sunde and Larson were stunned but not injured. With four other members of the party they brought the body into Detroit this morning. Mr. Holte left for Cotton Lake on Friday afternoon with Larson, Sunde, Sever Rasmusson, Henry Olson, Alvin Kragnes, and Arthur Gorder, all farmers of the Kragnes district. The men camped out on the shores of Cotton Lake last night.

Mr. Larson reported to the *News* this morning that Holte, Sunde and himself went out fishing at 4 a.m. today, but took cover under trees on the shore when the rain began falling. When the rain stopped, the men again entered the boat and rowed to the fishing ground where they anchored. Mr. Holte's death occurred shortly after they anchored.

The deceased man's watch stopped at 5:08 a.m. Some money in his pocketbook was melted by the bolt.

Mr. Holte came to his present home in 1874 when four families drove up from Houston, Minn. to this district with ox teams, according to E. O. Studlien, one of the district's pioneers. The heads of the group were Targe Holte, John Holte's father, Michael Larson, O. T. Kiland, and A. O. Kragnes. John Holte was four years old at the time. He had lived on the home farm from that time until his death. His wife died about 1912. The only surviving relatives are a sister, Mrs. O. T. Kiland of Canada, a son Jacob, 21, and a daughter, Julia, both living at home. The deceased had taken a prominent part in community projects. He was township assessor for many years. He was a strong supporter of all economic measures intended to benefit the farmer and served as a director from Clay County on the board of the Minnesota Potato Growers Exchange during the life of the exchange.

Mr. Holte was one of the organizers of the Farmers Elevator Company of Kragnes and has served as secretary of the company since its organization. He also assisted in the organization of the Farmers Elevator of Averill.

At the recent Farmer-Labor convention held in Barnesville, Mr. Holte was one of the candidates nominated for state senator from this district to succeed A. A. Haagenson. He withdrew from the ballot in favor of N. H. Nelson of Dale.

June 1, 1926

Holte Services to be held Wednesday

Funeral services for John T. Holte, Clay County farmer who was killed by lightening while fishing at Cotton Lake Saturday, will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. from the farm home near Kragnes and at 2 p.m. from the Concordia Lutheran Church. Rev. M. G. Holm will officiate and burial will be beside Mr. Holte's wife in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers will be friends of Mr. Holte who accompanied him on the fishing trip: N J Larson and Knud Sunde, who were stunned by the same bolt that killed Mr. Holte, Henry Olson, Arthur Gorder, Alvin Kragnes, and Severt Rasmusson.

May 9, 1931

Espeland Funeral Takes Place Tuesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Osten Espeland, 86, of Morken Township, will take place Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Concordia Lutheran Church. Rev. C. B. Runsvold will be in charge and burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Espeland died Thursday at her home. She is survived by her husband, five children, and numerous other relatives.

Concordia's Veterans



In Concordia Cemetery

Civil War

Aanund Kragnes

Andres Rice

World War I

Almer Gunderson

Signe Lee

Andrew Gunderson

John Morken Obert Morken

George Gunderson

Thomas Olson

Leon Hammett

Paul Skarstad

Ovean Hite

Eugene Studlien

Joseph B. Johnson

Goodwin Thortvedt

Andrew Kosen

Ed Wilson

Fred Lee

World War I and World War II

Roy Gorder

Robert Olson

World War II

Harold Bekkerus

Lester Kragnes

Florence Grover

Oberlin Kragnes

Bits and Pieces

Gerald Grover

Emmett Gunderson

Orvis Gunderson

Norman Hanson

Everette Hite

Harold Johnk

Ann Thortvedt Johnson

James Juve

Eloise Olson Kincaid

Davis Kosen

Bernard Kragnes

Russell Kragnes

Vernon 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

Eugene Kragnes

Burton Kragnes

Harold Lohse

Merle Meyer

Alton Mjolsness

Jerry Sabo

Sidney Snartland

Jay Rex Stoutenberg

Richard Tommerdahl

Glenn Kassenborg



**Veteran Sons of Concordia
Buried Elsewhere**

Merle Bekkerus

Dennis Nelson

Daniel Christianson

Donald Nelson

Allen Gunderson

Robert Nelson

William Gunderson

James Oberg

Bernhard Hegland

John Oberg

Arnold Horpedahl

Vernon Oberg

Ralph Johnk

Aulden Olson

Henry Kragnes

LeRoy Olson

Olaf Midgarden

Robert Tommerahl

Robert Morken

Harold Wik





On This Memorial Day

We honor those who served before,
We honor those who are no more.
We honor those who serve today
Whether right next door or far away.
We know the debt we owe them all
Because each of them answered the nation's call.
Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines
The guardians of the American Dream.
On Memorial Day we remember them,
Their gifts of time, of life, of limb.
Men and women, young and strong,
Our best and bravest, thank you all.



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 3

Concordia Women 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 9

Veteran Coffee Hour 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 10

Heritage Luncheon Rommegrøt making: Sunday, May 7

Decorating & Prep: 10:00 am, Friday, May 12

LUNCHEON: 10:30 am, Saturday, May 13

Cemetery Clean-up 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 24

Alternate: 5:00 pm Friday, May 26

ROMEOs 7:30 a.m., Friday, May 26

Memorial Day Service 7:10:00 a.m., Monday, May 29

Birthdays

May 8 Osie Juve

May 20 Ella Swanson

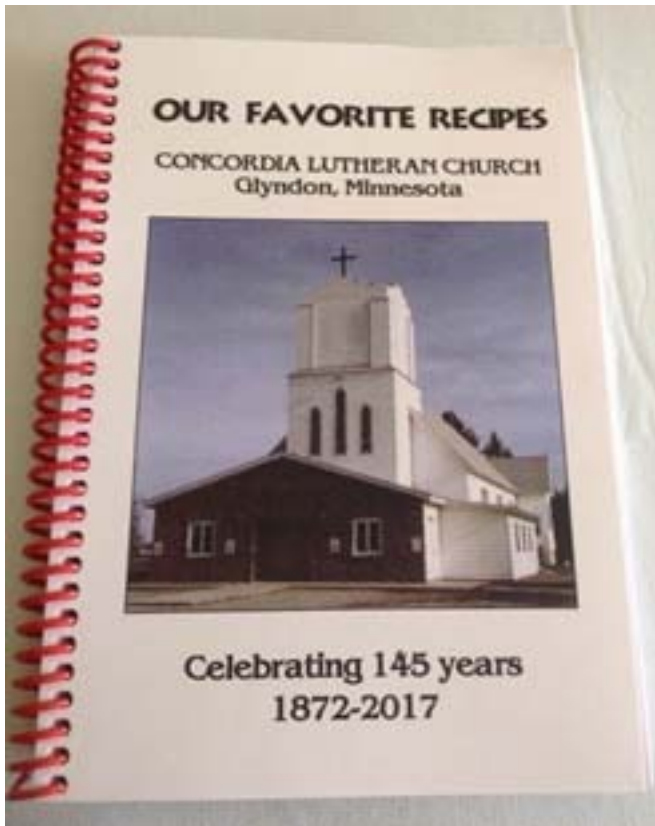
May 15 Harold Horpedahl

May 24 Barb Grover

May 17 Orpha Hoelstad

May 27 Ralph Grover

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