

# **Concordia News**

## **Large Print Edition**

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

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## **Words from Pastor Gretchen**

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you for your ministry in the gospel! I give thanks to God for each of you and for the privilege of serving at Concordia Lutheran Church. I have cherished our partnership in the gospel in the name of Jesus Christ. I will remember you in my prayers with thanksgiving. You are a gifted church; you are beloved by God. May you continue to serve the Lord and others with thanksgiving, peace and joy, knowing that God in Christ loves you and is with you always.

Peace in Christ,

*Pastor Gretchen*

Note: Pastor Gretchen has accepted a call to a campus ministry out of state. We are grateful for the time she has spent with us, and wish her well in her new pursuits.

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**WELCA**

November 11, 2008

1:30 PM

**Bible Leader:** Group

**Lunch:** Delores Hagene

Thank offering Service



**Cookie Servers**

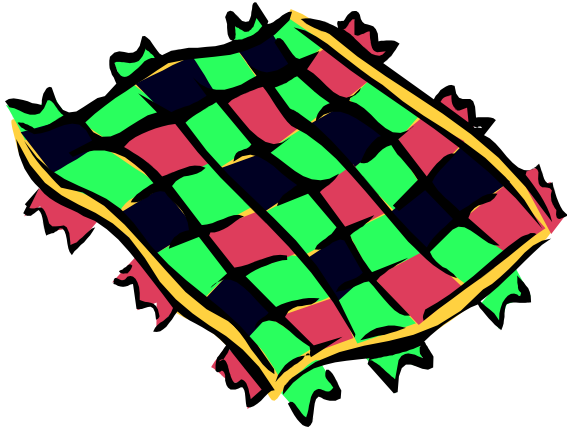
November 2 - Becky Jegtvig

November 9 - Evangeline Johnson

November 16 – Linda Koester

November 23 – Margret Kragnes

November 39 – Phylis Nelson



## QUILTING

We will be quilting on the following Thursdays at 9:30am:

**November 6**

**November 20**

Please bring a sack lunch with you.

We have put 4 quilts together so far this year. We have more to finish and would like more people to come and help us cut, sew & tie more quilts.



## WELCA Fall Potluck Dinner

Sunday, November 2, 2008



## Daylight Saving Time ends

on Sunday, November 2, 2008.

Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour on Saturday evening.



## Center Mall Church Bazaar

**November 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-5:00pm**

**November 16<sup>th</sup> Noon – 5:00pm**

We will be participating in the Church Bazaar this year. We will be having a bake sale and the WELCA will be raffling off the chest that Pastor Paul made for them. We need people (men and women) to bring baked goods for both days, and to work shifts for both days. Please bring your baked goods prepackaged, priced, and labeled to our booth by 9:00am Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information about the raffle contact Delores Hagene. For more information about the bake sale contact Karolynn Decker at 701-361-5693.



The season of Advent begins  
Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

# Thank You For:

## Concordia Newsletter

*In memory of Ottar Hogstad*

Regina Hanson

*In memory of Thomas Grover*

Regina Hanson



We at the Dorothy Day House would like to Thank You and tell you how much your donation is appreciated.

*The guests and staff of the Dorothy Day House*



## Veteran's Day Tribute

When America had an  
urgent need,  
These brave ones raised  
a hand;  
No hesitation held them  
back;  
They were proud to take  
a stand.

They left their friends and family,  
They gave up normal life,  
To serve their country and their God,  
They plowed into the strife.

They fought for freedom and for peace  
On strange and foreign shore,  
Some lost new friends, some lost their lives  
In long and brutal wars.

Other veterans answered a call  
To support the ones who fought;  
Their country had requirements for  
The essential skills they brought.

We salute each and every one of them,  
The noble and the brave,  
The ones still with us here today  
And those who rest in a grave.

So here's to our country's heroes,  
They're a cut above the rest.  
Let's give the honor that is due  
To our country's very best.

*Author: Joanna Fuchs*



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# **Bits and Pieces**

## **Veterans Day 2008**

This Veterans Day we are still at war, not only do we have troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, but we have our forces spread all over the world. It is hard to imagine, but we have troops in 144 nations around the world (490,000 of them). In some countries we have only 114 troops, Iraq has 168,000. Some of the countries have a lot of our troops, but we still have 875,000 personnel in the continental United States.

At any given time we have over 115,000 Naval people both at sea and in ports, and over 3,000 National Guard troops are stationed along the Mexican border that support the Border Patrol. I could list all the countries we are involved with, but space is limited. This Veterans Day take time to think of our great country and what all our Veterans have done and are doing for all of us.

Truly we live in a great country.

*Submitted by Harold Horpedahl*



## **Take A Moment To Thank A Veteran**

When you see someone in a uniform  
Someone who serves us all,  
Doing military duty,  
Answering their country's call,  
Take a moment to thank them  
For protecting what you hold dear;  
Tell them you are proud of them;  
Make it very clear.  
Just tap them on the shoulder,  
Give a smile, and say,  
"Thanks for what you're doing;  
To keep us safe in the USA!"

*Author Joanna Fuchs*

# It's Who We Are

When Grand Dad used to say, "Grandma I'm headed to the Legion Hall," I thought the Legion Hall was just some place he went to have a beer and play some cards with all his buddies at the bar.

But I didn't know what being in the Legion meant to him and all his friends until I stood by Grand Dad's grave and said my "Gone for good goodbye"....I swore I wouldn't cry -

But one by one nearly two hundred men stepped up, saluted him and then they stood there at attention 'till everyone was through.

I stopped one just to ask him, "Sir, is that what you always do?"

He said, "It's not just something we do..... It's who we are. We proudly wore the uniform and we still do our part Because our love for country lives not just on our lips but deep in our hearts....It's not just something that we do... It's who we are."

Just before he turned to leave he shook my hand, I grabbed his sleeve and said, "I wish there were a lot more folks like you,"

He smiled at me and said, "There are, but unless you look real hard chances are you'll seldom see us on the news. But all across the nation there are those great patriots in civilian clothes who've paid a price for freedom, because we still believe the freedom our forefathers left isn't an entitlement, but it's our sacred duty to protect and serve this land."





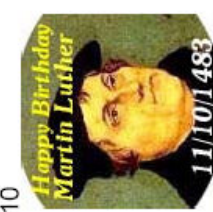






I said, "I wish I could do something."

He said, "Son, we're all Americans and....It's not just something that we do... It's who we are. We don't have to be in uniform to do our part. When our love for country lives not just on our lips but deep in our hearts.... It's not just something that we do... It's who we are."

From old brown shoes to desert boots, the future counts on me and you -- and who we are!

*Submitted by Harold Horpedahl*

# November 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>2 WHITE</p> <p>9:30am Coffee</p> <p>10:00am Sunday School</p> <p>10:30am Church</p> 	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Esther</p> <p>Kassenborg</p> 	<p>5</p>	<p>6 Quilting 9:30 AM</p> 		<p>1 Turn your clocks Back 1 hour Before going to Bed tonight — Daylight Time Ends</p> <p>8</p>
<p>9 GREEN</p> <p>9:30am Coffee</p> <p>10:00am Sunday School</p> <p>10:30am Church</p> <p>Neil Hanson</p> 	<p>10</p>  <p>Happy Birthday Martin Luther 11/10/1483</p>	<p>11 VETERANS DAY</p> <p>WELCA 1:30</p>  <p>Ruth Farabee</p> 	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Center Mall Bazaar 10 AM—5 PM</p>
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<p>23 WHITE</p> <p>9:30am Coffee</p> <p>10:00am Sunday School</p> <p>10:30am Church</p> <p>BLUE 30</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Kjell &amp; Orpha Hoelstad</p> 	<p>26</p>	<p>27 THANKSGIVING</p> 	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>



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