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From the Pastor

Reflections on the season of Easter:



This year the reading for Easter Sunday was from the Gospel of Matthew. The Gospel of Matthew has details about the resurrection that other Gospels do not include. In Matthew the announcement of the resurrection was not only by a celestial

messenger and the women but also by nature. An earthquake accompanied the event it was of such enormity.

Good Friday worship this last week, was accompanied by a display of nature as heavy winds broadsided Concordia during the service. The moans and groans that it elicited added to the drama of the reading of the passion narrative. It was as if nature were echoing the pathos of Jesus through his betrayal, his kangaroo court, his abandonment by friends and finally by his sense of abandonment by his Father. Correspondingly, on Easter morning, nature reflected the joy and new life of the original Easter by basking us in warm

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sunshine and calm winds. While we cannot count on nature's "cooperation" with the church year, it is a nice, while it lasts.

Another characteristic of the Gospel of Matthew, is that it, along with other Gospel's, is very clear that joy and fear are not mutually exclusive. The women are afraid as they have seen an angel. They are also afraid because their whole world view has been turned inside out; while they were horrified by their beloved Jesus' death, more terrifying still is a man that dies but does not remain dead. The rules of the universe were turned on their head. All their assumptions about the most basic underpinnings of reality had been called into question. It was not just the earthquake that shook their world on that first Easter morning.

For you and me, can we dare to hope that God can continue to rob death of its seaming victory? If the answer to that question is uncertain or ill defined I invite you to participate in the ongoing account of the resurrection as we continue to celebrate the resurrection this Easter season at Concordia, for it to such like the fearful women and us that God has intervened to save this great season of new life.

God bless,

Pastor Bruce

Announcements and Assignments

Concordia Ladies



Date: May 13, 2014 **Time:** 1:30 p.m.

Location: Fryin' Pan

Coffee and Cookie Servers



MAY

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| May 4 | Delores Hagene | June 1 | Doris Kassenborg |
| May 11 | Becky Jegtvig | June 8 | Linda Koester |
| May 18 | Polly Hanson | June 15 | Osie Juve |
| May 25 | Sylvia Teigen | June 22 | Irene Olson |
| | | June 29 | Carolyn Edwards |

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*



Do something wonderful – people may imitate it!

~Albert Schweitzer



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“Peter’s Ministry” is the subject for Kids Corner in April. Kids Corner is located in the congregation section of the website.

Congratulations to Grandparents Neil and Polly Hanson and Great-Grandma

Regina Hanson



Big sister Ingrid welcomed her brother Nels Erik Hanson born on January 21, 2014. He weighed in at 8 lbs., 1 oz and was 21” long. Proud parents are Erik and Kris Hanson.



Olson Granddaughter To Be Confirmed

Irene Olson’s granddaughter Sammy Hatman will be confirmed on May 4, 2014 at the Lutheran Church of the Cross in West Fargo.

Congratulations!



Welcome Moland Town Board to Concordia Church!

The Moland Township board has requested to use the entry of the church for their board meetings, held the second Tuesday of each month. They will also hold elections in the church.

Congratulations to New Grandparents Ralph and Barb Grover

Their daughter Maggie
and her husband John
became the proud



parents of Abigail Ann Minge at 11:59 p.m. on March 25th. The strawberry blonde was 20” long and weighed 7 lb. 9 oz. Abby will be baptized at Concordia this summer.

SPRING LUNCHEON



Saturday, May 17, 2014

10:30 A.M.

Concordia Lutheran Church

6637 80th Avenue North

Glyndon MN

MUSICAL PERFORMING DUO

Jacob Nelson & Jessie Braaten

Rømmegrøt & Krumkake for sale

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

Announcements and Assignments

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

MONDAY, MAY 26, 2014

10 A.M.



**SERVICE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY
A CEREMONY IN THE CEMETERY,**

WEATHER PERMITTING

POT LUCK LUNCH FOLLOWS

Donations

Concordia Cemetery Fund

In Memory of Paul Grover

Cleone Koester & Richard Klomstad

Alice & LeRoy Horpedahl

In Memory of Evangeline Johnson

Don & Wendy Johnson

In Memory of Lorna Horpedahl

Alice & LeRoy Horpedahl

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In Memory of Paul Grover

Cleone Koester & Richard Klomstad

In Memory of Beatrice Morken

Osie Juve

Recipe of the Month

Thank
You

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Spring Ham Dinner. It was a good event for the church and we thank everyone who attended and those who helped with the preparations and the dinner. Thank you also for the gift certificate from Hornbachers. We appreciate their kindness and generosity.

Thank you to Doris Kassenborg for sharing her portable piano for Lenten Services. We were able to have music during the services in the basement. Thank you, Doris, for your thoughtfulness.



Church Bulletin Bloopers

The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.

Recipe of the Month

Tim Walz's Turkey Trot Tater Tot Hotdish

Minnesota Congressional Winner of the 2014 Delegation's Hotdish Competition



Ingredients

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| 1 lb. fresh green beans, cut into bite-sized pieces | |
| 4 slices bacon | 1 clove garlic, finely chopped |
| 6 tablespoons butter | 5-6 tablespoons flour |
| 2 ½ cups whole milk | ½ cup half and half |
| 2 teaspoons salt | 3 cups shredded cheddar cheese |
| 1 lb. ground turkey | ½ teaspoon sage |
| 1 teaspoon pepper | 1 egg |
| 1 tablespoon olive oil | ½ cup green onions |
| ¼ cup chopped onions | 1 package tater tots |
| 1 ½ cup baby bella mushrooms, washed and dried | |

Directions

- Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Recipe of the Month

- Blanch green beans by dropping them in boiling water for 2-3 minutes. Use a slotted spoon to remove from water and plunge into ice water.
- Heat olive oil in a 10" skillet. Brown turkey mixture to 165 degrees and place in a 9X13 baking pan.
- Fry bacon until crisp and cut into ¼" strips. Mix into turkey.
- Once green beans are completely cool, drain and mix with turkey.
- Heat 2 TB butter in a skillet. When the butter foams, add mushrooms. Stir gently for 4-5 minutes, or 2 minutes past the browning point. Remove from heat and add to baking pan.
- In a sauce pan, melt butter over medium heat. Little by little, sprinkle in flour and mix. Let cook for 2 minutes. Add milk and half & half slowly and cook for two minutes.
- Added diced onions, salt and pepper. After a minute, stir in 2 ½ cups of cheese until it melts. Pour over other ingredients
- Sprinkle with tater tots and the rest of the cheese.
- Cook for 45 minutes or until golden brown

I Am a Soldier

By Neal T.Lesh



I am a soldier born to follow or lead.
To serve my country in time of its need;
To protect our great nation with my heart and my soul
To preserve our new freedoms was one of my goals.

I joined in the struggle [a new nation to forge]
And fought with my brethren to run off King George
Severely outnumbered, Red Coats everywhere,
To continue the fighting was so hard to bear.

Finally it was over; fighting came to a close
From the ashes of tyranny a new nation arose
I returned to my family no longer a boy

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But a man and a soldier with a heart full of joy.

I am a soldier, keeping rifle at hand
In defense of our people as we open new land
I have sworn to protect with all of my might
A republic of freedom based on that which is right.

I am a soldier who is sickened at heart
At a nation in danger of breaking apart
More than just vanity has brought us this far;
Fighting brother on brother in a great civil war

There will never be peace in the land of the free
If we fail as a nation in the wisdom to see
That our constitution provides for each man's equal due
Not just for the many at the expense of a few.

I am a soldier, who has fought the Great War,
In the trenches of France with a passion to score
In the name of what's holy in the name of what's right
Against enemies of liberty, I carried my fight.

From the beaches of Normandy to Iwo Jima's sand,
Soldiers died by the thousands in some far distant land
They had shared noble reasons for the lives that they gave---
For the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Bits and Pieces

I am a soldier, not a demon, as some people believe
For it's not in my nature to kill and cause grief
I would rather take up a far greater cause,
Turning sword into plowshare without even pause.

It's a much better world when we sleep and devise
All those wonderful musings where our hopes come alive
I am a soldier with conscience and I wish that I knew
How to use all my power to make dreams come true.

I am a soldier standing guard through the night
Supported by others who join in the fight
To do what it takes we work as a team
So others can share in America's dream.

There are those in this world full of anger and hate
Who'd tear down our country; they now stand at our gate.
That so many people have died at their hand
Should send out a signal throughout our great land.

I will take up this battle for the families who cried
For the loss of their loved ones who needlessly died.
Yes, I am a soldier and I'd die if need be,
For your right to be happy and your right to be free.

Contributed by Harold Horpedahl

Dates to Remember

Worship Services every Sunday

Coffee Hour: 9 a.m.

Worship: 10 a.m.

Sunday School: 11 a.m. (following worship)

Communion 1st Sunday of the month

Spring Luncheon May 17 10:30 a.m.

Memorial Day Service May 26 10:00 a.m.

Concordia Ladies

May 13 1:30 p.m. Fryn' Pan

Birthdays

May 8 Osie Juve May 15 Harold Horpedahl

May 17 Orpha Hoelstad May 20 Ella Swanson

May 22 Miley Larson May 24 Debbie Myhre

May 24 Barb Grover May 27 Ralph Grover

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