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The beginning of the new year is for some an occasion to start new habits or abandon old ones. As Christians we get a head start as the season of Advent marks the beginning of the Church year and is known as a time of self preparation for the coming of



the Christ Child. Starting the second week of January we will be leaving the season of Christmas and welcoming the season of Epiphany. The initiative of seeking God's guidance which marked the season of Advent carries through Christmas and into Epiphany. The following Epiphany hymn uses the Magi as examples of what it means to follow God and to count on him to illumine the path he prepares for our pilgrimage.

"As with Gladness Men of Old"
by William C. Dix, 1837-1898

1. As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright,
So, most gracious Lord, may we
2. As with youthful steps they sped,
Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before
Thee whom heaven and earth adore,
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek Thy mercy-seat!
4. Holy Jesus, every day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past.
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

from **The Lutheran Hymnal**
Hymn #127
Text: Matthew 2: 1-11
Author William C. Dix, 1860
Composer: Konrad Kocher, 1838
Tune: "Dix"

May God bless you in your Epiphany journey knowing that the not even the deepest darkness of this age can dim the Light that has come into the world.

Grace and Peace, *Pastor Bruce*

COFFEE AT 9 A.M. ~ WORSHIP AT 10 A.M. EVERY SUNDAY



**Concordia Ladies
No Meeting in January**

Coffee and Cookie Servers



January 3 Irene Olson
 January 10 Orpha Hoelstad
 January 17 Delores Hagene
 January 24 Becky Jegtvig
 January 31 Polly Hanson
 February 7 Randy & Deb Myhre
 February 14 Sylvia Teigen
 February 21 Doris Kassenborg
 February 28 Linda Koester

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



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“Jesus in the Wilderness” is the subject for Kids Corner in January. Kids Corner is located in the congregation section of the website.

If anyone has information for the weekly bulletin or has someone to add to the prayer list, please e-mail by Wednesday of that week:



mgrover1424@gmail.com

I will do my best to get the information in.
 Thank you, Barb Grover



BIBLE STUDY
Date: Wednesday, Jan 6
Time: 5:30-6:30 pm

Roofing Fund

Our shingles need replacing and the board is studying the most cost-effective alternatives. Your memorials and donations will help make this happen!



Christmas “Untrimming”

On Saturday, January 9th at 1:00 we will be taking down the Christmas tree and decorations. If you have any Christmas treats left to share, please bring them along for coffee and fellowship after all the decorations are packed away. Everyone is welcome!



Potluck - Annual Meetings

The congregation’s annual meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 7**, after worship and a potluck lunch. The cemetery association’s annual meeting will follow.

Annual Report: Make sure to submit all financial information that needs to be included in the annual report to Sylvia by **January 17, 2016**.

Join the ROMEOs!

*Retired Old Men
 Eating Out*

7:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 29
 Fryn’ Pan



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, and so on.

1. Ella – 233-4154
2. Osie – 233-5906
3. Barb – 233-4280
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

Donations

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In Memory of Walter Engesetter
Lois Jensen

THANKS to Colleen Edwards for donating candy and helping with our Advent Program candy bags! This is a wonderful memory from our beloved Sunday School Christmas programs.



THANK YOU to everyone who helped me celebrate my 85th birthday.

Doris Kassenborg

I am the New Year



I am the New Year. I am an unspoiled page in your book of time.

I am the next chapter, your

opportunity to practice what you have learned about life during the months and years gone by.

All that you sought and have not yet found is waiting for you to search out with more determination.

All the good that you tried for and didn't achieve is mine to grant when you have time to think and make your choices with assurance.

All that you dreamed but didn't dare to do, all that you hoped but did not will, all the faith that you claimed but did not have—these slumber lightly, waiting to be awakened by the touch of a strong purpose.

I am your opportunity to renew your allegiance to Him who said, "Behold, I make all things new."

Recipe of the Month

Morning Glory Muffins

submitted by Carolyn Babolian



Ingredients

- 4 cups flour
- 2 ½ cups brown sugar
- 4 teaspoons baking soda
- 4 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 4 cups chopped/grated apples
- 1 cup raisins
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1 cup shredded carrots
- 1 cup shredded coconut
- 6 eggs
- 2 cups vegetable oil
- 4 teaspoons vanilla

Frosting

- 8 oz. pkg cream cheese
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- ¼ cup butter, softened
- 16 oz. bag powdered sugar (4 cups)

Directions

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- In a large bowl, sift flour, sugar, soda, cinnamon and salt.
- Stir in apples, pecans, coconut and carrots
- Beat eggs, oil and vanilla
- Slice into flour mixture until batter is just combined.
- Spoon batter into muffin papers.
- Bake muffins about 35 minutes. Test with a toothpick; muffins are done when toothpick comes out clean.
- Let them cool

Frosting

- Beat cream cheese, vanilla and butter until smooth and well-blended
- Mix in powdered sugar gradually

Frost muffins with cream cheese frosting, sprinkle coconut on top

Can also bake this as a cake.

Ephiphany

Epiphany is the oldest Christian festival and originally it was the most important. It celebrates the manifestation of Jesus as the Son of God. Two major events are celebrated: the visit of the Magi to the baby Jesus, and the baptism of Christ by John the Baptist. The season of Epiphany lasts until Lent and focuses on the signs, miracles and preaching of the Son of God on Earth.

“Lutefisk Supper”

Thanks to Harold Horpedahl for submitting this information.

Up until the 1970s, Concordia put on a yearly lutefisk supper. Harold submitted the following information about the supper held November 5, 1969. There was no indication what they charged for a meal. If anyone remembers, pass it along to Sylvia and we'll let you know next month!

Menu:

Lutefisk
Lefse
Meatballs
Potatoes and Gravy
Cabbage and Corn

Grocery list:

900 pounds of lutefisk (\$.39/lb)
160 pounds beef, 40 pounds pork for meatballs
40 dozen brown buns
30 dozen white buns
100 pounds cabbage
25 pounds onions
12 #10 cans of corn
40 pounds butter
3 quarts half & half
175 half pints of milk
33 pounds oatmeal
25 pounds pickling salt
5 pounds pepper
10 dozen eggs
10 cans evaporated milk
10 pounds of flour

Cooks:

Lutefisk
Jerry Grover, Bob Schaller, Edwin Kassenborg,
Jacob Holte

Potatoes

Dick Wang, Ron Zimmerman, Kenny Koester

Meatballs, Cabbage, Corn & Gravy

Allan Kassenborg

Lefse was purchased by Mrs. Eddie Erickson

Ticket sales/contributions \$1394.05

Expenses \$1120.94

Net \$273.11

\$273.11 may not look like much of a profit, but remember, this was back in 1969. In 2015 dollars, the dinner made almost \$1750!



**From The
Moorhead
Daily News**

January 25, 1929

“Social News”

Funeral Services were held yesterday at one o'clock from Trinity church for the late Erick J. Gorder. Rev Sigurd T. Sorenson officiated and pallbearers at the church were J. E. Teigen, William Wagner, William Russell, N. L. Johnson, I. N. Thompson, and H. Melquist. At 2:30 services were held at Concordia church with Rev M Hagen assisted by Rev Sorenson in charge. E. O. Studlien, John Sorby, M. O. Steen, Andrew Teigen, Gilbert Kragness (*sic*) and E. Kragness (*sic*) acted as pallbearers at Concordia Church. Interment took place in Concordia cemetery.

January 9, 1931

“Social and Personal”

Lislien Svenkeson left this morning for his home in Sebeka, after spending a week at the home of his sister Mrs. Signe Svenkeson, 604 Fifth Avenue South.

January 6, 1934

**Evangeline Wilson Dies of
Pneumonia at Farm Home Here
Four-year-old daughter of Julius A Wilson
to be buried at Concordia Church**







Ill with pneumonia for three days, Evangeline Wilson four-year-old daughter of Mr and Mrs Julius Wilson, Rural Route 1, Moorhead, died Friday at her home in Kragnes Township.

Evangeline Ramona Cecelia Wilson was born December 14, 1929, in Fargo. Besides her parents, she is survived by three sisters, Carol, Phyllis, and Eloda, and one brother, Woodrow.

Funeral Services will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Concordia Church with Rev C. B. Runsvold, pastor, in charge. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

January brings the snow and makes our feet
and fingers glow!
~Sarah Coleridge

JANUARY 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 NEW YEARS DAY	2
3 WHITE 9 am Coffee 10 am Worship  SALLY HOBBS/WH	4 	5	6 5:30 PM Bible Study  GERMAINE GUEST	7	8	9 1 PM Christmas Untrimming
10 WHITE 9 am Coffee 10 am Worship	11  POLLY HAYTON	12 1:30 PM Ladies	13	14	15	16
17 GREEN 9 am Coffee 10 am Worship >>Annual Report << Deadline	18	19	20  Newsletter Deadline	21	22	23
24 GREEN 9 am Coffee 10 am Worship	25	26	27	28	29 7:30 AM Romeos	30  BEENE OLSON
31 GREEN 9 am Coffee 10 am Worship						

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