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CONCORDIA NEWS -- JANUARY, 1981

As we take a short look back on the year 1980, we thank the Lord for all the blessings He has bestowed upon our congregation especially during this time without a pastor. We give thanks to our Elders and church officers for keeping things going; to our LWML Guild; to the Altar Guild; to the Wednesday Afternoon Bible Class; to the Sunday Evening Bible Class; to Gus for providing music at our worship service each week and Elaine when Gus is gone; to Karen for her fine job putting out the newsletter each month; to Mary Ann for her many services; to the couples who keep the church clean each week; for our new members; and, to all our members who come to the Lord's house and worship and partake of the Holy Sacraments each week. And last, but certainly not least, can we ever thank Pastor and Mrs. Hahn enough for their devotion to Concordia during the past months. We look ahead now to 1981 and a happy, healthy year for all of us as the Lord wills it.

Chrismon Tree

A big thank you to Dennis Scheiwe for cutting the beautiful tree for the sanctuary and to Mary Ann Campbell for making the Chrismons possible. She ordered all the materials and organized the work days for making them, besides making many of the Chrismons herself (with Gordon's help on some). Special thanks to the many ladies who made Chrismons this year—Alma, Elaine, Elvera, Gus, Jan, Jane, Jean W., Jeri, Joann, Karen, Lena, Lenny, Pat, Sally, Sher, and Tami. Apologies to those who wanted to make a Chrismon but didn't get a kit—next year ladies. More special thanks to Gene Ecker, Bob Harris and Gene Carrell for putting the lights on. We dedicated

Concordia's Christmas tree to the Lord with the hanging of all the lovely Chrismon decorations. We hope this will continue to be a tradition at Concordia. There are other Chrismons that can be made in coming years. The entire tree can be decorated and not just the front and sides. We thank our dear Lord for the time and talents He gave us in making the Chrismons.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS—If you have never attended bible study, fear not. We are not questioning your knowledge, but each seeking to grow in our Christian faith. It takes, however, the simple discipline of coming each time, being present in body and mind. Discipline yourself to be present. A person that refuses bible study is weaker because of ignorance of the word and its meaning.

Adult Bible Study: Sunday, 10:15 a.m.

Sunday, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 2:00 p.m.

Sunday evening bible class will finish up with "God's greatest gift—the gift of LOVE" and then start on Corinthians.

A lively group meets every Sunday morning at 10:15 by the fireplace to study the Bible. All adults are invited to attend and join in the current study of Ecclesiastes.

The Wednesday Bible Study will resume meeting at the church January 7 at 2:00 p.m. This group is studying the book of Matthew.

Lost and Found

Please pick up your rolling pins, etc. left from ADVENTure School. Our thanks to Sue DiVito and Betti Carrell for a fine ADVENTure School this year. Also, there are several large tupperware bowls left at church from Baldwin's reception.

NOTE:

Coming in February, the celebrated singers from Seward Nebraska. They will be here to honor us with a concert of beautiful music. The date is February 17 at 8:00 p.m. in the new Steamboat Springs Community Center. Mark this date on your calendar. Elvera and Valorie will be hosting and will give us more information later.

Wedding

The congregation of Concordia is invited to attend the marriage of Julie Ann Peters to Patrick Cole Simillion on Saturday, January 24, at 1:00 p.m., at the United Methodist Church.

New Faces

There have been many new faces appearing at Concordia recently. Among them are David, Cheryl and Jason Dollase from Glenwood Springs; Jan and Heather McKay from Florida; Joe, Doran, Blue and Wendy Teromoto; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Albi and family from Blue Hill, Nebraska. Let's all get acquainted!

Seminar

"You are God's Gift" It is hoped that many of our women are already planning to take this opportunity to learn more about our role as a Christian woman in the world today. The keynote speaker for the LWML Colorado District Seminar to be held January 24-25 will be Alberta P. Barnes of South Euclid, Ohio. Mrs. Barnes is the Mission Projects Chairman for international LWML and is also the Seminar '80 Coordinator, responsible for developing the materials and working with all the Districts in International LWML in setting up their Seminars. She is a vivacious and enthusiastic person, and authored the Bible Study especially for the Seminar. Advance registration deadline is January 15, 1981. The

Seminar will be held at Colorado Women's College, Montview Blvd. and Quebec in Denver. Several of the LWML members are planning to attend so rides will be available. Contact Billee Harris for further information.

The Christmas Story

The Children's program on Sunday, December 21 was beautifully presented under the guiding hand of Billee Harris and many helpers. Ivey Goldie worked with Billee preparing the program. She and her family spent Christmas in Arkansas. Lara Matlage did a fine job at the piano and we thank Eric Ecker for playing his drums.

Gifts were brought for the Good Shepherd Lutheran Home in Littleton. Pastor and Mrs. Hahn were kind enough to deliver the gifts for us.

Voters Assembly

At the December 9 meeting a call was extended to Rev. Gary P. Boye of North Bend, Nebraska. At this time the call has not been returned. Pastor Ralph Phipps, Colo. Dist. President attended the meeting to answer questions we might have.

New officers elected are as follows:

President; Karl Matlage

Vice-president: Walt Taylor

Secretary: Kathy Deepe

Treasurer: Marty Boomgarden

Elder: Dennis Scheiwe

Financial Secretary: Gene Carrell

Trustee: Made Weise

May the Lord guide each of them in their respective positions.

January Birthdays: 1/4--Stacey Wiese, 1/6--Emily Evans, 1/18--Chris Wiese, 1/20--David Stone, 1/27--Michelle Harris, 1/30--Todd Evans.

Thank You

The Women's Guild thanks Dean and Sally Sandvik for opening their home to some 60 members and guests for their annual Christmas Dinner. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship and delicious buffet dinner which followed. The "Bootleggers" (barbershop quartette) entertained us with many delightful songs. Pastor and Mrs. Hahn were our special guests and received a fruit basket as a gift from the congregation. Lena Gehrman and Pat Ohler were co-chairmen of the dinner and we thank them.

Poinsettias

The Altar Guild thanks everyone who donated a poinsettia plant to add to the beauty of our sanctuary this Christmas season. Please feel free to take your plant at any time. The cost is \$7.50 and should be paid to Thelma Haines as soon as possible. Anyone owing for flowers in 1980 should pay Thelma. The cost per vase is \$6.00.

News Notes

Hank and Elaine Stroncek were happy to have son, Lee and Janet and Nathan spend the Christmas holidays with them. They came vis Frontier Air Lines from Bozeman, Montana.

Dean and Sally Sandvik had many house guest for the holidays including Sally's Mother from Whitefish, Montana and Dean's Mcm and Dad from North Dakota. Pastor Hahn and his son from Gunnison were dinner guests of the Sandvik's Christmas Eve.

The Altar Guild enjoyed good fellowship at a luncheon at Elaine Stroncek's Dec. 12. The ladies honored Lena Gehrman with a birthday cake which had an undisclosed number of candles on it.

The Bob Harris family spent Christmas with their parents. Billee's Mother is recovering nicely from surgery and your prayers will be appreciated.

Ivey, Randy, John and Jay Goldie spent Christmas in Arkansas with Randy's father.

Teresa, Jerry and Cathy Gause spent New Year's with the Eckers.

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12th Night
EPIPHANY

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
USHERS: Hank Stroncek Lou Volberding Acolyte: Brad Ohler Alter Guild: Jean Cooper	Church Cleaners: jan. 4 1/11-??? Flowers: 1/4 Evan's-	jan. 4 M/M Ecker jan. 11 M/M Howard jan. 18 M/M Howard jan. 25 M/M Ecker 1/18-Wiese, 1/25 Evan's	1 New Year's Day HAPPY NEW YEAR May GOD'S Blessings BE on US at CONCORDIA THIS NEW YEAR!	2	3	10 Today's NO ODDLE WHICH IS Prettier???* A Butterfly Or A Frog???* *Oh yeah? Not if you're a frog!!
4 9am Worship w/Holy Communion (Pastor Hahn) 10:15am SS & BC 7&8th Conformation 7pm Evening Bible Study	5	6 Epiphany	7 2pm Bible Study of "Matthew's Gospel" at Church	8	9	16 It's NOT ALL BAD if you GET MAD at GOD... -it at least shows you really BELIEVE in HIM!!!!!!
11 9am Worship servc (Rev. Hahn) 10:15am SS & BS 7&8th Conformation 7pm Evening BS	12	13 Voters Meeting 7:30pm	14 2pm Bible Study	15	22 LWML meeting 7:15pm at Lena's See Ya aLL There	23 Seminar hours: 1/24-Sat. 9am - 9:30pm 1/25-Sun. 9am - 3pm....
18 9am Worship W/ Holy Communion (Pastor Hahn) 10:15am SS & BS 7 & 8 Conformation 7pm Evening BS	19	20	21 2pm Bible Study	28	29	24 Julie Peters Wedding 1pm at Methodist Church. **LWML SEMINAR "You are God's Gift" Denver
25 9am Worship Service (Rev. Hahn) 10:15am SS & BS 7&8th Conformation 7pm Evening BS	26	27	28 2pm Bible Study	30	31 JUST THINK 328 Days left before CHRISTMAS	