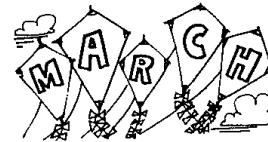


CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

P X CHRISTOGRAM

Lenten Schedule



1983

The special evening services at Concordia during Lent and Holy Week provide an opportunity to gather at the foot of the cross of Jesus and reflect on the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection for our lives. Centered around the theme "Were You There...?", the service schedule is as follows (service time is 7:30 p.m.):

- March 16 - Midweek Service
- March 31 - Maundy Thursday (Holy Communion)
- April 1 - Good Friday Tenebrae
- April 3 - Easter (6:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. with Holy Communion)

The Midweek Noonday Lenten series continues on Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. The remaining services are:

- March 9 at Concordia Lutheran Church
- March 16 at United Methodist Church
- March 23 at Holy Name Catholic Church

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT...

\$785.00 per week is needed to reach the 1983 budget of \$40,811.00.

The total needed through February 27th to meet the budget is \$7,065.00. Gifts received through February 27th amount to \$6,017.12.

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ALTAR GUILD...



The Altar Guild wishes to thank everyone who has signed up for the purchase of altar flowers during 1983. There are a few spaces left on the chart if you would like to furnish flowers for a Sunday service.

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Several people still owe for flowers furnished in 1982, (Sept. 19, October 17 & 28 along with three Sundays in January). Please help the guild in keeping their books current so they can pay the florist.

Lilies are available again this Easter for the Altar. Cost will be approximately \$7.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing a plant, please sign the special chart in the narthex and pay either LaVerne Lausten or Thelma Haines. Purchasers may take the lilies home after the Easter services or the Altar Guild will deliver them to Concordia members who are sick or to the nursing home.



CHOIR...

Concordia's Choir will reassemble to provide music during the Lenten and Easter season. Practices are being held on Thursday evenings at 7:00 and all members of Concordia are invited to join in the celebration of song.

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THE PANTRY...

Remember the needy Oak Creek family we supplied with food at Christmas time? This family with five children is still in need of help.

Concordia would like to keep a pantry shelf filled in order to donate food to these and other needy individuals whenever it is needed. "The Pantry" box is located in the narthex and contributions can be made at any time. Encourage your children to bring an item of food that they especially enjoy to share with the needy.

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LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE ZONE RALLY

March 20, 1983

2:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Zion Lutheran Church, Montrose, CO

Registration: 2:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Bible Study

Holy Land Slide Tour

A Light Supper

Talent Contest After Supper

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WOMEN'S GUILD...

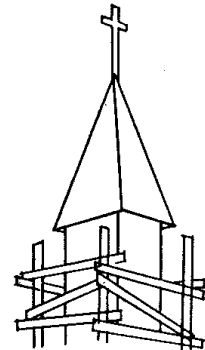


The Women's Guild met at the home of Joanne Boomgarden on February 23rd with 16 members present. The group listened to a tape by Dr. James Dobson followed by devotions led by Billee Harris.

The dates for the annual spring Rummage Sale will be May 19, 20, & 21. Start gathering your rummage now and bring it to the church by May 16.

The next guild meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 23, at the home of Tami Havener. New members are invited.

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**CONTRIBUTE
TO YOUR CHURCH
BUILDING FUND**

BITS and PIECES...

Welcome to our newest members, Steve and Tammy Scheblin (D-Bar-K, Apt.#9, P.O. Box 773324). Steve and Tammy both work at Storm Meadows, he with Security and she with Housekeeping...Scott Havener is now serving on the Board of Trustees, completing the term of Ike Gehrman, who resigned from the board...The 4th Sunday of the month is the newsletter deadline. Please submit information by that time...Whether we ultimately expand or relocate the church, the Building Fund must grow to help with the costs. Your special gifts can help the Fund grow.



We Share Our CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY with:

Valerie Eidem upon the death of her grandmother in Illinois, Trencaia Gocken.

Ike Gehrman upon the death of his brother in Michigan, Roland Gehrman.

RANDOM THOUGHTS...



Since this is my monthly opportunity to visit with you, allow me to share some random thoughts:

- + I have noticed that a number of families do not bring their children with them to the altar for a blessing during the communion service. Worship is for children, too. This enables them to be a part of the worship action; to receive something special for themselves; to not have to be "left behind" when mom and dad go "up there". I would like to see all of our kids who are not confirmed participate in this. Encourage your child; by all means, don't discourage him if he wants to join you.

- + It seems that the flu bug and the ski bug have hit our worship participation so far this year. Our average attendance in 1983 is about 10 per Sunday below the same Sundays in 1982. Worship always involves a decision for us. Something else can always be found to do instead of worshipping. Our Lord wants to be first in our lives, and this involves making worship a top priority so that we can receive His blessings in Word and Sacrament in the fellowship of other Christians.

- + Are you aware of Concordia's involvement in our community? Along with the other churches we help to support the Community Care Fund which provides food, gas, and lodging to people in need who are passing through town. We have also budgeted support for the new Teen Center which will provide an alternative for the youth of our community.

- + Memorial Gifts should be given to Gene Carrell, our Financial Secretary or placed in the offering plate. Designate where you would like the gift to go (Memorial Fund, Building Fund, Good Shepherd Home, etc.). You should also get a Memorial Card from the pastor at church or at the parsonage and send it to the family. (The church's Memorial Fund will be used for special purchases of lasting value for congregational use.)

- + The congregation has approved my serving Faith Lutheran Church in Craig during its pastoral vacancy. This will involve conducting Sunday worship and spending part or all of Thursdays in Craig for calling, confirmation class, meetings, etc. Join me in praying that it won't be long before the Lord sends a new shepherd to Faith congregation.

May our loving Lord hold you in His gracious hands!

Peace and Joy,

Pastor Norm

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DID YOU KNOW???

- * that Hank and Elaine Stroncek are Fraternal Communicators of Lutheran Brotherhood?
- * that many films and resources are available for our use?
- * that Branch Matching Funds up to \$250 are available to Concordia Church?
- * that programs on Fire Safety, Bike Safety, Poison Safety, and Water Safety can be ordered for use in our community by our fire, police, public schools, youth groups, etc.?
- * that scholarships are available?

Please contact the Stronceks for more information at 879-2442.



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MEMORIAL GIFTS HAVE BEEN GIVEN...

To the Memorial Fund by the Concordia Guild in memory of Roland Gehrman.

To the Memorial Fund by Gert Farrell in memory of Mrs. Nattie Cotterell (Gene Cooper's mother).

To the Building Fund by George and Janis Noyer in memory of Matthew Scott Noyer, their infant son.

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THE PRETZEL: A RELIGIOUS SYMBOL

Did you know that the common pretzel was specifically designed for use in Lent? Sometime during the Middle Ages, when Lent was accompanied by strict bans on dairy products as well as meat. People subsisted largely on breads, pastries, soups and vegetables.

Bakers in Germany decided to create a food product that would even look religious - the pretzel! The crossed arms of a pretzel represent a Christian at prayer.

Place your palms on opposite shoulders, thus crossing your forearms, and you will recognize the shape.

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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|---------------|---|
| Serving in March
Altar: Gene Cooper
Gert Farrell
Ushers: Hank Stroncek
Lou Volberding | | 1 | 2
12:15 Methodist Church
7:30 Service
Aco: R. Alber | 3
7:00 Choir | 4 | 5
Carrells clean |
| 6 3rd Sunday in Lent
9:00 Holy Communion
10:15 Sun Schl/Bible Class
Acolyte: Chrissy Evans | 7
6:15 Conf Cl
8:00 Bldg Comm | 8
7:30 Voters Meeting | 9
12:15 Concor-
dia
7:00 SS Staff | 10
7:00 Choir | 11 | 12
Leckey/Lausten
clean |
| 13 4th Sunday in Lent
9:00 Worship
10:15 Sun Schl/Bible Class
Acolyte: Jay Goldie | 14
6:15 Conf Cl | 15
St. Patrick's Day | 16
12:15 Methodist Church
7:30 Service
Aco: Jn Goldie | 17
7:00 Choir | 18 | 19
Campbells
clean |
| 20 5th Sunday in Lent
9:00 Holy Communion
10:15 Sun Schl/Bible Class
Acolyte: Amy Matlage | 21
6:15 Conf Cl
8:00 Bldg Comm | 22 | 23
12:15 Catholic Church
7:30 Concordia Guild | 24
7:00 Choir | 25 | 26
Teramotos
clean |
| 27 Palm Sunday
9:00 Worship
10:15 Sun Schl/Bible Class
Acolyte: Brad Ohler
<u>Newsletter Deadline</u> | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31
Maundy Thursday
Haveners clean | 1 Good Friday | |
| | 6:15 Conf Cl | | | | | 7:30 Tenebrae
Aco: J. Sandvik
Aco: R. Morrell |