



CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

# CHRISTOGRAM

## CONFIRMATION ON PENTECOST



Three young people of our congregation will affirm their baptismal relationships with the Triune God and be confirmed in their faith on the Festival of Pentecost, May 22. Mark Baldwin, Ellen Jurischk and Nicky Matthews will receive the Rite of Confirmation during the worship that morning. On the previous Sunday, they will share their statements of faith with the congregation based on the theme, "I Believe in God... the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit." Remember these confirmands in your prayers that they may ever walk with Jesus.



May 1988

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## LANDSCAPE PLANS



The Landscape Committee, headed by Steve Witte, is planning some work days during the next four months to complete as much landscaping as possible.

Work days are scheduled for the following dates and times:

Saturday, May 28th 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday, June 25th 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday, July 23rd 8:00 am to 4:00 pm


Saturday, August 27th 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

In the event that it rains, the work days will be held the following Saturday. Coffee and donuts will be provided at 8:00 am; workers are asked to "brown bag it" for lunch. Volunteers can stay all day, or part of the day.

The Committee is planning to focus on one area of landscaping each month. The first workday on May 28th will be devoted to planting grass, trees, flowers and shrubs in front of the church (facing Amethyst). Members and friends of the congregation wishing to donate one or more items for planting, may do so by signing the list posted on the entry bulletin board. Any questions about the landscaping or planting can be directed to Steve Witte (879-5442).

Circle the above dates on your calendar now and plan to help beautify our church! The more help we have, the faster the jobs will be completed!

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### LIBRARY NEARING COMPLETION

Most of the furnishings are in place and the library contents are being organized in preparation for the dedication of the new room in a few weeks. Watch for an announcement about the dedication and the room's readiness for use!



## SPRING FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Let's see how many of us can get together before summer vacations start. Come --- May 15th at 5:00 pm at the Church. Bring a dish to pass and your table service. SEE YOU THERE!!



Thank you so much for the prayers, love, and support you have all given us these past weeks. Everything is going really well, with much thanks to you and we're very optimistic that it will continue to do so.

In Christ's Love,  
Jim and Julie Rabbitt

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RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE

Concordia Lutheran Women's Guild will be holding its 13th annual Spring Rummage and Bake Sale Thursday and Friday, May 19 and 20 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm and on Saturday, May 21 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Church.



Congregational Matching Funds up to \$350 are being applied for through Northern Colorado BR Lutheran Brotherhood branch number 8717.

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GUILD NEWS

There were fourteen ladies present at the April meeting held at Ann Mattlage's home. An enjoyable program was presented by Diane Weber and Susie Warner. New officers were voted on for the following year: Sher Scheiwe -- president, Ann Mattlage -- returning V.P., Pam Bourdette -- Treasurer, Connie Jurischk -- Secretary, and Roe Schmoock, Tami Havener, and Jan Fritz -- Christian Growth Committee. They will be installed at our June meeting.

The next guild meeting will be at the Church on Wednesday, May 18th at 7:00 pm. We will sort rummage and finish setting up for the rummage sale which starts on Thursday, May 19th. Refreshments will be served.

PLAN AHEAD --- It's not too early to begin saving your money to go to the International Lutheran Women's Missionary League Convention in Rapid City, S.D., June 26-29, 1989.

The wonderful opportunities for spiritual and personal renewal in the speakers, Bible Studies, worship, and workshops is more than enough reason to attend. Remember...Rapid City in '89!

LENTEN CALENDERS --- You can put your money that you collected from the Lenten Calenders in the large mite box at the Church. These mites will be sent to the district L.W.M.L. and distributed to various missions throughout the world.

Concordia's Guild would like to thank all of you that used the calenders and contributed to this worthwhile cause.

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BITS AND PIECES

Our prayers are with NORA MATTEO and JULIE RABBITT who are both confined to bed rest as they await the birth of babies in the near future...with ELAINE STRONGEK as she recuperates from her recent surgery...with HEATHER CARRELL who is recovering from mononucleosis...and with JANET HONEBEIN, whose father died on April 24th.

We welcome GARY and LISA KOCH and daughter WHITNEY into our congregational family. Gary works in construction and Lisa is a potter/artist. Their address is 40316 Riverside Dr., P.O. Box 771488 (879-4871).

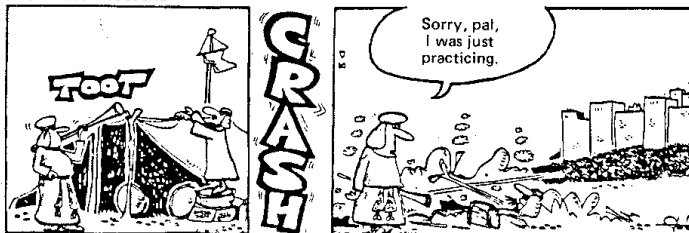
The following membership changes were made at the April Voters Meeting: MARTY JO LEPPER was transferred to Mr. Calvary Lutheran Church in Phoenix, AZ; ELDY FRIEDRICH and RICK SCHUMANN were removed at their own request; and KAREN BALDWIN, VAL EIDEM, DUANE MONSEES, BILL and SUSIE JACOBSON were removed due to having moved and we no longer have addresses for them.

Do you have an unused wall phone in good working order? If so, we could use it in the library. Contact Rosemary Schmoock if you have one.

Thank you to Bob Harris for the file cabinet donated to the church office for use by the choir for music storage.

If any of you would like to join in and sing along with Marilyn Ramunno and the Christian Singers on the second Tuesday of every month at the Extended Care Center, they could use your help. Call Jerre Forbes at the ECC (879-1322) for information.

BASICALLY BIBLICAL





COME, HOLY SPIRIT!

Since we will celebrate the Festival of Pentecost this month, it is good for us to think again about the Holy Spirit and what he does for us as Christians. The Holy Spirit is part of the Godhead, true God along with the Father and the Son.

If it were not for the Holy Spirit, we would not be Christians. Paul reminds us that "no one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:3). By nature we do not have the ability to believe in Jesus as our Savior. The faith that trusts in God is a gift, pure and simple. Natural man is spiritually blind, dead, and an enemy of God -- lacking the ability to love and trust him.

Paul says it this way, "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith -- and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God" (Ephesians 2:8). And Luther said in his Small Catechism, "I believe that I cannot by my own understanding or effort believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me through the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, and sanctified and kept me in true faith."

The Holy Spirit went to work in your life when you were baptized, if you were baptized as an infant; or through the Word of the Gospel, if you were not. A baptized infant is a Christian because the Spirit has brought him into a saving relationship with Jesus. That child does not have to "accept Christ" later in his life in order to become a Christian. He already has Christ in his life. Certainly he will grow in his understanding and appreciation of that relationship as he matures, but he will not become any more of a Christian. He will have the opportunity to confess his faith at Confirmation, for instance, as three of our young people will do on Pentecost day --- but he is already a Christian!

The Spirit works in your life through Word and Sacrament to keep you close to Jesus and to enable you to live for him. That completes the story, "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" (Ephesians 2:10). Praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

Peace and Joy,

Pastor Norm



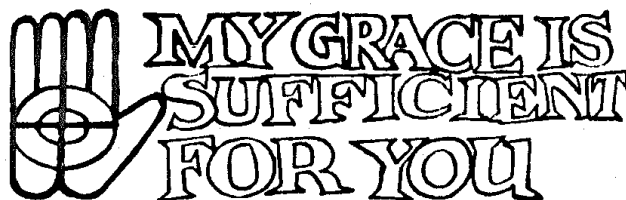
YOUTH GROUP

Yes, the Youth Group is still alive and flourishing. On April 9th we finished studying the Book of Revelation. Interesting book if you haven't read it. The main thing we did learn was that it was a book of revealings and a book of comfort, also a book of promise of providential intervention by God. And no matter what the world might believe, God does promise those that overcome the world, His faithful, a beautiful and glorious ending and we praise His name for it.

The Youth Group spent Sunday, April 10th sharing and planning at the Havener's home. Along with fellowship there were eats of baked of baked potatoes and toppings.

The Youth Group also ventured to Denver the 23rd and 24th of April for an evening of basketball -- the Denver Nuggets last game of the season. And of course there was shopping, sharing, fellowship, and of course more shopping.

Please remember the Youth in your prayers and we will keep you posted on future happenings.

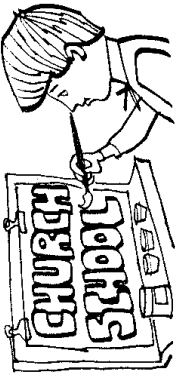


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#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES

Our Sunday School classes have been enjoying some exciting sessions which will continue through the summer. The children will be divided into 3 groups: preschool through Kindergarten, grades 1 through 6 and grades 7 through 12. The summer session begins June 6th.

The following children had perfect attendance for April:

Andrew Schmoock  
Carrie Schmoock  
Jessica Fritz  
Jennifer Fritz  
Daniel Weber  
Nicholas Weber  
Angela Carrell  
Scott Rimel  
Matt Jurkschk



The Schoolteacher was taking his class through the art gallery. "With a single stroke of the brush," he said, "Leonardo da Vinci could change a smiling face into a frowning one." A little boy spoke up and said, "That's nothing, so can my mother."



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| SUNDAY   | MONDAY            | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY                    | SATURDAY   |
|--|-------------------|---|--|---|---------------------------|--|
| 1 5th Sunday of Easter<br>St. Philip and St. James, Apostles<br>9:00 Communion (Harris)<br>Elder: Upham<br>10:15 Sunday School<br>Flowers: Bull<br>Greeters: Schmoock/Stroncek | 2<br>4 Conf Class | 3<br>6:00 BC<br>9:30 WBC<br>6:30 Choir<br>7:30 Wor Comm | 4 7 PG   | 5<br>7 Crossways!                               | 6<br>Pastor's family day  | 7<br>UP: Svendsen<br>DN: Goldie                                    |
| 6 6th Sunday of Easter<br>Mother's Day<br>9:00 Worship (Scheiwe)<br>10:15 Sunday School<br>Flowers: Volberding<br>Greeters: Mattlage   | 9<br>4 Conf Class | 10<br>6:00 BC<br>9:30 WBC<br>6:30 Choir<br>7:30 Voters  | 11 7 PG  | 12 The Ascension<br>of Our Lord<br>7 Crossways! | 13<br>Pastor's family day | 14<br>UP: Sherman<br>DN: Voyek                                     |
| 15 7th Sunday of Easter<br>9:00 Communion (Harris)<br>Elder: Harris<br>10:15 Sunday School<br>Flowers: Baldwin/Cooper<br>Greeters: Schlie                                      | 16                | 17<br>6:00 BC<br>9:30 WBC<br>6:30 Choir                 | 18 7 PG  | 19<br>7 Crossways!                              | 20<br>Pastor's family day | 21 Armed Forces<br>Day<br>UP: Mattlage<br>DN: Schlie               |
| 5:00 Fellowship Supper   |                   |   |  |   | R U M M A G E S A L E     | 1 9 -- 2 1   |
| 22 The Day of Pentecost<br>9:00 Confirmation (Scheiwe)<br>10:15 Sunday School<br>Flowers: Gehrman<br>Greeters: Schuelke  | 23                | 24<br>6:00 BC<br>9:30 WBC                               | 25 7 PG  | 26<br>7 Crossways!                              | 27<br>Pastor's family day | 28<br>UP: Beverlin<br>DN: Nelson<br>WORK DAY AT<br>CHURCH !!       |
| 12:30 Nursing Home Service   |                   |   |  |   |                           |  |
| 29 The Holy Trinity<br>1st Sunday after Pentecost<br>9:00 Communion (Jurischk)<br>Elder: Taylor<br>10:15 Sunday School<br>Flowers: Warner/Weber<br>Greeters: Taylor            | 30 Memorial Day   | 31<br>6:00 BC<br>9:30 WBC                               | Alter Guild:<br>Shirley Thorvilson<br>Lynn Worrell<br>Ushers:<br>Earl Maze<br>Jake Weber |   |                           | BC = Bible Class<br>WBC = Women's Bible Class<br>PG = Prayer Group |