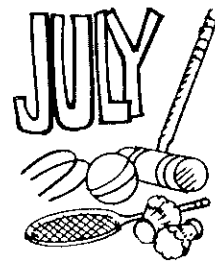
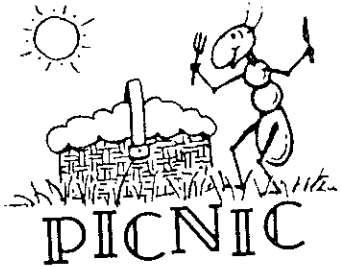


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1988

IN THE GOOD OL' SUMMERTIME...

Come, join the fun at the old fashioned church picnic, July 10th, 12 noon, at the church.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks are being provided by the L.W.M.L. Members are asked to sign up on the sheet in the entryway to bring a dish to pass. Old fashioned games will be the entertainment for the afternoon.

If you have any questions, please call Scott Havener, Sher Scheiwe or Doug Warner.

** Watch for details about the August 4th Ice Cream Social**

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LANDSCAPE WORKDAY...



The next landscape workday is being planned for July 23. We need your help! Mark the date on your calendar and plan to lend a hand. Don't forget to bring work gloves, shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, and lunches!

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL...

Plans are underway for this year's Vacation Bible School which will be held August 1-5. We hope to see all the children of the congregation ages 3 years through those who have completed the sixth grade and their friends come for a week of Bible study, crafts and other activities.

The theme this year is **JESUS LOVES ME**. There are some very interesting parts of the lessons that you probably have not seen before. So plan to come, bring a friend and join us!

We are still in need of teachers and others to help make this week a great success. If you can help at all, complete one of the "I can help" forms that are on the shelf under the mailboxes and put it into the VBS mailbox, or talk to Mary Kay Witte.

Vacation Bible School is one of the best ways to minister to children in our congregation as well as our community and it needs the support of each person in the congregation. Please support us with your prayers or come and join in the fun --- or both! It's a great week for everyone that gets involved.

If you have questions, feel free to contact Mary Kay Witte (879-5442).



A THANK YOU LETTER...

(This letter was sent to Pastor Norm who has shared it with us.)

6/16/88

Dear Rev. Schmoock,

Our family attended Easter sunrise service and the wonderful breakfast hosted by your men's group.

We were very surprised with the fine service and the Christian fellowship which we experienced. My 6th grade daughter commented that she would like to go to Concordia. At the time I was struggling with a decision involving a job move to Chicago, and the hospitality at Concordia made me realize that we would easily find new friends in Chicago. We're moving in August.

I just wanted a chance to express my appreciation to Concordia.

Sincerely,

Jim McNeil

P.S. I meant to mention that (I) think your Church building is beautiful. (Editor's note: a gift was enclosed for the church.)

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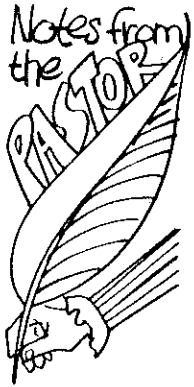
We praise God for blessing BOB AND NORA MATTEO with the gift of a daughter; and for blessing ANDY AND LIZ EFLIN with the gift of a son....May the Lord comfort DAVE MORATZKA whose mother died recently in Iowa; and HELEN SHERROD whose sister died recently in California. Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life!...BOB HARRIS is recuperating from surgery at home; and BRIANNE ROSTVEDT was in the hospital with pneumonia.

We thank God for healing!...Congratulations to ALMA BALDWIN who recently retired from teaching after 24 years in the Steamboat school system....Thank you to ALL who have helped with landscaping -- both with labor and donations!...Also thank you to DON HAGEMANN, BARB PANEPINTO, and JIM CHARLTON who planned, sewed, and installed the canopy over the kitchen serving windows!...Congratulations to GENE CARRELL who, with the help of his children, won the "Best Father" honor, winning a trip to Chicago to see the Cubs play, plus much more!...If you know of anything that should be brought to the attention of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES, put it into their mailbox and they will take care of it....The PREACHING STATION in Battlement Mesa begins on July 24th. Remember this mission effort in your prayers....MIKE EIDEM, a former member of Concordia, married BONNIE WOODARD this past spring. They are living in Andover, Kansas....PAM BOURDETTE has taken over as the new Cradle Roll coordinator. Thank you to BARB PANEPINTO for previously serving in that capacity.

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There are 365 "fear nots" in the Bible . . . one for each day of the year.

A Bible in the hand is worth two in the bookcase.



SOME THOUGHTS...

- + A number of people have expressed surprise recently that I have my office at the church, although this has been the case for over two years now. Some folks still try to reach me at home first, and are then directed to the church by my wife. Certainly you are invited to call me at home at any time! But I am generally at the church Monday to Thursday in the mornings, as well as many afternoons. I also there many Saturday mornings. You can drop-in, but it might be best to call first so that you won't miss me and so that we will have time to visit.
- + The June Lutheran Witness (available in the Church library) contains a good article on Millennialism, the belief that Jesus is coming to set up a 1000 year kingdom on this earth. This is a popular teaching among TV evangelists and some other church groups, but the Lutheran Church considers this to be a misreading of Scripture and a misinterpretation of certain Biblical passages. Check it out.
- + Our need to worship does not take a vacation during the summer. But quite often we let the distractions of family plans, recreational pursuits, and vacations lead us away from our Lord during the Summer months. This is not good! We can make our plans to include regular worship, and when we are on vacation we can worship in a church where we happen to be. The grass in our yards will not do very well without water. Neither will we do very well without the "Living Water" that comes from Jesus, or the "Bread of Life" which is Jesus himself.

Peace and Joy,

Pastor Norm

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WOMEN'S NEWS...

At the Salad Supper in June each woman there drew a name from the basket for a "Secret Sister."

If you were unable to attend the Salad Supper but would like to be included in the "Secret Sister"

activity, please sign up in the entryway, or talk to Jan Fritz at 879-8630.

**There's still time to sign up to help with the Bazaar crafts. If you would like to sign up and haven't yet talk to Dianna Rimel or Sher Schiewe.

BUDGET

As of 6/26/88 (which marks the end of the 2nd quarter of our congregation's fiscal year) a total of \$44,241.38 has been contributed for the furtherance of the Lord's work. These funds have been deposited in Concordia's "General Fund" for use as described by our budget. Our budgeted expenses for the 1st half of 1988 were \$41,857.

Steve Witte





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