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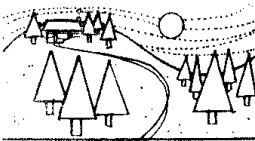
THE CHRISTMAS STORY
IN 1988...



"The Christmas Story in 1988", a slide presentation of the Christmas account and its meaning for us today, will be presented at the Sunday School Christmas Service on Sunday, December 18, at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited!

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YOUTH NEWS...



The Youth will be going to get the Church's Christmas tree on the 11th of December. If anyone would like them to get their tree, let the group know and also get your tree permit for them.

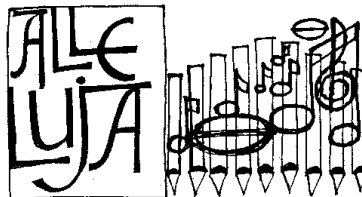
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As the celebration of Jesus' birth gets closer, we want you to mark the following opportunities for worship or fellowship on your calendar:

- December 4 -- ADVENTure night at church. Fellowship supper and a program with an ADVENT theme. 4 p.m.
- December 11 -- Morning worship with Christmas Cantata at 9 a.m.
Hayride and Caroling at 6:30 p.m.
- December 18 -- Sunday School Christmas Service at 7 p.m.
- December 24 -- Christmas Eve Worship
Family Service at 7 p.m.
Holy Communion at 11 p.m.
- December 25 -- Christmas Worship with Communion at 9 a.m.

"O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!"

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CHOIR CANTATA...

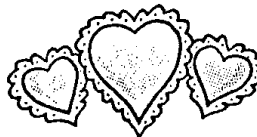
The Christmas Cantata, A Song of Christmas, will be part of our worship service for Sunday morning, December 11. Please come join us in celebration of our Lord in music by the choir and Pastor Schmoock.

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ADVENTure PARTY DECEMBER 4...

Celebrate the season of Advent with your friends by joining in the fun on December 4 at 4 p.m. at church. A fellowship supper, Christmas crafts anyone can make, and some Advent thoughts will center around the theme, "Where's my heart for Christmas?" You can bring a salad or dessert--main dish is provided. Come and join us for an ADVENTurous evening--and don't forget a joyful heart! Any questions, call Jan Fritz (879-8630).

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CAROLING AND
HAY RIDE...



An evening of caroling, along with a hay ride, will be held on Sunday, December 11, at 6:30 p.m. Bring a joyful voice and a dozen Christmas cookies to share. Hot chocolate and coffee will be provided. Meet at the church. Any questions? Call Donna Anderson (879-4963).

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FROM THE FLOWER CHAIRMAN...



Once again it is time to sign up for poinsettias for Christmas. Cost this year is \$9.25, and the deadline for signing up is December 11. Payment for flowers can be put in the Flowers mailbox when you sign up. (The new 1989 Flower Chart is up and ready to be filled!)



FROM HERB NELSON...

To the Concordia Family:

I thank God for my spiritual home this past year at Concordia. I thank each of you for your love, encouragement, friendship, and sharing. I thank God for the worship and praise we shared in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I have special memories of the 5th and 6th grade Sunday School class, the Tuesday morning Bible Class, and the Wednesday morning prayer group. Thank you, Pastor Norm and Rosemary, for your dedication to Concordia and the special shepherding your bring. Our home is open to each of you. Davis Point is one mile east of Silt on U.S. 6. Do come and visit!

Love,
Herb & Carolyn Nelson

0621 Davis Point
Silt, Colorado 81652
876-2448

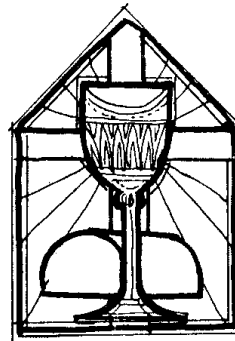
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WORLD HUNGER COLLECTION...

The LWML/Concordia Women's Guild is sponsoring a congregational collection for world hunger during this holiday season. Can you spare some change between now and Christmas? If you'd like to contribute, pick up a "love loaf" bank at church, save what you can in the coming weeks, and return it to the love loaf collection box by December 25. (If you would like your donation to be recorded on your quarterly stewardship statement, please mark your name on the loaf bank.)



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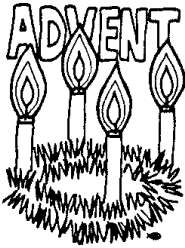


ALTAR GUILD FOR 1989...

It is again time to organize the 1989 Calendar for the Altar Guild. If any of the ladies that served last year feel that they are unable to help this year, please contact me within the next two weeks or leave a note in my box. We would welcome help from any of the new members of Concordia. If you have any questions concerning the Guild and its functions, I will be only too happy to visit with you.

Jean Upham (879-3189)
(If you are unable to reach me, call:
Ella Jurischk (879-7540)
Elaine Stroncek (879-2442)
Alma Baldwin (879-3952)

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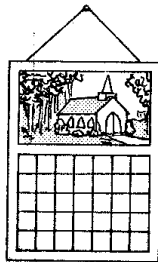


Advent seems like such a strange season because the world around us is beginning to celebrate Christmas. But it isn't Christmas yet, is it? We use the time of Advent to prepare for that celebration of Jesus' birth. The following poem by Susan Kay Folks makes that point:

Advent -
so wonderful -
not the Christmas season,
but Advent.
Time to prepare -
As my husband and I prepared for the birth
of our child and as
we prepare for the one to
come -
We didn't start by celebrating
the birth,
but by preparing for it -
learning again to appreciate
ourselves as a couple,
before we were a threesome.
All Christians must use Advent
to look at themselves
as people - human beings
in need of Christ before
we can openly welcome him
in our homes, lives, and hearts.

Peace and Joy,
Pastor Norm

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SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDERS...

The following children had perfect attendance at Sunday School during the month of November:

- Keith & Steven Denton
- Jenny Stanford
- Ian & Gavin Noyer
- Teri Dawn Bourdette
- Daniel & Nicholas Weber
- Carrie Schmoock
- Kristi Fulton
- Kristen & Sara Stine
- Angela & Josh Carrell
- Danielle & Deena Schuelke
- Stephanie & Kendra Bull

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CONTINUE TO PRAY!...

The Youth Counselors would like to express their appreciation to all the people who have included the youth in their prayers. It is a joy for parents and counselors to see how the youth witness to those around them in school. We do have a bunch of neat young Christians here at Concordia-- continue to pray for all their needs!

SUNDAY SCHOOL SHARES...



Our Sunday School children will be sharing Christmas with a needy Steamboat family. We are asking them to bring a WRAPPED gift for one or more person on the following list. Please tag gifts.

- Mother
- Girl - Age 11
- Boy - Age 5
- Boy - Age 2½

Gifts need to be at the church by Sunday, December 18. In His name, our staff thanks you for your cooperation and support.

Elaine Stroncek

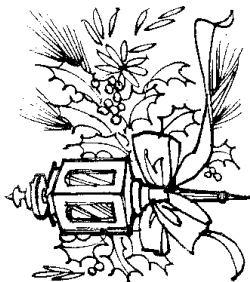
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COUPONS NEEDED...



The 7th and 8th-grade class would like to remind everyone that we are still saving Betty Crocker Coupons. These will be used for a needy family. You may put them in teacher Dan Schuelke's box, or give them to any of the following young adults: Sara Cundell, Heather Carrell, Joel Scheiwe, Kari Rostvedt, or Gregg Harris.

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BITS & PIECES....

We share our Christian sympathy with **CONNIE JURISCHK** and **HANK STRONCEK** whose fathers died within the last month. It is Jesus, the Coming One, who promises to fill grieving hearts with his peace and comfort.

We celebrate with **TIM AND WENDY McCONNELL**, as the Lord has blessed them with the gift of a son.

THE WHEAT RIDGE FOUNDATION supports healing ministries throughout the world. A list of these is posted on the bulletin board. You may support its ministry by returning the envelope you got with your Wheat Ridge seals.

You may still return your **STEWARDSHIP PROMISE FORMS**; put it into the offering plate. It is very important for us to prayerfully plan our response as individual stewards. Also, please be sure to return your **TALENT SURVEY SHEET** so that we can enter that info into the church computer for future use.

The Women's Guild would like to thank all who helped make the **BAZAAR** a success!

The **Annual ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY** will be an **EPHANY PARTY** this year -- to be held on Friday, January 6, at the Pine Grove. Watch for details in coming weeks!

We welcome **JERRY & ELLEN DALTON**, and children **TESSA, CORY, BRADY, ALEX, AND TYLER**; and **ERNIE & IVY NELSON**, and children **TARA, MAGGLE, AND SARA** into our congregational family.

We sadly bid farewell to **HERB NELSON**. See his letter on page 2.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Concordia Lutheran Church 755 Concordia Lane Steamboat Springs, CO</p> <p>Norman Schmoock, Pastor Office: 879-0175 Home: 879-7542</p>	<p>Serving Altar: Sue Warner Doris Riewe Diana Rimel</p> <p>Ushers: Harold Baldwin Greg Mattlage Karl Mattlage Mario-Vigil</p>	<p>BC Bible Class PG Prayer Group CW! Crossways!</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Pastor's family day</p>	<p>3</p> <p>UP Beverlin DN Nelson</p>	
<p>4 2nd Sunday in Advent 9:00 Communion (Rostvedt) Elder: Taylor 10:15 Sunday School Greeters: Lausten/ Flowers: Warner Oberndorfer 4:00 ADVENTURE Night/Supper</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6:30 Choir</p>	<p>6 6 BC</p>	<p>7 7 PG</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7:15 CW!</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Pastor's family day</p>	<p>10</p> <p>UP Fritz DN Harris</p> <p>3 Wedding</p>
<p>4 3rd Sunday in Advent 9:00 Worship (Harris) 10:15 Sunday School Greeters: Schlies Flowers: Fritz/Thorvilson</p>	<p>12</p> <p>4 Conf Party</p>	<p>13 6 BC</p>	<p>14 7 PG</p>	<p>15</p> <p>7:15 CW!</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Pastor's family day</p>	<p>17</p> <p>UP Scheiwe DN Panepinto</p> <p>3 Wedding</p>
<p>6:30 Christmas Caroling</p>		<p>6:30 Choir 7:30 VOTERS</p>	<p>21 St. Thomas, Apostle 7 PG</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Pastor's family day</p>	<p>24 Christmas Eve UP Taylor DN Stroncek/ Jurischk</p>
<p>4 4th Sunday in Advent 9:00 Communion (Scheiwe) Elder: Upham 10:15 Sunday School Greeters: Schuelkes Flowers: Campbell 7:00 Sunday School Service</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 6 BC</p> <p>6:30 Choir</p>	<p>28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs 7 PG</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Pastor's family day</p>	<p>31 New Year's Eve UP Rostvedt DN Wattles</p>
<p>25 The Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas Day) 9:00 Communion (Carrell) Elder: Taylor 10:15 Sunday School Greeters: Taylors Flowers: Cooper</p>	<p>26 St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr</p>	<p>27 St. John, Apostle and Evangelist 6 BC</p>				<p>7 Family Serv 11 Communion Elder: Harris</p>