



Concordia Lutheran Church

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LWML Rummage Sale

The fall "Shop till you drop" event is upon us again. Concordia's Rummage Sale has been scheduled for Friday October 11th from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm and October 12th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Workers are needed so please get your name on that sign-up sheet in the Narthex, and you, too, can be a rummage-buster. Believe it or not, there is a shortage of sale items so please sort through those closets again for a few extra wear-me-nots.

All proceeds go to LWML. Leftover rummage goes to the Good Shepherd Lutheran home, so you're contributing to a good cause.

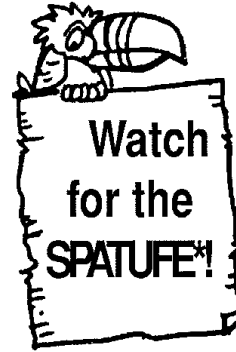
Thank you!

Family Forum

On October 11th from 7:00 to 9:00 there will be a Governor's conference on Families at Strawberry Park Elementary School. Governor Roy Romer will address the audience. The purpose of conference is to discuss the many serious problems facing families and seek input from those who attend. After the initial speakers address the audience, the assembly will break up into small groups to discuss the problems and possible solutions. Information and opinions gathered from the discussions at this and other forums around the state will be used to form public policy. Child care will be provided.

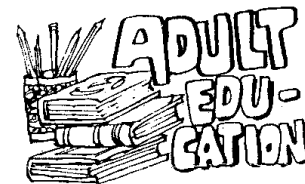
It is important for Christians to be a part of meetings like this. In my opinion, government programs are frequently the cause of the problems they seek to cure because the government approaches problems that are essentially moral in nature with an amoral solution. For example, for years the public schools' sex education classes have taught the mechanics of sex and contraception without any comment on the morality involved. Now, to the surprise of government leaders, teenage pregnancy rates are astounding and increasing at an alarming rate, yet the proposed solutions are still studiously devoid of values. Unless Christian values are reintroduced into society, our problems will multiply and increase in intensity. Government programs will probably continue to exasperate the problems rather than cure them. This Family Forum is an invitation to be salt and seasoning to the world; please plan to attend.

-Don Patterson



Coming your way in October is "The Second Perhaps Annual Totally Unforgettable Fashion Extravaganza". The event will feature fashions salvaged from the rummage sale inventory. Models from the congregation will again dazzle the audience as we dig up memories of clothes gone by. A potluck will follow the show. Watch for notice of date and time.

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Adult Information Class

Are you looking for a class that:

- † Covers the chief teachings of the Holy Scriptures?
- † Is Christ-centered, and Gospel-centered?
- † Helps you understand what it means to be "Lutheran"?
- † Can, if you desire, lead to membership in the Lutheran Church when you complete the class?

Then come attend the Adult Information Class which begins Sunday October 6th during the Sunday School hour. The class will be held in the Pastor's study. The class will be led by Pastor Johnson. The study texts will be Invited by God and your own Bibles.

Holiness

As most of you know, the adult education class has been watching a series of video-taped lectures on holiness by Dr. R.C. Sproul. Although the series came highly recommended, I think they understated their case. Sproul's lectures speak powerfully to an area that has been largely neglected by modern Christians; personally I have been deeply moved by the series.

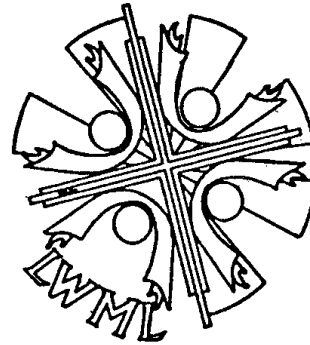
As the gospel emphasizes the love and mercy of God, so the Church has rightly concentrated on the love and mercy of God. Unfortunately, this has often meant the neglect of the teaching of God's other attributes. So far, this series has concentrated on the Holiness, the righteousness, the splendor and majesty of God. As we study the magnificent holiness of God, we begin to understand how sinful and far from His holiness we are. It is in the realization of this that we gain a deeper understanding and appreciation for God's love and mercy.

If you have not been able to attend the series so far, consider joining us for the rest of the series. The film series has been donated to Concordia, and will be available through the library after the Adult Class is done with it. I strongly encourage Sunday School teachers and others who have not been able to attend the adult education class to check the videos out of the library and watch them once they are available.

-Don Patterson



There will be a Sunday School teacher staff meeting on October 2nd at 7:30 pm. This will be an important meeting to discuss the progress of Sunday School and the goals we hope to accomplish.



Women's Guild on the Move

The September meeting of the Guild was held at the home of Joanne Boomgarden. Twenty six women were served a great Mexican dinner prepared by Joanne, Dianne Weber, Sue Warner, and Doris Riewe (whose sopapillas were out of this world!). Joel Scheiwe spoke about his six weeks in Mexico living with a Mexican family. Margaret Fineberg spoke about the week she spent in Mexico teaching Vacation Bible School.

The theme country for the October meeting is Germany and will be held at the home of Elaine Stroncek on October 16th at 7:30 pm. Don't miss it!



Let's not forget our friends at the Extended Care Center. Plan to take part in one of the monthly worship services Concordia provides on the 4th Sunday of each month at 12:45 pm. Meet at the home and all you need to do is help sing some hymns and share a few minutes of your time with the residents. They need to know we care.

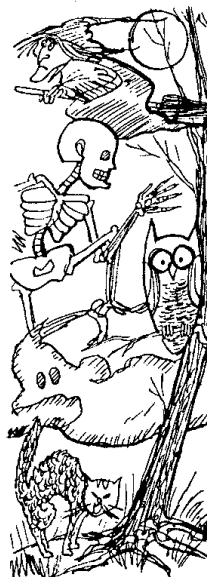
Labels for Good Shepherd

Please check the box under the mail box counter to see which food labels to save for the Good Shepherd Lutheran Home. The labels are redeemed for items which are used in the homes.

One of the Good Shepherd Lutheran homes is in Littleton, Colorado. The homes serve mentally handicapped adults. This is a very worthy Christian cause; please help by clipping your food labels.

Halloween Happening

A.A.L. and Rotary Wives will again sponsor a Halloween hot dog sale on Thursday October 31st from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm while the children trick-or-treat downtown. Last year \$2400 was raised and the money was donated to children and families who have medical expense needs. Watch the bulletin for more details.



Throw Open the Door!

"Here I am! I Stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him and he with me." Revelations 4:20

How far have you opened the door? Many people trifle with Christianity. They commit to just enough to remove the terror of hell and separate out just enough to fit nicely into their life style, their intellectual sophistication, and sense of dignity. Is your door open a crack, halfway, or is it thrown open?

Are we dabbers and samplers, or do we pick at the gospel for our needs? It's no wonder we might possess little authority, little power, little impact, and most important, little influence with our friends. A question to ask ourselves is, "If people meet us would they want to meet Jesus?"

People still desire to see Jesus, but we must have His spirit, His devotion, His attitude and believe in His power. The world wants to see that we, Jesus' disciples, have been with Him.

Are we spending time with Jesus; is our church spending time with Jesus? Could these be reasons why we or the church lacks authority? We tend to become like the people with whom we associate with. The key to His strength, love and power is throwing open the door and spending time with Jesus.

"I stand at the door and knock ..." Let's really open the door and let Jesus live in us. Let His word live in us. Let prayer be the priority of our lives. Let worship be a joy, and let us wait in anticipation. Bore His likeness through our relationship with Him. Then those around you will say and confess, "He reminds me of Jesus."

-Gene Carrell



Bazaar Craft Meetings

Exciting things are happening at the Craft Workshops. Lots of neat items are being turned out so plan to come and help. If you prefer to work at home, see Sher Scheiwe, Sandy Fornes or Elaine Stroncek to get the materials. October dates are as follows:

- October 2nd See the bulletin
- October 9th 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
- October 16th See the bulletin
- October 23rd 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
- October 30th 1:00 pm

Come any hours that you can & enjoy good fellowship while we craft.



Concordia Cookie Caper Is Coming

With the Christmas bazaar on November 16th, will be the annual cookie sale. Christmas cookies and other goodies will be baked on the following Fridays: November 1st, 8th, and 15th. The place will be announced. Last year the cookies totaled approximately 350 dozen. Your help is needed. If you can not come to the bake days you can bake at home. If you choose not to bake you can help by donating ingredients. Jan Fritz, Sherry Kammerer, and Pam Patterson will have more details.



Friendship Sunday

September 22nd was Friendship Sunday, and we were blessed with several visitors. We need to make every Sunday "Friendship Sunday" Please continue to invite friends to worship service and Sunday School.



Coffee Confusion

Because the ushers were somewhat overladed with tasks on Sunday mornings, greeters will now be in charge of making coffee. If the greeters are not there the ushers will still need to prepare the coffee. Thank you greeter, for accepting this responsibility.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 6:30am B STUDY 7:30pm COMMITTEES MEET	2 7:30pm S.S. STAFF Craft Workshop	3	4	5 CLEAN: Weber/Beverlin
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