





### FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class will begin on September 11th here at Concordia. This is "RALLY DAY" for our congregation.

We will have Sunday School for pre-K through 6th grade. There will be a 7th and 8th grade Bible Class. Also, a High School class is offered. Adult Bible Class will meet in the Sanctuary after worship.

# Kids

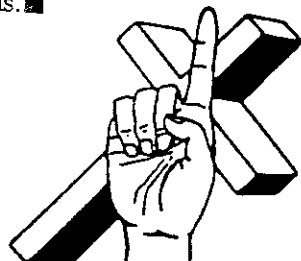
Confirmation will begin on September 11th. Our first session will be for parents and all 7th and 8th grade young people. The time will be 5:00pm in the basement of the church. This session is an orientation session. See you there.

### ALTAR GUILD/FLOWER NEWS!

The Altar Guild requests that the brass vases and liners be NOT taken home with the flowers. Please leave these vases in the Altar Guild Room so that the florist can find them. Otherwise, the price of flowers goes up, and delivery will no longer be possible.

### GOD USES US IN OUR DAILY WORK

We talk a lot about "the ministry of the Laity" in church these days, and many books, church programs, and whole ecclesiastical bureaucracies are devoted to developing "lay ministries." Perhaps we have not devoted enough of our attention to the ministries the lay people of the church already have in their day-to-day work. We call our work our "vocation" ... and that word really means "that which we are CALLED to do." Whether we have consciously acknowledged a specific CALL by God to work in a particular occupation, I believe God does expect to use us in our daily work. In fact, He sometimes does use us even though we are unaware of His activity. But the more aware we are of His intention to use us where we are, the better able we will be to fulfill the ministry He has in store for each of us. ■



G. Garrett Carpenter  
The Core and More

### SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Our Sunday evening worship services are going strong this summer. We are having a marvelous time worshipping at 7:00pm.

If you miss Sunday morning worship for whatever reason, be sure to take advantage of this opportunity. If you are a bit crowded in the morning service, try out the evening service.

Our evening service is a bit more casual than the morning service. But, don't let that keep you away. Communion is offered on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Come join us!

### A BIG THANK YOU

I want to thank the congregation so much for the caring, love & prayers during my surgery and the delicious meals afterward. Also I appreciate the AAL and congregation's help with my recent move. God Bless you all!

Mary Couch



### BAZAAR UPDATE

Workshop dates are as follows:

Wednesday, Sept. 7 at Cindy Svendsen's at 7PM.

Wednesday, Sept. 14 at Elaine Stroncek's at 7PM.

If you haven't been to a workshop this is your last chance to help while enjoying good company and a delicious dessert. We will be painting on two simple projects and attaching price tags to finished crafts.

If workshops aren't your thing, then we encourage you to make some items on your own. Let Cindy or Sher know if you are making something for the Bazaar held on November 19th.

### New Addresses

Jeff & Diana Rimel  
112 Squawbush Ct.  
Grants, NM 87020

Doug & Lebbie Martin  
Rt. 1 Box 1156 B  
Paul, Idaho 83347

Earl & Bettye Maze  
606 Meadow Lane  
Los Alamos, NM  
87544-3621

Doug & Gay Hagemann  
5411 W. 96th Terrace  
Overland Park, Ks. 66207

David & Naomi Barnett  
3163 N. 13th  
Couer d'Alene, Idaho 83814

Terry & Sandi Fornes  
2508 Bedford Ct.  
Ft. Collins, Co. 80526

Wes & Doris Riewe  
1536 Collier  
Longmont, CO 80501  
(as of Sept. 25)

Charlotte Riggi  
3312 Sundisk Ct.  
Ft. Collins, CO 80526

Jan McKay  
1185 44th Ave. NE  
St. Petersburg, Fla. 33703

## CONCORDIA WORSHIP STATS:

### August 1994 summary:

Week #1....184(M) 29(E)....213  
 Week #2....158(M) 18(E)....176  
 Week #3....187(M) 39(E)....226  
 Week #4....182(M) 37(E)....219

### Average Weekly Attendance:

1991.....108  
 1992.....150  
 1993.....193  
 1994.....209

We at Concordia have been truly blessed with new individuals and families. We thank God for this opportunity to serve.

In the past three years our congregation has lost nearly 20 active households. These individuals and families have moved from our Steamboat community. Also, in that same time period our congregation has released from membership 20 households due to their decision to worship elsewhere or not worship at all.

God has replaced these households here at Concordia with new individuals and families. As a matter of fact, the number entering has far exceeded those leaving. Therein rest the challenge here at Concordia. We must become very intentional in assimilating these new people. We must work hard at making these new people feel they are welcome.

May God guide us as we seek to serve Him and the new in our midst.

*The Lord has done great things for us!*

### A BRIEF FINANCIAL GLIMPSE:

(For the first two-thirds of 1994)

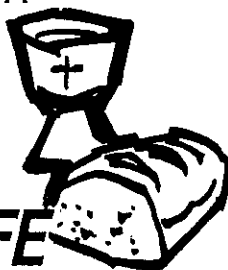
1. Our congregation's budgeted needs... \$ 73,000.00 (approximate).
2. Our congregation has received in offerings \$69,000.00 dollars. \$2,000 of this figure came in from non-Sunday morning offerings...i.e. rebates, etc.
3. Our congregation has spent in all areas...\$68,000.00.

At the present time we are current on all our outstanding expenses. We have once again (for the second consecutive Summer) come through this season not behind in our financial stewardship.

We thank God for the consistent support of our congregation by its members as well as by those many visitors to our community and congregation.

Please remember your congregation as you do your monthly financial planning. We are very frugal in our ministry here at Concordia. This ministry operates within very tight budgetary constraints. Pray for God's direction as you support His work here at Concordia.

*I am the BREAD of LIFE*



**The Elect Follow Him.** A traveler relates that one day he came to a well at the time when the shepherds watered their flocks. Many different flocks came there at the same time. The sheep of the various flocks mingled, and no attempt was made to keep them separated. The traveler thought that the shepherds would have a tedious and difficult job separating them. But when the time came, each shepherd went his way calling his sheep, and every sheep followed its shepherd. Every sheep of Christ knows and follows His voice. *References:* Ps. 77:20; Jer. 31:34; John 10:4, 16, 27; 18:37.



### Fellowship

In the arid parts of the western United States the early settlers made their homes along the streams. Anyone doing otherwise would have been thought very foolish. But there are individuals and families who establish themselves far away from their church or otherwise arrange their home affairs in a way that gives them no time or opportunity to draw water from the stream of life, thus inflicting on themselves the greatest possible harm. *References:* Ps. 26:8; 27:4; 84:10; 122:1; Is. 55:1; Zech. 8:21; Luke 4:16; Heb. 10:25.

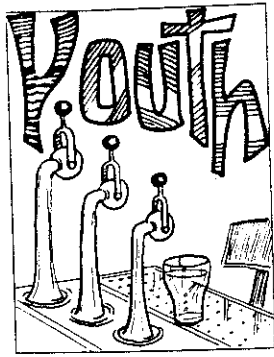
## CONCORDIA LUTHERAN

### 1994-1995 JUNIOR CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

SEPT. 11.....	ORIENTATION (Parents).....	5:00pm
SEPT. 18.....	FORGIVENESS & GRACE.....	4:30pm
SEPT. 25.....	FORGIVENESS & GRACE.....	10:30am
OCT. 2.....	OUTING.....	4:30pm
OCT. 16.....	10 COMMANDMENTS.....	4:30pm
OCT. 23.....	10 COMMANDMENTS.....	10:30am
OCT. 30.....	APOSTLES' CREED.....	4:30pm
NOV. 13.....	APOSTLES' CREED.....	4:30pm
NOV. 20.....	APOSTLES' CREED.....	10:30am
DEC. 4.....	LORD'S PRAYER.....	4:30pm
DEC. 11.....	LORD'S PRAYER.....	10:30am
DEC. 14.....	SEXUALITY/PARENTS.....	7:00pm
JAN. 8.....	BAPTISM.....	4:30am
JAN. 15.....	BAPTISM.....	4:30am
JAN. 29.....	BAPTISM.....	10:30am
FEB. 5.....	OUTING.....	4:30pm
FEB. 12.....	LORD'S SUPPER.....	4:30pm
FEB. 19.....	LORD'S SUPPER.....	10:30am
MARCH 5.....	WORSHIP/DEVOTION.....	4:30pm
MARCH 12.....	WORSHIP/DEVOTION.....	4:30pm
MARCH 15.....	CHEMICALS/PARENTS.....	7:00pm
MARCH 26.....	REVIEW.....	4:30pm
APRIL 2.....	MEAL/SHARING/PARENTS.....	4:30pm
APRIL 9.....	CONFIRMATION.....	9:00am

Concordia's Confirmation classes meet at the following times during the year:

Sunday afternoon..... 4:30pm  
 Sunday morning..... 10:30am  
 Wednesday evening..... 7:00pm



## Youth News

A Big thanks to all who helped with the Fifties Dinner on August 28th. It was a GREAT TIME... "Swell games, neat decorations and super food!"

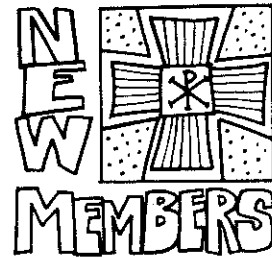
A major fund-raising for the Youth Group as they prepare to go to the "River of Light" youth gathering in San Antonio next July is the Silent Auction.

The silent auction was kicked off at the 50's dinner. The bid sheets will be available on Sundays after services until September 25th. Have fun with this and help the youth reduce the cost of this trip. Thanks!



## Pastor's New Member Class

Dates: Wednesday Sept. 7, 7-9PM  
Sunday Sept. 11, 10:30am  
Saturday Sept 17, 7-9pm  
Sunday Sept. 18 New Member's Sunday 9AM



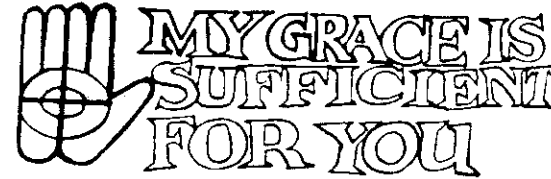
If you are new to our Concordia family this class is for you. The above classes are designed to answer your questions regarding the Sacraments, the Word, the unique nature of the Lutheran Church and its ministry priorities, also our specific ministry priorities here at Concordia.

The purpose of this class is to give you the chance to become familiar with this congregation and meet other new friends in this community of faith.

Remember, our NEW MEMBERS Sunday is the 18th of September at the morning worship.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE! QUESTIONS? CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE 879-0175.

# Evangelism is everything we do!



## THE "SIZE" OF CONCORDIA

Did you know that.....

- 1) Our congregation has approximately 330 baptized members?
- 2) Our congregation has approximately 140 "member" households?
- 3) Our congregation worships just over 190 people per Sunday?
- 4) Our congregation operates on an annual budget of \$108,000.00 dollars?
- 5) Our congregation has just about 25 households that worship only 1 in 8 Sundays?
- 6) Our congregation has welcomed approximately 40 new households in two years?
- 7) Our congregation has released from membership approximately 30 households in 2 years?
- 8) Our congregation has been active in the Steamboat community for a half century?
- 9) 20% of the congregation takes care of 80% of the financial and volunteer responsibilities?
- 10) Our congregation will someday need two Sunday morning services?

## Women's News

Don't forget Bazaar Workshops to be announced this Sunday.

Mark your Calendars for the Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study to begin Sept. 15 at 10AM.

The Women of Faith Lutheran have invited us to the LWML Fall Rally Saturday Sept 17 from 8:30-3:30PM at Faith in Craig (580 Green Street). Registration \$5.00.



Ratio of churches to people in the U.S.: 1:900

## VERY IMPORTANT AAL MEETING SEPT 12!

**DON'T MISS** the AAL meeting at 10Am on Sunday Sept 12. We need 16 voting members at our elections meeting after church, or we will lose our gold star rating and our 1,600 dollar funding for service projects. **PLEASE COME VOTE WE NEED YOU!!**