concordia lutheran church



SIX TO BE CONFIRMED ...

Six of Concordia's young people will be confirmed in their faith as they affirm their baptismal relationship with Jesus Christ on May 22. After two years of confirmation instruction they are ready to take this step in their Christian lives and to speak the

promise for themselves which was spoken for them at their baptisms. This year's confirmands are Robin Alber, Chrissy Evans, John Goldie, Brad Ohler, Jon Sandvik, and Robby Worrell.

On May 15th these young people will share their learning and faith with us during the worship service. Their presentations will explain each of the six chief parts of the Christian faith as outlined by Martin Luther in his <u>Small Catechism</u>. You are invited to hear their presentations on May 15th and share in their Confirmations on May 22nd. A reception for the confirmands will follow the service. May the Holy Spirit give them power and blessings to continue to make the good confession throughout their lives!



A ROLLER SKATING PARTY!

FOR: Concordia Congregation DATE: Wednesday, May 11

TIME: 7-9 p.m.

PLACE: Rocky Roller Rink ADMISSION: \$2.25 (if 40 or

more people attend)

Given in honor of the 1st and 2nd grade Sunday School Class for their outstanding effort in memory verse work and attendance.

Heather Carrell
Elissa Eidem
Emily Evans
Gregg Harris
Scott Meek
Joey Panepinto
Joel Scheiwe



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MAY WORSHIP:

8-Rite of Marriage Reaffirmation 15-Confirmands' Presentations 22-Confirmation 29-Guest Preacher: Chaplain Oscar Sylwester of Denver



AN IMPORTANT LYF .
MEETING WILL BE .
HELD AT HAVENER'S
ON MAY 8 AT 7:00 .
P.M. PLAN NOW .
TO ATTEND!!

DON'T JUST KEEP THE FAITH...SPREAD IT AROUND!



LWML NOTES...

The April LWML met at Concordia with 14 ladies present. The evening program centered around

a slide presentation by Beth Busseau of Good Shepherd Home in Littleton, Colorado. This adult home for mentally retarded is our Sunday School's mission project for 1983 and also is supported by our Synod's offerings. Those in attendance found the program to be both enlightening and informative. We are presently collecting old nylons for craft projects at Good Shepherd Home. Please bring your old nylons to the box in the narthex.

The next meeting will be held on May 18 at Sue Warner's home. A guest speaker from Denver's Lutheran Social Services will be the highlight of that evening's program. If you would like to attend but need a ride, please call Tami Havener at 879-4679.

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NEW FLOWER CHAIRMAN...

Sally Sandvik is the new Flower Chairman, replacing Thelma Haines. Please sure you give Sally your check for the flowers that are given or mail them to her at Box 1283, Steamboat Springs, 80477. A few members are delinquent in payments. Please try to pay promptly! Cards will be mailed previous to your Sunday to remind you about your flowers. Flowers that are not taken home after the service will be delivered to the hospital, nursing home, or a shut-in.





GET READY FOR RUMMAGE SALE...

The Spring Rummage Sale will be held on May 19, 20, and 21. Please bring your good rummage to the church now. A bake sale will be held on each of those days, too. Watch for a sign-up sheet in the near future!

SEE YOU AT
THE MOTHERDAUGHTER
LUNCHEON ON
MAY 7 AT
SCANDINAVIAN LODGE!!

A LETTER OF THANKS... (excerpts)

Dear Rev. Schmoock and Congregation,

For the many generosities and great caring you people have extended to a family in need, this letter is but a small token of appreciation. Over the last five months you have given your time and shared food, toys, and clothing so that this family could have a Christmas and an Easter. The generous quantity of food you provided in March was also very helpful and certainly appreciated.

A special thanks to those of you who worked hard organizing this project, gathering the food and other items, and for coordinating this...

The family is very grateful to all of you for caring about them...

What a fine example to our community, yourselves and your children to be living your faith and beliefs through your love of this family!

Warm Regards, Linda Weber, Social Worker, Routt County Social Services



LUTHER'S CATECHISM

Since this is the month of Confirmation, it gives us a chance to think about Luther's catechisms which help us learn the basics of the Christian faith. Many of us have memorized all or part of his Small Catechism. The fol-

lowing thoughts are from an article which appeared in the <u>Lutheran Witness</u> by T.J. Kleinhans.

"Luther was shocked by the conditions he found in Saxon churches in the fall of 1528: in some, no services had been conducted for years; in others, there was no Bible, or the pastor couldn't read, or the people didn't know the Lord's Prayer.

"As soon as Luther returned to Wittenburg in November, he began to prepare a catechism. Luther toyed with the idea of doing a catechism for at least thirteen years before he finally sat down to write it. For him the catechism was basically a simplified version of Scripture, condensed to its most common denominator. He began it especially for children and the unlettered.

"After Luther's visit to the villages in 1528, he began to prepare copy, starting with the Ten Commandments, the Creed, and the Lord's Prayer. The posters appeared in print during the first week of January 1529, priced at a penny each.

"On March 7, posters four and five were published, on the morning and evening prayers. Luther also hurried to get out numbers six and seven, on Baptism and the Lord's Supper, to aid the people in their Lenten preparation for their Easter duty (attending the Lord's Supper).

"These placards were intended for posting in church, school and home. By their very nature they were temporary. In mid-April, what we now know as the Large Catechism came out. On May 16, what we know as the Small Catechism first appeared, in book form as opposed to posters.

"What made Luther's Small Catechism so prominent a milestone was what he included and did not include. In this little book he focused on the teachings of the Bible, not those of tradition. He supported his case with Scripture passages. With simple but practical words, he applies those teachings to the real needs of real people. In the long run that is why the Small Catechism has proved as successful as it has."

Luther (whose 500th birthday we celebrate this year) always made sure to point us to the Word of God. May we at Concordia remain faithful to that Word as we hear it and study it and make it an important part of our lives. Jesus said, "If you continue in my word, then you are my disciples indeed."

Peace and Joy, Pastor Norm

LUTHERAN WITNESS, ANYONE?...

The current subscription year for the <u>Lutheran Witness</u> ends with the June issue. If you would like to renew your subscription or subscribe for the first time, sign the list posted at church. Cost is \$4.00. (Enclose your \$4 in an envelope with your name on it and place it into the offering plate.)



The <u>Lutheran Witness</u> is the official magazine of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and includes a Colorado District supplement giving news of churches in our District.



BITS AND PIECES...

Pastor and his family will be on vacation May 23—June 2. In case of an emergency, call Rev. Gerald Oldsen in Glenwood Springs (945-5236)...May 29th is the last day for Sunday School, before the summer recess. VBS is scheduled for July 11-15...Congratulations to Concordia's two graduates: Marty Jo Boomgarden and Eric Ecker...All ages should plan to attend the roller skating party on May 11 (see page 1). This is a good opportunity to share Christian fellowship!...Pastor Schmoock was recently elected Vice-President of the Yampa Valley Ministerial Association, a newly formed organization for local ministers.

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