

April  
2006

# GRACE SPOTLIGHTER

April 5 – Lenten Service  
Why Do Our Families Crumble?  
John 19:26-27

**JESUS,  
WHY?**

April 13 – Maundy Thursday  
Why Should Discipleship  
Be So Hard?  
John 13: 15

April 14 - Good Friday  
Why Death?  
Luke 23:52-53

April 16 – Easter  
Why Seek the Living  
Among the Dead?  
Luke 24:5



*The fine essay reprinted here was prepared by one of our Grace catechumens, Rachel Kozuch. It deserves to be shared with you who pray for and support our children to rightly understand Christian doctrine.*

## GOD'S GREATEST GIFT—HIMSELF

Dear Family of Grace,  
We draw closer each day to the holy celebration of Christ's sacrificial death and glorious resurrection.

The tremendous meaning in this work of God, as everyone Christian knows, is that we accomplish nothing by human strength. God accomplished all through divine "weakness." Christ gave over all his rights and yielded his very life to win for each of us forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.

We need Christ. We need God's Word. We need our Savior. That is no cliché.

Don't we know talking about life in Christ has no resemblance whatsoever to actually living it?

One could attempt to examine every minute aspect of how Easter is observed and provide a usual, traditional review of its character, but what matters is what actually happens—God's devotion to his people and pouring forth His gifts.

The benefits of the Good Friday passion and victory of Easter are ultimately God's affair, not ours.

By the cross and empty tomb, He serves, He loves, He endures, He redeems, He meet our need, He triumphs—and all for us.

All the wonder of Holy Week and Easter come not from our action but from the activity of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Here all the great



acts of God connect: creation, redemption, and sanctification.

That our salvation is the work of the Triune God may be stated this way: The Father thought (planned) it, the Son wrought it, and the Holy Spirit brought it to us through the Gospel.

It is on the basis of God's accomplished work that we come with joy and anticipation, knowing He performs all good things for us who are His dearly loved children.

We have so much for which to rejoice! God has given us the greatest of all gifts—Himself.

May all the grace and joy of the cross and Easter lift your hearts and grant you peace.

## SALVATION GIVEN BY GRACE

How come everyone isn't saved? The simple answer to that is unbelief.

No one can save himself or herself. Only God can truly save everyone. If someone is saved, God receives all the credit. Scripture says that those who believe are born, not of the will of man, but of God. Those who are spiritually lost, is their own fault. It is God who must change us if we are to be changed. God has converted us to himself (conversion).

Our wonderful God has given us salvation by grace. Grace is God's undeserved love, or in other words, a free gift.

The Holy Spirit has called you and me by the Gospel, and has invited us to share in Christ's blessings, given in the Gospel. How does the Holy Spirit do this? First, through the Law, the Holy Spirit gives us knowledge of sin. Secondly, He calls and invites sinners to Christ. Third, He converts people by

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working faith in their hearts, and it is this faith which receives the goodness of Christ. Then, the Holy Spirit sanctifies and keeps Christians in their faith. Salvation, from beginning to end, is by grace alone! The Gospel is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. In the Gospel, a righteousness from God is revealed. The Gospel is like dynamite. Its call is never an empty and powerless word. The blessings it offers are contained in the very words of its promise.

This is all Universal Grace. Universal means it is for all people without exception.

In the Roman Catholic Church, people believe that Jesus died, but it wasn't enough. It still needed works. The Roman Catholics say the difference is in men. In the Calvinist Church,


people believe Christ didn't die for all. They believe He only died for some people. Calvinists say the difference is in the will and intention of God.

These two false teachings leave people in doubt. They try to solve this wonderful mystery.

The Bible says there is no difference in men ["all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."], and there is no difference in God's good and gracious will. Sola Scriptura!

God wants everyone to be called by the Gospel.

This is a FREE GIFT! This is GRACE!!

**HEREIN  IS LOVE**  
1 John 4:10

**You're Invited to  
Good Friday Service**  
April 14, 2006

9:00 A.M. **Crosswalk** Pilgrim Lutheran Church  
10:00 A.M. **Bible Breakfast** 1705 Nebobish Essexville  
1:00 P.M. **Community Good Friday Service**  
Horizons Center 6200 State St., Saginaw

Speaker for the joint service at the Horizons Center is Rev. Thomas Ahlersmeyer Concordia University, Ann Arbor. If you cannot attend, then tune in on the live broadcast WKNX (1250 AM)

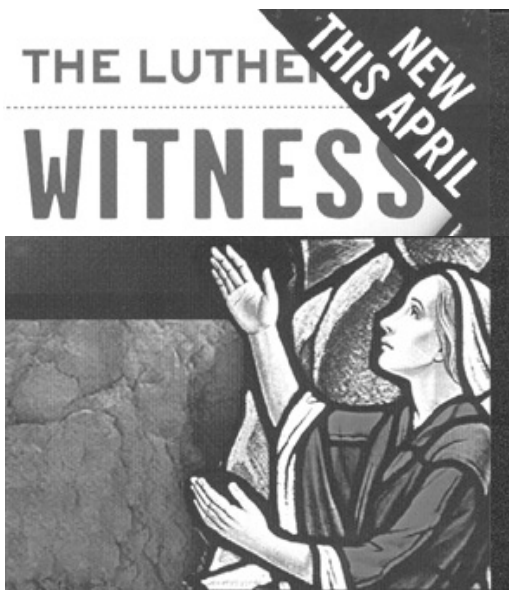


## Easter Flowers

The joy and life of Easter Day is framed beautifully by the color and

fragrance of flowers. You have opportunity to obtain flowers for God's house and your own home and garden at Easter.

If you or your family would like to contribute Easter lilies or other spring flowers for God's house, please use the form available at the Usher's station. Prices are included there. Please return the forms by April 8. Direct any questions to Carol Mularz, 662-7915.



## WITNESS—WORTH A NEW LOOK

The *Lutheran Witness*, the Missouri Synod's flagship magazine for 125 years, means to be a valuable part of LCMS members' lives.

Beginning with the April 2006 issue, an improved *Lutheran Witness* will be unveiled. Based on months of research, planning, design, and input from laity and pastors, the magazine will feature a more current look and an editorial template more closely tied to the liturgical church calendar.

Each month's *Witness* will include stories emphasizing lessons, festivals, seasons, and other patterns of the church year, highlighting their relevance to our lives as Christians.

Other articles will take an in-depth look—from the Lutheran perspective—at pertinent issues in our culture and society.

By making the magazine's content more spiritually oriented and distinctively Lutheran, a greater number of LCMS laypeople and pastors will see the *Witness* as a solid Lutheran resource and valuable "spiritual companion" in their daily walk with the Lord.

With that in mind, we offer a new opportunity to receive a subscription provided by the congregation. The process is simple. Just refer to the subscription list in the church narthex and add your name if you do not already receive the *Lutheran Witness*.

## Together in Mission



Dear Partners In Mission,

Yesterday, I returned home from Conakry, Guinea. We [Africa Regional Directors] had productive meetings, but on the last day of our meetings, government workers started a week long strike protesting low salaries, high prices, and most recently, a huge jump in

gasoline prices. As our LCMS missionary living in Conakry, Tim Heiney, took us to the airport, strikers effectively shut down the city simply by throwing rocks at any vehicle moving on the road.

We spent two hours trying to make the 15 minute trip to the airport. We tried every possible route through Conakry. Many roads were closed by protestors. The Heiney's car took several hits by rocks before we got to the airport. We were glad to finally get to the airport and were happy for the news that Tim Heiney got home safely after he let us off. There is no lack of excitement in missionary life in Africa.

In our October meeting, we had worked hard to prepare a 2006-

## ERBER MISSIONARY UPDATE OBOT IDIM, NIGERIA

2007 budget proposal for LCMS work in Africa. In the meeting we had this weekend, we had to cut our budget proposal by 40%. This was a tough job. We know the cuts we made will hurt outreach in Africa. Yet the funds we have to work with are based on the funds LCMS World Mission receives from LCMS congregations and individuals.

During this last year or two, our T.I.M. congregations have significantly increased their support for our work in West Africa. THANK YOU! You make it possible for us to continue to serve here!

There is still a great need for mission dollars for work across Africa. Please join us in prayer to the Lord of the harvest that even more congregations and individuals will join us in striving to reach the lost in Africa and around the world with the message of Jesus Christ.

Thank you also for your prayers for our family.

Your partners in mission,

Pastor David and Joyce Erber

## GERMAN / AMERICAN MISSION WORK CHALLENGES OPEN



Pastor Wade Seaver, his wife Lynn, and their family are living in Neuendettelsau, Germany, where they moved a year ago to accept an opportunity for Lynn's work.

She serves a health clinic of the U.S. Army in Katterbach, a small village just outside

Ansbach (the sister city of Bay City).

Pastor Seaver also wanted to take advantage of the chance to pursue Lutheran studies in the land of Luther. While in Germany, he has continued a deep desire to serve the Lord.

Though unplanned, some surprising and wonderful openings for mission work have occurred in the last year.

LCMS military chaplains have learned of Pastor Seaver and have asked him for help.

The Seaver family has also been welcomed among the SELK (Selbstaendige Evangelisch-Lutherische Kirche), the Independent Lutheran Church of Germany congregation in Ansbach with whom the LCMS is in fellowship.

Pastor Seaver's German language skills could make it possible for him to officiate and preach German services. Doors are opening for both German and English work.

He has traveled to Vilseck, near the Czech border, to help. And now Stuttgart is asking for help. Pastor Seaver is a civilian, but his desire to serve military families is very much welcome.

Pastor Seaver has pursued the start of an English-speaking mission using the SELK St. Luke chapel in Ansbach with the blessing of the called pastor, Pastor Peter Rehr.

A weekly Divine Service began the First Sunday in Advent, and has been going ever since. Now a large group of Lutherans in Neuendettelsau have approached him to start teaching an evening Bible Class

Twice a month, Pastor Seaver travels to Heidelberg to teach a Sunday morning Bible Class and lead worship. Home for an afternoon English service, and then to stay for a German Gottesdienst (Divine Service).

Opportunities of mission work continue to expand. Pastor and Lynn Seaver are members of Grace, Auburn. He currently in on C.R.M. status (candidate), but finds himself in the middle of great opportunity for doing the Lord's work. Please keep the Seavers in prayer. We'll report more soon.

### LOOKING FOR A SHORT-TERM MISSION OPPORTUNITY?

**MOST** Ministries has openings on the following teams:

#607 Russia Men and Women's Ministry July 24 to August 7, \$3,150 per person. The team will be doing men and women-specific Bible studies in Krasnoyarsk, Siberia. The trip includes a visit to the Kremlin and Red Square.

#613 China Eyeglass July 27 -August 9, \$3,000-3,700 per person. This team is joining the Korean Lutheran church (KLC) in their effort to evangelize in Qiqihar, NE China. We will provide eyeglass clinics and support for the beauty shop evangelism done by women of the KLC.

#630 & 631 Mexico Construction/VBS June 16-23rd or June 23-30, \$1300 per person. Building wooden homes with Mexican families and doing VBS. For information, please visit [www.mostministries.org](http://www.mostministries.org) or contact Carly Stevens at 734.994.7909

## His Grace and Purpose

Peter Fredrich Principal

Spring has sprung, though you may be suspicious of the budding joy surrounding the season. You have a right to be wary if you receive flowers and a "thinking-of-you" card on April 1 (April Fools), or if the IRS wants to meet you face-to-face after you file your tax return April 15.

Risk and uncertainty are normal life routines. We may spend time asking God for a smooth road through life, but He never promised to give us exactly what we ask. The problem is that we don't always know what we need even when we think we do. We can never say that God isn't listening or that He doesn't care. His plans for us may just be different from what we think they should be. It is not for us to prescribe the time when He should help, nor the manner in which He does. Sometimes we may be so determined that our way is the only way that we don't recognize God's answer when he gives it! Never forget that we are the objects of God's grace. It is by His grace that we are his children and have the privilege of addressing Him as our dear Father and placing our petitions before Him. He will answer according to His grace and purpose.

God knows what is best for us all. But how can it be "best" for us when our children struggle to learn math or when asthma saps childhood energy? Does God's best include all those loud arguments at home, the threat of losing a job, or anxiety about the character of our

children's friends?

The answer is simple. NO! God wants only what is good for us. But He does allow evil to threaten and even afflict us. Why? Think of your own experiences. When is it that you talk to God most? When things are going smoothly? Probably not. You talk to Him when you are frightened, anxious, or sick. Don't wait for life's rough spots to pray for yourself and your family. God wants to hear from you when things are going well.

We have begun our promotional campaign for our next school year. Everyone has seen our new lawn signs. If you can provide some exposure, feel free to take one – they are conveniently located in the main hallway. At the fish fry, two brochures were distributed with information about our school, particularly our kindergarten roundup. Miss Rudick has or will have two roundup days where prospective students are invited to spend a day, or part of a day in the classroom. Our School Board has put together a mailing that will go to every mailbox in the Auburn area. The families of prospective students will receive a personalized letter of invitation to attend our Open House. We also will be advertising in the Bay City Times and on the sign by Seven – 11 on Midland Road. We will be having an Open House/Early Registration on Saturday, April 22, from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. The goal is to register current students early, and meet new prospective parents and answer any questions. Kindergarten – eighth grade registration fees for 2006-07 will be increased. However, any family that registers early and pays a non-refundable deposit of \$100.00 per child, will only pay \$260.00 registra-

tion, this year's fee. Any new students that are non-member of Grace Congregation are encouraged to register as well and for next year, will only have to pay half of the regular tuition fees. Our goal is to get new faces in our school. We are convinced that once they enroll and become a part of our school family, they will stay. All members of Grace Congregation have no tuition, and support the work of the school through their regular Sunday offerings..

Achievement testing for all of our students will be the week April 3 - 7. Please make efforts to insure that your child does the best. Make sure that your children get plenty of sleep, receive a balanced breakfast and lunch, and receive a lot of encouragement and praise for jobs well done. As soon as results are available, parents will be invited to view their children's testing.

Good Friday is April 14 and classes will not be in session that day or the following Monday, April 17.

For the past five years or so, your School Board has been working on the re-accreditation process. Well, it is finally complete. At the end of the month, April 24 and 25, a team of seven educators will be in the building, going through everything with a fine tooth comb. We are confident that they will find everything in order. We are also very happy to put this lengthy process behind us and begin to work on improvement goals that will be established by the site visit team.



**Kristy, Andrew, Danielle & Brendan  
Spelling Bee Team**

### JUNIOR HIGH HIGHLIGHTS

Religion instruction discusses God's power and grace in the church following Pentecost. The students will understand that we are a part of the New Testament Church. It is essentially a study of the Book of Acts. We are "fearfully and wonderfully" made. We have just

begun the study of the human body systems. April Life Science will focus on the skeletal, muscular, and digestive systems of the human body. The Constitution gave the federal government no definite power to regulate or end slavery where it already existed. Over the years both free and slave states had been added as a result of territorial growth. New land gains strained the Union. The issue was whether the territories gained would be slave or free and whether the federal government or the states would decide. These challenges turned violent on the floor of the Senate and it foreshadowed battlefields just a few years later. Mathematics is a part of each of our lives. We use it when we figure our incomes, go shopping at the grocery store, or examine our monthly Consumers Energy bill. The seventh grade will look at these topics as well as addition ones for April's math discussions. The eighth grade will be analyzing linear equations.



**Thanks to Sue Roth who  
has made us another beautiful  
banner for the school.**

### 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade News

Spring has finally arrived and our classroom is abuzz! We began the month of March with National Lutheran Schools Week and wonderful activities and fun! We went to Valley Lutheran High School to worship with all the other Bay-Midland area Lutheran Schools and to see the Fitz Family perform. No one will forget all their great tricks and the wonderful message of the gospel they shared, or when Veronica Martin was chosen to wear the balloon cross hat! All had an uplifting time, to God be all the glory!



Ben, Josh, & Brendan doing Fraction math

### April News

The students finished their state reports this month and presented them to the class. The display boards can be viewed in our hallway, come take a peek! We spent several Fridays this month doing creative math activities in place of our regular lesson. The children loved the geoboards and the fraction card game they played. Math is all around us and I'm hoping the students get a better "math sense" as they experience these diverse activities.

The excitement for the month did not stop there. We were invited by the K-4th grades to join them for an assembly about llamas. We were fortunate enough to have a llama owner come to our school, with her long-hired friends of course, and share the wonder of these animals with us. We were amazed by their ability to learn and to adapt to their surroundings.

Our school participated in a Bay-Midland Spelling Bee on Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at Immanuel Bay City. Brendan Harrison and Danielle Balzer represented our class, but unfortunately were both knocked out early in the contest. Both

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### STATE REPORTS

are fine spellers and we wish them better luck next year!

Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> marked the end of our third quarter this school year. It is hard to believe we are 3/4<sup>th</sup>'s of the way through our year already. But, time flies when we are having fun and growing in the Lord! We wish you all a blessed Easter.

### April's News for Room 4

Lutheran School's Week was a success. The students and staff enjoyed praising God together and getting a little wild and crazy too. We kicked off the week on Sunday, helping out at church. Students greeted members and guests, passed out bulletins and were the ushers. The youth choir sang, and the orff choir played. Church was followed with the art fair awards. The CPTL purchased pizza for all, and Mr. Larsen provided generous awards for the winners. Monday we filled our bellies with pancakes and eggs. Tuesday students and staff wore crazy clothes. Wednesday we wore school colors, slippers, and read for an hour. We headed to Valley on Thursday to worship and watch the Fitz Family. And on

Friday, students watched "The Rookie" and enjoyed ice cream sundaes. We had a blast.

On March 13th a young lady by the name of Melissa brought in three llamas. She spoke to students about their origin, purpose, basic needs, and how she got into training and showing them. Llamas are gentle animals with very soft fur. Contrary to popular belief, llamas do not spit unless they are provoked or marking their territory. Students had a great time and really enjoyed helping the llamas perform tricks and of course, patting them.

We also just finished up the third quarter. The quarter ended before Spring Break, so had Game Day for about an hour on Friday to celebrate. Students played Yahtzee, Memory, Sorry, and many other games too. It was both fun and educational!

As far as academics, we're continuing to study our nation, the United States, and the myths, tall tales, heroes, and people who made and continue to make it what it is today. In science, we're studying something we experience every day...weather! Although we've only done a chapter so far, we've already identified that air has mass, takes up space, moves, can be warmer or cooler, is made of gases, and that the



### Crazy dress day.

atmosphere keeps us "not too hot and not too cold." In math, second grade has just learned the meaning of multiplication and division. Third grade has learned multiplication and division tables up to their nines and is just starting to compare fractions, while fourth grade is adding, subtracting, and multiplying fractions and mixed numbers. I've been reading a chapter book, The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, aloud to the students. Several have already seen the movie and have noted that the movie stays pretty true to the book with only a few added scenes.

Lastly, be sure to look at the bulletin board, four of our students had their writing published in the Young Times section of the Bay City Times. Congratulations Reid, Bailey, Morgan, and Olivia!



Melissa & Danielle hold the pole for a game of llama limbo.

## K, 1 & 2 News

We are now three-quarters of the way through our school year. Lucas Weiss, a 2nd grade student, commented how quickly this year has gone by. I agree with him. This school year really has flown by!

March was a very busy month for us. The first week in March was Lutheran Schools Week. We enjoyed all of the different activities each day. We especially had fun dressing crazy on Tuesday and going to Valley Lutheran High School on Thursday. We are still talking about the Fitz family, who had a special message for us at the worship service at Valley. We were very impressed with their juggling skills.

The very next week, Jessica Zalucha came in to show us her llamas. Jessica is the granddaughter of Don and Darlene Pfannes. Jessica brought in 3 llamas and showed us how she trains and teaches them. She was very patient and answered so many questions from us. At the end she let us pet the llamas. We were surprised at how gentle the llamas were.

On March 21st, we had visitors in our classroom for our first Kindergarten Round up. Mr. and Mrs. Hundley came first thing in the morning and watched our class. They were very nice people. We are looking forward to meeting



### Girls working hard!

their son, Cameron. As they were leaving, Mrs. Lewicki came with Eden and Caroline. We especially enjoyed showing Eden and Caroline what we do in class. Our Kindergarten students are great helpers!

You may be wondering about our "normal" school work. Of course we still complete our "work"! Our Kindergarten students are reading more and more. As we learn more of our sounds, we are able to read more words. It is very exciting! We have also started working on story problems in math.

1st grade students are doing more writing in class. As we learn more sounds, we are able to spell more words and write longer sentences. We also continue to improve in our addition and subtraction facts. Those are very important to prepare us for multiplication and division!

2nd grade students started linking verbs. Did you know that linking verbs don't show

action and have many forms? We've also been learning even more phonics sounds. We never knew the same letter combinations make so many different sounds. There is so much to remember in 2nd grade!

We want to take the opportunity to invite any other prospective Kindergarten students and their parents to come to our 2nd Kindergarten Round up on April 20th. We really enjoyed having visitors in our classroom for the 1st round up. If you know of any students for our Kindergarten next year, be certain to tell them about our next round up. Let Miss Rudick know too. She would be more than happy to contact them and give them more information.

### Petting the Llamas.



## Memorials



Soli Deo Gloria

### Given in Memory

Herbert Taglauer

By

Lavora Jones

Florie Wrought

Ben & Donnfa Norton

Ellie Simpson

Ted & Helen Braun

Genell Taglauer

Dam & Jaon Klopff

Phil & Lynn Baker

Gordon & Fay Schroeder

Dave & Paula Wegener

Sharon Kayden

Linda & Alyssa Bebeau

Gil & Barb Bartz

Willie & Doris Kloppe

Phil & Eddie Crouse

Bob & Chris Reiss

Ron & Ann Balzer

Cliff & Jan Vennix

Pete & Cindy Fredrich

Don & Bonnie Zoller

Ken & Jan Reising

Mike & Gayle Hnatiuk

Al & Edie Ousterhout

Jim & Paula Zoller

Pat & Wanita Hogan

Lee & Cherye Krueger

Majorie Olson

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Laurena Rosenbrock

Marie Wackerly

Dan & Kim Snover

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Oscar Wegener

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Roxie Carter

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Don & Arlene Webb

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Lowell & Elaine Myers

Madeline Valliere

Frances Danek

Betty Parent

Bill Dougherty

Arlene Kernstock

Bess Schladenhauen

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Dale & Sharon Pickelman

Richard & Denise

Corinne Schroeder

Jim & Rhonda Klann

Loretta Reinecke

Steve & Deb VanTol

John Wegener

By

Shirley Wegener

Mr. Varner

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Gary & Mary Jane Newman

# Notes

## CPTL Spring Flower Sale

Look for plants and order forms in early April. We will have flower baskets, individual geranium and non-flowering plants, and flats of bedding plants. Contact Ronda Klann (989)662-4129 or Tammy Hyatt at 631-2050.



## Board of Elementary Education News:

The National Lutheran Schools Accreditation team is currently reviewing our accreditation package. An orientation was held on February 20<sup>th</sup>. The site visit is scheduled for April 24 & 25. The team consists of seven educators from the surrounding communities. They are reviewing our facilities, curriculum, staffing, training, procedures, programs, and technology, the school's integration with our church and community, and a wide variety of other things. On April 25, we will receive our Exit Report. This will culminate a process that the Board started several years ago. Accreditation must be renewed every 7 years.

## Kindergarten Round-Up!

Kindergarten Round-Up will be held on April 20, we already one on March 21. Prospective students may visit our classroom from 9 am -2:30 pm. Students are welcome to participate in the day's activities. Ms. Rudick, our Kindergarten teacher will be available to answer any questions. If you know of Kindergarten age children, please pass on this information or give their names to Pete Fredrich.

## School Open House and Early Registration

Saturday, April 22 from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. is the Open House and Early Registration for grades K-8. Teacher and Board members will be on hand to provide tours if the school, and answer questions. Returning students can avoid an increase in the next year's registration fee by making a non-refundable deposit of \$100.00. This year's fee \$260.00. Grace Lutheran members do not pay tuition. New tuition students will receive a 50% reduction in the first year's tuition.

## Sophomores and Juniors!

Get a head start on your plans for college! Concordia University-Ann Arbor is pleased to announce our upcoming Spring Open House and Academic Expo which will be held on Sunday, April 2, 2006 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Meet with faculty from a variety of academic disci-

plines, tour the campus and get specifics on admissions and financial aid! This is a opportunity not to be missed! For reservations, please contact the Office of Admission at 1-800-253-0680.

## Ladies of Grace

The Ladies of our congregation meet together on Tuesday, April 11, at 7:00 pm .in the school library for our last business meeting of the year. On dock will be election of officers for the 2006-2007 year and looking ahead to our May salad luncheon. Watch for more particulars on this.



On Saturday, April 22, our mid-Michigan Zone LWML will meet for their Spring Rally at St. Paul, Sanford. Registration

and breakfast begin at 9:00 am and the program at 9:30. Speakers for the rally will be members of the Lutheran Student Fellowship from Christ the King Chapel at CMU regarding their service to Katrina victims in Biloxi, Mississippi. For anyone who was present to hear Ben Roth and Leroy Taglauer share their experiences working in aiding hurricane victims will find this presentation inspiring too. Please join us for this morning rally by notifying Rosie Taglauer or Sue Reed.

## Track Coach Needed

We are in need of a track coach fir the spring session. Track practices would need to start mid-April. There are 3 track meets that we attend which occur on the first 3 Saturday's in May (6th, 13th, 20th). The meets start in the morning, with the coaches needing to be there by 8-8:15 am., and ending around 3:00 pm. There is a State meet the first week-end in June should any of our students qualify. Coaching track is not a difficult task and is primarily ad-



ministrative (sighing students up for their events in time). Paula Ruff is willing to assist anyone willing to be the coach. We need someone to step forward and be the head coach. Please contact Paula at 662-2670 or the school office at 662-4791.

## Youth Lock-In "After" look!



But we had a good time. A "New Crew" team from Concordia University came up to spend the time with us—  
*Dear Youth of Grace,*

*Thank you for giving our team the opportunity to spend the weekend with you! We enjoyed visiting your church and being able to hang out and chat with each of you. We hope that you enjoyed the lock-in just as much as we did!*

*If you have any more questions about Concordia University - Ann Arbor (athletics, music, theatre, art, programs, dorm life, etc.) please feel free to contact the Admissions Office or Greta Bower, Director of Alumni and Youth Relations.*

*We hope to see you again soon and welcome you to visit our campus at any time. Hope we'll be seeing you at our Tool Time event.*

*Blessings to each of you, Jacob, Alyssa, Kaitlyn, and James.*



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## ***April Birthdays & Anniversaries***

### **Birthdays**

2 Samuel Balzer, Ashley Liberacki, 3 Kye Sugden, 4 Carolyn Lewicki, Irene Seaver, 5 Amber Thurlow, 6 Angela Fredrich, Paul Varner, 7 Kenneth Marotzke, 8 Gary Rogers, 9 Suzanne Kelly, 11 Cheri Hopcroft, 12 Douglas Bejcek, Sarah Collins, Ellie Simpson, 13 Marjorie Marner, Todd Schroeder, 15 Janet Reisig, 16 Bonnie Cole, Bonnie Frank, Mark Hetzner, Emily Jankens, Angelica Keidel, Christopher Roth, Susan Sauer, Evan Storey, 17 Eden Lewicki, Matthew Schnell, 18 Gilbert Bartz, Robert Harper, Kim Herbolsheimer, 19 Pauline Gehringer, 21 Eric Bickham, Ronald Mularz, Lola Zielinski, 22 Cecelia Crane, Penny Mularz, 23 Allison Wolf, 24 Carol Harrison, Kevin Whalen, Kathy Feinauer, 25 Gene Meyer, Debra Pyle, Kenneth Reisig, 26 Kristy Brandt, Rosilyn Taglauer, 27 Robert Arnold, 28 Nathan Morford, Zachary Mularz, Sarah Schwartz, 29 Paul Kayden, Nolan Morford, Jenna Brown, 30 Kelly Cole, Cynthia Fredrich

### **Anniversaries**

1 Michael & Nancy Stark, 4 Matthew & Debra Dambro, 4 Ronald & Pamela Kent, 10 Walter & Margaret Barber, 14 Leslie & Shirley Gray, 16 Thomas & Kelly Robson, 22 Rick & Susan Walter, 30 Robert & Olive Schmidt