

CAMPUS MINISTRY CONNECTIONS

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What IS in a Name?

Naming the Lower Level of the Cross of Christ Fellowship Center

The lower level of the Cross of Christ Fellowship Center is being opened to serve as a **gathering space at the center of campus where ALL people are invited to hang out, converse, play games, study, etc.** With an adequate number of volunteers it is hoped that the lower level can be open from at least noon to midnight Sunday-Friday nights.

The Campus Ministry Student Advisory Council wants to give this space a name that will reflect the dream of having a place where **students can connect, interact, belong and be safe.** The name will hopefully communicate what the space might become for students at Concordia.

In order to make this an inclusive process, the Campus Ministry Student Advisory Council has developed a process for naming this Lower Level. The process is designed to include all communities connected with Concordia:

- The week of December 1 – 5 the campus community is invited to nominate names for the lower level that

would communicate the purpose and intent of the space as well as reflect the Christian character of the campus. For every nomination you can also submit your name for a drawing. Prizes will be announced throughout the week.

- The Campus Ministry Student Advisory Council will then consolidate and narrow the list of nominations to ten possibilities for consideration and balloting.
- December 8-11, the campus is invited to vote at tables that will be set up for that purpose.
- The goal is to announce the name on December 12, 2008 at a special reception in the lower level right after chapel. Hot chocolate and donuts will be served.

The planning for the development of the lower level and the implementation of the naming process will be coordinated by a student team. Members of the team include: **Briar-Rose Jacobson, Brook Jensen, Chris**

Kotlarek, Bethany Wilcke, and, Amber Wilson. The team hopes that others will want to join them in helping make this project happen.

CAB and the Student Union Governing Board are also partnering in the development of the lower level as all work together to make this project a reality.

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Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) Continues to Grow

Fellowship of Christian Athletes held its third meeting on Wednesday, November 19th. The group had pizza (provided by Z Pizza in Roseville) and some fellowship time, followed by a speaker, Sheryl Maize. Sheryl is an Assistant Golf Coach at Concordia, and she teaches golf in Minnesota, Florida, and Iceland. In college at the University of Miami, she captained her team, and after graduation played professionally on the Futures Tour. She spoke about her life as a golfer and how a relationship with Christ helped her focus on forgiveness and life rather than her score on the course. The next FCA meeting will be December 3rd, and all students are welcome to attend. For further information contact **Coach Matt Higgins** (Higgins@csp.edu) or **Billy Schultz** (schultz@csp.edu).



Through his birth, life, death and resurrection, Jesus overcomes death and evil, inaugurating the Reign of God and winning the crown of glory as King of all creation.

In this icon, by Nicholas Markell, Christ is shown noble and strong, holding an open text with right hand outstretched in proclamation and blessing. He has been anointed by God to bring about God's Kingdom.

Christ the King

Why Does the Church Observe Christ the King Sunday?

Concordia Campus Ministry will observe the week of November 23-26 as a celebration of Christ the King. Christ the King Sunday (this year it is on November 23) celebrates the all-embracing authority of Christ as King and Lord of the cosmos. Officially called the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King, it is celebrated on the final Sunday of Pentecost, the Last Sunday of the Church Year, the Sunday before Advent.

The Church instituted The Feast of Christ the King in 1925. The Church connected the denial of Christ as king to the rise of secularism. At the time of *institution*, secularism was on the rise, and many Christians

doubted Christ's authority, as well as the Church's, and even doubted Christ's existence. As the Church witnessed the rise of dictatorships in Europe that wanted to control the Church and its teaching the Church wanted to restore perspective. The Feast of Christ the King was instituted during a time when respect for Christ and the Church was waning, when the feast was most needed. In fact, it is still needed today, as these problems have not vanished, but instead have worsened.

The Church today observes Christ the King as the fulfillment of the Church year. The Church year lays out God's story

of redemption and service but culminates in the powerful proclamation that at the end; God wins. Christ the King Sunday is the day in which the Church proclaims that in the midst of many philosophies it is ultimately Jesus Christ as Lord that one finds hope, fulfillment, redemption and peace.

The Church designates white as the liturgical color for the day as the Church celebrates Jesus as King, Messiah and Lord.



Help Decorate....

Come help decorate the chapel on Sunday, November 30 as the space is transformed for Advent.

Decorating will begin at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 30.

Pizza will be of-

Spiritual Connection and Conversation

Sunday, 6:00 p.m. in the Cross of Christ Fellowship Center

ALL are welcomed!

Christ the King Holy Communion Sunday, November 23 8:00 p.m.
 Graebner Memorial Chapel
 The Rev. David Seabaugh
 Pastor, Bethel Lutheran Church
 St. Paul, MN

Host Congregation:
 Bethel Lutheran Church,
 St. Paul, MN

Christ the King Holy Communion Tuesday, November 25 11:00 a.m.
Graebner Memorial Chapel
The Rev. Robert Benke
Pastor, Jehovah Lutheran Church
 Host Congregation:
Jehovah Lutheran Church
 St. Paul, MN

Chapel Schedule Week of November 23-28

Monday	11:00 a.m.
Monday	10:00 p.m.
	Compline
Tuesday	11:00 a.m.
	Holy Communion
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.

HAVE A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING BREAK!