

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



Houma, Louisiana

1987 Directory
of
Grace Lutheran Church
406 Valhi Boulevard
Houma, Louisiana

Reverend Dr. Craig W. Rinker, Pastor
Church Telephone 879-1865 or 879-1833

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR:

Thirty years have now elapsed since the initial fifteen members chartered our congregation. During these years the members have worshipped in various places. For the first three years we were gathered at the Shady Oaks Recreation Center and the Terrebonne High Auditorium. Then for twenty-two years we assembled at the old church on Hollywood Road and Tunnel Boulevard. For eighteen months we worshipped at the St. Matthew's Episcopal Church on Barrow Street, and now we have been using our new location here at Valhi Boulevard for almost three years. Our congregation is listed at 411 baptized members, of whom 265 are communicants.

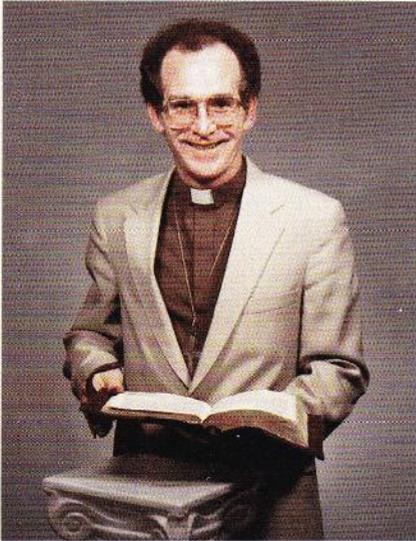
Our congregation has grown with the community and it continues to be sustained in spite of the community's recent economic depression. So, in the good times we recognized God's pure Grace, and in the bad times we certainly recognize his pure Grace. We have been upheld and we have grown spiritually, not because of the economy, but only because God's Holy Word and His Sacraments have brought us to faith and empowered us with His Holy Spirit . . . all as a gift from Him. So you and I are the church here in Houma, because, as St. Peter said, we are "living stones" being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." (I Peter 2:4,5)

So, then, this pictorial directory shows our building on this site, but it especially pictures our church, which is YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES, on the following pages. God bless you all, as He has for thirty years, and even unto eternity itself.

Pastor Craig W. Rinker
June, 1987

IMPORTANT DATES IN OUR HISTORY

- September 12, 1956 - Initial meeting to charter a Lutheran Church in Houma, Louisiana
- October 25, 1956 - First service, conducted by Rev. Julius Bush, of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, New Orleans, Louisiana
- August 25, 1957 - Rev. Richard Kuenert, Jr. ordained and installed as first resident pastor of Grace
- August 14, 1960 - New church building on Hollywood Road dedicated
- January 27, 1963 - Rev. J. C. Henning installed as pastor
- December 12, 1965 - Rev. Roger Grummer installed as pastor
- March 12, 1978 - Rev. Craig Rinker installed as pastor
- October 21, 1984 - New church building on Valhi Boulevard dedicated



Pastor Craig W. Rinker



Wynona Sauder
Organist



1987 Board of Directors



30th Anniversary Committee



Pastor & Congregational President



Mission Guild



Pipeliner Staff



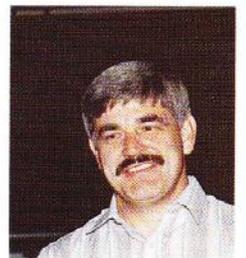
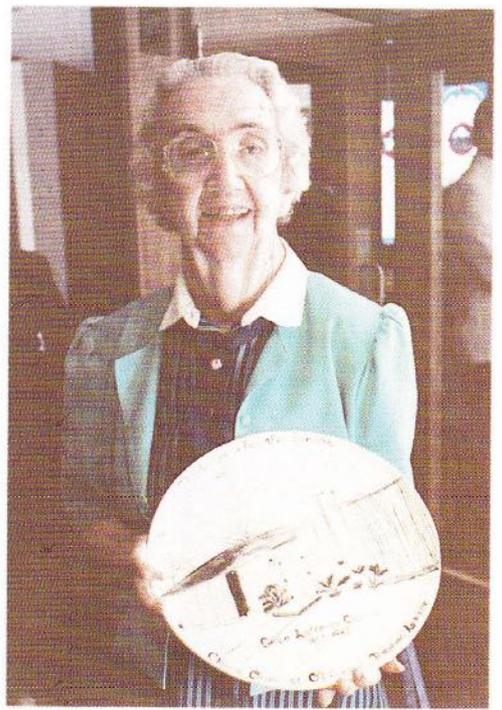
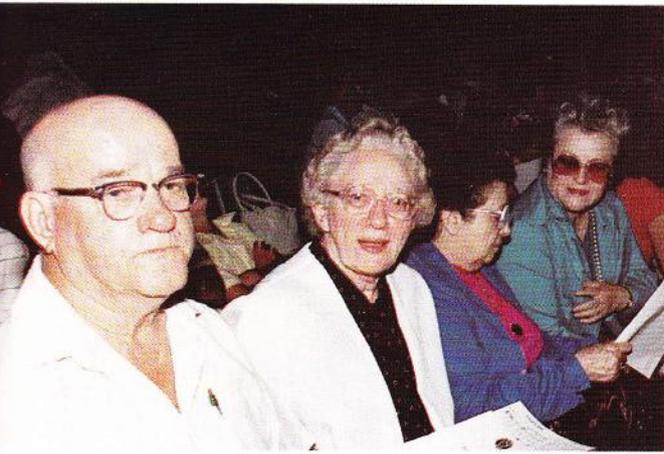
Bowling League

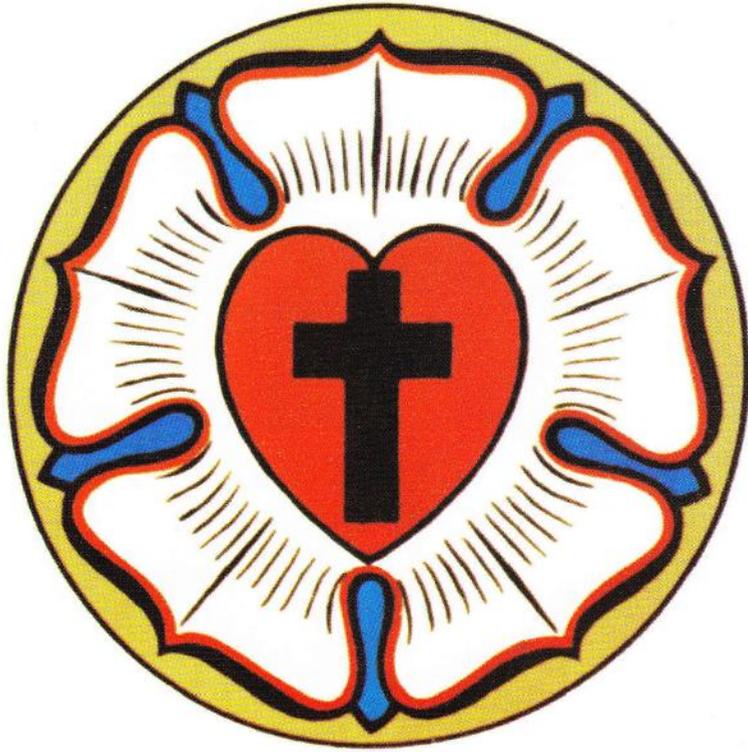


Voter's Assembly



President Meyer
Southern District LCMS





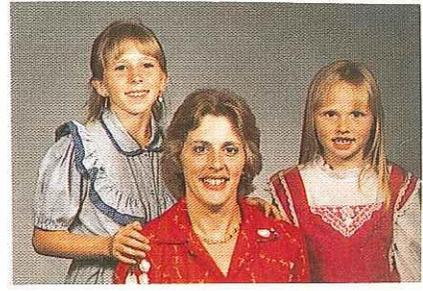
*The
Families of
the
Congregation*



Bert & Bobeia Addy



Roy & Myrtle Armstrong



**Patricia Bauman,
Georgiana & Lisa**



**John & Leah Bell,
Kila, Kristina & Kellie**



**Jerry & Lillian Benton,
Jason, Holly & Seth**



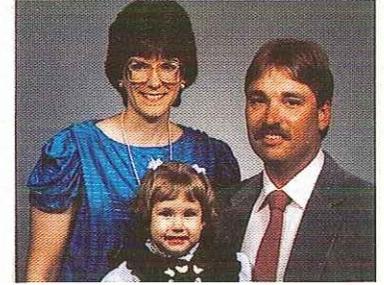
**Gerald & Helen Bergeron
& Shayne**



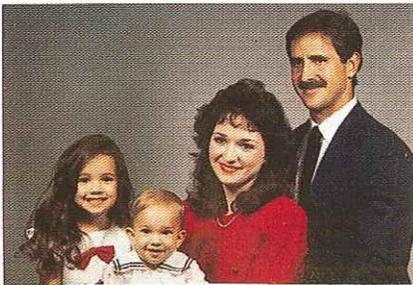
Elizabeth Bischoff



**James & Molly Blakely,
Robert & Ryan**



**Dale & Donna Boger
& Lori**



**Dane & Mona Bokenkamp,
Brittany & Aaron**



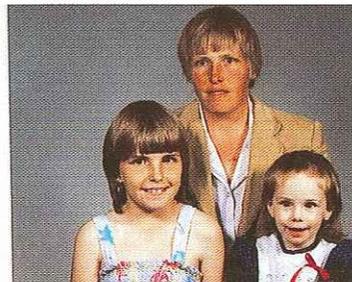
Thornton & Elaine Cofield



Georgia Coy



**Hilda Crawford,
Devin, Allyson, Derek & Darin**



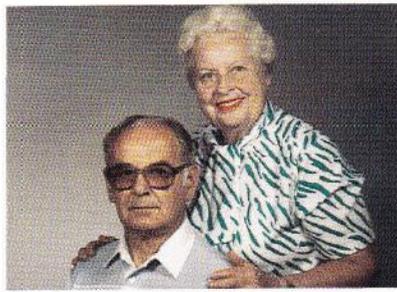
**Mary Desoto,
Maria & Sara**



Robert & Linda Donahue



Olden & Gladys Dupre



John & Shirley Fister



Beverly & Ann Harding



**McKinley, Jr. & Laurel Harding
& Trey**



Clara Haupt



**Lucille Hesselgrave,
Tommy & Chandel**



**Ed & Paige Homrighausen,
Jaimee & Anni**



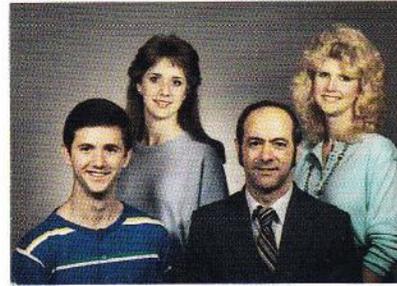
Christina Janway



Fran Johns



Mary Lou Johnston



**Gene & Cynthia Junker,
David & Charlene**



**Keith & Rebekah Kelleher
& Daniel & Jessica Frickey**



Chris Korinek



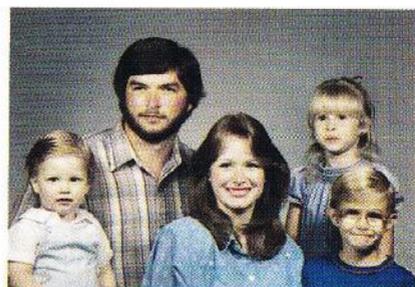
**Richard & Mona LaCour
& Cammy Gaspar**



Walter & Virginia Landeck



Lola Ledet



David & Anna Lewis,
Matthew, Suzanna & Benjamin



Geraldine Lewis



Kathy Miller



Clarence & Laura Naquin
& Robert



Luis & Lori Navarette,
Lauren & Lindsay



Lynn & Diana Navarre,
Jason, Ian & Jeremy



Blaine & Jacalyn Nichting



Beverly Ohnstad,
Arik & Kjerstin



Jack & Carol Pellegrin,
Libby, Dawn, Jonathan & Christen



Terry, Sr. & Mary Rabun,
Bridget & Terry, Jr.



Thomas & Pat Rabun
& Jessica



Edna Rini



**Craig & Kathy Rinker,
Sheri, Amy & Craig**



Dan & Wynona Sauder



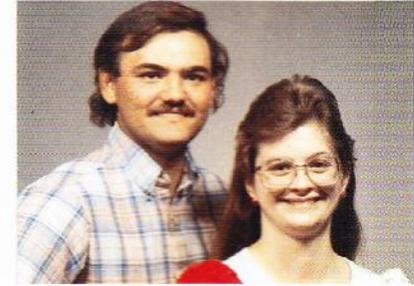
**Michael & Charlene Shroyer,
Michael, Jr. & Katrina**



C. William Smith



Richard & Jeannie Thalheim



Randy & Laura Trosclair



**Lynn & Kathy Wolfe,
Jennifer & Christopher**

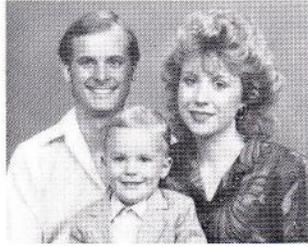


**Doug & Hope Wright,
John & Brian**



F. N. & Bertha Wyatt

THOSE NOT AVAILABLE FOR PICTURES



John & Tina Hesselgrave
& Christopher



LaDonna Saxon