## Sims-Almont Lutheran Parish 1990





### A Brief History of Sims-Almont Lutheran Parish

The Sims-Almont Lutheran Congregations have shared the same pastor since the Almont Congregation was established in 1915. In 1957 a parish board was formed consisting of five trustees from each congregation. This board meets periodically to take care of the parish needs.

The Sims Congregation is known as the oldest Lutheran congregation west of the Missouri River in North Dakota. It was organized in September 1884. A parsonage was built and services were held in the upper floor until the church was built in 1898. In the early years parishoners came to Sims for worship services by horse drawn buggies and wagons. Some of these traveled up to a fourteen mile distance.

The pastor resided in the Sims parsonage until 1952, when a house in Almont was purchased for the pastor's residence.

In 1956 a new church was built in Almont and in 1965 the parish built a new parsonage located in the same block as the new church.

A spirit of cooperation between the two congregations has been very good through the years. Joint services are often held and for several years a joint choir and joint men's chorus sang in both churches.

The membership in both churches is gradually diminishing which is the trend in all of the smaller communities.

We enjoy a close relationship with the other denominations. The Sims/ Almont Lutheran Parish, Saint Mary, Queen of Peace Catholics and the Almont Wesleyans have held joint Thanksgiving services for the past ten years.





Sims Sunday School





# ALMONT CONGREGATION



BAHM, WILLIAM & JANET Jessica, Edward



BOND, RICHARD & EUNICE



BETHKE, WILLIAM



CHRISTIANSON, FLOYD & AGNES



DAWSON, KELLY & MARCY Andrea, Kendra, Kevin



DAWSON, ORA



DAWSON, WENDAL



FELAND, ART & MARIE



FELAND, CALVIN



FELAND, LESTER & PAT Sue, Mark



FELAND, MARSHALL & LAVYRL Curt, Cathy



FELAND, RUDOLPH & IDA



FELAND, TIM



HANSEN, NORMAN & NETTIE



HOOVESTOL, HAZEL



**HUNTER, LEONARD & LAVONNE** 



KILEN, FRANCES



KILEN, RUTH Orletta, Loren



LEITEL, REV. JOHN & RUTH Ann, Mary, Adam, Micah



MORTENSON, CLIFFORD, LLOYD, IRENE



NAGEL, HATTIE



OLSON, ERIC



OLSON, JOEL & JILL Jenny, Jackie, Jeb



OLSON, VICKI Erica, Allison



PETERSON, ALVIN & LORENE



PETERSON, EUGENE & GINGER Robyn, Dale, JoAnn



PETERSON, ROMAN & LILLIAN



PETERSON, SIG & MARJORIE



RITZ, LEROY & BONNEE



RITZ, LYNNEA, SHERRY



RITZ, MARVIN & CAROL



RITZ, MINNIE



SHANNON, DON & MARION



SMITH, GRACE



THOMPSON, KEVIN & LYNETTE Justin, Shanon, Kendra, Brekka



THORSON, EUGENE & BERNICE



THORSON, HARVEY & WILMA



THORSON, MARY JANE



TRAXEL, ROBERT & AMY



WANSTROM, BEATRICE



WILLMAN, DAVID



WILLMAN, MARGIDO & CAROLINE

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JOHNSON, JOEL & DONNA



LARSON, JAKE & VIRGINIA



LARSON, JAY & TRACY Amanda, Devon, Rilie



LARSON, LUCILLE



MONSON, CORA



NELSON, RODNEY & TERI Annika, Lafe



OLIN, ORVAL & RUTH



OLIN, RAY & CAROLE Toby, Josh



RAMSLAND, TOBIAS



WANSTROM, CHARLES



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KILEN, DWIGHT



KILEN, HELEN



REINHARDT, COLLEEN



REINHARDT, JOHN



THEIL, SAM & ELVIRA

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JOHNSON, GRANT & SHERRI



JOHNSON, BRYAN



JOHNSON, NORMAN



WILLMAN, ELMER

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OLSON, Eric
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OLSON, Leonard & Janice
OLSON, Peter
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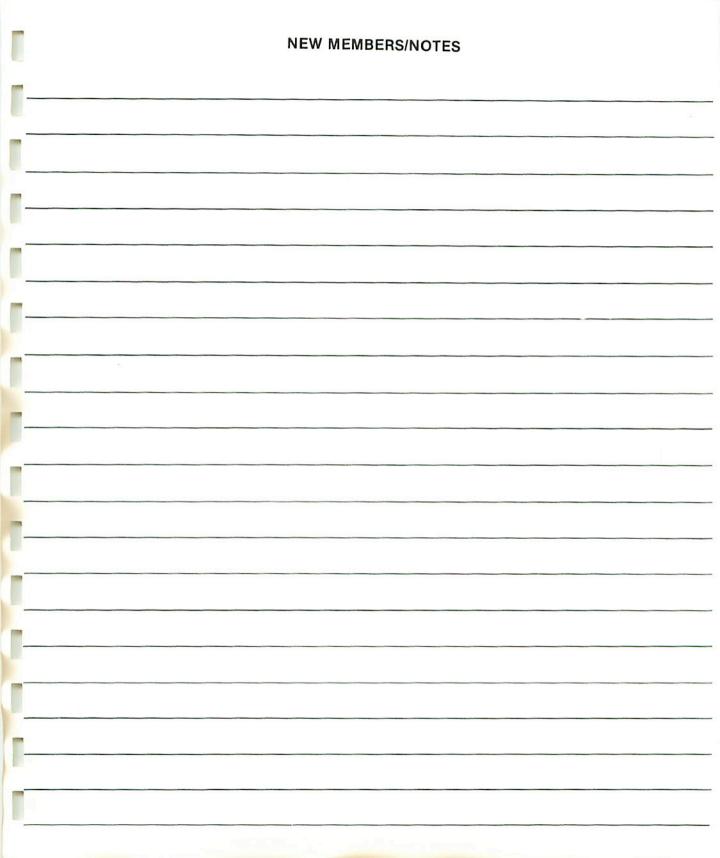
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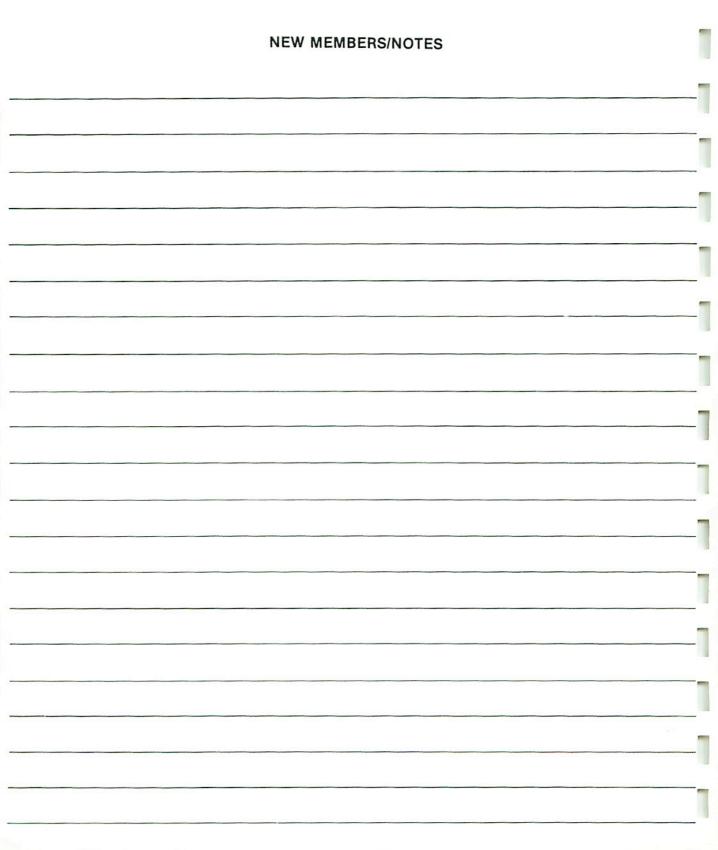
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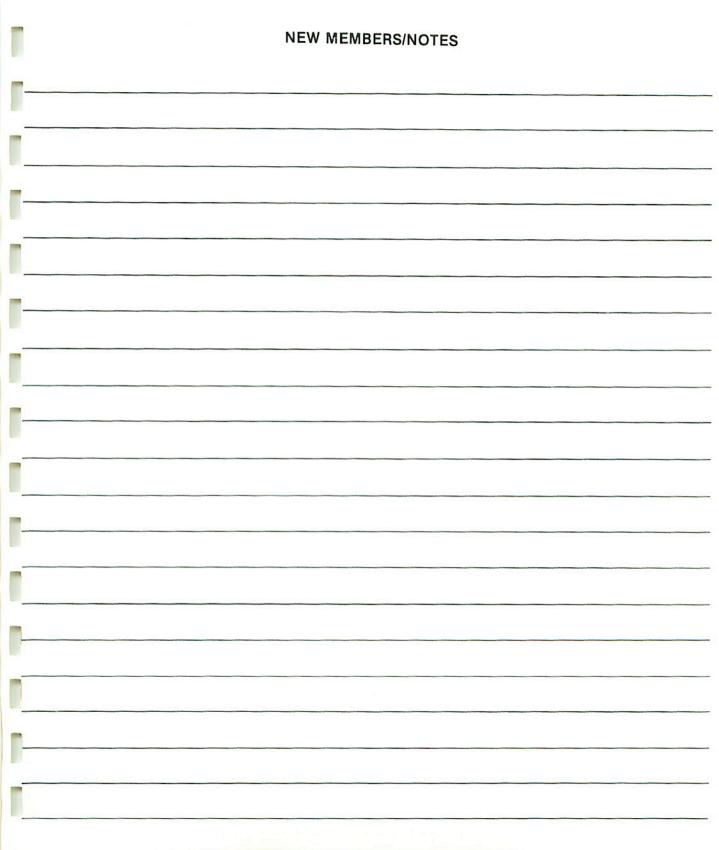
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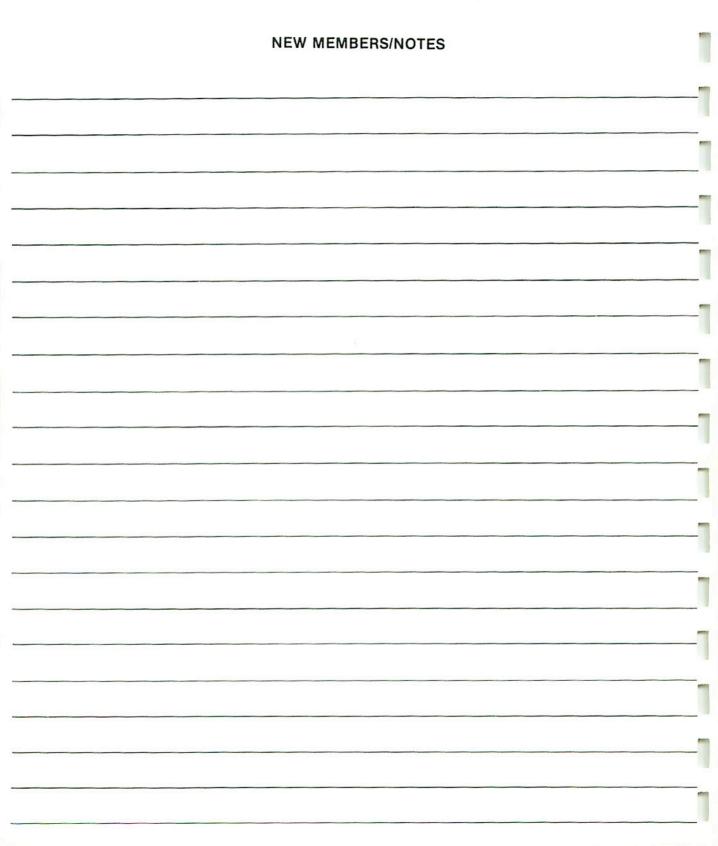
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