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The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

November 13, 2011

VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

Today's Songbook: "All God's People Sing"

Pre-Service Music

Welcome

Ring of the Bell

Opening Song: #227, "The King of Glory"

An Act of Adoration (prayed in unison)

Almighty God, before whose presence the angels veil their faces, with reverence and love we acknowledge Your glory and worship You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, eternal Trinity. Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto our God, forever and ever. Amen.

An Act of Confession and Forgiveness

P: O God, Father in heaven,

C: have mercy on us.

P: O Son of God, Redeemer of the world,

C: have mercy on us.

P: O God, the Holy Spirit,

C: have mercy on us.

(Silence for self-examination and personal confession)

P: Merciful Father,

C: We have strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy on us. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared to mankind in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, for His sake, that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen.

Collect of the Day (spoken by Pastor)

Choral Anthem: "Shepherd Me, O God" Marty Haugen

Readings:

Zephaniah 1:7-16

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

Apostles' Creed p. 29 in AGPS

Song of the Day: #202, "Promise Fulfilled"

Sermon: "The Day of the Lord"

Offering

An Act of Thanksgiving (prayed in unison)

Father of all mercies, we give You thanks for all Your goodness to us and to all people. We praise You for Your creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for Your love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we ask You, give us that due sense of all Your mercies, that our hearts may be truly thankful and

that we praise You not only with our lips but in our hearts, by giving ourselves to Your service and by walking before You in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, to whom with You and the Holy Spirit be all honor and glory, forever and ever. Amen.

An Act of Supplication
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayerp. 30 in AGPS

Benediction
P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
C: Amen.

Closing Song: #218, "Soon and Very Soon"

Silent Prayer
Announcements
Dismissal Music

Life Quotes

November 13 "One simple way you can open up opportunities to share your faith and talk about the life issues is by being friendly with those you meet in your daily life. You never know what doors the Lord will open and how He will use you!" *Kay L. Meyer, director of development for Lutherans For Life – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org*

Men and Women of the Armed Forces

Pastor Sorenson needs to get updates on those in our congregation who are currently serving in the military of our country. This will help ensure accuracy in the Sunday morning prayers and will also help the Fellowship Club as they make plans to send Christmas gifts. Thank you.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today:	3:00/4:00PM	4H Meeting in Fellowship Hall
	6:00PM	Nybo's Family Bowling Night
Monday:	1:00PM	Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday:	6:30PM	LWML Convention Report at Concordia
Wednesday:	3:30PM	New Member Class
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	2:00PM	Ladies Aid, Topic and Election of Officers
	7:30PM	Men's Bible Study
Saturday:	9:00AM	Goodhue County Christmas Project Sharing Day
Next Sunday:		Last Sunday in the Church Year
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Monday	- Sally Abell
Wednesday	- Curtis Augustin
Friday	- Bob Augustin, Judy Kliever
Saturday	- Sue Dicke, Denise Holm

IN OUR PRAYERS

Phillip Sorenson, Melissa Barbey, Fred Voth, Wendy Suiter, Barb Vieths, Janis Thomford, Margie Stumpf (recovering from a heart attack), and Willard Holst (recovering from several heart attacks).

Youth Lock-In

It's that time again. Time for a youth lock-in at church! All ages are welcome. The event will begin on Friday, November 25th at 8:00 PM and will conclude on Saturday morning at 8:30 AM. Students are encouraged to bring snacks to share. You may also bring movies to watch, provided they have a G or PG rating. Please also bring \$5 for pizza and soda. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Any adults who would like to help chaperone the event are encouraged to sign-up as well!

Explanation of the Small Catechism - Review

Who is able to keep this (the First Commandment) and the other commandments?

No person can keep any or all commandments perfectly, except Jesus Christ. All those who have faith in Him by the power of His Spirit willingly strive to keep these commandments.

Ladies Mission Project News

The quilting group will meet this Monday (November 14th) at 1:00 PM and also the following Monday (November 21st) at 1:00 PM. Please mark your calendars!

LWML Convention Report

The Immanuel Ladies Aid is invited to Concordia this Tuesday night (November 15th) at 6:30 PM for a joint meeting. Doreen Hoffman will be giving a report on the convention. Hope you can make it!

Advent Midweek Suppers

On Wednesday evenings during the season of Advent, our church will again feature suppers at 6:30 PM. This is great for confirmation families and also for people who would like to attend the Wednesday evening services. The whole congregation is welcome to participate. The first supper will be on Nov. 30th. If you or your group would be interested in providing a dinner for Advent, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Thanks for your help!

Second Annual Winter Coat Drive

The AutoFinance Center is collecting winter coats for local needy families. Please bring in your lightly used or new winter coats and we will get the items to THE HOPE COALITION, and they will see that the items get to the right families. Last year's coat drive was very successful in helping local families; we are hoping to make this year even better! The AutoFinance Center is located at 224 W 7th St. (kiddy corner from Kwik Trip). Drop off items any time between the hours of 9 and 6 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, or on Saturday from 9 to 3. Thanks for your generosity.

Bottles for Babies

During the month of November, our congregation will participate in the Bottles for Babies program which goes to support the needs of mothers working with the New Beginnings Pregnancy Center in Red Wing. It's an easy project. Just take a baby bottle from the box in the narthex, fill it with spare change during the next month, and then bring it back to church by the beginning of December. It's a simple fundraiser. But with many churches and individuals participating, it really adds up to many blessings for the mothers being served. If you would prefer to write a check to New Beginnings, just place it in one of the bottles before you leave today!

Decorating for Christmas

New Horizons will be decorating the church for Christmas Sunday afternoon, November 27th, around 3:00 PM (after the Vikings football game). Bring an hors d'oeuvre to share if you wish. All in the congregation are invited to help with the decorating and enjoy the fellowship after.

Scrip Order

The annual Christmas Scrip order will be placed on Tuesday, November 29th with expected delivery on Wednesday, December 7th. Please remember to pre-pay large orders. A list of current Scrip vendors is available from Bonnie Kassen. For those of you who are not familiar with Scrip, Immanuel purchases gift certificates for hundreds of retailers at a reduced rate and sells them for full cost, thus producing a profit for the church. Immanuel typically sees a \$1,000 per year profit, but this could be greatly increased if more people chose to participate. Scrip can be used for gift giving or for everyday expenses such as gas, groceries, clothing, household goods and entertainment. A large quantity of certificates is kept on hand and can be purchased before or after the church service. Cenex is now available and will be carried in the Scrip box on a regular basis. For more information or clarification, please see Bonnie Kassen or call her at 923-4884.

**“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, November 20
8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)
”The Power of a Thanksgiving Life”**

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

A “thankful attitude” can bless a nation. Even more, an attitude of thanksgiving can bless your life! Confident trust in Christ and His Word is the source of true thanksgiving. (Luke 17:11-19)

Snow Shoveling

Winter weather will soon be here and the church is in need of volunteers to shovel sidewalks before services or events. If you are able to help, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.