THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK 24686 OLD CHURCH ROAD, RED WING, MN 55066

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Father's Day

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 we partake of the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast where we receive the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. Those visitors desiring to commune at this altar should first speak with the pastor regarding their beliefs. Though the Lord offers this gift to His church for the forgiveness of sins, He also admonishes us through St. Paul: "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord and with love for our guests, this congregation insists on the Scriptural practice of Closed Communion. For a salutary use of the Lord's Supper, it is essential that those communing here be properly instructed, sorry for their sins, desiring God's forgiveness and His grace to live a sanctified life, and believe in the true presence of the body and blood of Christ in the Lord's Supper. Furthermore, since attendance at the Sacrament is Biblically and historically a sign of church fellowship, those who present themselves for Communion are to be in doctrinal agreement and fellowship with The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #725, "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Invocation and Opening Versicles

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

C: and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

P: As a father shows compassion to his children

C: so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear Him. Ps. 103:1,13)

Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord: Let us come before our merciful Father to confess our sin and to implore His forgiveness and deliverance.

(silence for self-examination)

P: Almighty God,

C: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We have turned away from You and each other in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We are truly sorry for our sins. Have mercy on us, kind Father, because of the obedience of our Brother, Jesus Christ, Your Son. Forgive us all that is past, and with the power of the Holy Spirit, move us to serve You in greater faithfulness.

P: Adopted children of God, the Lord does not despise a broken and contrite heart. Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto you, and in the stead and by the command of Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit, lead you to greater faith and obedience, and bring you to live with Him forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise: #506, "Glory Be to God the Father"

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Collect of the Day

First Reading/Epistle2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Response

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (Heb. 12:9-10b)

P: Alleluia!

C: Alleluia!

P: We have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them

C: Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live?

P: He disciplines us for our good,

C: that we may share His holiness. Alleluia!

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Nicene Creed see back cover of the hymnal

Hymn of the Day: #605, "Father Welcomes"

Sermon: "Fathers: Earthly, Churchly, and Heavenly"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Admonition to Communicants

Lord's Prayersee back cover of the hymnal

Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Distribution Hymns:

#809, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #863, "Our Father, by Whose Name"

#504, "Father Most Holy"

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #922, "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Silent Prayer Announcements Dismissal

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 10:30AM Father's Day Refreshments from Ladies Aid

First Day of Summer

Pastor on Vacation after Church until June 27

LLL at Elgin Cheese Days Festival

Tuesday: 6:30PM Ladies Salad Supper at Immanuel, Plainview

8:00PM Softball vs. St. John's, Field 2

Wednesday: Nativity of St. John, the Baptist: Isa. 40:1-5;

Acts 13:13-26; Lk. 1:57-80

Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today - Brady Holst
Monday - Emily Duden
Wednesday - Nikki Scheele
Thursday - M/M Jerry Stehr
Saturday - M/M Shelly Simanski

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Pastor Lyle Kath, Paul Nystuen, Marian Burkard, Linda Hardy, Mike Heim, Linda Soifakis, Philip Sorenson, Larry Horn, Rodger Kivi, Kelsey Holst, Dave Dicke, Carol Koester, Margie Stumpf, and Kevin Ballman.

Strength and Peace: Syvilla Madsen and Harold Augustin.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" - Sunday, June 28

8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

"Outrageous Generosity"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Keith Grimm

God will meet our needs, but not our greeds. What a joy to know that in Christ we lack no good thing! Next Sunday's guest speaker is the Rev. Keith Grimm of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, LaVista, Nebraska. Pastor Grimm is International Pastoral Advisor for the International Lutheran Laymen's League. (2 Corinthians 8:1-5)

Volunteer Hours for Teens

Community service looks great on those college applications! Teens, how would you like to help serve and clean up meals at Jordan Towers II in Red Wing? Help is needed especially on Mondays. You'll get a free meal out of it and you'll work with a lot of great people. If interested, please call Mickie at 388-9875. She is in the office week days from 9AM to 1PM. Thanks!

Life Quote – June 21 – Father's Day

"Dads don't realize they are heroes because this concept has either never been passed on to them by their own father, or they have ignored or forgotten God's Word that mightily reminds them of their powerful role. Either way, they are left ill-equipped to battle the culture that beats up on them and tries to destroy their confidence. There is a Man, however, who forgives and then faithfully encourages every human father to try—over and over again, to be the man God designed him to be. That Man is Jesus Christ." Linda D. Bartlett, former president of Lutherans For Life. A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life. www.lutheransforlife.org

Vacation Bible School: Gadget's Garage!

VBS this year will be held from 6PM to 8PM during the evenings of July 27th through July 31st. The series is called Gadget's Garage: Jesus Makes All Things New! If you have children preschool age through grade 6 and would like to have them attend this wonderful opportunity for spiritual growth and reflection, please sign them up on the bulletin board. Feel free to invite friends from the community! In addition, we need helpers to assist with crafts, snacks, Bible stories, and games. Sign up sheets have also been posted for volunteers.

LLL Root Beer Floats and Ice Cream Sundaes

Come today to the annual Elgin Cheese Days Festival. The Hiawatha/Winona Zone Lutheran Laymen's League will be selling root beer floats and ice cream sundaes at the Fire Hall. Old time music will also be featured. Proceeds from the sale will go to defray the cost of shipping expenses for the Minnesota South Orphan Grain Train. Supplemental funds will be provided by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute to the Orphan Grain Train, please contact Nancy English, 1407 Broadway Drive, Winona, MN 55987. Phone is 507-452-6402.

Bottles for Babies Project Update

Attention all Immanuel members who are participating in the Bottles for Babies Project: please have your bottles in the return basket at church by July 12th. Pastor will be delivering the funds to the Pregnancy/Crisis Center on Monday, July 13th. There is still time to contribute to this worthy cause! Sign out a bottle in the narthex to collect coins and cash for the center or simply enclose a check in the amount of your choosing in one of the bottles and place it in the basket marked: "Bottles for Babies." You will make a difference to babies and parents in crisis in our community.