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Third Sunday of Easter April 6, 2008

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.

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Monday: No CILS – Teacher Work Day	
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	9:00AM	Ladies Quilting Project
Tuesday:		CILS Fourth Quarter Begins
	7:00PM	Board of Elders
Wednesday:	8:30AM	CILS Chapel with Pastor Sorenson
	4:30PM	5 th /6 th Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	2:00PM	Belvidere Ladies Aid Guest Day
	7:30PM	Women's Bible Study
Friday:	7:00PM	Hymn Festival, Christ Lutheran – Rochester
Next Sun:	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion
	3:30PM	LLL Spring Rally – Immanuel, Plainview

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today - Jacob Dahl, David Sucher, Sr.

Tuesday - Katelyn Stehr

Wednesday - Barb Gernentz, M/M Kevin Schafer

Friday - Sara Sorenson

IN OUR PRAYERS

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Margie Stumpf (healing); Harold Augustin (healing); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Syvilla Madsen (undergoing cancer therapy); Karen Gusa (sister of Jan Langhans, struggling with lung cancer); Brad Greenwaldt (cousin of Bonnie Kassen in remission from Lymphoma); Garland Bradley (husband of prospective member, in need of healing); Dave Dicke (in need of a liver transplant); Marian Burkhard (receiving treatments for skin cancer); Cheri Greenwaldt (healing for her and her baby born prematurely); Ryan Buck (Goodhue man recovering from a paralyzing snowmobile accident); Doug Dankers (recovering from a heart attack); Elaine Diercks (recovering from open heart surgery); Katie O'Connor (has a tumor).

Ladies Quilting Project

Due to the weather last Monday, the ladies of the quilting project did not meet. The plan is to meet tomorrow at 9:00AM.

Life Quote - April 6

"As Mary greeted Elizabeth, her baby, John the Baptist, leaped for joy in her womb (Luke 1:41, 44). The simple fact that a six-month-old baby was able to respond to the Lord speaks volumes about the awesomeness of the unborn state, much of which is still not well understood." *Rev. Dr. Kevin E. Voss, director of Concordia Bioethics Institute.* A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org

Lutheran Hymn Writer to Visit Rochester

Lutheran pastor and hymn writer, Rev. Stephen P. Starke, will reflect upon his hymn texts during a Starke Hymn Festival at Christ Lutheran Church in Rochester. Area musicians will lead the hymn festival at 7:30 PM on Friday, April 11. A choir comprised of members from 6 Rochester area LCMS congregations will be featured, along with brass and organ music. Starke's hymns appear in our new Lutheran Service Book. The Friday evening hymn festival is free and open to the public. Prior to the hymn festival, the youth of Christ Lutheran will serve a spaghetti dinner from 5:30 PM until 6:45 PM in the church's fellowship hall. The suggested donation is \$8 per adult, \$4 per child 10 and under. Christ Lutheran is located at 2904 20th Street SE, on the corner of Marion Road and 20th. Call 507-289-0271 for more information.

Invitation to Belvidere's Guest Day

You are invited to attend the St. Peter's Ladies Aid Guest Day on Thursday, April 10th, at 2:00PM. The St. Peter's Ladies Aid is celebrating its 85th Anniversary in 2008 and they would like to hear about the history of your Ladies Aid as well. In honor of our anniversary, we will be wearing hats and dress gloves along with our purses. We invite our guests to do the same! The Guest Speaker will be Starla Reisener who works for the City of Goodhue and recently competed in the Mrs. Minnesota Pageant. We look forward to seeing you on the 10th.

LLL Spring Rally

The Lutheran Laymen's League of the Hiawatha/Winona Zone will hold its Spring Rally on Sunday, April 13th, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Plainview. The program, which begins at 3:30PM, will discuss ministry in India, zone and district news, and the Orphan Grain Train's machinery gathering effort for the Sudan. At 4:30PM there will be a business meeting and at 5:00PM a potluck supper. Please bring a dish to share. At 6:00PM there will be a silent auction with proceeds designated for Lutheran Hour Ministries and ministry in India. A free-will offering will also be taken to defray the costs of the Rally. Any excess funds will be added to the auction proceeds. For more information, please see the announcement on the bulletin board.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 13

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

"The Abundant Life"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

If you feel life has been a bit unfair to you, next Sunday's Lutheran Hour message shares Christ has come not to bring fairness, but abundance to your life. (John 10:10)

Orphan Grain Train Collection at Immanuel

All congregations in the Minnesota North and South Districts are invited to collect new socks and underwear (men's, women's and children's) for Orphan Grain Train. Please place your donated items in the basket marked: "Orphan Grain Train." Pastor Sorenson will be bringing the collection to the ingathering at the Minnesota State Pastoral Conference on May 12th - 14th. If you have specific questions, please call Gene Pasche (the Minnesota North District LLL President) at 320-589-2796. The orphan Grain Train is an organization that provides relief for human need worldwide. Thank you.