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

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Russian Missionary: Rev. Jonathan Muhly Acolyte: Emily Duden March 11, 2012 The Third Sunday in Lent 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. The Service of Prayer and Preaching ......pp. 260-267 Prelude Welcome Ringing of the Bell Opening Hymn: #901, "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" Opening Versicles for Lent ......p. 260 Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor Old Testament Reading ...... Exodus 20:1-17 Psalm 69:9, 14-16, prayed responsively ...... worship insert Lenten Verse: #767, "Jesus, Remember Me" (sing twice) Lenten Responsory ......p. 263 Hymn of the Day: #651, "I Love Your Kingdom, Lord"

Sermon: "Zeal for God's House" Offering

Hymn: #661, "The Son of God Goes Forth to War"

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Chimes/Silent Prayer Announcements Postlude

## Easter Lily Sign Up

A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the back of the church. Cost is \$10.00. Make checks payable to Laurie Budensiek. The deadline for sign up and payment is Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Palm Sunday Brunch - April 1

New Horizons will be hosting a brunch following the service on Palm Sunday. Look for more information in next Sunday's bulletin.

#### **Life Quotes**

March 11 "What does it say to our neighbor when in our own families we care for our elderly, become foster parents, adopt children, care for the handicapped, or carry through with an unplanned pregnancy? What does it say to our community when in our churches we care and pray for each other, offering families respite care, visit nursing homes, or provide for the needs of pregnant women? It says that we are truly For Life because we are living it." Diane E. Schroeder, president of Lutherans For Life – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

## **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Today: 6:00PM Bierstube Family Night Wednesday: 4:30PM 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation

5:30PM 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation 7:30PM Lenten Midweek Worship

8:15PM Choir

Thursday: 2:00PM Ladies Aid

Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Lent

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK**

Today - Megan Bartel Thursday - Janice Kassen

Saturday - Traci Turner, Stan & Lois Klair

## **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Phillip Sorenson, Melissa Barbey, Barbara Vieths, Janis Thomford, Willard Holst, and Cathy Hamilton (friend of Doug & Ruth Dankers).

#### **Lenten Midweek Service**

Everyone is invited to attend a forty-five minute service this Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. Pastor will continue his preaching series: "Psalms of Penitence and Passion." This week's focus will be on Psalm 31 and the theme is "Safe Deposit." We will observe and comment on the correlation between Psalm 31:5a with the Words of our Lord from the cross: "Into Your hands I commit My spirit" (Lk. 23:46). Hope you can make it!

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, March 18 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

"Good News for Religious People Too?"
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

The Bible speaks about grace for sinners, but even the so-called "good people" need God's grace and mercy, too. (John 3:1-16)

The plan is to take the youth of our congregation to the Shoreview Tropics Waterpark on March 24th. We will leave church at noon. Additional adult chaperones are also welcome to attend. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. You may bring friends from outside the congregation, but they need to be signed up for us to arrange appropriate transportation in advance. The cost for the event is \$8 per person. Please also bring additional money for use at the snack bar. Those desiring to bring bag lunches/snacks from home may do so.

#### **Catechism Review**

The Fifth Commandment: "You shall not murder." What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

#### What does God forbid in the Fifth Commandment?

- A) God forbids us to take the life of another person (murder, abortion, euthanasia) or our own life (suicide).
- B) God forbids us to hurt or harm our neighbor physically, that is, to do or say anything which may destroy, shorten, or make his or her life bitter.
- C) God forbids us to keep anger and hatred in our hearts against our neighbor.

**Does anyone have authority to take another person's life?** Yes, lawful government, as God's servant, may execute criminals and fight just wars.

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Potsdam and St. John's Lutheran Church of Hammond will hold a chili supper fundraiser to benefit flood recovery efforts in Minot, North Dakota. The event will be held on March 31<sup>st</sup> between the hours of 4 PM and 7PM. The food will be served in St. John's newly refurbished fellowship hall. St. John's was badly damaged by the Zumbro River flooding in 2010. They were able to repair damages and recently held a service of rededication. Thanks be to God!

# Lenten Choral Vespers with Rev. Dr. James Lamb

Christ Lutheran Church of Rochester will host a Lenten Choral Vespers service at 4 PM on Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. The Executive Director of Lutherans for Life, the Rev. Dr. James Lamb, will preach. Instrumental music, hymns, and choral anthems will also be featured. A reception will follow the service, hosted by Christ Lutheran Youth. At 6:15 PM, Rev. Lamb will lead a brief, hour-long presentation entitled "Biotechnology 101 – A Primer for Christians." His presentation will tackle the issues of stem cell research and cloning. The event is sponsored by Christ Lutheran Church and the Rochester area chapter of Lutherans for Life. Christ Lutheran Church of Rochester is located at 2904 20<sup>th</sup> Street SE, on the corner of Marion Road and 20<sup>th</sup> Street. Please call 507-289-0271 for more information.

#### **Children's Musical**

Immanuel Lutheran School of Plainview invites you to their children's musical program, "The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit." It is the story of David and Goliath. Students from preschool up to eighth grade will participate in this musical. It will be held in Immanuel's Christian Life Center on Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM and also on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM. A free-will offering will be taken.