

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK
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Eighth Sunday After The Epiphany

February 27, 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.

Pre-Service Music
Welcome
Ring of the Bell

Opening Song: "The Lord Is Present in His Sanctuary" AGPS #232
Text/Tune: Gail Cole

1)
The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us praise the Lord.
The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us praise the Lord.
Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise the Lord.
Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise Jesus.

2)
The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us delight in the Lord.
The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us delight in the Lord.
Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise the Lord.
Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise Jesus.

3)
The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us serve the Lord.
The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us serve the Lord.
Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise the Lord.
Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise Jesus.

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Psalm 62:1-2, 11-12; antiphon: 62:8 (prayed responsively) ... worship insert

Prayer of the Day, spoken by Pastor

Song: "Praise and Thanksgiving" AGPS #197
Text: Albert F. Bayly
Tune: Bunesan

1)
Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer
For all things living, Created good:
Harvest of sown fields, Fruits of the orchard,
Hay from the mown fields, Blossom and wood.

2)
Bless, Lord, the labor We bring to serve You
That with our neighbor We may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, We would work with You.
Harvesting, milling For daily bread.

3)
Father, providing Food for Your children,
By Your wise guiding Teach us to share
One with another, So that, rejoicing
With us, all others May know Your care.

Choral Offering: "Take My Life, Lord" Arr. Anna Laura Page

Readings:

Isaiah 49:8-16a

1 Corinthians 4:1-13

Holy Gospel Matthew 6:24-34

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Song of the Day: "Consider How the Birds Above" LSB #736

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Tune: Wareham (LSB #866)

1)
Consider how the birds above Feed day by day with carefree ease -
Does God not keep them in His love? Are we not worth much more than
these?

2)
The lilies grow, they do not toil; How fair is their fragility -
If God clothes these, which quickly spoil, Will He not clothe both you and
me?

3)
Set not your heart on food or drink, Nor be weighed down by worldly care;
About such things the godless think, Yet never thank the Lord in prayer.

4)
Be on your guard against all greed, For life is more than what we own.
Our Father knows our ev'ry need Before our needs to us are known.

5)
Be not afraid to suffer loss Of all things for which you pray,
For He who faced for you the cross Will give you strength to live each day.
6)
Seek first God's reign, His boundless grace, His holy name in all you do:
Christ first and last in ev'ry place; All else will then be given you.

Sermon: "The Best Things In Life Are Free"
Offering

Song: "Lord, Be Glorified" AGPS #165
Text/Tune: Bob Kilpatrick

1)
In my life Lord, Be glorified, be glorified.
In my life Lord, Be glorified today.
2)
In my song Lord, Be glorified, be glorified.
In my song Lord, Be glorified today.
3)
In Your Church Lord, Be glorified, be glorified.
In Your Church Lord, Be glorified today.

Prayer of the Church
P: Let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal

Blessing
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: Amen.

Closing Song: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" AGPS #201
Text: Joachim Neander Tune: Lobe den Herren

1)
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!
2)
Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining?

3)
Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you.
4)
Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen Sound from His people again.
Gladly forever adore Him!

Silent Prayer
Announcements
Departing Music

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday:	9:00AM	Circuit Pastoral Conference – Trinity, Elgin
Wednesday:	4:30PM	5 th /6 th Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	9:00AM	LWML Delegate Board Meeting – Trinity, Elgin
Next Sunday:		The Transfiguration of Our Lord
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday	- David Dressen
Wednesday	- Luke Augustin
Friday	- Gavin Stumpf

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Philip Sorenson (recovering from full pancreatectomy), Dave Dicke (still waiting for a transplant), Joanne Meyr (recovering from cancer treatments on her leg), Mark Yahn (for peace during hospice care), Lori Ramig (recovering from a heart transplant), Bill Langhans (recovering from heart surgery), Irene Pasche (recovering from a heart attack), John Schafer (recovering from two heart attacks), Wayne Thomforde, Judith Whipple, Jean Bateman, Genevieve Schultz, and Brody Enz (Pastor's nephew, having liver problems).

Life Quotes

February 27 “Are you pregnant? Maybe you are struggling with a decision about what to do. Remember there is hope and help! Abortion is not the easy solution. Choose life for your baby. God will walk with you. He can bring Christian friends to support you ... Let someone know you need assistance ... You can also call Word of Hope at 888.217.8679. And remember LFL is here to serve and help too.” *Kay L. Meyer, director of development for Lutherans For Life – A “Life Quote” from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org*

**“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, March 6
8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)
“Eyewitnesses of His Majesty”
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus**

The resurrection of Christ is not a hoax. His disciples went to their deaths, confident in their confession of Christ, their risen Savior. He’s your Savior, too. (2 Peter 1:16)

The Brief Statement of the Doctrinal Position of the Missouri Synod (1932) “Of Conversion”

We teach that conversion consists in this, that a man, having learned from the Law of God that he is a lost and condemned sinner, is brought to faith in the Gospel, which offers him forgiveness of sins and eternal salvation for the sake of Christ’s vicarious satisfaction, Acts 11:21; Luke 24:46, 47; Acts 26:18.

New Church E-mail Address

Please note that the church has a new e-mail address effective immediately: immanuelcms@yahoo.com. If you desire to get in touch with Pastor through internet communication, this is the e-mail you should use. The old e-mail address, immanuelcms@ll.net, will stop functioning in a matter of weeks. However, the Church website address will remain the same: www.immanuel-lcms.org Thank you.

Placing of Church Officers – Next Sunday

As announced last week, the placing of our 2011 church officers will take place during the Sunday morning service on March 6th. All new and returning officers are invited to participate. The congregation is encouraged to be in prayer for those who are willing to serve in officer positions during the 2011 year.

Hammond Benefit

An all-you-can-eat Fish Fry Benefit will be held for St. John’s Lutheran Church of Hammond on Friday, March 11th, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The congregation’s building sustained much damage, along with buildings throughout the whole community. The event will be held at the Elgin Legion. The benefit is being sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church of Potsdam. The cost is \$9 for adults, \$4 for children (ages 6-10), and 5 and under eat free. Carry-outs are also available.

LWML Plays in Peoria

The 34th Biennial LWML Convention in Peoria, Illinois, will find Katie Stam, Miss America 2009, playing on stage on Friday evening June 25, 2011. This once in a lifetime convention plays from June 23 to June 26, 2011, under the theme: “Being with Jesus – Living on the Edge.” Registration begins March 1st for both the convention and hotels. Be a part of those attending who praise the Triune God, encounter Him in His Word, and live boldly as His children. Be sure to visit www.lwml.org for all the details.

Thank You from the O’Neal Family

Dear Missionary Friends of Immanuel, Hay Creek:

Thank you for all your prayers and support of our family during the past years that we have been living overseas serving with LCMS World Mission. Your partnership has been a tremendous blessing to us. Jennifer and I are honored to have been able to serve in Jamaica and Korea with such caring Christian people supporting us and encouraging us along the way. I was recently installed as Associate Pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Spirit Lake, Iowa. Our new home address is: 1041 29th Street, Spirit Lake, IA 51360. Please stop by if you are in the area.

*Joyfully in Jesus,
Rev. Patrick O’Neal*