

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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15th Sunday After Pentecost

September 13, 2009

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 Order of Responsive Prayer (II) pp. 285-287
 Prelude
 Welcome and Ringing of the Bell
 Opening Versicles and Gloria Patri p. 285

Opening Hymn: #726, "Evening and Morning"

Collect of the Day
 Old Testament Reading Isaia 50:4-10
 Response p. 285
 Epistle James 3:1-12
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 Holy Gospel Mark 9:14-29
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 Lord's Prayer p. 285
 Apostles' Creed p. 286

Hymn of the Day: "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

Text: Henry Alford (#720)

Tune: Damascus Road (#591)

1)
 We walk by faith and not by sight, No gracious words we hear
 From Him who spoke as none e'er spoke, But we believe Him near.

2)
 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor follow where He trod;
 But in His promise we rejoice And cry "My Lord and God!"

3)
 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; And may our faith abound
 To call on You when You are near And seek where You are found.

4)
 For You, O resurrected Lord, Are found in means divine:
 Beneath the water and the Word, Beneath the bread and wine.

5)
 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light
 We may behold You as You are, With full and endless sight.

Sermon: "Conflicts of Faith and Doubt"

Offering

Versicles pp. 286-287

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Luther's Morning Prayer p. 287

Benedicamus and Blessing p. 287

Closing Hymn: #739, "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Silent Prayer/Chimes

Announcements

Postlude

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: Holy Cross Day: Num. 21:4-9; 1 Cor. 1:18-25;
 John 12:20-33

Tuesday: 8:30AM CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson

Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: 8:30AM CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson

2:00PM Ladies Aid Guest Day

7:30PM CILS School Board, Concordia

Friday: 10:00AM Hi-Park Chapel with Pastor Sorenson

Saturday: 11AM-2PM Irene Pasche 90th Birthday Potluck,
 Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday: 16th Sunday After Pentecost

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion

3:30PM Circuit Forum at Immanuel, Potsdam

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today - Joshua Ahlgrim, Rosanne Stumpf
Monday - Adam Dicke, M/M Fred Stumpf
Tuesday - Ben Domagala, Lisa Dicke, M/M Brian Goranson
Wednesday - Tricia Callstrom, Russell Carlson
Thursday - Ruth Alms, Stan Koester
Saturday - Mary Langhans, Jean Stumpf

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Paul Nystuen, Marian Burkard, Philip Sorenson, Larry Horn, Dave Dicke, Carol Koester, Ruth Ofstie, Orville Augustin and Jenny Bauer.

Strength and Peace: Syvilla Madsen and Harold Augustin.

Comfort for the Bereaved: The family and friends of Linda Soifakis

Fellowship Time Treats

A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who would like to bring treats for fellowship time on Sunday mornings. This opportunity for socializing and treats occurs between Sunday School/Bible Class and the worship service (10:00-10:25 a.m.). Coffee and punch are provided each week, but we need people who are willing to bring items like cookies, bars, cake, etc. Thank you! If you have questions, please speak with Sara Sorenson.

Life Quote – September 13 (Grandparents Day)

“So we live in the Post-Christian age. Does that mean we should quit telling others about Jesus? No, of course not. The exciting note in this age is that many people long for the faith of their parents and grandparents. They want a faith that gives them a clear understanding of right and wrong. They want the security of the Gospel assuring them that, when these few years spent on earth are over, a heavenly home awaits them. Many of them remember grandma talking about going to her heavenly home. It might be the Post-Christian age, but the fields are still white unto harvest.” *Rev. Homer Larson, speaker on the Christian Crusaders radio program.* **This “Life Quote” is from Lutherans For Life.** www.lutheransforlife.org

Church Billboard Opportunity

Many members have volunteered to provide funds in support of the church billboard project. Through Pastor's negotiations, the billboard is being offered to the church at an incredibly reasonable rate: \$250 for set-up, \$260 a month. This is way below half price!! Those who are interested in paying for a month of service or a portion of a month, please speak with Pastor after the service or call him at 388-4577. Thanks for your consideration.

90th Birthday Celebration for Irene Pasche

Members of Immanuel are invited to join Irene Pasche's family as they celebrate her 90th birthday from 11 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 19th in our Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to pass for the potluck dinner and a story to share about Irene. The family will provide beverages, meat, beans and cake. Please RSVP to Marion Kolberg (388-2722) if you can make the celebration. Hope to see you there.

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, September 20

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

“When Do I Get What's Comin' to Me?”

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Life is unfair. When do we get what we deserve? Jesus said, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and the servant of all.” (Mark 9:34-35)

Who Stands in Need of Your Witness?

The Minnesota South District in convention in June adopted a mission resolution to help congregations focus their actions on outreach and develop relationships to bring people to Christ. The resolution encourages each member of district congregations to pray for at least three people who do not know the blessings of Christ and His Church and to find opportunities to witness to them. Let's take that challenge here at Immanuel, Hay Creek! Who in our lives does not know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior? Who has been estranged from His Church? These people stand in need of our help. With the Holy Spirit leading us through His Word, we can witness to our Easter faith.

Grief Support Group

The Mayo Hospice Program is offering a 7-week Grief Support Group beginning September 14th in Wabasha. The group is offered free of charge as part of the Mayo Hospice Program's community outreach to bereaved individuals. The group provides an opportunity to connect with other grieving individuals who understand your needs, concerns, and feelings. The group meets on Mondays, 4:30-6:00 PM in the St. Elizabeth's Medical Center Education Room. To register, call 1-800-506-5519.

Bibles for 5th Graders

Placing of Sunday School Teachers

On September 27th, during the Sunday morning worship service, Bibles will be presented to the fifth grade confirmation students. Furthermore, the Sunday School Teachers for 2009-2010 (including subs) will be officially recognized and placed in their positions. Please plan on being in worship that morning. Thanks!

A Message from Food For The Poor

How can Food For The Poor say “no” to a gift of more than 100 tractor-trailer loads of food and medicine when so many are suffering in the countries we serve? There’s just one problem: they don’t have the money to pay for shipping, and these perishable items must be transported in the next few months. Help Food For The Poor, an agency supported by The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, make the deliveries by sending a contribution today. For every dollar you give, \$223 worth of lifesaving food and medicine will be delivered to those who are struggling for survival. If you are able to help, please see the enclosed gift response card in your worship folder. Thank you.

Ministerial Recruitment for Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Have you ever considered being a pastor or deaconess? If so, Rev. Kyle Castens of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis would like to meet with you! A schedule of Pastor Castens’ visits to the area has been posted on the bulletin board. Rev. Castens is interested in meeting with prospective seminary students of all ages—elementary school age through adults who are already employed in other vocations. Conferences are individual and informal, but family and friends are also welcome to attend. Feel free to contact Rev. Castens at castensk@cls.edu with questions.