

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK
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First Sunday in Advent November 30, 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.

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DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today:	11:30AM	Potluck and Church Decorating
Monday:		No Ladies Mission Project this month
Wednesday:	4:30PM	5 th /6 th Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	6:30PM	Advent Midweek Supper
	7:30PM	Advent Midweek Worship (in fellowship hall)
	8:15PM	Choir
Thursday:	1PM-7PM	Red Cross Bloodmobile at United Lutheran
	7:30PM	School Board Meeting at Immanuel
Friday:	11AM-5PM	Red Cross Bloodmobile at United Lutheran
Next Sunday:		Second Sunday in Advent
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion
	7:30PM	Nybo's Family Night

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Monday	- Brad Kolberg, Brian Smith
Tuesday	- Peter Gjestvang
Wednesday	- Joel Kassen
Thursday	- Kristin Reding
Friday	- Kelsey Reding, Jerry Stehr
Saturday	- M/M Steve Alms

IN OUR PRAYERS

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Syvilla Madsen (undergoing cancer therapy); Dave Dicke (in need of a liver transplant); Marian Burkhard (healing); Ryan Buck (Goodhue man recovering from a paralyzing snowmobile accident); Katie O'Connor (has a tumor); Mikey Staples (healing); Linda Hardy (healing); Mike Heim (finished chemotherapy; in need of healing); Dale Safe (Pat Banitt's brother, recovering from a bull attack); Linda Soifakis (resurgence of cancer); Ruth Dankers (recovering from surgery); Phillip Sorenson (diagnosed with Adult Onset Cystic Fibrosis).

Potluck Lunch and Church Decorating - Today

All are invited to a potluck lunch following the service today. After the meal, New Horizons, and anyone who would like to help, will be putting up Christmas decorations inside and outside church.

Food Shelf

New Horizons is sponsoring a collection for the local food shelf through December 14th. Monetary donations can be placed in the box in the entry way.

150th Anniversary Pictures and Souvenirs for Sale

Christmas is coming! We still have salt and pepper shaker sets, Christmas ornaments, and numerous event pictures of all sizes available for purchase. All pictures are \$5. The salt and pepper shaker sets are \$14 and the Christmas ornaments are \$10. Members of the 150th Anniversary Committee will be available after the service to help those who would like to make a purchase.

Sunday School Christmas Program

Many thanks to Nikki Scheele and Leslie Germann-Hutter for volunteering to lead the Sunday School Christmas program this year. The event will be held on Sunday night, December 21st at 6:30 PM. Parents, please note the additional rehearsal dates on the December calendar. Don't forget to invite your friends and family. Refreshments will be served following the program.

Red Cross Bloodmobile

On Thursday and Friday of this week, the Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at United Lutheran Church for those who would like to give the life-saving gift of blood. The hours for December 4th are from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM, and the hours for December 5th are from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM> Thank you for your generosity and concern.

Life Quote – November 30

“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son’ (Isaiah 7:14) ... there are two promises here separated by nine months! The virgin will first conceive. There is the great miracle of the incarnation, God becoming human. Then she will give birth. There is the great miracle of God being born in an ordinary way so He could live and die for sinful humanity.” *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life. A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org*

A Little History as We Celebrate our 150th Anniversary

Believe it or not? The total expenses of the Fort Wayne Seminary for the 1848-1849 academic year were \$703.51. In 1851 a student's board in St. Louis cost \$1.25 per week. Heating was done by a stove in each room, and a student paid one dollar per year for fuel and three dollars per year for light (candlelight). A very large amount of support for the schools at Fort Wayne and St. Louis came from friends in the neighborhood who brought farm products and donations of all kinds and “adopted” students. These students were frequent guests for Sunday dinners and often had their laundry done free of charge.

Advent Midweek Suppers

As we did last year, we will again offer midweek suppers on the Wednesdays of Advent. The dates are the 3rd, 10th, and 17th of December. These suppers will be held at 6:30 PM, after confirmation and before the 7:30 PM worship service. What a great opportunity to have some fellowship with the saints on the Wednesdays of the rich season of Advent. A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who would like to volunteer to bring a meal or a portion thereof.

Advent Midweek Services

Midweek services will be held again this year on the Wednesdays of Advent at 7:30 PM. The first service will be held on December 3rd. The theme this year is: “Prophetic Names of the Coming Messiah.” Worship will be held in the fellowship hall and the following themes and texts will be utilized:

December 3: “The Lion of the Tribe of Judah” Gen. 49:8-12

December 10: “The Star of Jacob” Num. 24:15-19

December 17: “The Branch of Jesse” Isa. 11:1-10

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, December 7

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

“Prince of Peace and Power”

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Many people think Christmas is all about peace on earth and good will, but Christ is the Prince of Peace and of Power. (Mark 1:7)