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The Circumcision and Name of Jesus

January 1, 2012

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.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's spiritual blessing or to one's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all confirmed members of Immanuel and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

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DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 9:00AM Circuit Conference at Concordia

Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30PM Choir with Epiphany Party

The Epiphany of Our Lord: Isa. 60:1-6;
Eph. 3:1-12; Matt. 2:1-12
10:30AM KWNG Recording Session

Saturday: Fellowship Hall in Use Next Sunday: Baptism of Our Lord

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship

11:30AM New Horizons Potluck/Christmas Clean-Up

6:00PM Family Bowling Night

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

TodaySherri Smith, Dan & Diane LeeMondayNathan Ballman, Jacob & Pam Dahl,Joshua & Allie Nissen

IN OUR PRAYERS

Phillip Sorenson, Melissa Barbey, Fred Voth, Wendy Suiter, Barb Vieths, Janis Thomford, Margie Stumpf, Willard Holst, Brian Augustin (recovering from knee surgery), the family of Wayne Thomforde (as they reflect on his passing), the family of Rosella Hardt (as they reflect on her passing), and the family of Ruth Ofstie (as they reflect on her passing).

Thank You from Pastor

Dear friends,

Many Christmas cards, thank you cards, family pictures, and gifts were presented to me during the holiday season. I want to express my deep appreciation and thankfulness for all your kind thoughts and words of encouragement. May this be a blessed year as we serve the Lord together.

Love in Christ, Pastor Sorenson

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, January 8, 2012 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) "Jesus' Baptism" Solidarity with Sinners to Save Them!" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

Jesus stepped into the Jordan River for a baptism He didn't need in order to save a people who didn't deserve it. He showed solidarity with sinners so that they might receive God's forgiveness and mercy by grace. (Mark 1:4-11)

Catechism - Review

What does God require of us in the Second Commandment? We should call upon His name in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

New Sign-Up Sheets

Therre are new opportunities to bring fellowship time treats and to sponsor Pastor's weekly radio devotions! Please visit the bulletin board and sign-up according to your interest. Thank you!