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The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 24, 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.

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.

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Choral Call to Worship: "An Easter Prayer" John T. Burke

Cross Procession/Opening Hymn: #457, "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"
Trumpeter: Katelyn Stehr

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, prayed responsively worship insert

Hymn of Praise: #478, "The Day of Resurrection"

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Collect of the Day (*spoken by Pastor*)

First Reading Acts 10:34-43

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Choral Offering: "My Song Doth Bless The Lord" Joseph M. Martin

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual for Easter, prayed responsively worship insert

Gospel Procession/Hymn: #488, "He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!"

Holy Gospel Matthew 28:1-10

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(*The Gospel is read*)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

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Hymn of the Day: #482, "This Joyful Eastertide"

Sermon: "The Easter Earthquake"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy" page 195 in the front of the hymnal

Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal

Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Distribution Hymns:

#461, "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

#633, "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: #465, "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

Chimes/Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

Easter Lilies

For those who purchased Easter lilies, they are yours to take home immediately following the service today.

Work Days and Spring Church Cleaning

The Trustees have set Friday and Saturday, May 6th and May 7th as work days for cleanup of the church grounds. Circles 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7 are scheduled for interior church cleaning. Please consider helping with this annual cleanup – your help is much appreciated!

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: Happy Easter!

Easter Monday: Dan. 12:1-3; Acts 10:34-43; Lk. 24:13-49
St. Mark, Evangelist

Easter Tuesday: Dan. 3:8-28; Acts 13:26-33; Lk. 24:36-49

Easter Wednesday: Acts. 3:13-15; 17-19; Col. 3:1-7; Jn. 21:1-14

4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation

5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: 7:30PM Women's Bible Class

7:30PM Men's Bible Class

Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit

11:00AM Youth Event – Tropics Waterpark

Next Sunday: Second Sunday after Easter

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion

After Worship Easter Brunch sponsored by New Horizons

All Are Welcome!

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Wednesday - Terry & Kim Frazier

Thursday - Hilbert Gerdes, Sue von Knobelsdorff

Friday - Cally Simanski

Saturday - Keith & Carol Dicke

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), Bill Langhans (recovering from heart surgery), Irene Pasche (recovering from a heart attack), Jean Bateman, Orville Augustin and Melissa Barbey.

Easter Brunch – Next Sunday, May 1

All in the congregation are invited to a brunch immediately following the worship service next Sunday.

New Horizons' members are asked to check the sign-up sheet for needed food items and areas where you can help. Members are also asked to bring 1½ dozen muffins, donuts, or sweet rolls and one bottle of pancake syrup.

Proceeds from the brunch will go to the radio devotion program on Red Wing's KWNG radio. Messages are broadcast five days a week in the early morning.

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, May 1
8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)
”Accept No Substitutes!”
Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

We live in a world of substitutes, fakes, and facades. However, the risen Christ offers us a living hope that sees through suffering, prevails through persecution, and lives through death itself. (1 Peter 1:3-9)

Quarterly Council and Voters’ Meetings

The spring Quarterly Council and Voters’ Meetings are usually scheduled for the month of April. However, because Holy Week and Easter fall at the end of April, the elders have agreed to postpone those meetings until May. The council meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, May 3rd; the Voters’ Meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, May 17th. Please mark your calendars accordingly. Thank you.

Life Quotes

April 24 “Our Lord Jesus himself demonstrated how the resurrection of the body will work. His rising authorizes Him to perform mine. And yours. My Redeemer lives. Yours does, too.” *Rev. Mark Jeske, speaker on “Time of Grace” – A “Life Quote” from Lutherans For Life –*
www.lutheransforlife.org

Youth Event - April 30th

Let's try again! On April 30th, Pastor would like to take the youth of the church to the Tropics Waterpark in Shoreview for a day of pool and waterslide fun. On that Saturday, please meet at church at 11:00 AM. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board so that Pastor is able to plan for appropriate transportation. The cost is \$7.50 per student. Please bring additional money for snacks and beverages. Youth may bring friends as long as they are also on the sign-up sheet. Thanks.

Confirmation Dinner

The dinner for the families and friends of our 2011 confirmands, Dustin Stumpf and Jacob Duden, will be held on Friday, May 13th at 6:30 PM. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who are willing to bring food items and/or serve for the occasion. Please plan on food for 30 people. If you have any questions, please speak to Pastor Sorenson at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

The Brief Statement of the Doctrinal Position of the Missouri Synod (1932) **”Of the Church”**

We believe that there is one holy Christian Church on earth, the Head of which is Christ and which is gathered, preserved, and governed by Christ through the Gospel. The members of the Christian Church are the Christians, that is, all those who have despaired of their own righteousness before God and believe that God forgives their sins for Christ's sake. The Christian Church, in the proper sense of the term, is composed of believers only, Acts 5:14; 26:18; which means that no person in whom the Holy Ghost has wrought faith in the Gospel, or -- which is the same thing -- in the doctrine of justification, can be divested of his membership in the Christian Church; and, on the other hand, that no person in whose heart this faith does not dwell can be invested with such membership. All unbelievers, though they be in external communion with the Church and even hold the office of teacher or any other office in the Church, are not members of the Church, but, on the contrary, dwelling-places and instruments of Satan, Eph. 2:2. This is also the teaching of our Lutheran Confessions: "It is certain, however, that the wicked are in the power of the devil and members of the kingdom of the devil, as Paul teaches, Eph. 2:2, when he says that 'the devil now worketh in the children of disobedience,' " etc. (Apology, Triglot, p. 231, Paragraph 16; M., p. 154.)

Japan Disaster Relief

During this blessed Easter season, LCMS President Matthew C. Harrison asks for prayers and continued financial support for the people of Japan "as we strive to bring the help and hope of Christ to people who are hurting." Please pray for those who have lost loved ones, homes and livelihoods. Please pray that Lutheran disaster response efforts would touch many lives with God's hope and mercy. To learn more, visit www.lcms.org/worldrelief. To make a donation for Lutheran relief efforts, you may mail checks (noting "Japan Disaster Relief" in the memo line) to: LCMS World Relief and Human Care, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861. You can also donate over the phone at 1-888-930-4438 or by going to <http://givenowlcms.org>. Thank you for your care and compassion!