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Confirmation Sunday

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.

Opening Hymn/Cross Procession: #496, "Holy Spirit, Light Divine" 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 (see worship insert)

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

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First ReadingGenesis 11	1:1-9
 Choral Prayer: "If Today You Hear His Voice" (Psalm 95) David Hear His voice, harden not your hearts. If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts. 1) Come, ring out our joy to the Lord, Hail the Rock who saves us, Let us come now before Him, with songs let us hail the Lord. 	

2) Come, let us bow and bend low, let us kneel before Him who made us,

For He is our God; we His people, the flock that is led by His hand. (*Refrain*)

3) O that today you would hear His voice, "Harden not your hearts, as on that day in the desert, when your parents put Me to the test." (Refrain)

Second Reading Acts 2:1-21

Alleluia #952

(Refrain)

Holy GospelJohn 14:23-31

Hymn of the Day: #686, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Sermon: "Holy Spirit, Light Divine"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord! Since you propose to come to the Holy Supper of Christ, draw near with a true heart and confess your sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to grant you forgiveness.

(Silence for self-examination)

- P: Holy and gracious God,
- C: I confess that I have sinned against You. Some of my sin I know - the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed - but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I implore You for pardon. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, that I may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer (see back cover of the hymnal)

Words of Institution

Peace

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

C: Amen.

Distribution

#913, "O Holy Spirit, Enter In" #623, "Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray" #685. "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

Post-Communion Prayer Benediction

Closing Hymn: #923, "Almighty Father, Bless the Word"

Chimes/Silent Praver Announcements Postlude

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Pentecost Monday: Isa. 57:15-21; Acts 10:34a, 42-48;

Jn. 3:16-21

Pentecost Tuesday: Isa. 32:14-20; Acts 8:14-17; Jn. 10:1-10

Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation 6:30PM Pre-Marriage Counseling

10:30AM KWNG Recording Session Friday:

6:30PM Youth Bonfire Event

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

The Holy Trinity Next Sunday:

(Summer Schedule Begins)

9:30AM Worship/Quilts for 2013 Graduates

Acolyte: Ben Domagala

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- Leigha Burns, Christopher Holst, Korey Holst Today

- Randy Meyer, Genevieve Schultz Monday

Tuesday - Burnetta Dicke

IN OUR PRAYERS

Melissa Barbey, Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Ken Buth, Cindy Redman, Gretel Meyer (recovering from a stroke), Hilbert Gerdes (recovering from a stroke) and Fred Voth.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" - Sunday, May 26 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

"God Says Remember"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus God says, "Remember Me," and people say, "We would rather forget." (Deuteronomy 6:5-7)

Life Quotes

May 19 "So, how do we as a church reclaim holding out for marriage? ... We pray. We repent. We spend lots of time in God's Word. We receive the Sacrament regularly. We talk about it. We talk about it with our kids when they're young. We don't fall prey to the 'Well, they're going to have sex anyway, so I may at least tell them how to be protected.' No. We tell our young women about their worth and their value. We tell our young men what it means to be a man. We lift up the values of waiting. And we wait with them." Adriane Dorr, editor of "The Lutheran Witness" - A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life •

Youth Bonfire Event

Youth of all ages are invited to Pastor's backyard this coming Friday night. Weather permitting, we will have a bonfire until 10:00 PM. Please bring snacks to share. Pastor will provide hot dogs and smore fixings. If you plan on attending, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Catechism Review

Why do you say, "I believe in the forgiveness of sins?"

I believe in the forgiveness of sins because through Christ God has declared pardon and forgiveness to all sinful humanity (objective justification).

What moves God to forgive sins?

God forgives sins because He is merciful and because of Christ's atoning sacrifice for sinners.

How is it possible for a just and holy God to declare sinners righteous (justification)?

God declares sinners righteous for Christ's sake; that is, our sins have been imputed or charged to Christ, the Savior, and Christ's righteousness has been imputed or credited to us.