# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK 24686 OLD CHURCH ROAD, RED WING, MN 55066

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The Third Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2019

## **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 blessing or to one's harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with a 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 members of Immanuel who have been confirmed 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
Ringing of the Bell
Welcome
The Rite of Confirmation .......pp. 272-274
Connor Alvin Ballman, Matthew 28:20b
Lilian Jean Germann-Hutter, Psalm 91:2

Sarah Grace Kirchner, Revelation 22:14 Marshall T. Kitzmann, John 3:16 Jada Angeline Scheele, 2 Corinthians 4:8-9 Tally Cheyenne Stehr, Jeremiah 29:11

Confirmation Hymn: #689, "Let Me Be Thine Forever" Alternate Tune: Anthes, #915

Confirmation Choral Blessing: "The Family of Faith" Joseph Martin

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

All around us, there are witnesses. We feel their embrace. Their light shines upon us as we gather in this place. The echoes of their voices still resound through these halls. In the music of our memories, we hear their loving call.

### Refrain:

Walk worthy, my daughter. Be faithful, my son; for this is your moment. There is work to be done. Be true to your calling. Be strong all your days. You are part of the family, the family of faith. You are part of the family of faith.

Lord, we offer our thanksgiving for the saints of the faith: those who laid down firm foundations of worship and praise, those who gave us a vision, and stood for the right, those who gave us a mission, and brought us to Christ. *Refrain* 

Let us be faithful to finish the work. Follow the Savior.

Be grateful to serve; for this is the season, and this is the place to build for the harvest, shine in the darkness, shine as a light to the world!

Refrain

Creedal Hymn: #953, "We All Believe in One True God"

Epistle: Revelation 5:8-14

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia #952

Holy Gospel: John 21:1-14

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 21st 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!

Hymn of the Day: #599, "O Gracious Lord, with Love Draw Near"

Sermon: "Fishing on the Right Side of the Boat"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Confession/Preparation for Holy Communion

- P: As we prepare to come to the Holy Supper of Christ, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (silence for self-examination)
- P: Holy and gracious God,
- C: I confess that I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. 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 Your forgiveness. Deliver and restore me and help me to live a new life in Christ.
- P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins, in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer ...... back cover of the hymnal

The Words of Institution

Peace

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

C: Amen.

Distribution

#629, "What Is This Bread"

#641, "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

#687, "Thine Forever, God of Love"

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Closing Verses: #632, "O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee" (with "Amen")

Chimes/Silent Prayer Announcements Postlude

## **CONFIRMATION CLASSES IN MAY**

The last confirmation class in May for 7th and 8th graders will be held on May 8th at 5:30 PM. Students are welcome to bring treats to share. The 5th and 6th grade class will meet twice in May, the 8th and the 22nd at 4:30 PM. On the 22nd, these grades are also welcome to bring treats to share. If the weather is nice, we will even meet outside.

### **LIFE QUOTE**

"Whoa. What a cool thought! Before your parents ever laid eyes on you, before they fought over whether to name you John Jr. or Steven, God knew your name and He wanted you as his. In fact, it goes back further than you think. Before God even created the very first parents, He knew you were coming someday and He chose you, specifically you, for his team." Diane Kerr, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org