

## ANNOUNCEMENTS – MARCH 22, 2015

### DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 7:00PM Board of Elders  
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
5:30PM 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
7:00PM Lenten Midweek Worship – The Hopeful Victor  
7:45PM Choir  
Thursday: 7:30PM Women's Bible Class  
Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit  
Next Sunday: Palm Sunday  
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class  
9:45AM Fellowship Time  
10:00AM Worship  
11:00AM Palm Sunday Brunch

### HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today - Kevin Holm  
Monday - Karen Stemmann  
Tuesday - Vera Carlson  
Wednesday - Myron Alms  
Thursday - Eric Stumpf, William K. Langhans  
Friday - Brady Meyer  
Saturday - Kevin Schafer

### IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Hermann von Knobelsdorff, Leonard Dicke, Kari Janssen, and Melissa Barbey.

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

We are pleased to offer again this year an Easter Egg Hunt on the Saturday of Easter weekend (April 4). Children up to 2nd grade are invited to participate. The event will take place at 10:00 AM. Many thanks to Nikki Scheele and Leslie Germann-Hutter for their willingness to coordinate this event!

### **BASKETS OF PROMISE LENTEN CAMPAIGN**

This Lent we're joining Lutheran World Relief's Baskets of Promise campaign! You are asked to collect the following items: 2 bars of soap, one comb, one metal nail clippers and one bath towel (light-weight, maximum size 52" x 27", dark color recommended). Wrap all your items up in the towel and bring your completed kit to church by Easter Sunday. Note: The items must be new and the soap must still be packaged in order to be donated. These care kits will go to people around the world who are struggling to stay clean and healthy in life's most challenging situations. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

### **ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS!**

**A Friendly Reminder: Your 2014 Choice Dollars must be directed by March 31, 2015.**

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, March 29, 2015**

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

**"Show Me"**

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus

Jesus really did die and three days later He really did conquer death through His resurrection. (John 19:17-18)

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#### **4H PLEDGE DRIVE/ALICIA HOFFMAN**

Alicia Hoffman is seeking to help raise funds for the 2015 4-H Youth Service-Learning Trip scheduled for June 20-27, 2015. A pledge drive is currently underway to help 20 youth and adults in Buffalo, Pepin, and Pierce County 4-H to volunteer and complete service-learning projects for those living in poverty in Hawaii. For every \$100 pledged, one or more of our 4-H youth leaders will complete community service for 2 hours in our local communities. Each young person has a goal to gain fifty \$10 pledges for a total of \$500 and 10 hours of community service. There are two ways you can pledge:

- 1) Complete a pledge form at <http://goo.gl/forms/ii2PRlqggV>, make a check out in the amount of your pledge payable to Buffalo County 4-H Service Trip, and send it to UW-Extension, 407 S. 2nd St., Alma, WI 54610.  
(OR)
- 2) Pledge by credit card by using the online fundraising account: [www.gofundsm.com/4-Hservicetrip](http://www.gofundsm.com/4-Hservicetrip). Note: A small percentage of funds raised by this account are deducted for processing fees.

Help us get to our \$10,000 goal so that we can help others!

#### **REVIEW: THE DOCTRINAL POSITION OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD Of The Millennium (From "The Brief Statement")**

With the Augsburg Confession (Art. XVII) we reject every type of millennialism, or Chiliasm, the opinions that Christ will return visibly to this earth a thousand years before the end of the world and establish a dominion of the Church over the world; or that before the end of the world the Church is to enjoy a season of special prosperity; or that before a general resurrection on Judgment Day a number of departed Christians or martyrs are to be raised again to reign in glory in this world; or that before the end of the world a universal conversion of the Jewish nation (of Israel according to the flesh) will take place.

Over against this, Scripture clearly teaches, and we teach accordingly, that the kingdom of Christ on earth will remain under the cross until the end of the world, Act 14:22; John 16:33; 18:36; Luke 9:23; 14:27; 17:20-37; 2 Tim. 4:18; Heb. 12:28; Luke 18:8; that the second visible coming of the Lord will be His final advent, His coming to judge the quick and the dead, Matt. 24:29, 30; 25:31; 2 Tim. 4:1; 2 Thess. 2:8; Heb. 9:26-28; that there will be but one resurrection of the dead, John 5:28; 6:39, 40; that the time of the Last Day is, and will remain, unknown, Matt. 24:42; 25:13; Mark 13:32, 37; Acts 1:7, which would not be the case if the Last Day were to come a thousand years after the beginning of a millennium; and that there will be no general conversion, a conversion en masse, of the Jewish nation, Rom. 11:7; 2 Cor. 3:14; Rom. 11:25; 1 Thess. 2:16.

According to these clear passages of Scripture we reject the whole of Millennialism, since it not only contradicts Scripture, but also engenders a false conception of the kingdom of Christ, turns the hope of Christians upon earthly goals, 1 Cor. 15:19; Col. 3:2, and leads them to look upon the Bible as an obscure book.

#### **LIFE QUOTES – March 22**

"In America, we removed the religious moral compass from our children and now we are shocked when some sad soul murders his classmates. We removed morality from our youngster's education, and we are surprised to see high schoolers 'sexting' ... This is why we say we can do no better than to listen to the Lord." Rev. Ken Klaus, speaker emeritus on "The Lutheran Hour" – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)