

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK
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Fourth Sunday of Easter May 15, 2011

**Good Shepherd Sunday
The Service of Confirmation**

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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Sermon: "A Confirmation Recipe for Life with the Good Shepherd"
Offering

Prayer of the Church
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

The Rite of Confirmation pp. 272-274 in LSB
Jacob Tyler Duden – Matthew 11:28
Dustin Ronnie Stumpf – 2 Corinthians 5:21

Choral Confirmation Blessing Music by Natalie Sleeth

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DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

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| Tuesday: | 2:45PM | Red Wing Health Center Chapel |
| | 7:00PM | Truth in Love to Mormons Conference, St. John's, Red Wing |
| | 7:30PM | Quarterly Voters' Meeting |
| | 7:30PM | Softball vs. Covenant, Field 2 |
| Wednesday: | 5:30PM | 7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation |
| Thursday: | 2:00PM | Ladies Aid Meeting |
| Friday: | 10:30AM | KWNG Recording Session |
| | 6:00PM | Church Golfing at Gopher Hills |
| Saturday: | 6:30PM | Youth Rollerskating at Belle Creek |
| Next Sunday: | | Fifth Sunday of Easter |
| | 9:00AM | Sunday School and Bible Class |
| | 10:00AM | Fellowship Time |
| | 10:30AM | Worship |

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

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| Monday | - Jim Arndt |
| Tuesday | - Allison Nissen |
| Thursday | - Leigha Burns, Christopher Holst, Korey Holst |
| Friday | - Randy Meyer, Genevieve Schultz |
| Saturday | - Burnetta 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, Irene Pasche (recovering from a heart attack), Jean Bateman, and Melissa Barbey.

Life Quotes

May 15 "People may scorn and reject as worthless the life of the old man or woman in a nursing home, the life of the unborn child, the life of the terminally ill, or the life of the physically or mentally handicapped. But the Cross decisively demonstrates God's compelling love for each and all of them ... That love came in the most unexpected way to people who could never have earned or deserved it—people exactly like us." *Rev. Dr. Laurence White, Our Savior Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas* – **A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org**

Quarterly Voters' Meeting

The Spring Voters' Meeting will be held this Tuesday night, May 17th, at 7:30 PM. If you are not a member of the Voters' Assembly and would be interested in joining, please speak with one of the elders at your earliest convenience: Jim Arndt, Dan Banitt, or Chuck Bremer. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1) Opening Devotion
- 2) Attendance
- 3) Acceptance of Minutes
- 4) Reception of New Voting Members
- 5) Reports: Pastor/Elders, Treasurer, Trustees, Scrip Report, Cemetery Board, Other
- 6) Unfinished Business: Demolition of School Building
- 7) New Business: Teacherage Improvements and Rental, Sale of Old School Desks and Chairs, Book Cart, Kitchen Mirror, Church Phones
- 8) Adjournment with Prayer

Sharing Christ with Mormons

You are invited to St. John's Lutheran Church (Red Wing) on Tuesday night at 7:00 PM for a presentation on witnessing to Mormons about the true faith. Come and learn how to respond to this cult with love and truth. Discover entry points for sharing the real Christ with Mormons in your community. This is a presentation from Truth in Love Ministry (TILM).

Church Golfing Group

At 6:00 PM this coming Friday the Church Golfing Group will begin meeting at Gopher Hills for an evening of fun and fellowship. Like last year, the cost remains \$15 (and that includes a cart). The golfing group is open to all ages and abilities. The first three dates we will meet are May 20, June 3, and June 17. A full schedule for the summer has been posted on the bulletin board. Note that some evenings we will play the regular course and other evenings we will play the executive course. If you have any questions, please speak with Jerry Kohn. Thanks.

Hands of Hope Annual Garage Sale at Holy Trinity Church, Goodhue

May 20 – 3:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

May 21 – 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Donuts and coffee will be available throughout the morning. Hot dogs, chips and pop will be available over the supper and lunch hours. Proceeds will be given to children facing difficult challenges.

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, May 22

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

”Similar, But Not the Same”

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

A zero is nothing and three zeros are three nothings, but there’s a big difference between a thousand dollars and a million dollars. Pastor Ken Klaus says all religions share certain similarities, but Christianity is markedly different from all the others. (John 14:6)

The Brief Statement of the Doctrinal Position of the Missouri Synod (1932)

"Of the Church" (Continued)

On Church-Fellowship. -- Since God ordained that His Word only, without the admixture of human doctrine, be taught and believed in the Christian Church, 1 Pet. 4:11; John 8:31, 32; 1 Tim. 6:3, 4, all Christians are required by God to discriminate between orthodox and heterodox church-bodies, Matt. 7:15, to have church-fellowship only with orthodox church-bodies, and, in case they have strayed into heterodox church-bodies, to leave them, Rom. 16:17. We repudiate unionism, that is, church-fellowship with the adherents of false doctrine, as disobedience to God's command, as causing divisions in the Church, Rom. 16:17; 2 John 9, 10, and involving the constant danger of losing the Word of God entirely, 2 Ti. 2:17-21.

The orthodox character of a church is established not by its mere name nor by its outward acceptance of, and subscription to, an orthodox creed, but by the doctrine which is actually taught in its pulpits, in its theological seminaries, and in its publications. On the other hand, a church does not forfeit its orthodox character through the casual intrusion of errors, provided these are combated and eventually removed by means of doctrinal discipline, Acts 20:30; 1 Tim. 1:3.

Big Jungle Adventure Vacation Bible School

A joint VBS program will be offered this year with our sister congregation of St. Peter's in Belvidere. Pastor Sorenson will lead the children in music for the Big Jungle Adventure, the CPH endorsed program for 2011. VBS will be held at St. Peter's from June 12th (Sunday) through June 16th (Thursday). The hours will be 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM each day. A final program for families and friends will be held the last evening of Bible School. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those families who would like to participate. Let's demonstrate our commitment to growing in Christ with our brothers and sisters of Belvidere!