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The First Sunday in Advent

November 29, 2009

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.

Today's Hymnal: "All God's People Sing"

Prelude

Welcome

Ringling of the Bell

Opening Hymn: "Oh Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel" AGPS #186

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

An Act of Adoration

P: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts; heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Glory be to You, O Lord most high.

C: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

P: To You all Your people, from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, cry aloud with joyful voice and say:

C: Glory be to You, O God, the Savior of all, forever and ever. Amen.

An Act of Confession

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

(Silence for self-examination)

P: Eternal God:

C: We confess that we have tried to hide from You, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves. We have refused to bear the troubles of others and have turned away from our neighbors. We

have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. O God, in Your mercy forgive our sin and free us from selfishness, that we may delight in Your will and obey Your commandments; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

P: The almighty and merciful God grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins.

C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, prayed responsively see worship insert

Hymn: "The King of Glory" AGPS #227

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 33:14-16

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual, prayed responsively (see worship insert)

Epistle 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Hymn: "Jesus, Remember Me" AGPS #146

Holy Gospel Luke 19:28-40

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 19th 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!

Apostles' Creed (found on page 29 in the front of AGPS)

Hymn of the Day: "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness" LSB #563

Sermon: "The Lord Our Righteousness"

Offering

Hymn: "Promise Fulfilled" AGPS #202

An Act of Thanksgiving, prayed in unison:

Praise be to You, O God the Father, who created all things by Your power and wisdom and did so love the world as to give Your Son to be our Savior. Praise be to You, O God the Son, for You were made man, like us in all things except sinning, and were put to death for our trespasses and raised for our justification. Praise be to You, O God the Holy Spirit, that You have led us into all truth and do pour into our hearts the love of God. All praise and glory be to You, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

An Act of Supplication

The congregation is invited to respond according to the following format:

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer (found on page 40 in the front of AGPS)

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: "Soon and Very Soon" AGPS #218

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

Potluck and Church Decorating

All members of the congregation are invited to participate in a potluck lunch following today's church service. Following the lunch, New Horizons, and anyone wishing to help, will be decorating the church for Christmas.

Life Quote – November 29

"Christmas is also for the unborn. The Savior has come also for the children yet living in their mothers' wombs. The Gospel message is addressed also to our youngest brothers and sisters. In fact, we can say it is addressed especially to them, because they are the most helpless."

Father Frank Pavone, director of Priests for Life. This "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life. www.lutheransforlife.org

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today:	11:45AM	Potluck and Church Decorating
Monday:		St. Andrew, Apostle: Ezek. 3:16-21; Rom. 10:8b-18; Jn. 1:35-42a
	1:00PM	Ladies Quilting Project
Tuesday:	8:30AM	CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson
	9:30-10:30AM	Christmas Program Practice
Wednesday:	4:30PM	5 th /6 th Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	6:30PM	Advent Midweek Supper
	7:30PM	Advent Midweek Service
	8:15PM	Choir
Thursday:	8:30AM	CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson
	12:30-1:00PM	CILS Christmas Program Practice
	1:00-7:00PM	Red Cross Bloodmobile – United Lutheran
	7:30PM	CILS School Board Meeting - Concordia
Friday:	11AM-5PM	Red Cross Bloodmobile – United Lutheran
Next Sunday:		Second Sunday in Advent
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday	- Brad Kolberg, Brian Smith
Wednesday	- Peter Gjestvang
Thursday	- Joel Kassen
Friday	- Kristin Reding
Saturday	- Kelsey Reding, Jerry Stehr

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Paul Nystuen, Philip Sorenson, Larry Horn, Dave Dicke, Ruth Ofstie, Jenny Bauer, Sara (Voth) Kroll, Lana Horn, and Barb Kelm.

Strength and Peace: Syvilla Madsen and Harold Augustin.

Preparing for Military Service: David Banitt

Give the Gift of Blood

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at United Lutheran Church two days this week for those who would like to give the life-sustaining gift of blood. Hours for Thursday, December 3rd will be from 1PM to 7PM. Hours for Friday, December 4th will be from 11AM to 5PM. Thank you for your consideration and kindness.

Thank you from the Ladies Aid

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to stocking our facility with needed items for the kitchen and bathrooms. Because of your generosity, the shelves are full of the necessities. Thanks again!!

Ladies Quilting Project News

The women of the Quilting Project will meet this Monday, November 30th, at 1:00 p.m. for an afternoon of work and fellowship.

Food Shelf Collection

New Horizons will be collecting for the Red Wing Area Food Shelf during the month of December. A box has been placed in the entryway for monetary donations. Please bring your donations to church by December 20th. Thank you.

Advent Midweek Suppers and Services

We will again this year offer midweek suppers and services on the Wednesdays of Advent. The dates are the 2nd, 9th, and the 16th of December. The suppers will be held at 6:30 p.m., between confirmation and the 7:30 p.m. worship service. What a great opportunity to have some fellowship with the saints on the Wednesdays of the rich season of Advent! A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who would like to volunteer to bring a meal or a portion thereof. Both the suppers and the services will be held in Immanuel's fellowship hall. The theme for this year's services will be: "Three Cries of Advent from Isaiah 40." Topics and texts are as follows:

December 2 – "The Cry of Comfort" Isaiah 40:1
December 9 – "The Cry of Release" Isaiah 40:2
December 16 – "The Cry to Prepare" Isaiah 40:3

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, December 6
8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)
"Nobody Tells Me What To Do"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Half-hearted repentance is not really repentance at all. Jesus didn't come into this world to live, suffer, die, and rise for those who think they are doing just fine on their own.

(Luke 3:1-14)

Catechism Review

The Creed: The Second Article: And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Nybo's Family Night News

Those participating in the December Family Night at Nybo's Lanes will get a bargain. The prices will be \$1 per game and \$1 for shoe rental. If you haven't attended a Family Night at Nybo's before, consider making the December event your first. The evening is scheduled for Sunday, December 13th at 7:30 p.m.