

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK
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Second Sunday in Advent

December 9, 2012

Building Pledge Dedication 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.

Prelude
Welcome
Ring of the Bell
Opening Verse, Gloria Patri, Alleluia p. 235
Invitatory, Venite, Invitatory pp. 235-237

Office Hymn: #345, “Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding”

Old Testament Reading Malachi 3:1-7b
Response p. 238
Gradual, prayed responsively worship insert
Epistle Phillipians 1:2-11
Response p. 238
Children’s Talk: “Coins for Jesus”
Holy Gospel Luke 3:1-14
Responses p. 238

Hymn of the Day: #344, “On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

Choral Anthem for Advent: “To You, O Lord” Psalm 25
Marty Haugen
Canticle: Benedictus (Song of Zechariah) pp. 238-240
(Pastor will chant the section marked “L”)

Sermon: “Stewardship Philippian Style”

Offering

Dedication of Building Pledges for 2013

Dedication Hymn: #786, “Lord of All Good”
(Alternate Tune: #637 – Old 124th, abbr.)

Dedication Blessing and Prayer

Stewardship Hymn: #781, “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

Lord’s Prayer p. 241
Benedicamus p. 241
Benediction p. 242

Closing Hymn: #921, “On What Has Now Been Sown”

Silent Prayer/Chimes
Announcements
Postlude

Building Pledge Dedication – Today

In case you forgot: additional pledge forms and envelopes are available in the back of the sanctuary. If you prefer, you may also mail your pledge form to church.

2013 Offering Boxes

Offering boxes for the 2013 year are available by name in the church narthex. Please pick up your envelopes as soon as possible. If you have family members or friends who are not regular in attendance, please feel free to bring them their boxes.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today:	6:00PM	Family Bowling Night
Wednesday:	4:30PM	Private Confirmation Instruction
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	6:30PM	Advent Midweek Supper
	7:30PM	Advent Midweek Service
	8:15PM	Choir
Thursday:		No Women's Bible Class This Month
Friday:	5:30PM	Board of Elders
Saturday:	9AM-10AM	Sunday School Christmas Practice
	6PM-10PM	Youth Event: Cookies, Milk and a Christmas Comedy
Next Sunday:		Third Sunday in Advent
		<i>Christmas Project Donations Due!</i>
	8:45AM	Sunday School Christmas Practice
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	9:45AM	Fellowship Time
	10:00AM	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15AM	Holiday Potluck – Congregation Invited!

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today	- Bob & Mary Langhans
Monday	- Jerry Holm
Friday	- Lilian Germann-Hutter
Saturday	- Johnathon Burns

IN OUR PRAYERS

Melissa Barbey, Willard Holst, Fred Voth and Donna Edquist.

Life Quotes

December 9 "The Divine Weaver ... knit us together in our mother's womb, and, remarkably, in that very same way He personally came to us in His Son Jesus Christ, in human form, given birth by a human mother in a dirty stable. Born into poverty, into a nation of a people oppressed, He died the death of a lowly criminal. These are the lengths that God went to, in order to show us just how much He cares for all of us." *Gaylan Mathiesen, Ph.D., Professor of Mission and Evangelism, Lutheran Brethren Seminary, Fergus Falls, Minnesota* – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life •

www.lutheransforlife.org

Youth Event: "Cookies, Milk, and a Christmas Comedy"

All youth are invited to a Christmas youth event at church this coming Saturday, December 15th. We will make Christmas cookies and then enjoy them with milk and a holiday movie. The feature will be "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation," with a few naughty words removed by Pastor. If you can make it, please sign up on the bulletin board! You may also bring friends. Look forward to seeing you on Saturday!

Goodhue Christmas Project

Thanks to everyone who is participating in the Christmas Project in order to help needy families in our community. Please remember that all donations are due back to church by **December 16th**. If you choose to wrap items, please make sure to identify to whom your gifts are to be given. Otherwise, they will need to be unwrapped before delivery. Please place gifts under the Christmas tree in the fellowship hall. Thank you.

Holiday Potluck – Sunday, December 16

The Fellowship Club and Ladies Aid are co-sponsoring a holiday potluck next Sunday immediately following the worship service. All are invited to join us. Bring a dish to pass and share in the good food and fellowship. We will sing some Christmas songs and do a fun gift exchange. If you would like to be a part of the exchange, please bring a \$5.00 wrapped gift (man for man, lady for lady).

A collection will be taken and will be sent to the men and women in our congregation who are serving in the military. If you are unable to attend the dinner but would like to give a donation, we will have a collection basket in the back of the church following the service.

A brief update on our service men and women is included with today's bulletin along with their addresses. If you could add them to your Christmas card list and remember them in your prayers, it would be greatly appreciated.

Advent Midweek Preaching Series/Suppers

This year Pastor is presenting a preaching series he has developed entitled: "Christmas with Martin Luther." Pastor will speak this week on the Christmas angels with help from the words of the Blessed Reformer of the Church. Services are held at 7:30PM on the Wednesday evenings of Advent. Come early at 6:30PM for the Advent Midweek Suppers!

Catechism Review

What do the Scriptures teach about Christ's conception?

They teach that Christ, the Son of God, received a true human body and soul in the Virgin Mary through the miraculous power of the Holy Spirit, not through a human father.

What do the Scriptures teach about the birth of Christ?

They teach that Jesus Christ, the God-man, was born of the Virgin Mary.

New Member – Welcome Back, Joan!

After many years with Concordia in Red Wing, Joan Lu Brown has requested to be transferred back to Immanuel in Hay Creek. She's been with Concordia since 1984, but has prayerfully made the decision to return to the church she considers her "home." Joan is a shut-in at St. Brigid's/Hi-Park. Pastor Sorenson has begun visitation ministry with her and is delighted to have the opportunity to serve her. Greeting cards and Christmas cards may simply be sent to Joan Brown at St. Brigid's, 213 Pioneer Road in Red Wing. We are glad to welcome this sister back "home."

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, December 16

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

"The Real Gift of Christmas: To Believe"

Is this what Christmas is all about, or should we expect something else? (Luke 7:18-28)

David Banitt

154 Doane Street, Unit 104

Wahiawa, Hawaii 96786

David enlisted in the Army in November of 2009 as a Military Police. He is currently stationed at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, where he has been for 2 ½ years. During that time, he was deployed for 12 months to Kandahar, Afghanistan. He is currently working as a MP doing security on military bases in Hawaii. David is hoping to be home here for 10 days over the holidays. David's dad is Dale Banitt and his mother, Diane, lives in Cannon Falls.

Leah Dicke

277 Indiana Avenue, Room 1

Fort Leonard Wood, MO 65473

Sgt. Leah Dicke enlisted in the U.S. Army in 2002. She has served on many Army bases in the U.S. and served overseas in Iraq and on the U.S.S. Mercy in Southeast Asia. She has worked as an EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) and an OTA (Occupational Therapy Assistant). Leah is currently serving with the Wounded Warrior Program in the Occupational Therapy Department in Fort Leonard Wood, MO. Leah is the daughter of Jim and Sue Dicke.

Amanda Dupre

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TSGT Amanda Dupre entered the U.S. Air Force on December 9, 1998. After graduation from Basic Training at Lackland AFB (San Antonio, TX), she attended technical training at Sheppard AFB (Wichita Falls, TX). In September of 1999 she was stationed at McChord AFB (Tacoma, WA) where she married her husband, Kirby Dupre, and had her first two children, Cecilia and Joseph. In 2004 she was transferred to Barksdale AFB (Shreveport, Louisiana) and welcomed her third child, Allison in 2008. In May 2012 Amanda was transferred to Grand Forks AFB where she currently serves as the AGE Flight Programs Manager. Amanda is the daughter of Becky Kirtz.

Sgt. Meyer Chad R.

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Sgt. Chad Meyer enlisted in the Marine Corps for 5 years in March of 2009. His home is Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station in Havelock, North Carolina where he works in Avionics, more specifically, on the counter terrorism unit on the Prowler aircraft. Currently he serves his country in Qatar and will return stateside sometime around May 2013. Chad's parents are Randy and Donna Meyer.