

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD  
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK  
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**Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**January 31, 2010**

**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.

Pre-Service Music

Welcome

Ringin' of the Bell

Opening Song: "This Is a Joyous, Happy Day" AGPS #238

Text: Roger Tappert Tune: Lasst uns erfreuen

This is a joyous, happy day;  
We celebrate Your gift of life.  
Christ is with us, joy surrounds us.  
Christ takes our sin and sets us free;  
He fills our lives with endless life.  
Christ is with us; Christ unites us.  
Praise our Maker, praise the Spirit,  
Praise Christ Jesus.

Invocation

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

**C: Amen.**

Words of Healing

P: I will exalt You, O Lord,

**C: for You lifted me out of the depths.**

P: O Lord, my God, I called to You for help,

**C: and You healed me.**

P: O Lord, my God,

**C: I will give You thanks forever.**

Psalm Song: "I Will Sing of the Mercies" AGPS #133

Text: Psalm 89:1 Tune: Unknown

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,

I will sing. I will sing.

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.  
With my mouth will I make known  
Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness.  
With my mouth will I make known  
Thy faithfulness to all generations.  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing. I will sing.  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

Greeting

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day (spoken by Pastor)

Song in Preparation for Scripture: "Thy Word Is a Lamp" AGPS #247

Tune: Amy Grant

Text: Michael W. Smith (Psalm 119:105)

*Refrain*

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,  
still You're there right beside me,  
and nothing will I fear as long as You are near.  
Please be near me to the end.

*Refrain*

I will not forget Your love for me and yet

my heart forever is wandering.

Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side,

and I will love You to the end.

*Refrain*

Old Testament Reading ..... Jeremiah 1:4-10

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual, prayed responsively (see worship insert)

Epistle ..... 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia AGPS #59 Tune: Jerry Sinclair

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Holy Gospel ..... Luke 4:31-44

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth 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 (see back cover of the hymnal)

Song of the Day: "Away from Us! the Demon Cried"

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle LSB #541

Tune: Damascus Road LSB #591

1)

"Away from us!" the demon cried When Christ, the Lord, drew near.

"Our dark, disordered world is lost When You, the Light, appear!"

2)

But Jesus spoke with God's own pow'r; "Come forth!" was His command;  
For evil cannot bear the Light Nor sin the truth withstand.

3)

O risen Christ, God's living Word, To us, we pray, draw near.  
Come, speak the truth that cleanses sin With love that conquers fear.

4)

Drive out the doubt that cripples faith; Expel our pride and greed  
That we, from pow'rs that threaten us, May, by Your grace, be freed.

5)

Then help us, Lord, to greet each day With hearts and wills made new  
And, when You call us forth to serve, To rise and follow You.

Sermon: "By Whose Authority?"

Offering

Offering Song: "We Give You But Your Own" AGPS #255

Text: William W. How Tune: William H. Monk

1)

We give You but Your own In any gifts we bring;  
All that we have is Yours alone, A trust from You, our King.

2)

May we Your bounties thus As stewards true receive  
And gladly, Lord, as You bless us, To You our firstfruits bring.

3)

Hearts still are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold,  
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled Are straying from the fold.

4)

To comfort and to bless, To find a balm for woe,  
To tend those lost in loneliness Is angels' work below.

5)

The captive to release, The lost to God to bring,  
To teach the way of life and peace, It is a Christ-like thing.

6)

And we believe Your Word, Though dim our faith, it's true:  
What we do for Your people, Lord, We do it all for You.

Prayers of the Church

P: Let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

Lord's Prayer (see back cover of the hymnal)

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 Song: "Christ Be My Leader" AGPS #81

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith Tune: Slane

1)

Christ be my leader by night as by day;  
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.  
Gladly I follow, my future His care;  
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.

2)

Christ be my teacher in age as in youth,  
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.  
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,  
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.

3)

Christ be my savior in calm as in strife;  
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.  
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain  
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Dismissal Music

(Worship resources for today's service were taken from "All God's People Sing," a CPH publication of which the church has sufficient quantity. The rights of the publisher, authors, and composers of all materials have been assiduously guarded. All elements of this service are taken from synodically approved resources. This is in accordance with Article VI of the Synod's Constitution which, among other matters, includes as a condition for congregational membership: "Exclusive use of doctrinally pure agenda, hymnbooks, and catechisms in church and school.")

### **School Building Photographs**

Do you have a photo or photos of the Immanuel school building? We are looking for pictures to put in a wall grouping in the fellowship hall. If anyone has photos, please contact Sue Dicke, Merle Dargus, Linda Diercks or Rosie Kohn.

### **Catechism Review**

The Lord's Prayer: The Seventh Petition: But deliver us from evil.  
*What does this mean?*

We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, February 7**  
**8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)**  
**"His Light For Your Darkness"**

**Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus**

Suicide doesn't solve problems; it only amplifies problems and transfers them to the loved ones who are left behind. Jesus brings light to those lost in dark despair. (John 8:12)

### **Scrip Update**

The next Great Lakes Scrip Order will be placed on February 3. Please let Bonnie Kassen know what you would like to see in the Scrip box on a routine basis, or place your special order for Valentine's Day. A current list of merchants is available by going to [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com).

Also, for those of you who internet shop, you can download the Onecause toolbar at [www.onecause.com/toolbar/install](http://www.onecause.com/toolbar/install) which will provide reminders to you about shopping sites that will give a percentage of your purchase back to your designated charity. It's easy to get started:

1. Install the Onecause toolbar,
2. Select Immanuel Lutheran Church as your designated charity,
3. Shop as usual!

Our church received over \$1,300 in contributions in 2009 through a combination of both programs and the dedication of a handful of members. Please lend your support to our Scrip Program! For more information, talk to Bonnie after church or phone her at 923-4884.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Monday:	1:00PM	Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday:		The Presentation of Our Lord: 1 Sam. 1:21-28; Heb. 2:14-18; Lk. 2:22-40
	9:00AM	Circuit Conference – St. John's, Hammond Sara Sorenson presenting on Theology of Worship
Wednesday:	5:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	8:30AM	CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson
	9:15AM	CILS Music with Pastor Sorenson
Friday:		CILS Trip to Afton Alps All Magazine Orders Due
Next Sunday:	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Today	- Cody Callstrom
Monday	- Kim Burns, Robert Schultz
Wednesday	- Dale Banitt, Merle Dargus
Thursday	- Nathan Arndt
Friday	- Leonard Dicke
Saturday	- Jackson Turner

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Healing:** Paul Nystuen, Philip Sorenson, Dave Dicke, Jenny Bauer, Sara (Voth) Kroll, and Lori Ramig (friend of Pastor and Sara).

### **Life Quote – January 31**

"Maybe you've had an abortion and don't think that God can ever forgive you. You're wrong. Jesus suffered on the cross for ALL your sins and all MY sins. Pray to the Lord and ask for His forgiveness (Colossians 2:13)."

*Kay L. Meyer, director of development for Lutherans For Life. "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life. [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

### **Haiti Relief**

"The unfolding drama in Haiti calls for unlimited mercy on the part of the people of the LCMS. The needs are urgent and overwhelming right now," said Glenn F. Merritt, director of Disaster Response. "I appeal to God's people to respond as generously as possible during this most difficult time." To donate, please mail your checks marked "Haiti Earthquake Relief" to LCMS World Relief and Human Care, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861. You may also call 1-888-930-4438 to make a donation by phone.