

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD  
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK  
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**Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 26, 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.

Pre-Service Music  
Welcome  
Ring of the Bell

Opening Song: "Father Welcomes" AGPS #95  
Text and Tune: Kevin Mayhew

Father welcomes all His children to His fam'ly through His Son.  
Father giving His salvation, Life forever has been won.

1)  
Little children, come to Me, for My kingdom is of these.  
Life and love I have to give, Mercy for your sin.  
(Refrain)

2)  
In the water, in the word, in His promise, be assured:  
Those who are baptized and believe, Shall be born again.  
Refrain

3)  
Let us daily die to sin; let us daily rise with Him  
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord, Live in the peace of God.  
Refrain

Invocation  
P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C: Amen.**

Dialog  
P: He is risen!  
**C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**  
P: Holy is the Lord, the Almighty.

**C: He was, He is, and He is to come.**  
P: He is worthy of glory and honor and power.  
**C: He created all things. By His will they came to be.**  
P: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;  
**C: worthy to take the scroll and break its seals.**  
P: By His blood He purchased for God,  
**C: people of every race and tongue, of every folk and nation.**  
P: Christ made of them a kingdom  
**C: and priests to serve our God.**  
P: And they shall reign forever.  
**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Prayer of the Day

Song: "Children of the Heavenly Father" AGPS #80  
Text: Caroline V. Sandell Berg; Tune: Swedish

1)  
Children of the heav'nly Father Safely in His bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge e'er was given.  
2)  
God His own doth tend and nourish; In His holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things He spares them, In His mighty arms He bears them.  
3)  
Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord His children sever;  
Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth.  
4)  
Tho' He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh.  
His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.

First Reading ..... Acts 3:11-21  
P: This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading ..... 1 John 3:1-7  
P: This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel ..... Luke 24:36-49  
Responses  
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th 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: "Behold, What Manner of Love"

Text and Tune: Patricia van Tine

Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us!  
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That we should be called the children of God,  
That we should be called the children of God.  
(Sing Twice)

Sermon: "A New Name For You"

Offering

Song: "I Was Made a Christian" AGPS #132

Text: John Samuel Jones; Tune: Adoro te devote

1)

I was made a Christian When my name was giv'n,  
One of God's dear children And an heir of heav'n.  
In the name of Christian I will glory now,  
Evermore remember My baptismal vow.

2)

I must, like a Christian, Shun all evils ways,  
Keep my faith in Jesus, Serve Him all my days.  
Called to be a Christian, I will praise the Lord,  
Seek for His assistance, So to keep my word.

3)

All a Christian's blessings I will claim for mine:  
Holy work and worship, Fellowship divine.  
Father, Son, and Spirit, Give me grace that I  
Now may live a Christian And a Christian die.

Prayer 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: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" AGPS #102

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda; Tune: Welsh

1)

Go, My children, with My blessing, never alone;  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are My own.  
In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.  
Go, My children, with My blessing, you are My own.

2)

Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard My dear Son's story, Here you touched Him, saw His glory.  
Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

3)

Go, My children, fed and nourished, closer to Me;  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
Here My Spirit's power filled you, here His tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, My children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

4)

I the Lord will bless and keep you and give you peace.  
I the Lord will smile upon you and give you peace.  
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter and Brother.  
Go, My children, I will keep you and give you peace.

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Piano Postlude

### **Baptism Today!**

Pastor will gather with the Stumpf family after worship today for the Baptism of Gavin James Stumpf. Gavin is the son of Eric and Stephanie Stumpf, born on March 4, 2009. Lucas and Charissa Stumpf will serve as baptismal sponsors. We rejoice in the Lord that Gavin is receiving the new birth of water and the Spirit (Jn. 3:5).

### **Holy Land Presentation - Tonight!**

This evening in the fellowship hall, Mr. Bill Betcher will be with us to show pictures of his trip to the Holy Land. The event begins at 7:30 PM. The whole congregation is invited to attend the program and the Immanuel Fellowship Club will be providing desserts following the presentation. Hope you can be there!

### **Spring Church Cleaning and Work Days**

The Trustees have set Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, and Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, as work days for cleanup of the church grounds. Circles 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 will be cleaning inside the church.

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

Today:	11:30AM	Baptism of Gavin James Stumpf
	7:30PM	Holy Land Presentation with Bill Betcher
Tuesday:	7:30PM	Quarterly Voters' Meeting
Wednesday:	8:30AM	CILS Chapel with Pastor Sorenson
	5:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	7:30PM	Women's Bible Study
Friday:		St. Philip and St. James, Apostles:
		Isa. 30:18-22; Eph. 2:19-22; Jn. 14:1-14
Saturday:		Church Spring Cleaning and Work Day
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	9:00AM	Pastor Sorenson at Convention Floor Committee Meeting at Concordia University, St. Paul
Next Sunday:		Fourth Sunday of Easter
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

Monday	- M/M Terry Frazier
Tuesday	- Hilbert Gerdes, Sue von Knobelsdorff
Wednesday	- Cally Simanski
Thursday	- M/M Keith Dicke

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Healing:** Pastor Lyle Kath, Paul Nystuen, Marian Burkard, Linda Hardy, Mike Heim, Linda Soifakis, Philip Sorenson, Larry Horn, Rodger Kivi, Kelsey Holst, Dave Dicke, Myron Alms, Carol Koester, and Margie Stumpf.  
**Strength and Peace:** Syvilla Madsen and Harold Augustin.

### **Help Needed for the Confirmation Dinner**

On May 15th at 7:00 PM, we will honor our confirmands (Andrew Jurgens and Elyse Kliewer) with a dinner for them and their families. We need people to volunteer to bring food and help with serving and clean-up. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who are able to assist. Parents of the confirmation students from the other classes are encouraged to volunteer, if at all possible. If you have further questions, please speak with Pastor Sorenson.

### **Life Quote – April 26**

“Here are words from the One who thought you valuable enough to die for: ‘God will redeem my soul from the grave; he will surely take me to himself’ (Psalm 49:15).” *Pastor Mark Jeske, speaker on Time of Grace. A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

### **Voters' Meeting - This Week**

The quarterly meeting of the Immanuel voters will be this Tuesday, April 28th, at 7:30 PM. If you are interested in joining the voters' assembly, please speak with Pastor or one of the elders at your earliest convenience. The agenda for Tuesday's meeting is as follows:

- 1) Opening Devotion and Prayer
- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Reading and Approval of Minutes
- 4) Reception of New Voting Members
- 5) Reports
- 6) Old Business
  - \* School Property
  - \* Church Picture Display/Archiving Issues
- 7) New Business
  - \* Church Lawn/Landscaping Issues
- 8) Closing Prayer

### **Immanuel Lutheran Church Golfing Group**

It's that time again for our church family nights of golfing at Gopher Hills. The golfing group will meet at 6:00 PM on selected Fridays (and one Saturday) throughout the summer. The cost remains \$15, which includes the use of a cart. These evenings of fun are open to all members and friends of the congregation. You do not need to be an experienced golfer to participate. Please note: there might be some changes to the schedule if large groups book on our dates. Since our group has been small, we have agreed to be flexible with our dates and times. The first evening will be Friday, May 8th at 6:00 PM. A full schedule has been posted on the bulletin board. If you have questions, please call Jerry Kohn at 388-7590.

### **Youth Bowling Event - Sign Up Today**

On May 29th at 6:30 PM, the youth of the church will meet in the fellowship hall for food and fun. Just before 8:00 PM, we will go to Nybo's Lanes for an evening of galaxy bowling (lights dimmed, music playing). All the youth from 5th grade through high school are encouraged to attend. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board so that pastor can make adequate preparations. Please bring \$5 for the food and bowling. If you have further questions, please talk with Pastor Sorenson.

### **“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, May 3**

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

**“Who is Narrow-Minded?”**

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

The world rejects the exclusive claims of Christ. But what if He IS the only way of salvation? (Acts 4:12)

### **Red Envelope Project**

The Pro-Life movement recently sent a powerful message to President Obama about the value of human life. He received some two million empty red envelopes. The Red Envelope Project encouraged people to write the following words on their envelopes: "This envelope represents one child who died in abortion. It is empty because that life was unable to offer anything to the world. Responsibility begins with conception." Thanks to all Immanuel members who participated in this effort. Pray for our leaders and pray for the end of America's Holocaust.

### **College Fairs and Workshops**

Attention high school students: Here is your opportunity to discover a group of colleges that values the Lutheran faith! You and your parents are invited to attend our college fair and workshops. Our events include information on College and Career Planning and on Financial Aid, as well as opportunities to meet with representatives from individual colleges. Pick any date and location from the following list:

Excelsior: Sunday, April 26th, 11 AM to 2 PM (Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church)

Burnsville: Tuesday, April 28th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (Prince of Peace Lutheran Church)

Rochester: Thursday, April 30th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (Bethel Lutheran Church)

Fargo/Moorhead: Monday, May 4th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (Trinity Lutheran Church)

Maple Grove: Monday, April 27th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (Lord of Life Lutheran Church)

Woodbury: Wednesday, April 29th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (St. John Lutheran Church)

Sioux Falls, SD: Sunday, May 3rd, 5 PM to 7:30 PM (Gloria Dei Lutheran Church)

For more information, visit [www.lutherancolleges.org/events](http://www.lutherancolleges.org/events). Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served at all events. All families attending will receive four application fee waivers to our colleges.

### **Move For Life – 2009**

New Beginnings Pregnancy and Family Services is sponsoring a move for life event on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at Lower AP Anderson Park. Participants will walk, bike, jog, and roller-blade along Cannon Valley Trail while showing support for life at all stages. Registration for the event will be from 9 AM to 11 AM at Lower AP Anderson Park. If you have additional questions or you would like a sponsor or pledge from, please contact New Beginnings Pregnancy and Family Services at 651-267-4357 or email at [www.newbeginningsspc.com](http://www.newbeginningsspc.com). An announcement has also been posted on the bulletin board. Thanks.

### **A Message from Food For The Poor**

Friends in Christ:

The situation in Haiti is critical. Without your immediate help, countless Haitians face starvation and death. This is a crisis like never before. Last year, Haiti was decimated by four savage storms in the span of a month. The loss of human life, livestock and crops was devastating. Poor Haitians who had little now have nothing. The resources of Food For The Poor have been stretched to the limits. What we need especially right now is money to ship and distribute goods. We are praying that you would help us to save precious lives. Every dollar you give today for shipping will be transformed into \$25.34 worth of aid. Your gift will be multiplied 25-fold. Please make checks payable to Food For The Poor, Inc. and send to 6401 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, FL 33073. Write in the memo space: Haiti Distribution Emergency Relief. Thank you and God's blessings!

### **Bottles to Support Babies**

Would you like to help support the mission of New Beginnings Pregnancy and Family Services here in Red Wing? This center is helping to foster a culture of life in the men and women of our community. Fifty percent of the women who visit a pregnancy center will change their mind about having an abortion. You can help! Fill one of the baby bottles in the narthex with cash, check or change, and place it in the box marked "Bottles for Babies." Our congregation will conduct this campaign over the next two months. Also, the gift you provide may be given in honor of someone special. New Beginnings will send a card in honor of the person you designate on the yellow slip inside your baby bottle. When you take a bottle, please sign your name on the sheet with the number that appears on your bottle. Thank you for your tax-deductible gift!