ANNOUNCEMENTS – JANUARY 18, 2015

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project

Tuesday: 5:30PM First Choice Clinic Board of Directors

7:30PM Church Council

Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: Roe v. Wade Anniversary: Remembrance of Unborn Victims

12:00PM March For Life – State Capitol

7:30PM Women's Bible Study

Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session

Saturday: St. Timothy, Pastor and Confessor: Acts 16:1-5; 1 Tim. 6:11-16; Matt. 24:42-47

Next Sunday: Third Sunday after the Epiphany

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

9:45AM Fellowship Time

10:00AM Worship with Baptism of Brielle Gould

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Saturday - Vicky Hoffman, Barb Kelm

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Hermann von Knobelsdorff, Leonard Dicke, Kari Janssen (cancer treatments), and Melissa Barbey (brain tumor).

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, January 25, 2015

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

"Just the Facts"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus

God's truth, as revealed in the Bible, remains true regardless of whether anyone believes it or not. (Isaiah 5:20-21)

CIRCUIT MEETING

Members from the congregations of our circuit are invited to attend a special meeting being held on February 7th at Bethany in Lake City. District staff will be available to meet people from our circuit and to answer any questions we may have. The district officers will also have questions for us. The meeting will begin at 9:00 AM on Saturday, the 7th. Pastor Sorenson will attend along with a couple of our elders. Any other people who would like to participate are asked to let Pastor so that he can give names to our Circuit Visitor. Thank you.

YOUTH SKI TRIP

Pastor is in the process of making arrangements for a youth group ski trip to Welch Village. The date for the event is February 7th. We will leave from church at 2:45 PM. We will ski until 10:00 PM, or until everyone in the group has decided they have had enough fun! The cost is \$39 for those who will get a lift ticket, rental equipment, and a beginner lesson. Lessons are available for beginners who are at least eleven years of age or older. Lessons will begin at 5:00 PM sharp. Those who just purchase a lift ticket will pay \$23 for the evening of skiing. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who would like to attend. Note: While this is a youth group event, all ages are welcome to participate. However, young children will need to be accompanied by a parent.

REVIEW: THE DOCTRINAL POSITION OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD Of the Church (continued from last week)

The Original and True Possessors of All Christian Rights and Privileges -- Since the Christians are the Church, it is self-evident that they alone originally possess the spiritual gifts and rights which Christ has gained for, and given to, His Church. Thus St. Paul reminds all believers: "All things are yours," 1 Cor. 3:21, 22, and Christ Himself commits to all believers the keys of the kingdom of heaven, Matt. 16:13-19, 18:17-20; John 20:22, 23, and commissions all believers to preach the Gospel and to administer the Sacraments, Matt. 28:19, 20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25. Accordingly, we reject all doctrines by which this spiritual power or any part thereof is adjudged as originally vested in certain individuals or bodies, such as the Pope, or the bishops, or the order of the ministry, or the secular lords, or councils, or synods, etc. The officers of the Church publicly administer their offices only by virtue of delegated powers, and such administration remains under the supervision of the latter, Col. 4:17. Naturally all Christians have also the right and the duty to judge and decide matters of doctrine, not according to their own notions, of course, but according to the Word of God, 1 John 4:1; 1 Pet. 4:11.

MCCL MARCH FOR LIFE

Will you invest one hour to call for an end to the greatest injustice of our time? Come to the MCCL March for Life at noon on Thursday, Jan. 22, and march in solidarity with the most defenseless of human beings—those who are still in the womb. Take this opportunity to declare to lawmakers that the killing of 57 million unborn babies under Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton is the greatest human rights violation today. It mars the dignity of women and children. The March will begin at noon on the Capitol grounds in St. Paul. A short program will follow at 12:30 on the Capitol Mall. Come, pick up an MCCL sign and march for justice, for human dignity, for life!

LLL WINTER RALLY

The Winter Rally of the Lutheran Laymen's League will be held on Sunday, January 25th, at Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church. The special speaker will be the Rev. Matthew Heise who serves as the director of the Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Registration will begin at 5:30 PM with the supper to follow at 6:00 PM and the program to commence at 7:00 PM. The cost for the event is \$10. To help in planning for the appropriate amount of food, you are asked to contact Joyce Ciffra at cpccif@yahoo.com or call the church office at 507-775-2460. Mt. Moriah is located at 923 2nd Avenue NW in Byron. This Rally is sponsored by the Rochester Zone LLL.

PRO-LIFE PETITION

Did you know that each year taxpayers in Minnesota are forced to pay more than one million dollars to the abortion industry? Did you know that since 1995 the State of Minnesota has paid more than twenty million dollars for abortions? Legislation supported by Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL) would ban taxpayer funded abortion in Minnesota. To support legislation that would end the use of your tax dollars for the abortion industry, please sign the petition located in the narthex. Thanks for your support of life!