

ANNOUNCEMENTS – APRIL 19, 2015

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday: 7:00PM Church Council Meeting
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
No Choir
Thursday: 11:00AM Seminary Home Chapel Service
5:00PM Kliewer/Johnson Wedding Rehearsal
7:30PM Women's Bible Class
Friday: 4:00PM Kliewer/Johnson Wedding
Saturday: St. Mark, the Evangelist: Isa. 52:7-10; 2 Tim. 4:6-11, 18; Mk. 1:1-15
9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit
Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Youth Service/Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Monday - Kelvin Hoffman
Saturday - Thomas & Catherine Smith

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Hermann von Knobelsdorff, Leonard Dicke, Kari Janssen, Melissa Barbey, Kathy Voth (recovering from hip surgery), and Christians suffering persecution and death in the Middle East, Africa, and around the world.

LIFE QUOTES – APRIL 19

"The Gospel is not a picture of adoption; adoption is a picture of the Gospel." *John Piper, pastor – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 26, 2015

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

"Open-Minded and Accepting"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

Tolerance and open-mindedness are values much touted, but truth is even better. (Acts 4:12)

YOUTH SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH

Next Sunday the 5th through 8th grade confirmation classes will assist in leadership of the Sunday service. They will read lessons, read some liturgy, provide some special musical selections, collect the offering, distribute bulletins, etc. Please join us for a special service next Sunday. We will use the songbook: "All God's People Sing."

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

The church council will convene this Tuesday night (April 21) at 7:00 PM to plan the agenda for the Voters' Meeting. All church officers are welcome to attend! A short presentation on Camp Omega will be offered by a Camp Representative who has been asking to speak with the church council. The Spring Voters' Meeting will be held on Tuesday (April 28) at 7:30 PM. A full agenda will be provided in next Sunday's bulletin.

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MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

A special men's Bible study has been scheduled for Thursday, April 30th, at 7:00 PM. Pastor spoke on the imprecatory (cursing) Psalms with the Ladies Aid last month. He would like to share his presentation of that material with the men. Discussion of Lutheran Witness articles at our session is also encouraged.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY EVENT

On May 2nd, Pastor will gather with other volunteers from First Choice Clinic to help clean up a short stretch of Highway 61. It's a section near the junction of Highway 61 and Highway 63. Adults and youth (middle school age and beyond) are welcome to help out. We will meet at First Choice Clinic on Saturday, May 2nd at 8:00 AM. We will then carpool to the clean-up site. Youth are welcome to meet Pastor at church and drive with him to the Clinic. If you would like to go with Pastor, please speak with him at your earliest convenience.

WALK FOR LIFE PLEDGES

On Saturday, May 30th, Sara Sorenson will be running the 5K Run in First Choice Clinic's 2015 Walk For life. The event will be held at Bay Point Park.

Sara is collecting pledges for First Choice Clinic that will be matched **dollar for dollar** by a donor to the organization. If you would like to sponsor Sara's efforts, please sign up on the 5K Sponsor Pledge form on the table in the narthex. You may donate by cash, check, or credit card. First Choice Clinic exists to educate and empower our community to make healthy, life-affirming choices. If you would like to participate in the walk or collect pledges for the clinic, please talk to Pastor Sorenson. An announcement about the event has also been posted on the bulletin board.

REVIEW: THE DOCTRINAL POSITION OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD

Of The Symbols of The Lutheran Church (From "The Brief Statement")

Those desiring to be admitted into the public ministry of the Lutheran Church pledge themselves to teach according to the symbols not "in so far as," but "because" the symbols agree with Scripture. He who is unable to accept as Scriptural the doctrine set forth in the Lutheran symbols and their rejection of the corresponding errors must not be admitted into the ministry of the Lutheran Church.

The confessional obligation covers all doctrines, not only those that are treated ex professo, but also those that are merely introduced in support of other doctrines.

The obligation does not extend to historical questions, "purely exegetical questions," and other matters not belonging to the doctrinal content of the symbols. All doctrines of the Symbols are based on clear statements of Scripture.

AN UPDATE ON PASTOR KEVIN ROBSON

Reverend Kevin Robson served as vacancy pastor for our congregation in 2004. Since leaving us, he has been the pastor of Prince of Peace in Baxter, Minnesota. He has now accepted the call to serve as the Chief Mission Officer (CMO) of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. Pastor Robson's extensive business background, including a Master's Degree in Business Administration (MBA), make him an ideal choice for this position. If you would like to read more, Pastor Sorenson has posted an article on the church bulletin board regarding Pastor Robson and his new position. The article is from the April edition of the synodical "Reporter." We pray for many blessings to Pastor Robson and his wife, Peg, as they make this transition. Pastor Robson will work at the Synod's International Center in St. Louis, Missouri.