

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD  
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**Day of Pentecost**

**May 11, 2008**

**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.

Today we partake of the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast where we receive the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. Those visitors desiring to commune at this altar should first speak with the pastor regarding their beliefs. Though the Lord offers this gift to His church for the forgiveness of sins, He also admonishes us through St. Paul: "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord and with love for our guests, this congregation insists on the Scriptural practice of Closed Communion. For a salutary use of the Lord's Supper, it is essential that those communing here be properly instructed, sorry for their sins, desiring God's forgiveness and His grace to live a sanctified life, and believe in the true presence of the body and blood of Christ in the Lord's Supper. Furthermore, since attendance at the Sacrament is Biblically and historically a sign of church fellowship, those who present themselves for Communion are to be in doctrinal agreement and fellowship with The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Prelude

Ring of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #913, "O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

Invocation

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

**C: Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

P: On this day, as Jesus had promised, the Holy Spirit was poured out on His disciples, enabling them to spread God's Word. In his explanation

to the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed, Dr. Luther wrote: "I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith."

Because the Holy Spirit has worked faith in our hearts, we know that "if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

*(Silence for self-examination and reflection on God's Word)*

P: Most gracious heavenly Father,

**C: we come to You in humility, confessing that we have sinned against You and against our neighbors. Too often we have thought that we have courageously reached up to You, when in reality You have sent Your Holy Spirit down into our hearts. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, forgive us our pride and all those things we have thought, said, or done that are contrary to Your will. Kindle in us the fire of Your love so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Rejoice! Christ's righteousness, His obeying the Law of God, is credited to you as you are declared righteous in His sight. Faith given by God rejoices in Christ's work on our behalf. "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God." Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I joyfully forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Eph. 2:8; Jn. 20:19-31

Introit of the Day, prayed responsively ..... worship insert

Hymn of Praise: #497, Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord"

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Collect of the Day

Hymn: #496 verse 1, "Holy Spirit, Light Divine"

First Reading ..... Numbers 11:24-30  
Response

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

Hymn: #496 verse 2 "Holy Spirit, Light Divine"

Second Reading ..... Acts 2:1-21

Response

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Hymn: #496 verse 3 "Holy Spirit, Light Divine"

Holy Gospel ..... John 7:37-39

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord!**

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P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ!**

Hymn: #496 verses 4-5, "Holy Spirit, Light Divine"

Nicene Creed ..... back cover of the hymnal

Hymn of the Day: #573, "Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee"

Sermon: "Refreshment for the Thirsty and Spiritual Abundance for the Believer"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer ..... back cover of the hymnal

Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: Amen.**

Distribution

#503, "O Day Full of Grace"

#684, "Come unto Me, Ye Weary"

#649, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #650, "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

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

Mon-Wed:		MN LCMS Pastoral Conference – Brainerd
Wednesday:	5:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	No Choir Practice
Thurs:	8:00-11:30AM	CILS Kindergarten Visitation
	7:00PM	School Board at Immanuel
Friday:	5:30PM	Confirmation Pictures
	6:00PM	Confirmation Dinner
Saturday:		Armed Forces Day
Next Sun:		The Holy Trinity/Confirmation Sunday
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

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

Today	- M/M Joel Ofstie
Monday	- Nicholas Augustin, William Dicke, M/M Brian Scheele
Friday	- Jim Arndt
Saturday	- Allie Diercks

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Margie Stumpf (healing); Harold Augustin (healing); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Syvilla Madsen (undergoing cancer therapy); Karen Gusa (sister of Jan Langhans, struggling with lung cancer); Brad Greenwaldt (cousin of Bonnie Kassen struggling with cancer); Garland Bradley (husband of prospective member, in need of healing); Dave Dicke (in need of a liver transplant); Marian Burkhard (receiving treatments for skin cancer); Cheri Greenwaldt (healing for her and her baby Callie born prematurely); Ryan Buck (Goodhue man recovering from a paralyzing snowmobile accident); Elaine Diercks (recovering from open heart surgery); Katie O'Connor (has a tumor); Mikey Staples (healing); Patti Dargus (healing).

### **Reminder to Confirmation Parents**

The schedule of Confirmation events is as follows:

Friday, May 16, 5:30PM – Confirmation Pictures

(students should wear nice pants and shoes)

Friday, May 16, 6:00PM – Confirmation Dinner

(invite family and friends!)

Sunday, May 18, 10:30AM – The Service of Confirmation

### **Immanuel Church Golfing Group**

The Church Golfing Group will begin its 3<sup>rd</sup> season of golfing on Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00PM. The group will meet again this year at Gopher Hills in Miesville. The cost will be \$15 for 9 holes, including a cart. We will be playing best ball, so no need to be a good golfer! A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board, or you may contact Jerry Kohn at 388-7590. Other tentative dates are June 13 & 27; July 12 & 25; and August 15 & 29.

### **Life Quote – May 11**

"LFL strives to connect moms to the promises of God's presence in Christ—the presence of His strength to those hard-working and sometimes struggling and questioning moms, the presence of His power and forgiveness to teenage moms, the presence of His love and comfort to moms who have miscarried, the presence of His love, comfort, and forgiveness to those moms who have aborted, the presence of His hope for all the above, and His presence to help yet-to-be moms see the importance of chastity and marriage ... when you help moms you've gone a long way in promoting the sanctity of human life." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life. Quote from Lutherans For Life / [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

### **"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, May 18**

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

**"Some Doubted"**

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

Doubting was not something confined to the disciple Thomas.

(Matthew 28:16-17)

### **A Little History as We Celebrate our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

In 1902, Immanuel purchased its first pipe organ from Vogelpohl of New Ulm at a cost of \$400!

### **Thank You from CILS**

*A big thank you to all those who contributed items to the CILS garage sale! It was a huge success. We raised \$1,509.62. This money will go towards Concordia's payment to the school.*

### **Farewell Event for Miss Strelow**

Please join us for a going away potluck/card shower for Miss Strelow. It will be held on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 12:00PM at Concordia. Melissa has been with us for six years and will not be returning for the next school year. We wish her God's blessings.

### **Lutheran Youth Fellowship Day at Valley Fair**

On Monday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, from 10AM – 10PM, Valley Fair will have a Lutheran Youth Fellowship Day featuring unlimited rides and water park access, a special Christian concert, and opportunities to meet over 1,000 other youth from the upper Midwest region. Doesn't this sound like fun? If interested, please speak with Pastor Sorenson for further details. Thanks!

### **Summer Worship Schedule**

Mark your calendars! The change in worship schedule will begin on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Services will be held on Sundays throughout the summer at 9:30AM.

### **VBS Information**

Vacation Bible School will be held August 11<sup>th</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup> this year. We will again do evening activities from 6:00PM – 8:00PM. The program this year is called Friendship Trek, and involves a fun-filled hiking journey through God's Word. Along the trail, kids collect friendship flips and super cool gear every hiker needs. Bring your children to this great adventure and have them bring their friends. A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who would like to teach and for kids who want a summer adventure!

### **Service with Recognition of the 2008 Graduates**

On May 25<sup>th</sup>, during the 9:30AM worship service, we will recognize the 2008 high school graduates. Graduating seniors and parents of the graduates are encouraged to attend. Feel free to bring relatives and friends! Along with special prayers and blessings for the young men and women, they will be given quilts from the ladies of the Quilting Project at Immanuel.

### **Thrivent Financial for Lutherans – The GivingPlus Program**

Thrivent Financial supports Lutheran education and outreach through its GivingPlus Program. Thrivent Financial members (age 16 or older) are eligible to participate by giving \$50-\$400 to a Lutheran educational institution; in turn, Thrivent will contribute 50 cents for every dollar donated. If you own a Thrivent Financial product, please consider a gift to Concordia-Immanuel Lutheran School – it would make a big difference in the ministry of the school.

For a GivingPlus application, or for more information about the program, contact Jim Dicke or Karen Stemmann.

