# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK 24686 OLD CHURCH ROAD, RED WING, MN 55066

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Third Sunday After Pentecost June 17, 2007

#### **FATHER'S DAY**

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 Welcome Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #725, "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Invocation and Opening Sentences

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

C: Amen.

P: Let us examine our ways and test them,

C: and let us return to the Lord.

P: The Lord is near to all who call on Him.

C: Come, let us bow down in worship. (Lam. 3:40; Pss. 145:18a and 95:6)

#### Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us confess our sins unto God our Father and receive His comforting Word of pardon and forgiveness.

Hymn of Repentance: #608, "Lord, to You I Make Confession"

- P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: May He who began this good work in you bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

Responsive Reading of Psalm 78:1-8

- P: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!
- C: I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.
- P: We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and His might, and the wonders that He has done.
- C: He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which He commanded our fathers to teach to their children,
- P: that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children.
- C: so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep His commandments;
- P: and that they should not be like their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God.
- C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: "614, "'As Surely as I Live,' God Said"

Sermon: "The Father's True Love"

Offering

Prayer of the Church
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

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

Words of Institution

Peace

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

C: And also with you.

Distribution:

#504, "Father Most Holy"

#617, O Lord, We Praise Thee"

#863, "Our Father, by Whose Name"

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #717, "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Announcements

Postlude

## **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Today: Annual Cheese Days Festival – Elgin
Tuesday: Pastor and Family on Vacation through

June 26th

Wednesday: No Summer Midweek Bible Class Thursday: 8:30PM Softball vs. Presbyterian, Field 2

Friday: 12:45PM Ladies Aid Pearl of the Lake Paddleboat Ride Next Sunday: 9:30AM Worship with Special Guests: Rev. Eugene

Larrabee and Vicar Ken Buth

## HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Monday - M/M Merle Dargus

Tuesday - Jim Dicke, MacKenzie Gernentz

Thursday - Brady Holst Friday - Emily Duden

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Elaine Roschen (undergoing chemotherapy); Margie Stumpf (healing); Orville Augustin (healing); Harold Augustin (healing); Eddie Kassen (healing); the family of Howard Vieths (as they mourn his passing).

### Life Quote – June 17 (Father's Day)

"Call not that man wretched who, whatever ills he suffers, has a child to love." *Eric Hoffer (1902-1983) U.S. philosopher.* A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, June 24 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) Guest Speaker: Dr. Mark Hannemann "Whose Child Are You?" (Galatians 3:26-4:7)

#### **LLL at Annual Cheese Days Festival**

The Hiawatha/Winona Zone Lutheran Laymen's League will sell root beer floats and ice cream sundaes today at the annual Elgin Cheese Days Festival. Proceeds from the sale have been designated for the Minnesota South Orphan Grain Train shipping expenses. You are invited to come to Elgin today to share in the festivities. Don't forget to stop at the fire hall for an ice cream treat!

## Change to Ladies Aid Schedule

The Ladies Aid event for June has been changed to Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please arrive at 12:45PM at Skyline on Pepin. The Pearl of the Lake Paddleboat Ride will begin at 1:00PM. If you have any questions, please contact LaVonne Schafer at 923-4540. Thank you.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

Ready to take the plunge? It is time to register for **Great Bible Reef Vacation Bible School!** Join us August 20-24<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 pm for an underwater-themed program of faith-filled fun! Great Bible Reef invites all children ages 4 years old through 6<sup>th</sup> grade to share the good news of Jesus' love for us by being his disciples. At Great Bible Reef you will hear stories about Jesus, make cool crafts, sing fun songs, eat super snacks and meet a school of new friends. Add your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board or contact Sheila Stehr at 923-4708 or <a href="mailto:isstehr@sleepyeyetel.net">isstehr@sleepyeyetel.net</a> if you like to attend. Teachers, helpers and snack providers are needed as well.

# Mission Sunday with Rev. Patrick O'Neal

Mark your calendars! Our missionary, the Reverend Patrick O'Neal is scheduled to preach at Immanuel on July 1<sup>st</sup> during the 9:30 AM worship service. He will be sharing God's Word with us and will also be telling us about some of the joys and challenges of ministry in the Korean Mission field. We will have a little reception after the service in order that members of Immanuel have the opportunity to speak personally with Pastor O'Neal and his wife.