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All Saints' Day

November 7, 2010

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

Cross Procession/Opening Hymn: #517, verses 1, 4, 3
 "By All Your Saints in Warfare"

Invocation

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

Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved Saints of God: We gather before the Lord in whose name we were granted sainthood in Holy Baptism. Let us now consider our unworthiness of such a gift and implore the Almighty God for His mercy and forgiveness.

P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer,

C: we poor sinners confess to You that we are sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; therefore, we flee for refuge to Your boundless mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

(Silence for reflection)

P: O most merciful God,

C: You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us. Have mercy on us and for the sake of Christ grant us forgiveness of all our sins; by Your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives the power to become the saints of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all.

C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, prayed responsively worship insert

Hymn of Praise: #671, "Sing with All the Saints in Glory"

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

First Reading Revelation 7:9-17

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual, chanted by Pastor

Second Reading 1 John 3:1-3

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (Ps. 116:15)

P: Alleluia!

C: Alleluia!

P: Precious in the sight of the Lord

C: is the death of His saints. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th 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!

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Hymn of the Day: #670, "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

Sermon: "The Communion of Saints"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

P: We now remember those who stood at the foot of the cross; who heard the Easter truth at the empty tomb; who have gone before us and are now at rest; and who will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

(We observe silence as chimes are heard and we remember our loved ones who are now in glory.)

P: Gracious Father, we give You thanks that You kept these our loved ones in true faith, by Your Word and Sacraments, through this life and unto eternal glory. Keep us also by the same powerful means, that we may boldly confess Your salvation unto the time of our departure from this world and finally be reunited with all the saints in glory. We praise You that You have comforted us by Your Holy Spirit in our times of grieving. Grant that we may continually speak of the hope that is in us to others who grieve. We look forward to that day when all Your saints will live together in Your eternal embrace and together share the joys of heaven. We pray all this through Jesus Christ, our hope and our salvation.

C: Amen.

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.

Proper Preface

Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy" #507 Verse 2

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Words of Institution

Peace

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

C: Amen.

Distribution Hymns:

#748, "I'm But a Stranger Here"

#678, "We Sing for All the Unsung Saints"

#680, "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

Post-Communion Prayer

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 Hymn: #677, "For All the Saints"

Silent Prayer/Chimes

Announcements

Postlude

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday-Saturday: Pastor on Vacation

Wednesday: Martin Luther's Birthday (1483)

No Midweek Activities

Thursday: Veterans' Day

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with reception of new members

11:30AM Potluck Lunch

7:30PM Nybo's Family Night

New Member Sunday and Potluck

Immanuel will celebrate a New Member Sunday on November 14, 2010.

We will praise and thank God for Lois and Bud Kraft, Jenny Bauer, and Sandra, Jeff and Marshall Kitzmann. A potluck will be held following the service. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. Thank you for helping to make this day special!

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Tyson Smith
Tuesday - Marge Augustin, Greg & Pam Germann
Thursday - Tanner Smith, Carter Dicke
Saturday - Roger Henke

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Philip Sorenson (recovering from full pancreatectomy), Dave Dicke (still waiting for a transplant), Brady McNamara (born three months prematurely), Joanne Meyr (recovering from cancer treatments on her leg), Sue Dicke, Mark Yahn (for peace during hospice care), Lori Ramig (recovering from a heart transplant), Bill Langhans (recovering from heart surgery), Irene Pasche (recovering from a heart attack) and Burnetta Dicke (recovering from surgery).

Life Quote – November 7

"The choice of life, the choice of parenting, and the choice of adoption offer better ways to deal with a crisis pregnancy than the choice of death. Let your light shine as you support pregnant teens with forgiveness and live, as you volunteer at pregnancy centers, or help fund adoptions." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life. Life Quote* is from Lutherans For Life. www.lutheransforlife.org

Teacherage Clean-Up

The Voters' Assembly decided at its last meeting to go forward with some repairs of the teacherage. Volunteers are being sought by the Trustees to help with painting and general clean-up. If you are interested, please speak to Brad Diercks, Steve Alms, or Kevin Ballman. We would like to move quickly with this as winter is fast approaching.

2011 Building Fund Pledges

November 21st has been designated as the day to dedicate our building fund pledges for the 2011 year. Those who cannot be in worship that day are invited to mail their response cards to the church. If you can't find your materials, additional response cards and envelopes will be available on the 21st. As you contemplate your level of support, remember to "Seek First His Kingdom."

District Mission Fund Shortfall

It was reported at the Voters' Meeting last Tuesday that the District Mission Fund, as of September 30th, is in a deficit of \$3,945.86. Please prayerfully consider your level of support to this fund. Give generously so that others may hear of Jesus and the precious Gospel of the forgiveness of sins.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, November 14

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

"Don't Worry, Be Happy"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Martin Luther wrote, "God is not a God of sadness—but the devil is. Christ is a God of joy, and so the Scriptures often say that we should rejoice." (Luke 21:9)

Catechism Review: Confession

What is Confession?

Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

Youth Event: Community Canvas and Pizza Party

On Saturday, November 20th, Pastor will lead the youth in an outreach event to invite people to our Thanksgiving service at Immanuel. Please meet at church at 2:00 in the afternoon on the 20th. Following the project, we will gather for a pizza party in the fellowship hall. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who will participate. Pastor needs to know how many will attend so that he can prepare appropriate transportation. Let's share Christ with our community!

Christmas Scrip Order

A Great Lakes Scrip order will be placed on Tuesday, November 23rd. Due to the holiday week, I expect the order will arrive approximately December 1. If orders are needed before Sunday, December 5th, arrangements can be made to deliver them to you the day the order arrives. Please remember to pre-pay your Christmas orders. Plan ahead for all your holiday needs! Remember, there are approximately 200+ merchants to choose from with the church recouping an average of 4% of the total orders placed. Stop by the Scrip table and pick up a new merchant list! Call Bonnie Kassen (923-4884) if you have questions.

From New Beginnings Pregnancy and Family Center

Dear Immanuel Lutheran Congregation:

Thank you for participating in New Beginning's "Change for Life" Baby Bottle fundraiser! Your church raised \$386.75 for life and families. For this we are most grateful. Thank you all so much for standing with us and supporting our clients and this ministry. God's blessings on all of you!

Cathy Goggin (of New Life Agency)

