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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.

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Life Quote – September 7 (Grandparents' Day)

"For every abortion, at least ten other people are affected. That means abortion affects over 36,000 people every day. Some of them are grandma and grandpa who will never see, and will never be seen by, their grandchild. Right now, thank God for your grandparents. Thank God if you are a grandparent. Ask God to comfort grandparents grieving because of an abortion. Join me in a simple prayer for all children not yet born: 'May you live to see your parents' parents.'" *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life. Quote from Lutherans For Life /*
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DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday:	9:00AM	Circuit Conference at Bethany, Lake City
	7:00PM	Board of Elders
Wednesday:	9:00AM	LWML Delegate Board Meeting, Concordia
	4:30PM	5 th /6 th Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir – All are Welcome!
Thursday:	7:30PM	Women's Bible Study
Next Sun:	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today	- Dan Banitt, Lucas Stumpf, M/M Kevin Hoffman
Monday	- Jordan Taylor
Tuesday	- Katherine Lieder
Wednesday	- Todd Burns
Friday	- Allison Abell, M/M Jerry Holm
Saturday	- Joshua Ahlgrim, Rosanne Stumpf

IN OUR PRAYERS

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Margie Stumpf (healing); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Syvilla Madsen (undergoing cancer therapy); Dave Dicke (in need of a liver transplant); Marian Burkhard (healing); Ryan Buck (Goodhue man recovering from a paralyzing snowmobile accident); Katie O'Connor (has a tumor); Mikey Staples (healing); Linda Hardy (healing); Mike Heim (undergoing chemotherapy and radiation for a brain tumor); Curtis Horn (healing); Dale Safe (Pat Banitt's brother, recovering from a bull attack); the family of Rev. Dr. O. H. Cloeter as they mourn his loss (Pastor Cloeter was a former president in our Minnesota South District).

Sunday School Teacher Needed

Donna Edquist is still looking for an alternate teacher to help out on Sundays she will not be able to teach. Donna is leading the 1st and 2nd grade class. If you are willing to help out, please see Pastor Sorenson or Donna Edquist at your earliest convenience.

Immanuel Church Choir

The adult choir of Immanuel will begin rehearsing on Wednesday, September 10th at 7:30PM. The plan is to have a sundae party as part of the opening session. Members are encouraged to bring toppings to share. The choir is always looking for more members and there is a special need for sopranos. Men and women high school age and up are encouraged to attend. Note reading is not required for participation.

Confirmation Instruction to Begin

Confirmation classes for grades 5th through 8th will begin this coming Wednesday evening. 5th/6th Grade Confirmation will meet at 4:30PM every other Wednesday. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation will meet at 5:30PM every Wednesday. All classes will be held in the conference room in the hallway by Pastor's office.

Sunday Morning Bible Class – Ecclesiastes

The Adult Sunday Morning study (9:00AM) is again picking up with their study of the book of Ecclesiastes. This is a challenging book; but when properly understood, we hear Solomon extolling the importance of a life lived in true faith and in the fear of God. All are welcome to come and experience this book on the meaning of life!

Fellowship Time Treats

What a blessing our Sunday morning fellowship time has been! So many people are commenting that they feel more connected to their brothers and sisters in Christ. If you would like to provide treats for this time of friendship, sharing, and snacks, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Addresses for College Students and Service Personnel

It is a blessing to get cards, devotional materials, and other greetings out to our college students and service personnel on a regular basis. If you are in either one of these categories or you are a parent of someone in college or in the service, please see that pastor gets an updated address and contact information. You may leave updates in Pastor's box, give him a call (388-4577), or send him an e-mail at immanuelcms@ll.net.

A Little History as We Celebrate our 150th Anniversary

The Walther League was organized in 1893 at Trinity Church in Buffalo, New York. The purpose of this young people's organization, named after First Missouri Synod President C. F. W. Walther, was to help young people grow as Christians in worship, education, service, recreation, and fellowship. The League involved youth in worship, leadership training schools, camping, writing, and various other training projects. Many future leaders of our church body received their first training in the mission and ministry of the church through their membership in The Walther League.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, September 14

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

"What God Has Done"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Human wisdom boasts of its accomplishments. Faith looks humbly to Jesus Christ and all that He has done for us. (Jeremiah 9:23-24)

Defibrillator and CPR Training

On September 23rd in the fellowship hall, a specialist will offer CPR training/certification and instruction on the use of our new defibrillator. The class will begin at 7:00PM that Tuesday evening. If you are interested in participating in this session, please sign up on the bulletin board. Space is limited, but additional opportunities will be provided if a large number of people would like the training. If you already have CPR certification, please bring your card with you and you will only receive a review of CPR with your defibrillator instruction. If you have any questions, please see Dan Banitt.

Placing of Sunday School Teachers

Presentation of Bibles to 5th Graders

The placing and blessing of Sunday School Teachers for the 2008/2009 school year will be held on September 28th during the 10:30AM worship service. All Sunday School teachers are encouraged to attend. Also that morning we will present student Bibles to our 5th graders and ask God's blessings on their instruction in the Word. Please mark your calendars.

Mayo Hospice Program Grief Support Group

The Mayo Hospice Program is offering a 7-week Grief Support group beginning September 15th in Wabasha. Grief Group is intended to be a safe place for those who have lost a significant person in their lives and are willing to share their experiences and struggles with those in similar situations. The group provides an opportunity to connect with other grieving individuals who understand your needs, concerns and feelings. You do not need to be having a difficult time coping to benefit from the group experience. The group is open to any adult grieving the death of a loved one. There is no charge, but registration is required. The size of the group will be limited, so early registration is recommended. The meetings will be held on Mondays through October 27th from 4:30-6:00PM in the Education Room of the St. Elizabeth's Medical Center. The address is 1200 Grant Boulevard West in Wabasha. For information and registration please contact Mindy Wise at 1-800-506-5519.

Fall Bible Sale

Need a Bible? Concordia Publishing House Bibles are on sale now through our church. They are perfect for Bible studies and gift-giving. The popular Concordia Self-Study Bible with Lutheran commentary is included in this offer. Plus, you can save 33% on the new reader's edition of the Book of Concord, the Lutheran Confessions. All LCMS pastors vow to teach in conformity with the Book of Concord since its teaching agrees perfectly with the Holy Scriptures. For more information about these special offers from CPH, look for the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. If you do sign up, make no payment today. Pastor will call you when the time comes to pay for your order.