

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK
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Fifth Sunday of Easter **May 22, 2011**

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.

The Order of Morning Prayer pp. 235-242
Prelude
Welcome
Ringing of the Bell
Opening Verse, Gloria Patri, and Alleluia p. 235
Invitatory, Venite, Invitatory pp. 235-237
Introit of the Day, prayed responsively worship insert
Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor
Office Hymn: #848, "Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service"
First Reading Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60
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Second Reading 1 Peter 2:2-10
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Holy Gospel John 14:1-14
 Responses p. 238
Hymn of the Day: #845, "Where Charity and Love Prevail"
Sermon: "Famous Last Words"
Offering
Canticle: "Benedictus," pp. 238-240
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General Prayer
Collect for Grace p. 241
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Benedicamus p. 241
Benediction p. 242
Closing Hymn: #809, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
Chimes and Silent Prayer
Announcements
Postlude

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: 8:30PM Softball vs. St. John's, Field 1, AP Anderson
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
Thursday: No Bible Studies Today
 7:00PM St. John's 2011 School Play – Sheldon Theater
Friday: 1:00PM St. John's 2011 School Play – Sheldon Theater
Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit
Next Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter
 Summer Schedule Begins
 9:30AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Friday - Laurel Rortvedt, Lana Horn

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Philip Sorenson (recovering from full pancreatectomy), Dave Dicke (still waiting for a transplant), Joanne Meyr (recovering from cancer treatments on her leg), Mark Yahn, Irene Pasche (recovering from a heart attack), Jean Bateman, and Melissa Barbey.

Life Quotes

May 22 "Jesus' own glorious resurrection offers the absolute assurance that because He lives, all who acknowledge Him as Savior will also live (John 14:19)." *Ken. R. Klaus, former speaker on "The Lutheran Hour" – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org*

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, May 29
8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)
"Liberty and Justice for All"
Guest Speaker: U.S. Navy Chaplain Matthew Prince**

Go behind enemy lines, disrupt the enemy's plans, and rescue the prisoners." A mission for U.S. Special Forces? Yes—but it also describes what Jesus did to defeat Satan and rescue us from sin and death. (Isaiah 49:1-9)

Ascension Day Service

Mark your calendars and come and celebrate the most neglected festival day in the life of the Christian Church: The Ascension of Our Lord. A special communion service will be held at 7:30PM on the Day of Ascension (Thursday, June 2nd). "On Christ's ascension I now build the hope of my ascension!"

Big Jungle Adventure Vacation Bible School

A joint VBS program will be offered this year with our sister congregation of St. Peter's in Belvidere. Pastor Sorenson will lead the children in music for the Big Jungle Adventure, the CPH endorsed program for 2011. VBS will be held at St. Peter's from June 12th (Sunday) through June 16th (Thursday). The hours will be 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM each day. A final program for families and friends will be held the last evening of Bible School. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those families who would like to participate. Let's demonstrate our commitment to growing in Christ with our brothers and sisters of Belvidere!

The Brief Statement of the Doctrinal Position of the Missouri Synod (1932)

"Of the Church" (Continued)

The Original and True Possessors of All Christian Rights and Privileges -- Since the Christians are the Church, it is self-evident that they alone originally possess the spiritual gifts and rights which Christ has gained for, and given to, His Church. Thus St. Paul reminds all believers: "All things are yours," 1 Cor. 3:21, 22, and Christ Himself commits to all believers the keys of the kingdom of heaven, Matt. 16:13- 19, 18:17-20, John 20:22, 23, and commissions all believers to preach the Gospel and to administer the Sacraments, Matt. 28:19, 20, 1 Cor. 11:23-25. Accordingly, we reject all doctrines by which this spiritual power or any part thereof is adjudged as originally vested in certain individuals or bodies, such as the Pope, or the bishops, or the order of the ministry, or the secular lords, or councils, or synods, etc. The officers of the Church publicly administer their offices only by virtue of delegated powers, and such administration remains under the supervision of the latter, Col. 4:17. Naturally all Christians have also the right and the duty to judge and decide matters of doctrine, not according to their own notions, of course, but according to the Word of God, 1 John 4:1; 1 Pet. 4:11.