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**Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 18, 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.

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- (I) Because He took the scroll and opened its seals
- (II) Because He who was slain purchased us for God
- (III) Because He has made of us a kingdom and priests
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### **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Monday:	1:00PM	Ladies Quilting Project
Tuesday:	8:30AM	CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson
	7:00PM	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday:	4:30PM	5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	8:30AM	CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson
	7:30PM	Women's Bible Class
Friday:	1:30PM	Lake City Chapel Service with Pr. Sorenson
Friday & Sat.:		Church Work Days & Spring Church Cleaning
Saturday:	9AM-5PM	Stampin' with the Spirit
Next Sunday:		Fourth Sunday of Easter
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Public Examination of 2010 Confirmands

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Today - Lyle Dicke, Betty Von Bargaen  
Tuesday - Kelvin Hoffman  
Wednesday - Josh Arndt

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Healing:** Philip Sorenson, Dave Dicke (still waiting for a transplant), Sara (Voth) Kroll, Ellee Goranson, Bettie Burns (recovering from heart surgery), Kim Burns (recovering from gallbladder surgery), and Brady McNamara (born three months prematurely).

### **Life Quote – April 18**

"Maybe too often we hold forth the word *about* life—I had a heart beat at 21 days'—and not enough of the Word of Life, the Word which declares, 'I am the resurrection and the Life.'" *Dr. David Veum, President and Professor of Practical Theology for the Seminary of the Church of the Lutheran Brethren, Fergus Falls, Minnesota.* **"Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life. [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)**

### **Work Days and Spring Church Cleaning**

The Trustees have set this Friday and Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 24<sup>th</sup> as work days for cleanup of the church grounds. Circles 1, 2, 5, 6, and 7 are scheduled for interior church cleaning. Please consider helping with this annual cleanup – your help is much appreciated!

### **Thank You**

New Horizons would like to thank everyone who participated in the Palm Sunday Brunch on March 28<sup>th</sup>. \$348.00 was collected.

### **Council Meeting and Quarterly Voters' Meeting**

Immanuel's Church Council will meet this Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. The Voters' Assembly will convene the following Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. All voters of the congregation are encouraged to attend. If you are interested in becoming a voter, please speak with Pastor Sorenson or one of the elders at your earliest convenience.

### **Catechism Review**

#### **The Sacrament of the Altar**

*What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

### **Confirmation Events/Dates**

April 25	10:30AM	Public Examination of the 2010 Confirmands
May 1	6:00PM	Confirmation Pictures
	6:30PM	Confirmation Dinner
May 2	10:30AM	Rite of Confirmation

### **Confirmation Dinner**

Help is needed for the confirmation dinner on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30PM. We need more people to serve and/or bring food. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. Please plan on enough food for about 25 people. If you have questions, please speak with Pastor Sorenson.

### **Lutheran College Fairs**

Attention 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students: Discover a group of colleges with faith in your future. You and your parents are invited to attend a Lutheran College Fair coming to a location near you. Get your questions answered about college attendance, career planning and financial aid. You will have opportunities to meet with caring and thoughtful representatives from individual colleges, also Missouri Synod universities. Fairs will be held April 25<sup>th</sup> through April 29<sup>th</sup> from Minneapolis to Rochester. For specific information, visit [www.lutherancolleges.org/events](http://www.lutherancolleges.org/events). Snacks and beverages will be served at all events. All families attending will receive four application fee waivers to our colleges. Students interested in Concordia University - St. Paul or other private colleges in the Missouri Synod system are encouraged to speak with Pastor Sorenson. Lutheran college fairs are sponsored in part by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.