

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD**  
**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK**  
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**The Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**April 3, 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.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's spiritual blessing or to one's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all confirmed members of Immanuel and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

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### **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Tuesday:	9:00AM	Circuit Pastoral Conference – Immanuel, Potsdam
Wednesday:	5:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Lenten Midweek Worship
	8:15PM	Choir
Friday:	10:30AM	KWNG Recording Session
	7:30PM	Fellowship Club at John Schafer's
Next Sunday:		Fifth Sunday in Lent
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK**

Today	- Miranda McNamara
Monday	- Wendy Augustin
Tuesday	- Ryan Holm
Wednesday	- Jacob Dahl, David Sucher, Jr.
Friday	- Katelyn Stehr
Saturday	- Barb Gernentz, Lois Kraft, Kevin & Carol Schafer

### **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 (for peace during hospice care), Bill Langhans (recovering from heart surgery), Irene Pasche (recovering from a heart attack), Wayne Thomforde, Judith Whipple, Jean Bateman, Genevieve Schultz, and Melissa Barbey.

### **Last Day to Sign-Up for Easter Lilies**

If you would like to purchase a lily for the Easter Sunday service, please sign up on the bulletin board and put your check in Laurie Budensiek's box before you leave this morning! The lilies are yours to take home immediately following the Easter service. Cost is \$10.00. A check could be written out either to Hallstrom Florist or Laurie Budensiek. Thank you.

### **"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 10**

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

**"Dead Men Tell No Tales"**

**Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus**

As any swashbuckling pirate will tell you, "Dead men tell no tales!" However, Jesus' friend, Lazarus is the exception. He tells us who Jesus is. (John 12:9-11)

### **Life Quotes**

**April 3** "Making a plan for placing a child in the loving arms of adoptive parents is not easy, but it is far from abandonment ... Adoptions can be as open or as closed as the mother may desire. Even before the child is born, plans can be made for baptism, selecting Christian parents, and setting up the degree of openness desired. Making an adoption plan is not 'giving a baby up.' It's giving a baby the best future possible for him or her." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life – [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

### **Quarterly Council and Voters' Meetings**

The spring Quarterly Council and Voters' Meetings are usually scheduled for the month of April. However, because Holy Week and Easter fall at the end of April, the elders have agreed to postpone those meetings until May. The council meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>; the Voters' Meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars accordingly. Thank you.

### **Lenten Midweek Series**

This year's Midweek Preaching Series is entitled "Sounds of the Passion," and is based on a program designed by Dr. James E. Butler. Services are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM. The remaining services and topics will be conducted according to the following schedule:

April 6: "Crowing Rooster" – Luke 22:60-62

April 13: "Shouting Mob" – Matthew 27:15-25

April 21: "Sloshing Water" – John 13:1-20

Maundy Thursday – 2:00PM and 7:30PM

April 22: "Pounding Nails" – John 19:17-18

Good Friday—7:30PM

### **New Horizon Brunch – May 1**

This year New Horizons will be holding their annual brunch on May 1<sup>st</sup> instead of on Palm Sunday. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend. Details for the brunch will be included in the bulletin in the coming weeks.

**The Brief Statement of the Doctrinal Position of the Missouri Synod (1932)**  
**"Of Good Works"**

Before God only those works are good which are done for the glory of God and the good of man, according to the rule of divine Law. Such works, however, no man performs unless he first believes that God has forgiven him his sins and has given him eternal life by grace, for Christ's sake, without any works of his own, John 15:4, 5. We reject as a great folly the assertion, frequently made in our day, that works must be placed in the fore, and "faith in dogmas" -- meaning the Gospel of Christ crucified for the sins of the world -- must be relegated to the rear. Since good works never precede faith, but are always and in every instance the result of faith in the Gospel, it is evident that the only means by which we Christians can become rich in good works (and God would have us to be rich in good works, Titus 2:14) is unceasingly to remember the grace of God which we have received in Christ, Rom. 12:1; 2 Cor. 8:9. Hence we reject as unchristian and foolish any attempt to produce good works by the compulsion of the Law or through carnal motives.

**LWML Spring Rally**

Attention Ladies: You are invited to the Lutheran Women's Missionary League's Spring Rally to be held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Elgin on Thursday, April 14th. The topic is "Trust When the Earth Gives Way." Pastor Bramstedt of Trinity will provide a devotion for the event; Zone Pastoral Counselor Lowell Sorenson will offer the Bible study; in addition, the guest speaker, Pastor Robert Nowak, will discuss relief work in Haiti. The event begins at 9 AM on the 14th with registration starting at 8:15 AM. The fee is \$9 and lunch will be served. Gifts from the heart will go to the Plainview-Elgin Food Shelf.

**Japan Disaster Relief**

During this blessed Lenten season, LCMS President Matthew C. Harrison asks for prayers and continued financial support for the people of Japan "as we strive to bring the help and hope of Christ to people who are hurting." Please pray for those who have lost loved ones, homes and livelihoods. Please pray that Lutheran disaster response efforts would touch many lives with God's hope and mercy. To learn more, visit [www.lcms.org/worldrelief](http://www.lcms.org/worldrelief). To make a donation for Lutheran relief efforts, you may mail checks (noting "Japan Disaster Relief" in the memo line) to: LCMS World Relief and Human Care, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861. You can also donate over the phone at 1-888-930-4438 or by going to <http://givenowlcms.org>. Thank you for your care and compassion!

**Youth Event - April 30th**

Let's try again! On April 30th, Pastor would like to take the youth of the church to the Tropics Waterpark in Shoreview for a day of pool and waterslide fun. On that Saturday, please meet at church at 11:00 AM. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board so that Pastor is able to plan for appropriate transportation. The cost is \$7.50 per student. Please bring additional money for snacks and beverages. Youth may bring friends as long as they are also on the sign-up sheet. Thanks.

**Confirmation Dinner**

The dinner for the families and friends of our 2011 confirmands, Dustin Stumpf and Jacob Duden, will be held on Friday, May 13th at 6:30 PM. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who are willing to bring food items and/or serve for the occasion. Please plan on food for 30 people. If you have any questions, please speak to Pastor Sorenson at your earliest convenience. Thank you.