THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK 24686 OLD CHURCH ROAD, RED WING, MN 55066

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The Third Sunday in Lent

March 27, 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.

Pre-Service Music

Choral Offering: "My Song Is Love Unknown" Setting: Donald Busarow

Ringing of the Bell Cross Processional

Agnus Dei

P: Behold, the Lamb of God!

C: Lord, have mercy.

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Invocation

P: O God, Father in heaven,

C: have mercy on us.

P: O Son of God, Redeemer of the world,

C: have mercy on us.

P: O God, the Holy Spirit,

C: have mercy on us.

Song: "Lamb of God" LSB #550

Responsive Reading based on Psalm 51

- P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your unfailing love; according to Your great compassion, blot out my transgressions.

 Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
- C: have mercy on us.

P: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C: have mercy on us.

P: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C: grant us peace.

Song: "The Lord Is Present in His Sanctuary" AGPS: #232 Text/Tune: Gail Cole

1)

The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us praise the Lord.

The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us praise the Lord.

Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise the Lord.

Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise Jesus.

2)

The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us delight in the Lord.

The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us delight in the Lord.

Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise the Lord.

Praise Him, praise Him, let us praise Jesus.

3

The Lord is present in His sanctuary, let us serve the Lord.

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Readings:

Old Testament	Exodus 17:1-7
Epistle	Romans 5:1-8
Holy Gospel	John 4:5-26

Apostles' Creedback cover of the hymnal

Song of the Day: "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" AGPS #171

Text: Julie von Hausmann Tune: Frederich Silcher

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Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way;

Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day.

Without Your grace and favor I go astray;

So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.

2)

Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear;

For You, the Rock of Ages, Are always near.

Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe,

For when Your hand is guiding, In peace I go.

3)

Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come, I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home, And nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend!

So, take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

Sermon: "Is the Lord Among Us?"

Offering

Prayer Song: "Jesus, Remember Me" AGPS #146

Text: Luke 23:42 Tune: Jacques Berthier

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom. Jesus, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom.

(Sing twice)

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal

Benediction

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

Closing Song: "Christ be My Leader" AGPS #81

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith

Tune: Slane

- 1) Christ be my leader by night as by day; safe through the darkness, for He is the way.
 - Gladly I follow, my future His care; Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.
- 2) Christ be my teacher in age as in youth, Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
 - Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand, Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.
- 3) Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife; Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.

Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign!

Silent Prayer Announcements Departing Music

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation

5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation 7:30PM Lenten Midweek Worship

8:15PM Choir

Friday: 9:30AM Hi-Park Chapel with Pastor Sorenson Saturday: 11:00AM Marriage Affirmation Service for Brian and

Jenny Augustin

Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Lent

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today - Brady Meyer
Monday - Kevin Schafer
Tuesday - Gretchen Kelm
Wednesday - Tara Goranson
Thursday - Bruce Holst

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.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to purchase a lily for the Easter Sunday service, please sign up on the bulletin board. The lilies are yours to take home immediately following the service. Cost is \$10.00 and money must be received by Sunday, April 3. A check can be written out to either Hallstrom Florist or Laurie Budensiek. Checks can be placed in Laurie's church mailbox or mailed to her at: 34441 – 240th Avenue, Goodhue, MN 55027.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 3

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

"Making Sense"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

To our logical minds, sin "A" should deserve punishment "B." But God's grace doesn't work that way. (John 9:1-3)

Life Quotes

March 27 "We who are forgiven recognize our responsibility to tell those living in darkness and death that God is not indifferent to the murder of many millions for whom Jesus has died. We who have been moved from hell to heaven must say, 'The Savor's sacrifice is for everyone, even those who are branded as being burdensome or bothersome, who seem too feeble or frail, too unproductive or inconvenient, too unwanted, unnecessary and unable to speak for themselves.' We who know, must warn those who do not." Ken. R. Klaus, speaker on The Lutheran Hour – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org

New Bible Class

Last Sunday the adult Bible class began a study of topics from "The Lutheran Witness." The plan for the remainder of the year is to have a topic potpourri of sorts. Different mini-topics will be addressed each week, often with the help of "The Lutheran Witness." Last week we took up the question: "Did Jesus Really Visit Hell? If Yes, Why?" All members of the congregation are invited to deepen their life of faith through participation in the Sunday morning Bible class. No previous experience is necessary in order to participate. If you have a topic you would like to have Pastor address, please feel free to share your question/topic with him.

Quarterly Council and Voters' Meeting

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 3rd; the Voters' Meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, May 17th. 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:

March 30: "Tramping Feet" – John 18:1-6
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

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

"Of Justification" (continued)

We reject as apostasy from the Christian religion not only the doctrine of the Unitarians, who promise the grace of God to men on the basis of their moral efforts; not only the gross work-doctrine of the papists, who expressly teach that good works are necessary to obtain justification; but also the doctrine of the synergists, who indeed use the terminology of the Christian Church and say that man is justified "by faith," "by faith alone," but again mix human works into the article of justification by ascribing to man a co-operation with God in the kindling of faith and thus stray into papistic territory.