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Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 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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Special Voters' Meeting – March 21st

This last Tuesday, elders, school board members, and other leaders from both Immanuel and Concordia met to discuss funding issues pertaining to the ongoing needs of Concordia-Immanuel Lutheran School. Due to significant budget concerns at Concordia, it is anticipated that school payments will again be greatly reduced in the near future. A special meeting is scheduled for March 21st following the service to discuss how the Immanuel congregation should proceed at this time. Please keep the students, families, and faculty of CILS in your prayers.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Celebrate Lutheran Education Week!

Tuesday: CILS Career Dress Up Day
Poet David Steingass

Wednesday: 8:30AM CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson
CILS Finest Clothes Day/Poet David Steingass
8:30AM CILS Chapel with Pastor Sorenson
4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30PM Lenten Midweek Worship
8:15PM Choir

Thursday: CILS "Lights of the World" T-Shirt Day
Concert in Rochester
CILS Late Pick-up Day
8:30AM CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson
7:30PM Women's Bible Study
7:30PM School Board Meeting at Immanuel
(rescheduled from March 18th)

Friday: CILS Beach Day – bring a sack Lunch

Next Sunday: 9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
10:00AM Fellowship Time
10:30AM Worship/Baptism of Josephine F. Erickson
CILS sings at Immanuel
7:30PM Nybo's Family Night

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday - Jon Gernentz
Tuesday - Barbara Augustin, Fred Stumpf
Wednesday - Sarah Dargus

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Philip Sorenson, Dave Dicke (still waiting for a transplant), Jenny Bauer, Sara (Voth) Kroll, Ellee Goranson, and Jean Bateman (healing from rare respiratory illness).

Life Quote – March 7

"I think it is vital that society understands and appreciates the sanctity of every human life whether it is a developing child in the womb or somebody approaching the end of their life. When I graduate and become a doctor I am hoping to be able to use my skills to help save lives. I think abortion is never the answer and hope that one day, as a doctor, I will be able to help women to make the right decision." *Siobhan Fearon, 19, of Hull York Medical School.* **"Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life.**

www.lutheransforlife.org

Lenten Midweek Series

Lenten Midweek Services are being offered at Immanuel every Wednesday at 7:30 PM leading up to Holy Week. This year's series is entitled: "Seven Words from the Cross." It is based on the Septem Verba, the seven sayings of Jesus as He suffered on the cross. The dates, themes and texts are as follows:

March 10: "A Word of Shame" Jn. 19:28
March 17: "A Word of Abandonment" Mt. 27:46
March 24: "A Word of Completion" Jn. 19:30
April 2 (Good Friday): "A Word of Trust" Lk. 23:46

Lilies for Easter

A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who would like to purchase lilies for the Easter Sunday service. Immediately following the service, they are yours to take home. The price for lilies is \$9.75 and all money must be received by Sunday, March 21st. Please make checks out to either Hallstrom Florist or Laurie Budensiek. If Laurie is not available, checks may be mailed to her or put in her church box. Thank you.

CILS Opportunity

If you would like an opportunity to support the CILS students in the use of their computer skills, now is your chance. For a small fee, place an ad or your name in the 2010 CILS Yearbook. Business card ads may be purchased for \$25 and ½ page ads will run for \$50. The more people participate, the lower the price will be on the individual yearbooks. If interested, please contact Jessica Mattson or Donna Meyer at church or at school (388-3839).

CILS Fundraiser – Puffins!!

What's made out of European butter, filled with delectable fillings of cream cheese, strawberry, blueberry, apple and caramel – plus, so soft that it melts in your mouth? Puffins! Buy your Puffins pastry today to support the work of Concordia-Immanuel Lutheran School. The sale on this melt-in-your-mouth puff pastry treat will continue until March 15th. Delivery of your order will be on March 31st. To place an order, please see a Concordia-Immanuel student or teacher—or you may pick up an order form on the table in the narthex. Thanks and God's blessings!

Catechism Review

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism:

Fourth

What does such baptizing with water indicate?

It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

Where is this written?

St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."

(Romans 6:4)

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, March 14

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

"The Sinner's Friend"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Throughout His earthly ministry, Jesus proved Himself the Friend of sinners. He reached out to those who needed Him most.

(Luke 15:1-2)