

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD  
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK  
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**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**May 10, 2009**

**Public Questioning of the 2009 Confirmation Students  
Mother's Day**

**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.

Prelude  
Welcome  
Ringing of the Bell  
Opening Hymn: #578, "Thy Strong Word"

Litany of Wisdom and Knowledge

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

**C: To Him belongs eternal praise.**

P: Those who practice the fear of the Lord have good understanding.

**C: To Him belongs eternal praise.**

P: So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts to  
wisdom.

**C: To Him belongs eternal praise.**

P: For in Christ are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

**C: To Him belongs eternal praise.**

P: Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all  
wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it  
was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: #692, "Praise to You and Adoration"

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

Collect of the Day

First Reading ..... Acts 8:26-40

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

The Public Questioning of Andrew Jurgens and Elyse Kliever

Second Reading ..... 1 John 4:1-11

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, #952

Holy Gospel ..... John 15:1-8

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

*(The Gospel is read.)*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ!**

Apostles' Creed ..... back cover of the hymnal

Hymn of the Day: #707, "Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"

Sermon: "Guidance on the Way to Glory"

Offering

Offering Hymn: #781, "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Prayer of the Church

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 Hymn: #918, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

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

|              |         |  |
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| Tuesday:     | 7:00PM  | Board of Elders                                      |
| Wednesday:   | 5:30PM  | 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  |
|              | 7:00PM  | New Member Meeting                                   |
| Thursday:    | 7:30PM  | Women's Bible Study                                  |
| Friday:      | 10:00AM | Pastor Sorenson Chapel at Hi-Park                    |
|              | 7:00PM  | Confirmation Dinner                                  |
| Next Sunday: |         | Confirmation Sunday/6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter |
|              | 9:00AM  | Sunday School and Bible Class                        |
|              | 9:30AM  | Confirmation Pictures                                |
|              | 10:00AM | Fellowship Time                                      |
|              | 10:30AM | Worship with Holy Communion/Rite of Confirmation     |

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

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| May 7    | - Patti Dargus                                    |
| Today    | - Ronnie Stumpf, Todd Stumpf                      |
| Monday   | - M/M Joel Ofstie                                 |
| Tuesday  | - Nick Augustin, William Dicke, M/M Brian Scheele |
| Saturday | - Jim Arndt                                       |

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Healing:** Pastor Lyle Kath, Paul Nystuen, Marian Burkard, Linda Hardy, Mike Heim, Linda Soifakis, Philip Sorenson, Larry Horn, Rodger Kivi, Kelsey Holst, Dave Dicke, Carol Koester, and Margie Stumpf.

**Strength and Peace:** Syvilla Madsen and Harold Augustin.  
The Budensiek family (at the passing of Laurie's mother).

### **Help Needed for the Confirmation Dinner**

On May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, we will honor our confirmands (Andrew Jurgens and Elyse Kliewer) with a dinner for them and their families. We need people to volunteer to bring food and help with serving and clean-up. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who are able to assist. Parents of the confirmation students from the other classes are encouraged to volunteer, if at all possible. If you have further questions, please speak with Pastor Sorenson.

### **Youth Bowling Event – Sign Up Today**

On May 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., the youth of the church will meet in the fellowship hall for food and fun. Just before 8:00 p.m., we will go to Nybo's Lanes for an evening of galaxy bowling (lights dimmed, music playing). All the youth from 5<sup>th</sup> grade through high school are encouraged to attend. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board so that pastor can make adequate preparations. Please bring \$5 for the food and bowling. If you have further questions, please talk with Pastor.

### **Thank You to Spring Cleaning/Landscaping Workers**

Have you noticed how clean the church looks? Have you noticed the fresh scent in the air? Have you noticed the beautiful work that has been taking place outside, around the church grounds? A warm thank you to all who helped clean and beautify our church and the surrounding property. Your work is deeply appreciated and adds to everyone's worship experience.

### **Bethesda Bus Tour**

It's a great deal. Travel on the Bethesda Bus Tour this summer and get two nights lodging, 3 meals, 2 continental breakfasts, bus fair, and entrance to all attractions for only \$249! The tour will be held from July 14-16. Several exciting events will be featured along the way, including a tour of the Bethesda Lutheran Home. The bus will load at South Shore Trinity in White Bear Lake and in Eau Claire on July 14<sup>th</sup>. South Shore Trinity is located at 2480 South Shore Boulevard and the phone # is 651-429-4293. A flyer has been posted on the bulletin board with full details.

### **“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, May 17**

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

**“Not What You Know But Whom You Know”**

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

Meet Jesus, the best and truest of friends, the most sacrificing and caring of friends. (John 15:15)

### **Life Quote – May 10 – Mother's Day**

“LFL strives to connect moms to the promises of God's presence in Christ—the presence of His strength to those hard-working and sometimes struggling and questioning moms, the presence of His power and forgiveness to teenage moms, the presence of His love and comfort to moms who have miscarried, the presence of His love, comfort, and forgiveness to those moms who have aborted, the presence of His hope for all the above, and His presence to help yet-to-be moms see the importance of chastity and marriage. Obviously, helping moms is not all we do. But when you help moms you've gone a long way in promoting the sanctity of human life. Join LFL in thanking God for moms and celebrating motherhood! Join us in praying for moms so that more moms, like Mary and Elizabeth, will know of the presence of God in Christ no matter what their circumstances.” *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)

**Bottles to Support Babies**

Would you like to help support the mission of New Beginnings Pregnancy and Family Services here in Red Wing? This center is helping to foster a culture of life in the men and women of our community. Fifty percent of the women who visit a pregnancy center will change their mind about having an abortion. You can help! Fill one of the baby bottles in the narthex with cash, check or change, and place it in the box marked “Bottles for Babies.” Our congregation will conduct this campaign over the next two months. Also, the gift you provide may be given in honor of someone special. New Beginnings will send a card in honor of the person you designate on the yellow slip inside your baby bottle. When you take a bottle, please sign your name on the sheet with the number that appears on your bottle. Thank you for your tax-deductible gift!

**Coins for Mission Offering**

In the narthex you will find a jug marked “Coins for Mission Offering.” The congregations of Minnesota South are encouraged to collect coin offerings to present at the opening worship of the District Convention in June. Please note: no paper money or checks are allowed—only coins! Proceeds will go to our newest LCMS congregation—the Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran Mission Congregation of Mankato. This offering will help provide for the salary of the pastors of this new ministry. Currently, the congregation has a worship attendance of about 48 people per Sunday and serves just under 100 total souls. The “Coins for Mission” effort will continue through June 7<sup>th</sup> of this year. Let’s help Pastor Sorenson “make a joyful noise to the Lord” by bringing a full jug of coins to the convention.