ANNOUNCEMENTS - SEPTEMBER 20, 2015

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 2:30PM Circuit Forum – Immanuel, Potsdam

Monday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist: Ezek. 2:8-3:11; Eph. 4:7-16; Matt. 9:9-13

1:00PM Ladies Mission Group

Tuesday: Pastor and Sara speaking for New Life Adoption Panel Presentation

Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: 11:00AM Seminary Home Chapel

7:00PM Women's Bible Study

Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit

Next Sunday: The 18th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00AM Sunday School & Bible Class

9:45AM Fellowship Time

10:00AM Worship with Placing of Sunday School Teachers

and Presentation of Bibles to 5th Graders

11:30AM Confirmation Mentorship Kick-Off Potluck at Joel & Bonnie Kassen's

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today - Matthew & Courtney Stumpf

Tuesday - Elle Goranson, Emme Goranson, Molly Goranson

Wednesday - Lucy Boyer, Walter & Dorraine Banitt

Thursday - Steven Schmitz, Todd & Darla Stumpf, Doug & Ruth Dankers

Friday - DaWayne Wichern

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Leonard Dicke, Melissa Barbey, DaWayne Wichern (lung cancer), Jomar Dicke (lung cancer), and Colleen Kahn.

POTLUCK NEXT SUNDAY!

A special potluck will be held next Sunday in the yard of Joel and Bonnie Kassen. This will be the official kick-off for the confirmation mentorship program, so all 7th and 8th grade confirmation students and those who have volunteered to mentor are encouraged to attend. However, this event is open to the whole congregation. Just pack a lawn chair when you come to church next Sunday; after worship, we will head over to Joel and Bonnie's for the meal. If you are bringing hot food or food needing refrigeration, just use the church kitchen during the morning service. Joel and Bonnie's address is 34678 County 2 Boulevard, Goodhue. Thanks!

PLACING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS/BIBLES FOR NEW CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Christian Education Sunday will be next Sunday, September 27th. As part of the service, Sunday School Teachers for 2015-2016 will be placed into office; also, our new 5th grade confirmation students will receive Bibles from the church.

BIBLE STUDY ON THE IMPRECATORY PSALMS

Pastor Sorenson's doctoral project for this year is based on the Imprecatory Psalms - that is, Psalms in which David or the other inspired authors curse their enemies. How do we understand these prayers from God's Word? How can we still use them today? Join us for several weeks of study on this interesting subject. All are welcome!

THANK YOU

I would like to thank you for the beautiful cards and visits I received while I was a patient at the Seminary Home. It was much appreciated.

Marge Augustin (OVER)

ANY INTEREST IN A MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST?

Pastor Sorenson is wondering if any guys from the congregation would like to meet informally once or twice a month in the morning at a restaurant for an informal topic study of some sort. For example, we could read a chapter of a book beforehand and then discuss it over the meal. It would be very low key and fellowship-oriented. If interested, please talk to Pastor Sorenson or include your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board and Pastor will give you a call.

FELLOWSHIP TIME TREATS

A sign-up sheet has again been posted on the bulletin board for those who would like to bring treats. These snacks are served in the fifteen minute period between Bible Class/Sunday School and worship. We supply the coffee and lemonade; you supply the donuts or cookies or fruit or bars, etc. If you have any questions, please see Sara Sorenson. Thanks for your participation!

LIFE QUOTE

September 20 "Christian fatherhood goes beyond merely ensuring that children are well cared for and provided for. A Christian father will also be actively engaged in the rearing of his children. The apostle Paul gives divine counsel both on how to—and how not to—go about this parental function, when he exhorts, 'Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord' (Ephesians 6:4 NIV)." Rev. Mark Gullerud, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Bowdle, South Dakota – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, September 27, 2015 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) "Free, Indeed"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus

When our sins and guilt stick to us like glue, Jesus makes us unstuck. (John 8:34-36)

REVIEW: THE DOCTRINAL POSITION OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD Of the Public Ministry (From "The Brief Statement")

By the public ministry we mean the office by which the Word of God is preached and the Sacraments are administered by order and in the name of a Christian congregation. Concerning this office we teach that it is a divine ordinance; that is, the Christians of a certain locality must apply the means of grace not only privately and within the circle of their families nor merely in their common intercourse with fellow-Christians, John 5:39; Eph. 6:4; Col. 3:16, but they are also required, by the divine order, to make provision that the Word of God be publicly preached in their midst, and the Sacraments administered according to the institution of Christ, by persons qualified for such work, whose qualifications and official functions are exactly defined in Scripture, Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23; 20:28; 2 Tim. 2:2.