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Second Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2012

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

Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday: 7:00PM Church Council Meeting
Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: 2:00PM Ladies Aid/Mite Collection

Friday: 7:30PM Mission Trip Presentation – Pastor Stehr

Next Sunday: Third Sunday in Easter

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Kevin & Christine Ballman, Jerry & Rosie Kohn

Monday - Willard Holst, LaVonne Schafer

Tuesday - Chad Callstrom

Wednesday - Lyle Dicke, Betty Von Bargen

Friday - Kelvin Hoffman

IN OUR PRAYERS

Phillip Sorenson, Melissa Barbey, Barbara Vieths, Janis Thomford, Willard Holst, Cathy Hamilton, Paul Burkel (recovering from heart surgery), Henry Stellrecht (struggling with kidney failure) and Jerry and Rosie Kohn (as they mourn the passing of Dorothy).

Church Spring Cleaning

Thank you to everyone who helped with Church Spring Cleaning during the work days this past week. It's a joy to have the church fresh and clean. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Quarterly Council and Voters' Meetings

It's that time again! The church council will convene at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17th. The quarterly meeting of the Voters' Assembly will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24th. Please mark your calendars.

Pastor Ron Stehr Presentation

The whole congregation is invited to attend a special presentation on Ron Stehr's year of preaching in the Czech Republic. The event is scheduled for Friday, April 20th at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served following the program.

Easter Lilies

Those who purchased Easter lilies are welcome to take them home following the service this morning! Thank you for adding beauty to our sanctuary!

Youth Bonfire Night

Youth of all ages are invited to a bonfire evening in Pastor's backyard. The event will be held on Friday, April 27th from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Participants are asked to bring a snack to share with the group. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 22 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) "Repentance Refreshment"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

God calls us to repentance so that we might know the refreshment of His grace and forgiveness. (Acts 3:18-21)

Life Quotes

April 15 "Until we pass onto the next life in which we will be perfectly united with Jesus, we will need to continue to rely on our Good Shepherd to help us when the going gets tough. The 23rd Psalm assures us that we can trust Him to provide us with the strength to endure the toughest of circumstances. He comforts us and gives us hope as we experience God's generous provision." Rev. Richard Mau, Face to Face radio program (Australia) – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

Catechism Review: The Eighth Commandment You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

What does God forbid in the Eighth Commandment?

- A) God forbids us to tell lies about our neighbor in a court of law or elsewhere, that is, to lie about, lie to, or withhold the truth from our neighbor.
- B) God forbids us to betray our neighbor, that is, to reveal our neighbor's secrets.
- C) God forbids us to slander our neighbor or hurt our neighbor's reputation.