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November 11, 2007

"Seek First His Kingdom" **Stewardship Emphasis Week #3**

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 and Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #789, "Praise and Thanksgiving"

Call to Worship/Invocation

- P: In the name of the Father, who created and provides for us:
- C: I am His! Everything I have is His!
- P: In the name of the Son, Jesus our Savior, who died and rose that we may live eternally:
- C: I am His! Everything I have is His!
- P: In the name of the Holy Spirit, who assures us of God's presence and keeps us in the faith:
- C: I am His! Everything I have is His!
- P: In the name of the eternal Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:
- C: I am Yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! Amen!

Introit of the Day: Psalm 115:2-4, 8, 17-18; antiphon: 115:11 (prayed responsively, see worship insert)

Hymn of Praise: #782, "Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings"

Collect of the Day

CILS Choir: "Singing for Jesus" Text: Emmanuel Poppen

Tune: Irish Traditional

Responsory: 1 Chronicles 29:10b-14; Psalm 24:1-2 P: Praise be to You, O Lord, God of our father Israel,

C: from everlasting to everlasting.

- P: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor,
- C: for everything in heaven and earth is Yours.
- P: Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom;
- C: You are exalted as head over all.
- P: Wealth and honor come from You;
- C: You are the ruler of all things.
- P: In Your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.
- C: Now, our God, we give You thanks, and praise Your glorious name.
- P: But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this?
- C: Everything comes from You, and we have given You only what comes from Your hand.
- P: The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live
- C: for He founded it upon the seas and established it upon the
- All: 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.

Reading	Philippians 3:1-4:1
Immanuel Choir: "Rejoice!"	Arr. Theron Kirk
Apostles' Creed	back cover of the hymna
Hymn of the Day: #712, "Seek Ye First"	·
Sermon: "His"	

Offertory Prayer, prayed in unison

Lord God, our heavenly Father, we Your servants now bring to You offerings of tribute, freewill offerings, and offerings of thanksgiving. Bless us that our hearts would first be consecrated to You and Your service. Help us grow in the grace of generosity and liberal giving. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Offerina

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

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayerback cover of the hymnal

Benediction Closing Hymn: #894, "For the Fruits of His Creation"

Announcements

Postlude

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 7:30PM Nybo's Family Night

Monday: CILS Second Quarter Begins

9:00AM Ladies Quilting Project

Tuesday: 5:30PM Pre-Marriage Instruction

7:00PM Board of Elders

Wednesday: 2:00PM Fairview Seminary Home Service

5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir (Christmas Choir begins)

2:00PM Ladies Aid with Election of Officers
No School Board Meeting this Month

Next Sunday: 9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today - Tanner Smith
Tuesday - Roger Henke
Wednesday - Sally Abell
Friday - Curtis Augustin

IN OUR PRAYERS

Thursday:

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Margie Stumpf (healing); Harold Augustin (healing); Tom Kolberg (healing); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Syvilla Madsen (healing); Dorothy Bremer (for strength and peace as she faces terminal cancer); Dolores Rossbach (Sara Sorenson's grandmother, experiencing kidney problems); Donald Rossbach (Sara Sorenson's grandfather, recovering from an intestinal blockage); Karen Gusa (sister of Jan Langhans, struggling with lung cancer); Marian Burkard (recovering from a broken arm); John Schafer (recovering from a heart attack); the family of DeWayne Dressen (mourning his loss); Jacob Diercks (recovering from rodeo injuries).

Ladies Quilting Project

The quilting group will meet for work and fellowship at 9:00AM on November 12th and November 26th. Please bring your own lunch. Thanks!

The quilters are always in need of fabric if anyone has extra fabric they are not using and would like to donate to the project. They are currently working on quilts for flood victims in Southeastern Minnesota.

Life Quote - November 11

"So whether you are part of a biological, adoptive, or blended family, care for each other as Christ cares for you. Through His death on the cross you have become part of God's family and have been given equal status with Christ as the Father's adopted children (Ephesians 1:4-6)." *Diane E. Schroeder, President, Lutherans For Life.*

2007 Elections - Today

North Goodhue County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

The Immanuel congregation is a part of the North Goodhue County Chapter of Thrivent and each year elects 10 people to serve on the Chapter Board. Without this election process, Thrivent Financial would not qualify as a tax-exempt fraternal benefit society, and would not be able to provide benefits to needy individuals, congregations and communities that it does today.

If you are a Thrivent member, please take a moment after the service today to vote – a table is set up in the entryway.

Advent Midweek Suppers

Would you be interested in providing a light soup and sandwich supper before one of the Advent Midweek services? The dates are the 5th, 12th and 19th of December. The meal would be at 6:30PM. Plan on roughly 40 people. Coffee and punch would be available from the church's resources. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those interested in volunteering. Questions? Speak with Pastor Sorenson.

Christmas Choir

Not everyone wants to commit to singing in the choir for the whole year, but how about joining just for the Christmas season? The choir will begin rehearsing Christmas music on November 14th at 7:30 p.m. If you are able to make a temporary commitment to the choir for the Christmas season, please join us. If you have questions, please speak to Sara Sorenson at church, or call her at home (388-4577). Thank you!

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, November 18 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) "Swollen Feet"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Sometimes we can be thankful for the things that didn't happen. Listen to Pastor Ken Klaus' Thanksgiving message next Sunday on The Lutheran Hour. (Deuteronomy 8:3-4)

Red Wing Area Food Shelf Collection

New Horizons will be sponsoring a collection of food and money for the Food Shelf again this year. Please bring food items to the church by December 9th or leave your donation of money in the box.

Snow Shoveling

Now that it is getting cold out, it is time to think about snow shoveling! New Horizons schedules the shoveling of the walks at church, but anyone in the congregation is welcome to sign up and help out. Check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Thanks for any help you are able to give.

Christmas Scrip Order

The annual Christmas Scrip order will be placed on **November 27**th with delivery expected the following week. Because of the high volume of sales at this time, <u>all orders must be pre-paid</u>. A list of participating merchants can be picked up from the Scrip table.

Use Scrip for gift giving or gift buying! If you're buying your wife something at JCPenney, pick up Scrip and spend it like cash! If you're stopping for coffee and pie at Perkins to break up a busy shopping day, use Scrip!

SCRIP: <u>Support Can Result In Profits!!</u> (Profits from the Scrip Program go to Immanuel Church.)

A list of merchants on hand has been placed in your bulletin boxes. If you haven't tried Scrip, do so TODAY! It's even easier than learning how to ride a bike!

Thanksgiving Dinner

As in the past, the First United Methodist Church will again provide a Thanksgiving meal on November 22nd (Thanksgiving Day) from 11:30AM until 1:00PM in their fellowship hall (accessible to those with physical challenges). The address is 403 East Avenue, Red Wing. The dinner is for anyone who may not have a family gathering and would like to get out among people. There is no charge, but a free-will offering will be taken. Call the church office at 388-3262 to make a reservation.

"Trust Talk" at Immanuel, Plainview

Dr. Micah Parker, a nationally sought after Christian motivational speaker, will be at Immanuel, Plainview on December 2nd with a powerful message about trusting God when faced with adversity. Dr. Parker was the key-note speaker for over 35,000 people at one of the mass events at the LCMS National Youth Gathering this past July. The "Trust Talk" will be an hourlong presentation in Immanuel's Christian Life Center, beginning at 9:15AM. The Christian Life Center is located on the corners of highways 42 and 247. Due to the subject matter, Dr. Parker recommends that the audience be ages 13 and up. Please note: Dr. Parker will deliver a separate message during the 8:00 and 10:30AM church services.