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The Festival of the Reformation (Observed)

October 25, 2009

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.

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Cross Procession/Opening Hymn: #656, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Prayer

from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that we may grow in our love for you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. C: Amen. Hymn of Confession: #613, "To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All" Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's Grace P: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. C: Amen. Hymn of Praise: "This Is The Feast"pp. 171-172 Salutation P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. Collect of the Day (prayed in unison by all) First ReadingRevelation 14:6-7 P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God. Choral Offering: "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" Arr. Loyal N. Slauson Second Reading Romans 3:19-28 P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God. Gospel Procession: #488, "He Is Arisen! Glorious Word" P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth 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!

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and

Hymn of the Day: #567, "Not What These Hands Have Done"

Nicene Creedback cover of the hymnal

Sermon: "A Messenger of the Eternal Gospel"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer.....back cover of the hymnal

Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Distribution Hymns:

#617, O Lord, We Praise Thee"

#556, "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: #813, "Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"

Silent Prayer/Chimes

Announcements

Postlude

Life Quote - October 25

"Being a Christian is not a spectator sport; following the Savior calls for courage and commitment ... The Lord has entrusted us with the salvation story ... we are people of Christ with the one and only message of hope that can forgive sins and save souls. 'Thus far, no further.' Here is where we make our stand." Rev. Ken Klaus, speaker on The Lutheran Hour. This "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life. www.lutheransforlife.org

Chili Lunch & Silent Auction - November 1

Join us next Sunday after the worship service for a chili lunch and silent auction. Proceeds from the lunch and auction will be going to missions and lumber sawing expenses. Supplemental funds will be provided by Thrivent Financial For Lutherans through its Care in Congregations program.

Auction items so far are: beef, baked goodies, basket of Tastefully Simple Products, fleece blankets, Nordic Track exercise machine, and basswood and pine lumber. Anyone having items to donate to the auction may bring them to church next Sunday.

Please check last Sunday's (Oct. 18) bulletin for additional details.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 8:30AM CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson

7:30PM Quarterly Voters' Meeting

Wednesday: St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles: Jer. 26:1-16

1 Peter 1:3-9; John 15:12-21

5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: 8:30AM CILS Religion

Friday: CILS Halloween Parties

10:00AM Hi-Park Chapel with Pastor Sorenson

Saturday: Reformation Day

Rev. 14:6-7; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36

9:00AM LWML Fall Rally - St. John's, Hart

9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit

Next Sunday: All Saints' Day

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion After Service Chili Lunch and Silent Auction

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

Today - Jamie Kohn

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Paul Nystuen, Philip Sorenson, Larry Horn, Dave Dicke, Ruth Ofstie, Orville Augustin, Jenny Bauer, Leslie Germann-Hutter, and Sara (Voth) Kroll.

Strength and Peace: Syvilla Madsen and Harold Augustin.

Comfort for the Bereaved: The family and friends of Dolores Rossbach (Sara Sorenson's grandmother), as they reflect on her passing.

Catechism Review

<u>The Eighth Commandment</u>: 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.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, November 1 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

"Comforted Mourners"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

In this message for All Saints Day, Pastor Ken Klaus speaks to those whose lives have been touched by the death of someone they loved. Christ is our risen Savior who comforts mourners. (Matthew 5:4)

Quarterly Voters' Assembly Meeting

The voters of Immanuel will meet this Tuesday night, October 27th, at 7:30PM for the quarterly meeting. If you are not a voter and would like to join the assembly, please speak with pastor or one of the elders at your earliest convenience. You can participate in the decision-making process of the congregation.

Agenda for Voters

- Opening Devotion and Prayer
- Roll Call
- Reading and Approval of Minutes
- Reception of New Voting Members
- Reports: Pastor/Elders, Treasurer, Trustees, School Board, Scrip Program, Cemetery Board, Properties, Stewardship
- Old Business: Constitution
- New Business: Advent Midweek Offering Disbursement
- Closing Prayer

LWML Whitewater Conference Fall Rally

The ladies of Hay Creek are cordially invited to the LWML Conference Rally being held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Hart, Minnesota. The event is scheduled for October 31st from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Registration will begin at 8:15 AM. The mission speaker will be Stephen Wiesenauer, Asia Developer. The theme will be: "Go Ye Into the World." Gifts from the heart will go to the SEMCAC Food Shelf, so please bring nonperishable food, paper goods, or toiletries. St. John's Hart is located off of I-90. Take the Rushford exit and go 5 miles south. God bless.

Coffee Break Fundraiser

Fairview Red Wing Auxiliary will be holding its annual Coffee Break on Thursday, November 5th, from 12:30-3:00PM. The event will be at the Downtown Plaza on 4th Street. Go to the 9th floor. Tickets are \$2 and may be purchased at the door. All proceeds are given as scholarships to area students going into medical fields. Hope to see you on November 5th!

Bake Sale and Bazaar

The Junior Guild Members of Christ Episcopal Lutheran Church will be holding a bake sale and bazaar on Thursday, November 5th, from 9AM-2PM. For sale will be pecans, jams, breads, pickles, crafts, pies, cookies and cakes. Refreshments will be available at the event for a small charge. Christ Episcopal is located on 4th Street between East and West Avenues.

Addresses of College Students

Attention Parents of College Students: If you have not provided Pastor with an address where your son or daughter may be reached during the current academic year, please put a note in Pastor's box. He would like to send Portals of Prayer, cards, and other devotional materials to the students throughout the year. Thanks for your cooperation.

Immanuel Constitution – A Message from the MN South District Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ (Phil. 1:2).

I am pleased to inform you that the Board of Directors of the Minnesota South District reviewed your revised Constitution and Bylaws at its regular meeting on September 15, 2009. Upon the recommendation of the District Constitution Committee, your revised Constitution and Bylaws were approved by the Board of Directors. You are now free to use these revised documents as you carry out the ministry given to your congregation by the Lord Jesus Christ.

May the Lord of the Church bless the work you do in His name.

Rev. William H. Otte

District Secretary

Might the Lord Be Calling You?

Me, a Pastor? Me, a Deaconess? If you have found yourself asking that question, now is the time to consider it. Rev. Steve Wagner of Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne will be in your area this week and would love to discuss these matters. Conferences are individual and informal. Reservations are not required; however, if you are able to phone the church where the visit will be held or e-mail Pastor Wagner at wagnerse@ctsfw.edu that would be appreciated. The itinerary is as follows:

October 27th (Tuesday), 5-8PM Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1103 N. Broad Street, Mankato 507-385-2180

October 28th (Wednesday), 8:30AM-1:00PM Cannon Valley High School/Trinity Lutheran School 406 West Franklin, Morristown, MN: 507-685-2636

October 28th (Wednesday), 5-8PM Trinity Lutheran Church, 530 4th Street NW, Faribault; 507-331-6579

October 29th (Thursday), 11AM-1PM University Lutheran Chapel, 1101 University Ave. SE, Minneapolis 612-331-2747