

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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Second Sunday in Advent December 9, 2007

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.

The Order of Matins pp. 219-228
Prelude
Welcome and Ringing of the Bell
Opening Hymn: #343, "Prepare the Royal Highway"
Opening Versicles p. 219
Gloria Patri and Advent Ascription p. 219
Invitatory, Venite, Invitatory pp. 220-221
Psalm 105:4-8; antiphon: Is. 40:3b (prayed responsively) worship insert
Office Hymn: #348, "The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns"
Old Testament Reading Isaiah 11:1-10
Response p. 221
Gradual (prayed responsively) worship insert
Epistle Romans 15:4-13
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Choral Offering: "Rejoice All Ye Believers" Arr. E. Butler
Holy Gospel Matthew 3:1-12
Response and Common Responsory p. 221
Hymn of the Day: #738, "Lord of All Hopefulness"
Sermon: "Advent Hope"
Canticle: #936, "Sing Praise to the God of Israel" (Benedictus)
Offering
Kyrie and Lord's Prayer p. 227
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Collect of the Day
Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving
P: Let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.
Collect for Grace p. 228
Benedicamus and Benediction p. 228
Closing Hymn: #829, "Christ the Eternal Lord"
Announcements

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today:	7:30PM	Nybo's Family Night
Tuesday:	7:00PM	Board of Elders
Wednesday:	8:30AM	CILS Chapel with Pastor Sorenson
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	6:30PM	Advent Midweek Supper
	7:30PM	Advent Midweek Worship
	8:15PM	Choir
Thursday:	1:00-7:00PM	Red Cross Bloodmobile at United Lutheran (No Women's Bible Study this Month)
Friday:	11AM-5PM	Red Cross Bloodmobile at United Lutheran
	6:00PM	Fellowship Club at Janice Kassen's
	6:00PM	CILS Staff Party
Next Sunday:	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today	- M/M Bob Augustin
Monday	- Jerry Holm
Friday	- Lilian Germann-Hutter
Saturday	- Johnathon Burns

IN OUR PRAYERS

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); Karen Gusa (sister
of Jan Langhans, struggling with lung cancer); Marian Burkard (recovering
from a broken arm); Jacob Diercks (recovering from rodeo injuries); Brad
Greenwaldt (cousin of Bonnie Kassen undergoing chemotherapy for Non-
Hodgkin's Lymphoma).

Red Wing Area Food Shelf Collection

New Horizons is sponsoring a collection of food and money for the Food
Shelf again this year. Please bring food items to the church by this
Wednesday, December 12th or leave your donation of money in the box.

Advent Midweek Suppers

During the Advent season, everyone is invited to the midweek suppers
held on Wednesdays at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great
opportunity for families with confirmation age students as confirmation
concludes at 6:30PM. The suppers will end before the worship service at
7:30PM. Come and enjoy food and fellowship with your brothers and
sisters in Christ. This week Ruth Alms, Lois Klair and Janice Kassen are
providing the food.

Advent Midweek Series: “Longing for the Lord”

Based on a concept by Rev. L. Lloyd Behnken, our midweek Advent focus will be “Longing for the Lord.” Advent Midweek services will be held, God-willing, on December 5th, 12th, and 19th at 7:30PM. Come earlier at 6:30PM for an Advent Supper in the Fellowship Hall! The remaining services and themes are:

Dec. 12: “Longing for the Courts of the Lord” Ps. 84:1-2

Dec. 19: “Longing for the Christ of Christmas” Hag. 2:6-9

Building Pledges for 2008

If you haven’t done so, there is still time for you to offer your building pledge for 2008. Simply place your pledge in the box outside the sanctuary door. Extra pledge cards and envelopes are available, as are prayer request cards. Thank you for your responses of worship and praise!

Life Quote – December 9

“I believe we must use all of our abilities to be a voice for those who have none. I believe that each life has hope, meaning, and purpose. Each life is designed by God. Scripture reminds us of God’s love, ‘For I have redeemed you’ (Isaiah 43:1); ‘I have called you by name’ (Isaiah 43:1 ESV); ‘You were bought with a price’ (1 Corinthians 6:20 ESV). These words are true not just for those who were formed ‘normal’ on the outside but are words for all of God’s creation.” *Roberta Bandy, preschool teacher, mother, and author.* **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life /** www.lutheransforlife.org

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, December 16

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

“Being Sure”

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

It’s human to have questions: it’s the Holy Spirit’s job to provide answers to our questions. (Matthew 11:2-3)

Give Blood

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at United Lutheran Church this week on Thursday (between 1PM and 7PM) and on Friday (between 11AM and 5PM). Give the gift of life by giving blood. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

Sunday School Christmas Program

The children of our congregation will help lead us in worship with their Christmas program on Sunday, December 23rd, at 10:30AM. Please mark your calendars and come and show your support for the Sunday School children of this congregation.

MN South District LCMS Senior High Youth Gathering

Attention Immanuel High School Students: Would you be interested in attending the 9th-12th Grade Youth Gathering this year? The event will be held February 1-3 (Friday night to Sunday noon) at the Holiday Inn Select in Bloomington. The gathering will include worship, mission projects, free time, and music by Against All Odds. If you would like to attend, please sign-up on the bulletin board. We will also need at least one adult leader. Pastor can attend the first two days, but would need to be back for church on February 3rd. Talk over this opportunity with your friends and parents!

Thank You to Immanuel Church

I just want to express my deep gratitude for being allowed to live in this peaceful valley. The quietness and serenity of this place has been very healing. Thank you.

God Bless You All,

Mark

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