

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD  
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK  
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**Third Sunday After The Epiphany**

**January 23, 2011**

**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  
Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #412, "The People That in Darkness Sat"

An Act of Adoration (prayed by all)

**Almighty God, before whose presence the angels veil their faces,  
with reverence and love we acknowledge Your glory and worship  
You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, eternal Trinity. Blessing and  
honor and glory and power be unto our God, forever and ever.  
Amen.**

An Act of Confession

P: O God our Father, since You have set forth the way of life for us in  
Your beloved Son, we confess with shame our slowness to learn of  
Him, our failure to follow Him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.

**C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

P: Forgive us the poverty of our worship, our neglect of fellowship and of  
the means of grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, our evasion of  
responsibility in Your service, and our imperfect stewardship of Your  
gifts.

**C: Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

P: Forgive us that so little of Your love has reached others through us,  
that we have been thoughtless in our judgments, hasty in  
condemnation, grudging in forgiveness, slow to seek reconciliation,  
unwilling to help our neighbors as we ought.

**C: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love;  
according to Your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions.  
Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our  
sin. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put a new and right  
spirit within us.**

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has  
given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our  
sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become  
the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that  
believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C: Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: #804, "O Worship the King"

Collect of the Day (spoken by Pastor)

Old Testament Reading ..... Isaiah 9:1-4

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual, see worship insert (prayed responsively)

Epistle ..... 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia #952

Holy Gospel ..... Matthew 4:12-25

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth 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.**

Apostles' Creed ..... see back cover of the hymnal

Hymn of the Day: "Lord Jesus, Who Art Come"

Text: Eberhard L. Fischer (TLH #485)

Tune: Ahasverus Fritsch (LSB #730)

1)

Lord Jesus, who art come A teacher sent from heaven  
And by both word and deed God's truth to us hast given,  
Thou wisely hast ordained The holy ministry  
That we, Thy flock, may know The way to God through Thee.

2)

Thou hast, O Lord, returned, To God's right hand ascending;  
Yet Thou art in the world, Thy kingdom here extending.  
Through preaching of Thy Word In ev'ry land and clime  
Thy people's faith is kept Until the end of time.

3)

O blessed ministry - Of reconciliation,  
That shows the way to God And brings to us salvation!  
By Thine evangel pure, Lord, Thou preserv'st Thy fold,  
Dost call, enlighten, keep, Dost comfort and uphold.

Sermon: "Is Christ Divided?"

Offering

Call to Prayer: #772, "In Holy Conversation"

An Act of Supplication

Individual prayers will terminate as follows:

P:...through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

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

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: #819, "Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"

Chimes/Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, January 30**

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

**"Selective Hearing"**

**Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus**

People see in Christianity only what they want to see and hear only what they want to hear and they miss that which God wants to give them.

(1 Corinthians 1:18-31)

### **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Monday:		St. Timothy, Pastor and Confessor: Acts 16:1-5; 1 Tim. 6:11-16; Matt. 24:42-47
Tuesday:		The Conversion of St. Paul: Acts 9:1-22; Gal. 1:11-24; Matt. 19:27-30
	2:45PM	Red Wing Health Center Chapel
	7:30PM	Voters' Annual Meeting
Wednesday:		St. Titus, Pastor and Confessor: Acts 20:28-35; Tit. 1:1-9; Lk. 10:1-9
	5:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	7:30PM	Women's Bible Study
	7:30PM	Men's Bible Study
Saturday:	9AM-5PM	Stampin' with the Spirit
	3:00PM	Youth Ski Trip to Welch Village
	12:00PM	March For Life – State Capitol
Next Sunday:		Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Monday	- Vicky Hoffman, Barb Kelm, Marshall Kitzmann
Tuesday	- Justin Kassen
Wednesday	- David Banitt
Thursday	- Vanessa Frazier
Friday	- Chuck Bremer
Saturday	- Kristin Budensiek

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Healing:** Philip Sorenson (recovering from full pancreatectomy), Dave Dicke (still waiting for a transplant), Joanne Meyr (recovering from cancer treatments on her leg), Mark Yahn (for peace during hospice care), Lori Ramig (recovering from a heart transplant), Bill Langhans (recovering from heart surgery), Irene Pasche (recovering from a heart attack), Steven Finstad (a Marine serving in Afghanistan who is a friend of Ryan Kassen), Wayne Thomforde, and Judith Whipple.

### **Book Sale**

A book sale is currently being held in the fellowship hall. Take what you want and leave a donation you feel is acceptable. Proceeds will go to Lutherans for Life.

### **Pro-Life Petitions**

Two petitions are available this morning for your signatures. The first urges Minnesota state legislators to ban sex-selection abortion. The second shows your support for the "No Taxpayer Funding of Abortion Act," which would establish a permanent, government-wide law against federal funding of abortion and federal subsidies for insurance coverage of abortion. Please consider signing these documents and allowing your pro-life voice to be heard.

### **Annual Voters' Meeting**

The annual meeting of the Voters' Assembly will be held this Tuesday night, January 25th, at 7:30 PM. If you are not a member of the Voters' Assembly and would like to join, please speak with Pastor or one of the elders at your earliest convenience. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1) Opening Devotion
- 2) Attendance
- 3) Acceptance of Minutes
- 4) Reception of New Voting Members
- 5) Reports: Pastor/Elders, Treasurer, Trustees, Scrip Report, Cemetery Board, Other
- 6) Unfinished Business: N/A
- 7) New Business: Election of Officers, Lenten Offering Disbursement, District Pledge, Funding for New Missionary Family, Scrip Fund Disbursement, Congregational Fund Interest Disbursement, Note of Appointments, Salaries, Other
- 8) Adjournment with Prayer

### Slate of Church Officer Candidates

(To be approved or modified on Tuesday night)

President: Jerry Stehr (1)  
Vice-President: Craig Duden (1)  
Secretary: Donna Meyer (1)  
Elder: Jim Arndt (3)  
Board of Education: Robert Augustin (3)  
Trustees: Kevin Ballman (3)  
Cemetery Board: Greg Germann (3)  
Treasurer: Brad Kolberg (1)  
Home Financial Secretary: Linda Diercks (1)  
Mission Financial Secretary: Carol Dicke (1)  
Home Counter: Lori Budensiek (2)  
Mission Counter: Mary Jo Arndt (2)  
Mission Counter: Pam Germann (1)

### **Fabric Needed**

The Ladies Quilting Group is in need of cotton fabric for its projects. Please bring material to church if you are able to help out. If you have questions, please speak with Marion Kolberg.

### **Life Quotes**

**January 23** "Every human life has value. That value does not come from its usefulness or how it looks or how big or healthy or productive it is ... The value of human life comes from the One who made it, who bought it back, and who desires to call every life for His eternal purpose. The embryo in the Petri dish, the baby in the womb, baby Sally in the neonatal intensive care unit, Uncle Ralph in the Alzheimer's unit, grandma in the nursing home bed, you and me—we all have value because of what God has done." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life – [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

### **The Brief Statement of the Doctrinal Position of the Missouri Synod (1932)**

#### **"Of God"**

On the basis of the Holy Scriptures we teach the sublime article of the Holy Trinity; that is, we teach that the one true God, Deut. 6:4; 1 Cor. 8:4, is the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, three distinct persons, but of one and the same divine essence, equal in power, equal in eternity, equal in majesty, because each person possesses the one divine essence entire, Col. 2:9, Matt. 28:19. We hold that all teachers and communions that deny the doctrine of the Holy Trinity are outside the pale of the Christian Church. The Triune God is the God who is gracious to man, John 3:16-18, 1 Cor. 12:3. Since the Fall, no man can believe in the "fatherhood" of God except he believe in the eternal Son of God, who became man and reconciled us to God by His vicarious satisfaction, 1 John 2:23; John 14:6. Hence we warn against Unitarianism, which in our country has to a great extent impenetrated the sects and is being spread particularly also through the influence of the lodges.

### **Snow Shoveling**

We are still in need of volunteers to shovel sidewalks before services or events. If you are able to help, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. New Horizons has purchased a snow blower that is available for you to use.

