

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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14th Sunday After Pentecost

September 2, 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.

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

Welcome

Ringling of the Bell

Invocation and Opening Versicles (Ps. 43:4; 124:8)

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

C: Amen.

P: I will go to the altar of God,

C: to God my exceeding joy.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

Confession and Absolution (John 20:19-23)

(Silence to call one's sin to mind)

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: I confess to almighty God, before all the company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed through my fault, through my own fault, through my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray almighty God, for the sake of Jesus Christ His Son, to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Entrance Hymn: #804, "O Worship the King"

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Proverbs 25:2-10

Epistle Hebrews 13:1-17

Holy Gospel Luke 14:1-14

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Hymn of the Day: #903, "This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"

Sermon: "The Sabbath for Man" (Mark 2:23-28)

Offering

Prayer

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

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Words of Institution

Peace

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

C: Amen.

Distribution Hymns:

#628, "Your Table I Approach"

#621, "Jesus Comes Today with Healing"

#761, "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #814, "O Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Announcements

Postlude

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday:		Labor Day
Tuesday:		CILS Classes Begin
	6:00PM	Stewardship Committee Meeting
Wednesday:	8:30AM	CILS Chapel with Pastor Sorenson
	7:30PM	Summer Midweek Bible Study
Next Sunday:	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today	- Lorena Stemmann, M/M Eric Stumpf
Monday	- M/M Mark Diercks
Tuesday	- Rebecca Augustin, M/M Randy Meyer
Wednesday	- M/M Larry Horn
Thursday	- Leslie Germann-Hutter, M/M Donald Kliewer
Friday	- Dan Banitt, Lucas Stumpf, M/M Kevin Hoffman
Saturday	- Jordan Taylor

IN OUR PRAYERS

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Margie Stumpf (healing); Harold Augustin (healing); Tom Kolberg (healing); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Kim Burns (recovering from eye surgery); Syvilla Madsen (healing); Kevin Augustin (healing from heart surgery).

URGENT! – Sunday School Teachers Needed – URGENT!

Sunday School is set to start next week and we still need at least three more teachers. The following classes are available: Preschool/Kindergarten, Junior High, and High School. If you are able to help us out, please, please sign-up on the bulletin board or speak with Pastor Sorenson. Feel free to split up responsibilities. If more than one person wants to teach a class in order to minimize the stress of a weekly commitment, that's fine!

Anniversary Invitation

Member of Immanuel are invited to the 50th wedding anniversary open house for Myron and Ruth Alms on September 9th from 2:00-5:00 p.m. in the social room at the church. No gifts please.

**“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, September 9
8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus**

“The Cross Carrier”

The cross is the instrument God used to bring about our salvation. Next Sunday Pastor Klaus talks about keeping the cross at the center of the Church's message. (Luke 14:27)

Refreshments for Sunday Mornings

Sara Sorenson has volunteered to coordinate the serving of refreshments in our new fellowship hall. Conversation and food will be enjoyed every Sunday between 10:00AM and 10:30AM. A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who would like to volunteer to bring cookies, doughnuts or bars. As in many churches, a basket will be placed in the serving area for people to give a small offering when they get refreshments for themselves and their families. This money will go towards paying for the following week's refreshments. Leftover money will be contributed to the Ladies Aid.

Fall Harvest Festival and Building Dedication

Mark your calendars! On October 14th, we will dedicate our new building and enjoy a fall harvest festival with a chili lunch and auction. If you have products or services you would like to donate for the church auction, please contact Jim Dicke, Karen Stemmann or Donna Meyer. Invite your family and friends to this joyous occasion!

Life Quote – September 2

“When youth are seen, they feel valued. When they are heard, they feel respected. When someone is moved by their situation, they feel loved. When they receive kindness, they feel cared for. And when others delight in their existence, they sense the very breath of God.” *Mark Yaconelli in “Contemplative Youth Ministry: Practicing the Presence of Jesus.”* **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org**

Sunday School Offering

The 1st and 2nd grade Sunday school class of 2006-2007 gave offerings that will go towards replenishing items in the activity bags that are available for children to use during the church services. Thank you!

Pro-Life Evening

Come and hear an energetic pro-life speaker from the Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life State Office. The event will take place on Sunday, September 23rd, from 7 to 9 PM in Holy Trinity Hall in Goodhue. The address is 211 Fourth Street North. This is a free event and refreshments will be served. Come learn the truth about embryonic stem-cell research, taxpayer funding of abortion, euthanasia of disabled persons, human cloning, and abortion on demand. Come and find out how you as a pro-life citizen can make a difference and save lives.

LWML Fall Rally

The Whitewater Conference of the Minnesota South District LWML invites everyone to the Fall Rally on September 29, 2007 at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Rochester. The Whitewater Conference is composed of congregations in the Hiawatha, Rochester and Winona Zones. The theme, "Breath of Life," comes from Job 33:4: "The Spirit of God has made me; the breath of the Almighty gives me life." Ed Szeto, Outreach Director for Lutherans for Life, will be the featured speaker. Congregation members are encouraged to bring their young people with them. Youth seminars will be held separately on "Beginning Life Issues." Pastor Lyle Kath and other male volunteers will lead the guys; Shelly Sturevant and representatives of New Life Family services and other female volunteers will lead the gals during the time Ed Szeto is speaking. The Abstinence Resource Center of New Life Services will also be participating in the youth segment. The "Gifts from the Heart" ingathering will be baby items for New Life Family Services. Also included in the program will be a devotion written by Pastor Kath and a Bible Study led by Pastor Vollrath of Our Savior's Lutheran in Eyota. Registration begins at 8:30 AM with the program beginning at 9:00. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for youth. Lunch is included. Babysitting will be available.

Ministerial Recruitment

Have you ever considered being a pastor or deaconess? If so, Rev. Kyle Castens from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis would like to meet with you at Concordia University, St. Paul, on Wednesday, September 26th, anytime between the hours of 3:00 and 7:00 PM or Thursday, September 27, anytime between the hours of 8:00 AM and Noon. Rev. Castens is interested in meeting with prospective seminary students of all ages - elementary school age through adults who are already employed in another vocation. Conferences are individual, informal, and family/friends are welcome. Reservations are not necessary, but strongly encouraged. If you are interested in scheduling a specific conference time, please call 651-641-8278 or e-mail Rev. Castens at castens@csl.edu. Additional opportunities for meeting with Rev. Castens are available. Please speak with Rev. Sorenson for more details. Thank you.