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Day of Reformation (Observed) October 28, 2012

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.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's spiritual blessing or to one's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all confirmed members of Immanuel and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

Prelude
Ringing of the Bell

Choral Call to Worship: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" -
Martin Luther; Arr. G. Matheny

Opening Luther Hymn: #656, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

Psalmody, chanted by Pastor (Psalm 34, selected verses; antiphon:
Psalm 119:46)

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

Reformation Hymn: #582, "God's Word Is Our Great Heritage"
(Alternate Tune: Ein Feste Burg, Isorhythmic, #657)

First Reading Revelation 14:6-7

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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!"

Holy Gospel John 8:31-36

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th 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.

Nicene Creed see back cover of the hymnal

Hymn of the Day: #566, "By Grace I'm Saved"

Sermon: "The Righteous God"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord! As we prepare to come to the Lord's Supper in the fellowship of this altar, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

Luther's Hymn of Confession: #613,
"To Thee, Omniscient Lord of All"

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer see back cover of the hymnal
Words of Institution

Peace

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

C: Amen.

Distribution (by continuous line)

Luther Hymn: #556, "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice"

Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul unto life everlasting. Depart in peace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #805, "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Chimes/Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

Chili Lunch and Bake Sale Today

You are all invited to a chili lunch and bake sale after the worship service today. The menu includes chili, cheese, crackers, frosted cinnamon rolls, macaroni & cheese, bars, milk, coffee and lemonade. The free-will donation for the lunch will be used to repair the candelabra on the altar, and the balance will be used to start an elevator fund. Don't forget to stop by the bake sale table and pick up some baked goodies to take home.

Catechism Review – The Second Article: Redemption

Of whom does this article speak?

It speaks about Jesus Christ – His person and His work.

Why is He named Jesus?

The name Jesus means "the Lord saves" (Savior). Jesus is His personal name.

Why is He called Christ?

The title Christ (Greek) or Messiah (Hebrew) means "the Anointed." Jesus has been anointed with the Holy Spirit without limit to be our Prophet, Priest, and King.

NOTE: Anointing was the way prophets, priests, and kings were set apart for special work.

NOTE: The following are other titles for Jesus: "Angel of God" (Ex. 14:19); "Redeemer" (Isa. 59:20); "Immanuel" (Matt. 1:23); "Son of the Living God" (Matt. 16:16); "Son of Man" (Matt. 25:31); "the Word" (John 1:14); "Lord" (John 20:28). His names are the Gospel simply stated.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 11:00AM Chili Lunch and Bake Sale
 Tuesday: 7:30PM Quarterly Voters' Meeting
 Wednesday: Reformation Day
 Halloween
 Rev. 14:6-7; Rom. 3:19-28; Jn. 8:31-36
 No Confirmation or Choir Tonight
 Thursday: All Saints' Day
 Rev. 7:2-17; 1 Jn. 3:1-3; Matt. 5:1-12
 10:00AM Carpet Cleaning
 Next Sunday: All Saints' Day (Observed)
 9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
 9:45AM Fellowship Time
 10:00AM Worship with Holy Communion
 After Worship Fellowship Club at Trophy House

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Thursday - Doug Callstrom
 Saturday - Margie Stumpf, Sandra Kitzmann

IN OUR PRAYERS

Melissa Barbey, Willard Holst, Cathy Hamilton, and Fred Voth.

Life Quotes

October 28 "Many view abortion as a purely political issue that we shouldn't be talking about. The devil loves that kind of thinking. For if we never talk about the idolatry of abortion, we abandon those who have been vanquished by it to the dark hopelessness of their sin. Those vanquished by abortion never hear that God has restored them, along with all sinners, as joyful victors." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life* – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, November 4

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

"The ONE Vote That Changed the World"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

As important as the U.S. election is, there once was a much bigger vote that made an eternal difference. God cast that vote on your behalf. (Revelation 7:9-17)

Thank you from Pastor Sorenson

I wish to thank the Trustees for the excellent improvements they have helped facilitate at the parsonage (and church) property. Not only has our home been re-shingled, but we also were provided a new ceiling in one of the rooms (because of water damage), a new shower door was installed, and a quick response was made when our furnace was not working. I also want to thank Bruce Holst for helping to rectify the recent water safety issues. What a joy to serve Hay Creek with such fine Christian gentlemen using their gifts in service to Christ for the sake of their congregation and their minister!

Peace and Joy!

+ Pastor Sorenson +

Voters' Meeting: Tuesday, October 30

The Voters' Assembly will conduct business this Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. The agenda is as follows: Opening Devotion, Attendance, Acceptance of Minutes, Reception of New Voting Members, Reports, Unfinished Business, New Business: Bid to Improve Sanctuary Floor, Biblical Policy for Church Delinquency, Adjournment, and Closing Prayer. Those who are 18 and would like to join the Voters' Assembly are warmly encouraged to attend.

