

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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Second Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2010

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.

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Collect of the Day

Office Hymn: #482, "This Joyful Eastertide"

First Reading Acts 5:12-20
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Hymn of the Day: "As Surely, as I Live," God Said
Text: Nicolaus Herman; tr. M. Loy #614
Tune: St. Crispin #571

1)
"As surely as I live," God said,
"I would not see the sinner dead.
I want him turned from error's ways,
Repentant, living endless days."

2)
And so our Lord gave this command:
"Go forth and preach in ev'ry land;
Bestow on all My pard'ning grace
Who will repent and mend their ways."

3)
"All those whose sins you thus remit
I truly pardon and acquit,
And those whose sins you will retain
Condemned and guilty shall remain."

4)
"What you will bind, that bound shall be;
What you will loose, that shall be free;
To My dear Church the keys are giv'n
To open, close the gates of heav'n."

5)
The words which absolution give
Are His who died that we might live;
The minister whom Christ has sent
Is but His humble instrument.

6)
When ministers lay on their hands,
Absolved by Christ the sinner stands;
He who by grace the Word believes
The purchase of His blood receives.

7)
All praise to You, O Christ, shall be
For absolution full and free,
In which You show Your richest grace;
From false indulgence guard our race.

8)
Praise God the Father and the Son
And Holy Spirit, Three in One,
As was, is now, and so shall be
World without end, eternally!

Sermon: "The Keys of Death and Hell"
Offering

Confession

P: Beloved in the Lord! If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will
forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for self-examination and personal 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 from
Him, our failure to follow Him, our reluctance to bear the cross.

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

P: Forgive us for 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, 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 our decisions, slow to forgive, reluctant to seek reconciliation, unwilling to help our neighbors as we ought.

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

P: 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 renew a right spirit within us.

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

Absolution

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.

Dignus Es: "Heavenly Hosts in Ceaseless Worship" #949

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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Closing Hymn: #549, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Chimes/Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

Easter Lilies

For those who purchased Easter lilies and haven't picked them up yet, feel free to take them home after the service this morning. You may also leave them in the sanctuary, if you desire. Thank you to everyone who purchased lilies and thereby brought even more beauty to our Easter worship.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today:	11:30AM	Special Voters' Meeting Regarding CILS
Monday:	9:00AM	Circuit Conference - Potsdam
Tuesday:	9:00AM	LWML Spring Rally at St. Peter's, Belvidere
Wednesday:	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Thursday:	8:30AM	CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson
	2:00PM	Ladies Aid
	7:00PM	CILS School Board Meeting
Next Sunday:	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today	- Sara Sorenson
Wednesday	- Brittney Carlson
Thursday	- M/M Kevin Ballman, M/M Jerry Kohn
Friday	- Willard Holst, LaVonne Schafer
Saturday	- Chad Callstrom

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Philip Sorenson, Dave Dicke (still waiting for a transplant), Sara (Voth) Kroll, Ellee Goranson, Jean Bateman (healing from rare respiratory illness), Bettie Burns (recovering from heart surgery), Kim Burns (recovering from gallbladder surgery), Brady McNamara (born three months prematurely), and Marjorie Augustin (recovering from eye surgery).

Life Quote – April 11

"Your loved ones who died trusting Christ are at home with the Lord. They have been moved from poverty-stricken lives to be possessors of a wealth that cannot be measured. We, too, can know that as the years fly by, we have an eternity before us that knows no end ... It took a cross and an empty tomb to give us a basis for our salvation. It takes a divinely inspired Word that says, 'Because He lives, I too shall live.' This is the message of Easter." *Rev. Homer Larson, speaker on the Christian Crusaders radio program.* **"Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life.**

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"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 18

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

"Do You Love Me?"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

When Jesus asks, "Do you love me?" our answer might be, "Yes, but not that much." Thank God, we have a Savior Who lives and forgives. (John 21:15)

Catechism Review

The Sacrament of the Altar

Where is this written?

The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Special Voters' Meeting – Today

On Tuesday, March 23rd, the CILS School Board met to discuss the decisions that were made by Concordia and Immanuel at their respective Voters' Meetings on Sunday, March 21st. Concordia voted to approve the Kindergarten-only program, while Immanuel voted to support a K-4 school. While many different opinions were expressed at the School Board meeting last Tuesday, a vote narrowly passed to take the Kindergarten-only option back to the voters of each congregation for consideration. Support for the K-4 School is apparently lacking. Thus, another Special Voters' Meeting for Immanuel members will be held after the worship service today at 11:30 AM. All voters are encouraged to participate.

Confirmation Dates

Confirmation Sunday this year has been scheduled for May 2nd. The public examination of our three confirmands will take place during the worship service on April 25th. Please pray for our confirmands: Kelsey Reding, Haley Rupe, and Jordan Taylor. A dinner in honor of these students is being tentatively planned for Saturday, May 1st at 6:30 PM. If you would like to help with food for the event, a sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. Parents of 7th grade confirmation students are encouraged to help out, if possible. Please plan on enough food for about 25 people. Thanks for your consideration.

Thank You from Mrs. Burns

Dear Immanuel Friends:

Thank you so very much for the prayers, cards, flowers, food, and well wishes while I was in the hospital and at home. Thank you also for keeping Todd's mom in your prayers. Your kindness and love are greatly appreciated.

Kim Burns

LWML Spring Rally

The Lake Pepin Zone LWML Spring Rally will be held on Tuesday, April 13th at St. Peter's Belvidere. The theme for the event is: "On His Way Rejoicing," based on the text of Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch (Acts 8:26-40). The guest speaker will discuss LWML Mission work in Uganda. Bible study will be led by Circuit Counselor, Pastor Lowell Sorenson. Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. with the rally starting at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be served. The fee for the event is \$9. Gifts from the Heart will go to Hope Coalition in Red Wing. Needed items include: women's socks and underwear, shampoo, conditioner, lotions, cleaning supplies, personal care items, toilet paper and tissues. A full announcement has been provided on the bulletin board.

Hands of Hope

Hands of Hope will be holding their 2nd Annual Garage Sale from 3:30-7:00 p.m. on May 14th and 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. on May 15th at Holy Trinity Church in Goodhue. Gently used items are being accepted at this time. Email hands-of-hope@live.com or contact Pam Altendorf at 651-380-2296 if you wish to make a donation. And don't forget the food stand ... donuts and coffee will be available throughout the morning. Hot dogs, chips and pop will be available over the supper and lunch hours. Proceeds will be given to children facing difficult challenges.

Lutheran College Fairs

Attention 7th through 12th Grade Students: Discover a group of colleges with faith in your future. You and your parents are invited to attend a Lutheran College Fair coming to a location near you. Get your questions answered about college attendance, career planning and financial aid. You will have opportunities to meet with caring and thoughtful representatives from individual colleges, also Missouri Synod universities. Fairs will be held April 25th through April 29th from Minneapolis to Rochester. For specific information, visit www.lutherancolleges.org/events. Snacks and beverages will be served at all events. All families attending will receive four application fee waivers to our colleges. Students interested in Concordia University - St. Paul or other private colleges in the Missouri Synod system are encouraged to speak with Pastor Sorenson. Lutheran college fairs are sponsored in part by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

The Marriage of Brian Augustin and Jenny Bauer

Notice is hereby given that Brian Augustin and Jenny Bauer have consented to their marriage bond beginning at engagement. Mary and Joseph were considered husband and wife already on the basis of betrothal (Matthew 1:18-20). While it is true that engagements today are not legally binding the way they were in Biblical times, Brian and Jenny have by mutual consent to each other and in consultation with Pastor Sorenson, made the decision to announce that they are bound to each other in marriage in the eyes of God and of His Church. Their marriage has begun at engagement and all necessary legal issues will soon be resolved. Dissolution of the marriage at this point would be a divorce in the sight of God and His Church. We rejoice with Brian and Jenny for the partnership, friendship and love that they share. May their marriage be a blessed, joyful, lifelong union of man and wife, as God intends (Matthew 19:3-9).

Thank You from the Cushings

Lou and Phyllis Cushing would like to thank the members of Immanuel for their prayers and for the quick attentive care they gave to Lou when he experienced what medics call "pew syncope" (passing out in the pew). Sometimes when people sit in church and then stand up, the blood pools in their feet and cause them to faint. Being stretched out on the floor allows the blood to circulate and the person comes around. Again Lou and Phyllis and their families are grateful to those who came forward to help and those that offered their prayers and to Pastor Sorenson for his prayers and follow-up calls. All's well that ends well! God's blessings and thank you very much!!!!