

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

July 6, 2014

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 blessing or to one's harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with a 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 members of Immanuel who have been confirmed 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
Welcome
Ring of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #684, "Come unto Me, Ye Weary"

Invocation
P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, prayed responsivelyworship insert
Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor
Old Testament ReadingZechariah 9:9-12
Gradual of the Season, prayed responsivelyworship insert
EpistleRomans 7:14-25a
Alleluia #952
Holy Gospel Matthew 11:25-30
Nicene Creed back cover of the hymnal
Hymn of the Day: #699, "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"
Sermon: "Truth Revealed to Infants"
Offering
Prayer of the Church
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.
Confession and Absolution
P: As we prepare to receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(*Silence for self-examination*)
P: Holy and gracious God,
C: I confess that I have sinned against You. Some of my sin I know - the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed - but some is known only to You. In the Name of Jesus Christ I ask for forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may be at peace.
P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.
C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal

Words of Institution

Peace

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

C: Amen.

Distribution:

#618, "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

#629, "What Is This Bread"

#641, "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

Post-Communion Prayer

Special Prayer for 4th of July Weekend, prayed in unison
(Adapted from "The Lutheran Book of Prayer" and Doberstein's
"A Lutheran Prayer Book")

Gracious Lord, heavenly Father, at this time the minds of many are turned in thanksgiving for the blessings bestowed upon our country. We are mindful of those who have laid down their lives to defend our country. We indeed owe a debt of gratitude to those who gave their all on our behalf. Grant that our country may continue to enjoy peace and liberty and freedom. May we honor those who have given their lives for us by bringing the tribute of a ready heart, an obedient life, and a worthy citizenship. Guide the counsels of government. Strengthen the bonds of true loyalty. Above all, grant that the people of Your Church, Your children by faith in Christ, find a field of service in which we may uphold righteousness, order and peace.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, You love the people of all nations on earth. May Your Spirit rule in the hearts of all people. Bring men and women and children from all nations to see clearly, to repent truly, and to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Join us all in obedience to Your will, and devotion to Your Son, who came to bring peace to our hearts; we ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Benediction

Closing Hymn for Fourth of July Weekend: #965

"God Bless Our Native Land"

Chimes/Silent Prayer

Announcements

Postlude

DOOR OFFERING TODAY

A special door offering will be received this morning in support of ministry to the armed forces of our country. Specifically, your donation will help provide audio Bibles to men and women who serve to protect our freedoms. If you would prefer, you may also use the envelope in your bulletin to send a donation to LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces. Thank you.

LCMS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – “Gangway to Galilee”

Register now for our joint VBS to be held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Belvidere! This program will bring together many people from our communities, including children from the congregations of Concordia in Red Wing, Immanuel in Hay Creek, St. Peter's – Belvidere, and Bethany in Lake City. “Gangway to Galilee” will be running Sunday, July 20th through Thursday, July 24th. The schedule is supper at 5:30 p.m. with VBS to follow from 6:00-8:00PM. Pastor Sorenson will again lead the music and incorporate all of his rhythm instruments. To sign up, please e-mail Melissa at maxgirl10@gmail.com with your child's name, age, the grade they are entering, your phone number, and any known allergies of the child, along with an emergency contact number. Please try to register by June 27th. Also, we are in need of adults to lead the groups for these five nights. If you would like to help some or all of the nights, put that in the e-mail as well! Thank You! Melissa McDonnell

“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, July 13, 2014

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

"Truth Has a Voice"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

There are many destructive voices that call to us. Jesus has another word, a clear voice of life and salvation. (Romans 8:12-17).