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Second Sunday of Easter

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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.

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College Fairs and Workshops

Attention high school students: Here is your opportunity to discover a group of colleges that values the Lutheran faith! You and your parents are invited to attend our college fair and workshops. Our events include information on College and Career Planning and on Financial Aid, as well as opportunities to meet with representatives from individual colleges. Pick any date and location from the following list:

Excelsior: Sunday, April 26th, 11 AM to 2 PM (Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church)

Burnsville: Tuesday, April 28th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (Prince of Peace Lutheran Church)

Rochester: Thursday, April 30th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (Bethel Lutheran Church)

Fargo/Moorhead: Monday, May 4th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (Trinity Lutheran Church)

Maple Grove: Monday, April 27th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (Lord of Life Lutheran Church)

Woodbury: Wednesday, April 29th, 6:30 PM to 9 PM (St. John Lutheran Church)

Sioux Falls, SD: Sunday, May 3rd, 5 PM to 7:30 PM (Gloria Dei Lutheran Church)

For more information, visit www.lutherancolleges.org/events. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served at all events. All families attending will receive four application fee waivers to our colleges.

Holy Land Presentation at Immanuel

On Sunday night, April 26th, at 7:30 PM, Mr. Bill Betcher will be at Immanuel to show pictures of his trip to the Holy Land. The whole congregation is invited to attend the program. The Immanuel Fellowship Club will be providing desserts following the presentation.

Move For Life – 2009

New Beginnings Pregnancy and Family Services is sponsoring a move for life event on Saturday, May 9th at Lower AP Anderson Park. Participants will walk, bike, jog, and roller-blade along Cannon Valley Trail while showing support for life at all stages. Registration for the event will be from 9 AM to 11 AM at Lower AP Anderson Park. If you have additional questions or you would like a sponsor or pledge form, please contact New Beginnings Pregnancy and Family Services at 651-267-4357 or email at www.newbeginningsspc.com. An announcement has also been posted on the bulletin board. Thanks.

A Message from Food For The Poor

Friends in Christ:

The situation in Haiti is critical. Without your immediate help, countless Haitians face starvation and death. This is a crisis like never before. Last year, Haiti was decimated by four savage storms in the span of a month. The loss of human life, livestock and crops was devastating. Poor Haitians who had little now have nothing. The resources of Food For The Poor have been stretched to the limits. What we need especially right now is money to ship and distribute goods. We are praying that you would help us to save precious lives. Every dollar you give today for shipping will be transformed into \$25.34 worth of aid. Your gift will be multiplied 25-fold. Please make checks payable to Food For The Poor, Inc. and send to 6401 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, FL 33073. Write in the memo space: Haiti Distribution Emergency Relief. Thank you and God's blessings!

Bottles to Support Babies

Would you like to help support the mission of New Beginnings Pregnancy and Family Services here in Red Wing? This center is helping to foster a culture of life in the men and women of our community. Fifty percent of the women who visit a pregnancy center will change their mind about having an abortion. You can help! Fill one of the baby bottles in the narthex with cash, check or change, and place it in the box marked "Bottles for Babies." Our congregation will conduct this campaign over the next two months. Also, the gift you provide may be given in honor of someone special. New Beginnings will send a card in honor of the person you designate on the yellow slip inside your baby bottle. When you take a bottle, please sign your name on the sheet with the number that appears on your bottle. Thank you for your tax-deductible gift!

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DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday:	1:00PM	Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday:	9:00AM	Hiawatha Zone, LWML Rally – Concordia
	7:00PM	Church Council
Wednesday:	1:00PM	Pre-Baptism Meeting
	4:30PM	5 th /6 th Grade Confirmation
	5:30PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir
Saturday:		St. Mark, Evangelist: Isa. 55:1-5; Eph. 4:7-16;
		Lk. 10:1-9
	9:00AM-5:00PM	Stampin' with the Spirit
	9:00AM	MN South District School Spelling Bee – Conc.
Next Sunday:		Third Sunday of Easter
	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday	- Kelvin Hoffman
Tuesday	- Josh Arndt

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Pastor Lyle Kath, Paul Nystuen, Marian Burkard, Linda Hardy, Mike Heim, Linda Soifakis, Ruth Dankers, Philip Sorenson, Larry Horn, Rodger Kivi, Kelsey Holst, and Dave Dicke.

Strength and Peace: Syvilla Madsen and Harold Augustin.

Hiawatha Zone LWML Spring Rally

Come to Concordia Lutheran Church on Tuesday, April 21st for a special LWML presentation entitled: "All God's Children." The topic of the day is adoption and the featured speaker will be from New Life Family Services, the agency through which Pastor and Sara adopted Chloe. Pastor Sorenson will lead a Bible study on adoption. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the rally beginning at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. The fee is \$8. Gifts from the heart include children's clothing (sizes 12-24 months, and 2T), as well as bottles, diapers (sizes 4-5), and formula. For more information, please see the announcement posted on the bulletin board.

Thank You from New Horizons

Thank you to everyone who attended the brunch on Palm Sunday. Thanks also to all the volunteers who donated food and worked at the brunch. \$422 was collected and will be matched by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

Coins for Mission Offering

In the narthex you will find a jug marked "Coins for Mission Offering." The congregations of Minnesota South are encouraged to collect coin offerings to present at the opening worship of the District Convention in June. Please note: no paper money or checks are allowed—only coins! Proceeds will go to our newest LCMS congregation—the Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran Mission Congregation of Mankato. This offering will help provide for the salary of the pastors of this new ministry. Currently, the congregation has a worship attendance of about 48 people per Sunday and serves just under 100 total souls. The "Coins for Mission" effort will continue through June 7th of this year. Let's help Pastor Sorenson "make a joyful noise to the Lord" by bringing a full jug of coins to the convention.

Books for the Young and Young at Heart

A special word of thanks to all who helped in the recent effort to clean up the Immanuel Lutheran School building. Brad Diercks went above and beyond the call of duty in bringing all the books from Chuck Lieder's old classroom over to the basement of the new addition. All members of the congregation are encouraged to peruse the books and take whatever is desired. There are many children's books, chapter books for young adults, and plenty for those who are young at heart. All books are free and yours to keep!

Quarterly Meetings

Mark your calendars! The meetings for the church council and the voters have been scheduled. The council will convene on April 21st at 7:00 p.m. The voters will assemble one week later on April 28th at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in joining the voters' assembly, please speak with Pastor or one of the elders at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Life Quote – April 19

"One of the most comforting aspects of Christ's work for us is that He has gone through pain, dying, and death in advance of us. He didn't eliminate it from the human experience. He transformed it into our homecoming. The transition now holds no terror, no sting. Our last moment on earth is instantly transformed into our first moment with Jesus." *Pastor Mark Jeske, speaker on Time of Grace. A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org*

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 26

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

"Surprise!"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Gary Byers

Surprise! God desires that all people have an eternal relationship with Him and in Christ He has done all that it takes to make this happen. Acts 3:11-21