## THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK 24686 OLD CHURCH ROAD, RED WING, MN 55066

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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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## DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

The Confession of St. Peter: Acts 4:8-13;

2 Pet. 1:1-15; Mk. 8:8-9:1

1:00PM Ladies Quilting Project

Tuesday: 8:30AM CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson

7:00PM Church Council

Wednesday: 5:30PM 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: 8:30AM CILS Religion with Pastor Sorenson

2:00PM Ladies Aid Prayer Service/Mite Collection

Friday: Roe v. Wade Anniversary—Remembrance of

**Unborn Victims** 

1:30PM Lake City Nursing Home Service

5:00PM Youth Lock-In

Sat.: 10:00AM Lock-In Ends

Next Sunday: Third Sunday after the Epiphany

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship

### IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Paul Nystuen, Philip Sorenson, Dave Dicke, Jenny Bauer, and

Sara (Voth) Kroll

Preparing for Military Service: David Banitt

Comfort for the Bereaved: the family and friends of Syvilla Madsen as

they reflect on her passing.

#### Youth Lock-In

A Lock-In for the youth group will be held on the evening of January 22<sup>nd</sup> (Friday) and will conclude the morning of January 23<sup>rd</sup> (Saturday). The event begins at 5:00 p.m. on Friday and will conclude no later than 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. Youth should bring \$6 to cover the cost of food. Also, additional chaperones for the event would be greatly appreciated. If interested, please speak with Pastor at your earliest convenience.

# Life Quote – January 17

"Abortion must be fought one heart, one mind, and one life at a time. This is what Christians have always done!" *Diane E. Schroeder, president of Lutherans For Life.*"Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life.

www.lutheransforlife.org

#### Thank You from Mrs. Burns

A BIG thank you to all who attended our night out at Culver's! I don't know yet how much we made, and really, that is not even important! The fellowship and time spent with family and friends was AMAZING! It was so much FUN! Thank you for being a part of it! We are looking into hosting again sometime in April. I hope you will join us again.

Kimberly Burns

## **Council Meeting and Annual Voters' Meeting**

Mark your calendars! The church council will meet at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, January 19th to discuss matters pertaining to the Annual Voters' Meeting. The Annual Meeting will be held at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, January 26th. If you are interested in becoming a voting member of Immanuel, please speak with Pastor or one of the elders at your convenience. Thank you.

### **Catechism Review**

<u>The Lord's Prayer: The Fifth Petition</u>: And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

# **Church Billboard Project**

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the church billboard project. Your support has made this advertising possible. We are currently in the fourth month of our six month contract. At their last meeting, the elders discussed the possibility of extending the church billboard contract. If members of the congregation wish to continue this project, more funds will of course be needed. Some thought has also been given to using a different location for our billboard sign. If you have ideas or constructive suggestions or would like to support the billboard project, please speak with Pastor Sorenson.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, January 24 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) "A Savior Almost Seen"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

Many people mistook Jesus for someone He wasn't. It's still that way today. Jesus remains for many a Savior almost seen. (Luke 4:22)