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The First Sunday in Lent

February 26, 2012

The Service of Holy Baptism for Leah Emilyn Sorenson

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.

Prelude Welcome Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: #592, "Dearest Jesus, We Are Here"

Liturgy of Holy Baptismpp. 268-271

Invocation and Address

Exorcism Naming

Sign of the Cross

Flood Prayer

Enrollment of Sponsors: Matthew and Heather McAllister

Members of Messiah, Mounds View (LCMS)

Baptismal Gospel

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Renunciation of Satan

Profession of the Creed

Baptism of Leah Emilyn Sorenson

Blessing

Placing of the White Garment

Lighting of the Baptismal Candle

Closing Prayer

Peace

Baptismal Hymn: #591, "This Is the Spirit's Entry Now"

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

Hymn of the Day: #602, "The Gifts Christ Freely Gives"

Sermon: "The Best Gifts of Our Giving God"

Offering

Hymn: #605, "Father Welcomes"

Prayer of the Church
P: Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

Benediction

Closing Hymn: #596, "All Christians Who Have Been Baptized"

Chimes/Silent Prayer Announcements Postlude

Special Voters' Meeting Today

Due to the recent fire at the teacherage garages, a special Voters' Meeting will be held following the worship service this morning. A decision will need to be made about garage replacement. At this point, the two-car garage concept seems worth exploring. Please stay after for a brief Voters' Meeting and help us to establish quorum. Thanks.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 9:00AM LWML Delegate Board Meeting at

St. John's, Hammond

Wednesday: 2:00PM Seminary Home Chapel

4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation 7:30PM Lenten Midweek Worship

8:15PM Choir

Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session

7:30PM Fellowship Club at Janice Kassen's

Next Sunday: Second Sunday in Lent

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Herman & Sue von Knobelsdorff

Thursday - David Dressen Friday - Luke Augustin

IN OUR PRAYERS

Phillip Sorenson, Melissa Barbey, Barbara Vieths, Janis Thomford, Willard Holst, and Lester Burns (recovering from surgery).

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" - Sunday, March 4

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

"Faith Sees Through Suffering"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz

Jesus suffered on the cross for us. In His strength, we are willing to suffer and bear the cross for others. (Mark 8:27-35)

Life Quotes

February 26 "I pray that as you move through Lent toward that empty tomb, that you will contemplate the awful price Jesus paid for you. I pray that you will rejoice and live in the victory Christ has purchased and freely gives. I pray that you will share the message of the value this gives to every human being." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life* – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

Lenten Midweek Series

For midweek worship this Lent, Pastor is pleased to present a preaching series he has developed entitled: "Psalms of Penitence and Passion." One of Pastor's theological interests is the Messianic character of the Psalter. During Lent we will explore how this Old Testament book of praise points to Christ and His Cross. The remaining dates, Psalms, and themes are as follows:

February 29 (Midweek Two): Psalm 40 - "Pit of Suffering" March 7 (Midweek Three): Psalm 41 - "Betrayal by Brother" March 14 (Midweek Four): Psalm 35 - "Wrongfully Accused" March 21 (Midweek Five): Psalm 31 - "Safe Deposit" March 28 (Midweek Six): Psalm 69 - "Substitute for Sinners" April 5 (Maundy Thursday): Psalm 116 - "Cup of Salvation" April 6 (Good Friday): Psalm 22 - "God Forsaken" April 8 (Easter): Psalm 16 - "Dead and Gone? No Way!"

Catechism Review

What does God forbid in the Fourth Commandment?

God forbids us to despise our parents and other authorities by not respecting them or angering them by our disobedience or by any other kind of sin.

What does God require of us in the Fourth Commandment? God requires us A) to honor our parents and other authorities by regarding them as God's representatives; B) to serve our parents and other authorities by gladly providing what they need or require; C) to obey our parents and other authorities in everything in which God has placed them over us; D) to love and cherish our parents and other authorities as precious gifts of God; E) to show respect to the aged.