

ANNOUNCEMENTS – JANUARY 14, 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday: 7:00PM Church Council
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30PM Choir
Thursday: The Confession of St. Peter: Acts 4:8-13; 2 Pet. 1:1-15; Mark 8:27-9:1
7:00PM Women's Bible Class
Friday: 9:30AM Villa Chapel
10:30AM KWNG Recording Session
5:00PM Wedding Rehearsal and Dinner
Saturday: 4:30PM Kliewer Wedding
Next Sunday: Third Sunday after the Epiphany
9:00AM Sunday School or Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Today - Mark Dicke
Monday - Carol Schafer

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome and recovering from knee replacement surgery), Bob Langhans, Jack Vold, Roy and Jane Krueger, and Kathy Voth (recovering from surgery).

SUPER BOWL SUBS

The confirmation mentorship group will once again be selling sub sandwiches for Super Bowl Sunday. The sandwiches must be pre-ordered and will cost \$3.50 per sandwich. There is a slight chance there will be extras, but don't plan on it. If you want to make sure you get a sandwich, order one today! Each order will come with a free homemade cookie! Order forms can be found on the Scrip table in the entryway. Please use one form per sandwich. Note: There will be no lettuce or condiments added to the sandwiches (they'd get soggy). Orders MUST be placed by Sunday, January, 28th. Please see Bonnie Kassen if you have any questions.

COFFEE MILL SKIING YOUTH EVENT

Pastor would like to take the youth group on a ski trip to a beautiful little ski hill in Wabasha on January 27th. We will meet at church at 3:00 PM. Skiing at Coffee Mill will be from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Cost is \$18 for a ticket, which is extremely reasonable in comparison to other local options. Ski rental equipment is \$20 and snowboard rental is \$32. If the cost is prohibitive for you and your family, please see Pastor Sorenson. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who plan on attending. Additional adult drivers may be needed. Other interested adults are encouraged to sign-up! You may pack your own meal or buy concessions at the chalet.

CHURCH COUNCIL AND ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING

The Church Council will convene this Tuesday at 7:00 PM to plan the agenda for the Annual Voters' Meeting. The Voters of the congregation will gather at 7:30 PM on the 30th of January for the Annual Meeting. Please note: we are including an intentional two week gap between the Council Meeting and the Voters' Meeting in case any information needs to be gathered in advance of the latter meeting.

HAY CREEK CRAFTERS

You may have noticed a new activity on the church calendar for the last Saturday of January. "Hay Creek Crafters" is the new name for the original Stampin' With the Spirit group that has been meeting for close to 15 years! It was decided that a name change was needed to reflect the fact that not everyone that comes completes rubber stamping or scrapbooking projects. In fact, we've had people knit, crochet and even quilt during our gatherings. Anyone who has a hobby that they want to dedicate a little extra time doing is encouraged to come to our monthly gathering anytime between 9-5. Invite friends, neighbors, spouses; anyone is welcome! Beginning in 2018, we will be gathering monthly following the school year calendar. Lunch is no longer being served, so please pack a lunch, or pick something up from Dressen's. The coffee pot will be on, a devotion will be read, and you can spend some quality time enjoying the company of fellow crafters. Please join us! For more information, contact Bonnie Kassen ([651-923-4884](tel:651-923-4884)) or cell: [651-764-5902](tel:651-764-5902))

LIFE QUOTE

January 14 "The church must be reminded that it is ... the conscience of the state ... It must be the guide and the critic of the state ... If the church does not recapture its prophetic zeal, it will become an irrelevant social club without moral or spiritual authority." *Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, January 21, 2018

6:05AM on WCCO-AM (830), Minneapolis

6:00PM on KDHL-AM (920), Faribault

"Meeting Millennials Where They're at"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer

Robots can't produce disciples. How can we mentor those who don't know Jesus, or don't know Him well enough? [Mark 1:14-20 (Jesus calls His first disciples.)]

MCCL MARCH FOR LIFE

On January 22, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions legalized abortion-on-demand nationwide. Each year, pro-life Minnesotans mark the anniversary of Roe and Doe with the MCCL March for Life at the State Capitol in St. Paul. The purpose of the March is to commemorate the lives lost to abortion (and the women and men who have been hurt as a result) and to call for renewed respect and protection for all members of the human family, including unborn children and their mothers. The March For Life begins at 12:00 PM at the State Capitol. It will be followed by a brief program on the Capitol steps at 12:30. MCCL will introduce its legislative agenda for the upcoming session during the program. Many pro-life elected officials are expected to attend the March and will be introduced to the crowd.

For further information on the MCCL March For Life, visit <https://www.mccl.org/march> or contact Pastor James Kroonblawd, MNS District Life Coordinator, at [651-454-7235](tel:651-454-7235). Pastor Sorenson would be pleased to drive fellow adults or students who would like to attend.

CATECHISM REVIEW

The Second Article: Redemption

What do the Scriptures teach about Christ's resurrection?

They teach that on the third day Christ victoriously rose from the grave and showed Himself alive to His disciples.

Why is Christ's resurrection so important and comforting?

Christ's resurrection proves that

- A. Christ is the Son of God;
- B. His doctrine is the truth;
- C. God the Father accepted Christ's sacrifice for the reconciliation of the world;
- D. all believers in Christ will rise to eternal life.