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The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 25, 2012

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's Songbook: "All God's People Sing"

Pre-Service Music Ringing of the Bell

Cross Processional

P: Behold, the Lamb of God!

C: Lord, have mercy.

(Speak three times)

Invocation

P: O God, Father in heaven,

C: have mercy on us.

P: O Son of God. Redeemer of the world.

C: have mercy on us.

P: O God, the Holy Spirit,

C: have mercy on us.

Lenten Song: "Lamb of God, You Take Away" AGPS #153

Confession

- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- C: Who made heaven and earth.
- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for self-examination and personal confession)

- P: O almighty God,
- C: We admit and confess our sinfulness. We have turned away from You and our neighbors in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for these our sins. Have mercy on us, kind Father, because of the obedience of our Brother, Jesus Christ, Your Son. Forgive us all that is past, and with the power of the Holy Spirit move us to serve You with greater faithfulness. Set our feet upon the new path of life, and build Your kingdom through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- P: God has promised forgiveness of sin to those who repent. May He keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit, lead you to greater faith and obedience, and bring you to live with Him forever in heaven.

C: Amen.

Psalm Song: "I Will Sing of the Mercies" AGPS #133

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day, spoken by Pastor

Song of God's Word: "Let Me Learn of Jesus" AGPS #156

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

Choral Offering: "Be Still My Soul" Setting: Craig Courtney

Epistle Hebrews 5:1-10

Lenten Verse: "Jesus, Remember Me" AGPS #146 (Sing twice)

Apostles' Creedp. 29 in AGPS

Children's Message: "Who Gets the Trophy?"

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Song of the Day: "Make Me a Servant" AGPS #174

(Sing twice)

Sermon: "God's Promise to Forget"

Offering

Offering Song: "God Is So Good" #107

Prayers of God's People

P: Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayerp. 30 in AGPS Blessing

Closing Song: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" AGPS #102

Silent Prayer Announcements Dismissal

Palm Sunday Brunch - April 1

New Horizons will be hosting a brunch following the service next Sunday.

All members of the congregation are invited to participate. Please check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for food items that you would be able to donate and for areas where help is needed.

New Horizons' members are also asked to bring 1½ dozen muffins, donuts, or sweet rolls and one bottle of pancake syrup.

Lenten Midweek Service

Everyone is invited to attend a forty-five minute service this Wednesday, March 28th. Pastor will continue his preaching series: "Psalms of Penitence and Passion." This week's focus will be on Psalm 69 and the theme is "Substitute for Sinners." Psalm 69 is one of the great Old Testament prophecies of our Lord's suffering and death for us. Hope you can make it!

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 4:00PM Lenten Choral Vespers with Dr. James

Lamb, Executive Director of Lutherans for

Life - Christ LCMS, Rochester

6:15PM Biotechnology Presentation with Dr. Lamb

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Wednesday: 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 Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion

11:45AM Palm Sunday Brunch

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Myron Alms

Monday - Eric Stumpf, William K. Langhans

Tuesday - Brady Meyer
Wednesday - Kevin Schafer
Thursday - Gretchen Kelm
Friday - Tara Goranson
Saturday - Bruce Holst

IN OUR PRAYERS

Phillip Sorenson, Melissa Barbey, Barbara Vieths, Janis Thomford, Willard Holst, Cathy Hamilton and Brad Kolberg (healing from surgery).

Catechism Review
The Sixth Commandment
You shall not commit adultery.
What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

How do we lead a sexually pure and decent life?

We lead a sexually pure and decent life when we: A) consider sexuality to be a good gift of God; B) honor marriage as God's institution, the lifelong union of one man and one woman; C) reserve sexual intercourse for the marriage partner alone; D) control sexual urges in a God-pleasing way.

Life Quotes

March 25 "God entered the darkness of a sinful world in the darkness of a womb. Jesus' body was knit together there—a body necessary to live a holy life on our behalf, a body necessary to bear the 'yoke and burden' of the punishment for sin upon a cross, a body necessary to be placed in a tomb and rise again in victory over sin and death. Baptized into this death and resurrection, God declares us holy and joyful victors!" *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life* — A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, April 1
8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)
"April Fools? Or an April Call to Faith?"
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Gregory Seltz
A servant Messiah? A humble King? This is no April Fool's joke.
It's an April call to faith in Jesus for life, now and forever.
(Phil. 2:5-11)