

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD
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October 7, 2012

**“Salted for Service”
2012 LWML Sunday Worship Service**

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.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's spiritual blessing or to one's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all confirmed members of Immanuel and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

Prelude
Welcome
Ring of the Bell

Invocation and Announcement of the Day

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League is "Salted for Service" – to witness to Christ in Word and deed, to show acts of mercy around the world, and to share one another's burdens in our church's life together. Through the offerings of the LWML, hundreds of projects in our districts, in the Synod, in our partner churches and all around the globe have been funded so that the Gospel of free forgiveness in Jesus is shared. This morning we give thanks to God for His many blessings given through the LWML. We pray for the Lord's continued guidance on these women as they "Serve the Lord with gladness" (Psalm 100:2).

Opening Hymn: "For All the Faithful Women" #855 Verses 1, 3-4

LWML Theme Verse: Matthew 5:13

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men."

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

LWML Prayer, spoken in unison

Gracious Father, You direct Your people to use their gifts in service to others. Receive our thanks and praise for the faithful service of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. May love and faithfulness to Your Word abound among all of God's people, and may we continue to serve the Lord with gladness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Genesis 2:18-25

Epistle Hebrews 2:1-13

Holy Gospel Mark 10:2-16

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Hymn of the Day: #704, "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

Sermon: "You Are Salt"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord, since it is our intention to come to the Holy Supper of Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and prepare our hearts to receive Him who comes to us in His body and blood.

(Silence for self-examination)

P: Holy and gracious God,

C: I confess that I have sinned against You. Some of my sin I know - the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed - but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask for forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may serve You in peace.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

C: Amen.

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Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Distribution Hymns:

#629, "What Is This Bread"

#570, "Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

#617, "O Lord, We Praise Thee"

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

LWML League Pledge

P: In thanksgiving to God for His mercies shown to us in Jesus Christ, and for the opportunities for service in His Kingdom through the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, let us speak together the LWML pledge.

C: In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption, we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

LWML Closing Hymn: "Serve the Lord with Gladness!"

Text: Prof. Ernest Lewerenz; Tune: St. Gertrude, #662

1)

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" It is He alone
Who redeemed us sinners, Guides us as His own
To enjoy the blessings Of His love and grace,
Will at last in glory Meet us face to face.

Refrain:

Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name.

2)

"Serve the Lord with gladness" He gave us command
To proclaim His Gospel Now in every land
So that fellow sinners May, like us, be blest.
Leading them to Jesus, We can serve Him best.

Refrain

3)

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" There's no greater joy
Than to serve the Master, Work in His employ.
As we build His kingdom Angels, too, rejoice
Over every sinner Brought to hear His voice.

Refrain

Silent Prayer/Chimes
Announcements
Postlude

LWML Joyshop - Survival: Loving While Living
October 13 - Concordia, Red Wing

Ladies: Join your sisters in Christ for an uplifting day of Bible study, fellowship, food and fun! Cost is \$12, including lunch. District Pastoral Counselor Lowell Sorenson will be leading the topic. Please check the bulletin board for additional details.

Bierstube Family Bowling Night

Many thanks to Jerry Kohn for again arranging our church bowling night schedule for the year. The first family night of bowling will be held on Sunday, October 14th, at 6:00 PM. The cost is \$1 per game and \$2 for shoes. Everyone is invited to attend and you are encouraged to bring friends. No particular bowling skill is required; this is all about fellowship and having fun! If you have further questions, please speak with Jerry Kohn (388-7590). A full schedule for the year has been posted on the bulletin board.

Corn Maze Youth Event

On Saturday, October 20th, Pastor will lead a youth outing to the Afton Corn Maze. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who wish to participate. You may bring friends from outside the congregation. We will leave from church at 3:00PM. Please bring \$8 for admission and additional money for snacks. If this is a financial hardship for you, please speak with Pastor Sorenson in private and he will resolve the matter.

Catechism Review

How does the universe still depend on God?

God sustains all things by His wisdom and power.

Why are there evil and suffering in this world?

Evil and suffering are in the world because of sin. But in the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God has demonstrated His power over sin and death. God in His almighty power and love causes all things to work together for good to those who love Him.

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Wednesday: 2:00PM Seminary Home Chapel Service
4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30PM Choir
Thursday: 7:30PM Women's Bible Study
Saturday: 9AM-3PM LWML Joyshop – Concordia, Red Wing
Next Sunday: 20th Sunday after Pentecost
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship
6:00PM Bierstube Family Bowling Night

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Monday - Bonnie McRae
Wednesday - Greg Germann, Brian Goranson, Kim Laffey, Gretel Meyer
Thursday - Linda Diercks, Rick Stemmann
Saturday - Jada Scheele

IN OUR PRAYERS

Melissa Barbey, Willard Holst, and Cathy Hamilton.

Life Quotes

October 7 "How can we speak of the termination of a pregnancy when what we really mean is the destruction of a human life? How can we talk of therapeutic abortion when pregnancy is not a disease needing therapy and what abortion effects is not a cure but a killing? How can we talk of abortion as a kind of retroactive contraception when what it does is not prevent conception but destroy the conceptus? We need to have the courage to use accurate language. Abortion is feticide: the destruction of an unborn child. It is the shedding of innocent blood, and any society that can tolerate this, let alone legislate for it, has ceased to be civilized." *John Stott, English Christian leader and Anglican cleric* – A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, October 14

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

"Nothing"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus
Many things used to come with a guarantee. God's promises still do.
(Romans 8:37-39)