

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD**  
**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK**  
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**16th Sunday After Pentecost**

**September 16, 2007**

**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:		Citizenship Day
Tuesday:	6:00PM	150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee
	7:00PM	Board of Elders
Wednesday:	5:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	7:30PM	Choir – Fellowship Hall
Thursday:	2:00PM	Ladies Aid Guest Day
	7:00PM	CILS Board of Education - Concordia
Friday:		St. Matthew-Apostle: Ezek. 2:8-3:11, Eph. 4:7-16; Matt. 9:9-13
Next Sunday:	9:00AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:00AM	Fellowship Time
	10:30AM	Worship with Baptism of Samantha Jean Langhans

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Today - Tricia Callstrom, Russell Carlson  
Monday - Ruth Alms  
Wednesday - Mary Langhans, Jean Stumpf  
Thursday - Warren Abell  
Saturday - Elle Goranson, Emme Goranson, Molly Goranson

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Pastor Lyle Kath (undergoing cancer treatment); Margie Stumpf (healing); Harold Augustin (healing); Tom Kolberg (healing); Paul Nystuen (resurgence of bladder cancer); Kim Burns (recovering from eye surgery); Syvilla Madsen (healing); Kevin Augustin (healing from heart surgery); Irene Pasche (healing); Dorothy Bremer (for strength and peace as she faces terminal cancer).

**“THE LUTHERAN HOUR” – Sunday, September 23  
8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)**

**Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus**

**“Make an Angel Happy”**

What does it take to make an angel joyful? Listen to next week’s Lutheran Hour message on the radio or pick it up anytime on the Web at [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org). You can receive daily devotions written by Pastor Ken Klaus at [www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp](http://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp). (Luke 16:15)

### **Fall Harvest Festival and Building Dedication**

Mark your calendars! On October 14<sup>th</sup>, we will dedicate our new building and enjoy a fall harvest festival with a chili lunch and auction. Invite your family and friends to this joyous occasion! If you have products or services you would like to donate for the church auction, please contact Jim Dicke, Karen Stemmann or Donna Meyer. Items we have so far for the auction include: Canadian fish fillets, Alaskan halibut, chickens, bag of alfalfa, ½ beef. Help is also needed in providing food and making chili for the lunch. If you are able to help, please check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

### **Life Quote – September 16**

“Human embryos are not potential human beings but human beings with potential ... Have we not yet learned that devaluing one group of human beings for the alleged benefit of others is a price we simply cannot afford to pay?” *Dr. Andrew Fergusson, President, Council on Bioethics and Human Dignity. A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life /* [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

### **Pro-Life Evening**

Come and hear an energetic pro-life speaker from the Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life State Office. The event will take place on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 7 to 9 PM in Holy Trinity Hall in Goodhue. The address is 211 Fourth Street North. This is a free event and refreshments will be served. Come learn the truth about embryonic stem-cell research, taxpayer funding of abortion, euthanasia of disabled persons, human cloning, and abortion on demand. Come and find out how you as a pro-life citizen can make a difference and save lives.

### **Attention Sunday School Teachers and Parents of 5<sup>th</sup> Graders!**

The Presentation of Bibles to our 5<sup>th</sup> graders as well as the Placing of Sunday School Teachers for the 2007-08 year will take place during the worship service on September 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:30AM. Please mark your calendars and plan to participate. Please let Pastor Sorenson know if you are unable to attend. Thanks!

### **LWML Rally For Families!**

Parents, what do you wish for your child’s future? A never ending string of meaningless relationships, teenage pregnancy, painful breakups, sexually transmitted diseases, divorce, remarriage, etcetera? Or, high school and college years marked by success in the classroom, fun times with friends, triumphs on the sporting field, learning responsibility with their first jobs, and meeting and marrying their true love? Join us on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Rochester, 869 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, for a presentation followed by discussion concerning purity, courtship, and God’s loving plan for our children’s lives. The presenter is Pastor Jon Unverzagt, a speaker at the National Lutherans for Life Conference and director of Faith on Fire Drama ministry. The presentation is appropriate for parents and their teens. Parents are encouraged to attend with their young adults. Resources will be available for both parents and teens. Lunch will be served. To register in advance or to ask questions, please call Sandy Weiden at 287-6885 or 507-951-6901. Advance registration is requested, but not required. The cost is \$5 per person to cover lunch.

### **Red Wing’s Pregnancy Center Has Moved**

The office of the New Beginnings Pregnancy Center and Family Services has moved to a new location. The center is still providing all the great things as before, just in a new, more visible location. Stop in and check it out behind Taco John’s and across the street from the YMCA. The new address is 120 Broad Street and the e-mail is [www.newbeginningsspc.com](mailto:www.newbeginningsspc.com). For those in need of the crisis line, the number is 651-267-4357. Thank you.

### **Flood Relief**

As you are aware, the rains of the third weekend in August resulted in flooding in southeastern Minnesota. Among those affected are members of congregations of our beloved church body and their spiritual leaders. The following is a list of affected congregations: Our Savior's in Eyota, Messiah in LaCrescent, Immanuel in Lewiston, Redeemer in Owatonna, St. John in Rushford, St. Mark in Rushford, St. Matthew in St. Charles, Grace in Stockton, St. Martin and Redeemer in Winona. This morning we will have a special offering basket available for those who would like to contribute to the Minnesota South District Flood Relief Efforts. Please make checks out to Immanuel Lutheran Church. All funds will then be combined and sent in one check to the district office. Thank you!

### **Help for Victims of Hurricane Katrina**

On August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005, Hurricane Katrina made landfall, leaving behind a path of destruction covering in excess of 90,000 square miles (the state of Minnesota is 84,402 square miles). Over a million households were displaced and over 85,000 homes were damaged or destroyed. Since then, thousands of Christians like you have generously given spiritually, emotionally, physically, and financially to help the people of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. The work is far from over! Even though progress has been made on hundreds of houses, thousands remain untouched. Please pray for the ongoing relief efforts and for the people affected by the storm. Visit [www.lcmsrelief.org](http://www.lcmsrelief.org) and sponsor a family through "Church to Family" and help some folks get back into their home. Financial gifts may also be sent to Camp Restore at 9301 Chef Menteur Highway, New Orleans, LA 70127 or to Camp Biloxi at 1996 Pass Road, Biloxi, MS 39531. Thanks for your consideration.

### **Connecting Connection**

Red Wing's Connecting Connection is a charity that collects donated items, refurbishes them if necessary, and sends them on to the needy. At this time we are accepting the following donations: school supplies, toiletries, toys, stuffed animals, children's clothing, baby furniture, and some other furniture items. We are also in need of volunteer office help. For information, please call 388-1900. If you would like to make a donation, please send to the Connecting Connection at 1923 Bush Street. Thank you.