THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH – HAY CREEK 24686 OLD CHURCH ROAD, RED WING, MN 55066

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First Sunday After The Epiphany January 9, 2011

The Baptism of Our Lord

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.

The Order of Morning Prayerpp. 235-242 Prelude
Welcome and Ringing of the Bell Opening Verse, Gloria Patri, and Alleluia
Psalm 2:7-11, 12c; antiphon: Isa. 42:1a
Office Hymn: #598, "Once in the Blest Baptismal Waters"
Old Testament Reading
Epistle
Response
Holy Gospel
Responsesp. 238
Hymn of the Day: #405, "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"
Sermon: Servant or Sovereign?
Offering
Canticle: "Benedictus,"
Collect of the Day Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving
P: Let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.
Collect for Grace, Lord's Prayerp. 241
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Benedictionp. 242
Closing Hymn: #596, "All Christians Who Have Been Baptized"
Chimes/Silent Prayer
Announcements
Postlude

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today:	11:30AM	New Horizons Potluck/Christmas Clean-up
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7:30PM Nybo's Family Night

Tuesday: 7:00PM Board of Elders (rescheduled) Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

7:30PM Choir

Thursday: 7:30PM Women's Bible Study

Next Sunday: Second Sunday after the Epiphany

9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class

10:00AM Fellowship Time

10:30AM Worship with Holy Communion

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Today - Christine Ballman, M/M Ryan Holm

Monday - Travis Edquist Wednesday - Craig Duden

Thursday - Pam Dahl, Caleb Dicke

Friday - Mark Dicke, Heidi Southworth

Saturday - Analise Dressen, Carol Schafer, Jamey & Leah Ahlgrim

IN OUR PRAYERS

Healing: Philip Sorenson (recovering from full pancreatectomy), Dave Dicke (still waiting for a transplant), Joanne Meyr (recovering from cancer treatments on her leg), Sue Dicke, Mark Yahn (for peace during hospice care), Lori Ramig (recovering from a heart transplant), Bill Langhans (recovering from heart surgery), Irene Pasche (recovering from a heart attack), Irene Gerdes (healing for her wrist), Steven Finstad (a Marine serving in Afghanistan who is a friend of Ryan Kassen), Wayne Thomforde, Judith Whipple and the family and friends of Gwen Thomforde (as they reflect on her passing).

Thank You for Your Care and Generosity

Last week's door offering was a success! The crisis for one Lake City family was averted when Pastor presented a check to the landlord to cover the rent. Thank you to all those who gave to help a neighbor in need. In the Parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus asked: "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise." (Luke 10:36-37)

Sunday Morning Bible Class

Over the next few weeks, Pastor will speak on the unChristian cults that exist in our community. The errors of the Jehovah's Witnesses and the Mormons will be exposed and corrected in light of Sacred Scripture. All are welcome to attend the discussions.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, January 16

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

"Don't Get Alarmed"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

When a problem's solution becomes instantly clear, that's an "Aha! Moment." When we are perplexed and afraid, Jesus shows us that God is

in control. Aha! (Matthew 24:1-6)

The Brief Statement of the Doctrinal Position of the Missouri Synod (1932) On the Holy Scriptures (Paragraph 2)

We furthermore teach regarding the Holy Scriptures that they are given by God to the Christian Church for the foundation of faith, Eph. 2:20. Hence the Holy Scriptures are the sole source from which all doctrines proclaimed in the Christian Church must be taken and therefore, too, the sole rule and norm by which all teachers and doctrines must be examined and judged. – With the Confessions of our Church we teach also that the "rule of faith" (analogia fidei) according to which the Holy Scriptures are to be understood are the clear passages of the Scriptures themselves which set forth the individual doctrines. (Apology, Triglot, p. 441, Paragraph 60; Mueller, p. 684). The rule of faith is not the man-made so-called "totality of Scripture" ("Ganzes der Schrift").

Youth Ski Trip

Pastor is planning a trip to Welch Village for the youth of our congregation. The event is scheduled for Saturday, January 29th at 3:00 in the afternoon. We will meet at church and then proceed to the ski hill as a group. The cost for just a lift ticket is \$23. You may purchase the full package (which includes lift ticket, rental equipment, and a lesson) for \$39. Please bring extra money for food. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who are able to attend. You may invite friends; however, please make sure that they are also signed up. Adult chaperones are also welcome to join us for the event.

Radio Devotion Program

Would you like to sponsor a week of devotions on Red Wing's KWNG radio station? Pastor speaks the Gospel to our community five days out of every week. You may sponsor a week in memory of someone or in thanksgiving for a special event in your life, or you may pay for a week without having your name mentioned on air. It is your choice. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. Offerings to this program should go into the regular collection plate and should be marked "radio program" on the envelope or in the memo line on the check. Thanks for helping others to hear the Good News!!

Council and Voters' Meetings

The annual meeting of the Voters' Assembly will be held on Tuesday, January 25th, at 7:30 PM. If you are not a member of the voters and would like to join, please speak with Pastor or one of the elders at your earliest convenience. All members of the church council are encouraged to attend a meeting on January 18th at 7:00 PM in order to prepare for the discussions at the annual meeting. Thank you.

Information Due for Annual Report

Reports from committees and officers of the congregation are now due. Please prepare your summaries in the next few weeks and get them to Karen Stemmann or Pastor Sorenson. The information will be compiled and included in the 2010 Annual Report of the congregation. Thank you.

Life Quotes

January 9 "The second truth of life is that every life is bought with a price. Even though we are the handiwork of God, sin separated us from our Maker. He had every right to abandon us, to turn us over to 'human cunning' and 'deceitful schemes' (Ephesians 4:14). But the truth of life is, God loved what He made with His hands so much that He was willing to pay dearly to buy us back. On the cross, Jesus became our sin, suffered our punishment, and died our death. Paid in full!" Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life — A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life — www.lutheransforlife.org