

# Luther Memorial Church and School

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9:00am Sunday School & Bible Class • 10:00am Worship Service

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**Pre-service Meditation:** ..... "He Lives" N. Radichel 3.21.05

As I examine Your creation  
The glory of land, sky, and sea  
In a life of frustration  
I think of all You've done for me  
*You have blessed me with many riches  
You have blessed me with family  
Although You give and take away  
You have blessed me with all I need*

And as I ponder my salvation  
The life You've bought back for me  
Your life Your death Your crucifixion  
Your words of comfort help me to see  
*You have been blessed me with many riches  
Most of which cannot be seen  
Although my heart is very wicked  
On You alone I will lean*

**For I know my Redeemer lives  
And what great comfort this sentence gives  
For He lives, yes He lives He who once was dead  
He lives to bring me home, just like He said**

May 1, 2011 **Quasimodogeniti, the second Sunday after Easter(of 7)**  
*Paraments up front remain white, reminding us of Christ's glory that is now ours!*

Welcome to all! This week's Focus:  
**Our new life is built on faith in our risen Savior!**

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**Today's Hymns:**

**202 ♦ 728 ♦ 307, 315 (Communion) ♦ 203**

Bells – Opening Prayer

**Opening Hymn: #202 [Red Hymnal]**

**THE INVOCATION**

*We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

**PASTOR:** Christ is risen!

**CONGREGATION:** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**PASTOR:** We continue our celebration of Christ's resurrection in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**CONGREGATION SINGS:** [Red hymnal #198:1]

**He's risen, He's risen, Christ Jesus the Lord:  
He opened Death's prison, the Incarnate Word.  
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song,  
And earth, sea, and mountain, the praises prolong.**

**OUR CONFESSION & GOD'S ABSOLUTION OF SINS**

*We come before our Holy God recognizing that we sin daily and need His forgiveness.*

**PASTOR:** The joy of our Lord's Resurrection endures. This joy is not simply an academic matter, nor a fleeting emotion, rather it forms the basis for an entirely new life of hope; the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ reorders our earthly lives around an entirely new and different set of priorities. Instead of living for self which dooms us, we live for Him Who says, "Because I live, you shall live also."

**CONGREGATION SINGS:** [Red hymnal #198:3]

**Oh, where is thy sting, Death? We fear thee no more;  
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.  
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;  
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.**

**PASTOR:** And so we pray:

**CONGREGATION:** Dear Father in heaven, we worship and adore You because You have raised Your Son from the dead,

and made Him to be Lord over all in heaven and earth. Fill us with confidence that in our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, He fights all threats that would lead us away from Your love for us. Destroy in us any fear that death might separate us from Your mercy.

As sinful human beings, we long for some proof, like seeing or even touching our risen Lord. Comfort us with His assurance that we are blessed as a people not seeing and yet believing. Oh Holy Spirit, roll away the stone of all our doubts, and give us the courage and strength to live under the freedom of living as those who have been delivered from death to life. Raise us each day from the depths of sin, to the joys of forgiveness, and let us walk before You in righteousness; all this we pray in the name of our risen Lord and Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**CONGREGATION SINGS:** [Red hymnal #198:4]

Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;  
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice!  
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain,  
Who sitteth in glory and ever shall reign!

### OUR SCRIPTURE LESSON FOR TODAY – John 20:10-31

**CONGREGATION SINGS:** [Red Hymnal, p.20]



In this extended **Gospel Lesson** we see our risen Lord Jesus appearing to Mary in the Garden of Gethsemane, and then to the disciples in the upper room, likely the same upper room where He instituted the Lord's Supper and foretold of His death and resurrection. We see ourselves, at times also, through the doubting eyes of Thomas. May Jesus bless us with the faith He speaks of here and encourages us to have now!

10 Then the disciples went away again to their own homes. 11 But Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb. 12 And she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. 13 Then they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." 14 Now when she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing *there*, and did not know that it was Jesus. 15 Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?"

Whom are you seeking?" She, supposing Him to be the gardener, said to Him, "Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away." 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him, "Rabboni!" (which is to say, Teacher). 17 Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.' " 18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and *that* He had spoken these things to her.

19 Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When He had said this, He showed them *His* hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on *them*, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they are retained." 24 Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." 26 And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!"

27 Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here*, and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." 28 And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed.



Blessed are those who have not seen and *yet* have believed." 30 And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

## I WILL PRAISE YOU

*Antiphon*

This is the day the Lord has made, let us re-  
 joice and be glad! This is the day the  
 Lord has made, let us re - joice and be glad!

*Psaln Tone*

I will praise You, for You have answered me,\*  
 And have become my salvation.

The stone which the builders rejected  
 Has become the chief cornerstone.\*  
 This was the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

*Antiphon*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!\*  
 We have blessed you from the house of the LORD.

God is the LORD, and He has given us light;\*  
 Bind the sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will praise You;\*  
 You are my God, I will exalt You.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
 and to the Holy Spirit,  
 as it was in the beginning,\*  
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Antiphon*

## OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH

*In the words of Luther's Explanation to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Article*

**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.**

**I believe that He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death.**

**I believe all this He did that I should be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He has risen from death and lives and rules eternally.**

**This is most certainly true.**

**Hymn: #728 [Tan Worship Supplement]**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

*But Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven.'" ~Matthew 19:14*

### SERMON

*Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" ~Luke 11:28*

**1 Peter 1:3-9** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, **4** to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, **5** who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. **6** In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, **7** that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, **8** whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, **9** receiving the end of your faith -- the salvation of your souls.

**FAITH: "IT IS A COLLECTION OF LESSONS LEARNED!"**

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| 1. <b>A Hope...</b>     | <b>Anchored in Christ!</b>    |
| 2. <b>A Treasure...</b> | <b>You CAN take with you!</b> |
| 3. <b>A Joy...</b>      | <b>Tested, yet Unseen.</b>    |

## **THE OFFERTORY**

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.*

**CONGREGATION SINGS** [*Red hymnal, pg. 22*]:

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence;  
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation;  
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**OUR OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD**

*"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." ~ 2 Corinthians 9:7*

*~ Chimers ~*

### **SPECIAL PRAYERS ~ GENERAL PRAYER**

#### **THE SERVICE OF SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR:**

*Individual PRE/POST Communion Prayer: pg. 118 [Red Hymnal]*

**PASTOR:** Having heard the Word of God, the congregation may stand or kneel at this time, and confess our sins to God.  
*(Kneelers are available under the pews on the right side of church)*

**ALL:** Almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**PASTOR:** Knowing that God searches the heart, I ask you, are you sorry that you have sinned against Him in thought, word, and deed; and do you pray, with a sorrowful and repentant heart, to hope to amend your sinful life with the help of the Holy Spirit? Then declare so by saying, "Yes, with the help of God."

**CONGREGATION:** "Yes, with the help of God."

**PASTOR:** Upon this confession of your sins, I announce the grace and peace of God to you, and by the authority and command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. ~Arise in the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**PASTOR:** May the Lord be with you!

## CONGREGATION SINGS:



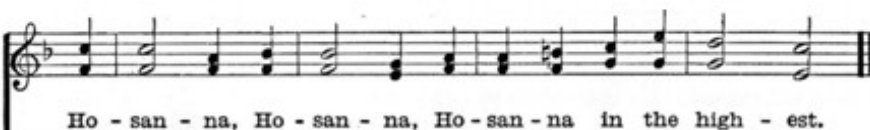
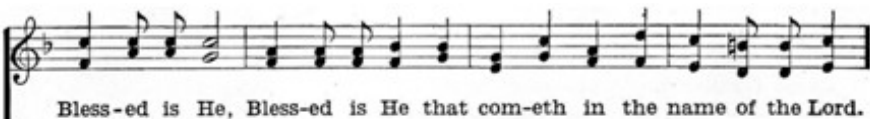
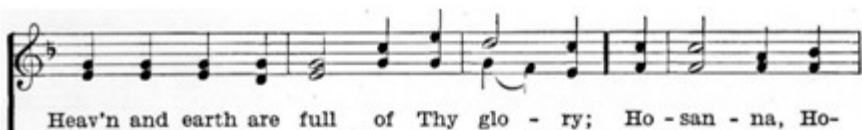
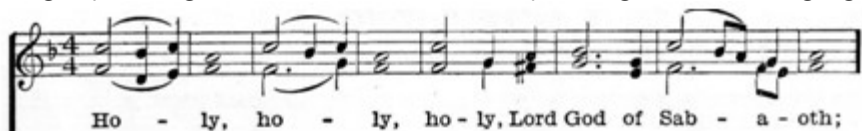
**PASTOR:** Let us lift up our hearts!



**PASTOR:** It is right and spiritually beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord:

But chiefly are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world; who by His death has destroyed death and by His rising to life again has restored to us everlasting life.

Therefore with angels and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing...



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL:** Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever and ever. Amen.

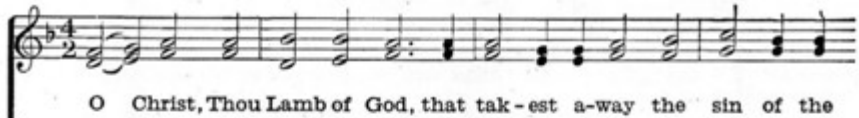
## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time*

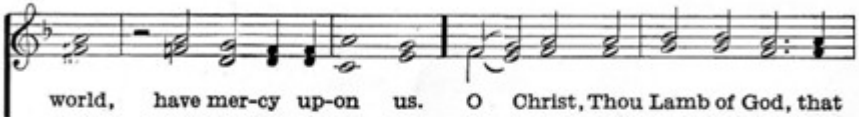
**PASTOR:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me." *May this peace of the Lord be with you always! Amen.*

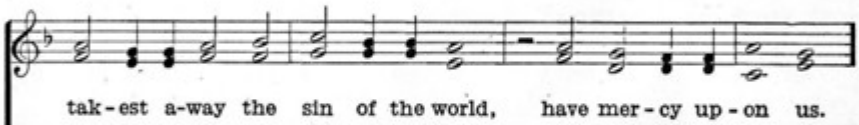
## **CONGREGATION SINGS:**



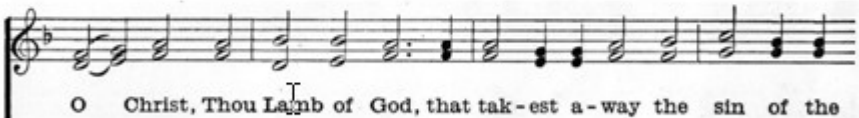
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. . . A - - - - - men.

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: #307 & #315 [Red Hymnal]**

**Our practice of Communion** (see blue handout in entryway track rack)

We believe that God desires unity of faith and confession among all who commune together. All communicant members of Luther Memorial and of our sister congregations in the CLC (Church of the Lutheran Confession) are welcome at the Lord's Table. If there are visitors present who wish to commune with us in the future, you are invited to speak with the pastor about this at your convenience.

### **Communing**

Members who have difficulty at the kneeling rail may sit in the front pew on either side. The pastor will bring communion to you there. Communicants are ushered to the communion table. If you desire the bread or cup in your hand, simply extend your hand to the pastor as he approaches you with the bread or wine.

## **THANKSGIVING**

**CONGREGATION SINGS:** [Red hymnal, #315:15]

**My heart has now become Your dwelling, O blessed holy Trinity,  
With angels I, Your praises telling, shall live in joy eternally.  
Lord may Your body and Your blood be for my soul the highest good!**

## **THE BENEDICTION**

*The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).*

P: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace. Amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN: #203 [Red Hymnal]**

~ Silent Prayer ~

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Welcome to all! Guests, please sign our guest book in entryway and we hope you will come and join us again! Take a moment to read through the announcements for some news and notes: (920) 922-7421

***"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15***

### **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Today: Brief Council Meeting:** Immediately following service.

**MON: 6:30pm** Chimes Choir

**TUES: 6pm** Mother-Daughter Tea

**THUR: 9am** Woman's Bible Study in the office

**FRI: 1:30pm** 75er's **SPRING PARTY** at church.

**7pm** LM Softball game at Schneider Field (Hickory/Arndt)

**SUN: 9am Bible Study – James 4 / 10am Worship Service**

**INSTALLATION** next Sunday of Stewardship Captains

**TV CHURCH:** Currently unavailable. We are working on a solution!

**ENTRYWAY ITEMS:** *You may find copies of these items in the entryway:* 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Voters Minutes, April Ladies meeting minutes, CLC March Financial Statement, Arise and Shine Retreat Info (bulletin board), Fall Youth Conference Info, CLC KINSHIP Update, CLC E-Mission News

**MAY 22<sup>nd</sup> – SPRING MISSION FESTIVAL / CREATION SUNDAY** This year's Spring festival we are tying together with Creation Sunday. Bible class will focus on God's creation of both the physical and spiritual, as well as how we can share of all He's done!

**SPRING CHRISTIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL** Luther Memorial is hosting a Spring Christian Music Festival. We are inviting your congregation members not only to come, but to participate as well. We welcome musicians of any age, of every kind (vocal, solo/ensemble, instrumental - wind, string, brass, keyboard, etc.) as well as Christian music of every genre (baroque to contemporary).

**-Interested in coming to listen?** The SCMF will take place at **2 p.m. on Sunday, June 5th**, with a supper afterwards (LM will provide the table service, as well as meat and drinks. Those attending are encouraged to bring a bag of chips, a salad, and/or dessert.

**-Interested in being a participant?** Contact Pastor Neal Radichel -- [nealradichel@gmail.com](mailto:nealradichel@gmail.com) (920-922-7421) or Pastor Paul Krause -- [PTKrause@clclutheran.com](mailto:PTKrause@clclutheran.com) (920-398-2778) concerning what you would like to play or sing. We look forward to this being a wonderful opportunity in our fellowship for musicians to put their musical talents to use both for the enjoyment of those listening as well as to the glory of our gift-giving God.

**JUNE 6-7 CLC DELEGATE CONFERENCE** Two voting age men of the congregation are needed to represent Luther Memorial Church at the Great Lakes Delegate Conference at Hales Corners, WI. Time: 10:00 a.m. Monday, June 6, through Noon Tuesday, June 7. Please speak to Pastor if you would like to be considered for this important work of the LORD's Kingdom.

**YOUTH CONFERENCE 2011** – This year's Youth Conference will be held August 2-6, at a retreat center in Ellington, MO (about 2½ hours south of St. Louis). It is for young people who have completed grade 8 through the second year of college. The cost is \$275, plus transportation (Coordination of transportation is going on at this time from those who will be going from this area). Financial aid is available on a first come first serve basis. Speakers and organizers are from a number of CLC congregations. A bus will be available from Mankato. The conference will feature timely Christian topics, fellowship, and plenty of outdoor activities. Brochures and registration forms are available on the table in our church narthex, or see the Conference website online at: [www.youthconference.info](http://www.youthconference.info). The deadline for registrations is June 15 (late registration by July 15, at additional cost).

**CLC NEWS:** Due to timing issues, the collection box for the ILC Professor 2010 Christmas Gifts was not out for donations very long this year. We're facing a \$200 deficit. If you are able to help defray the cost, the box will be at the back of the church for the next two weeks.

**CALL NEWS** Leif Olmanson, instructor at Immanuel Lutheran High School, Mankato MN, has announced that he will be retiring on July 31st from the teaching ministry. <> The Rev. Caleb Schaller, Lynnwood WA, has returned the call to Ascension Lutheran, Batavia IL. <> Anita Meyer, Fond du Lac WI, has returned the call to Immanuel Lutheran School, Winter Haven FL. <> The Rev. David Fuerstenau, Ketchikan AK, has returned the call to Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA. <> Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, called member Julie Busch to serve as 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher in its school.

**THIS SUNDAY** Usher Team 2 = Don Seibel, Lowell Boelk – Ed Jacobs – Gene Meilke, Don Gescheidle **Organist: Mrs. Eserhut**

**NEXT SUNDAY** Usher Team 3 = Gordon Krause, Reuel Dins, Joh Herzberg, Tim Johannes, Steve Seibel **Organist: Mrs. Eserhut**

***Witnessing idea for the week:***

**Lord, grant to Your servants that with all boldness we may speak Your word. (Acts 4:29)**

**“Flyers”**

“Where's Luther Memorial?” This is something I've already heard a number of times. Surprisingly, there are many people in FDL who don't know about us or what we have to offer. Summer is coming soon. Let's share the news!

**Try this:** Pick up a handful(s) of flyers and pass them out to your neighbors!

**Or this:** Sign up today in entry on a flyer team to Middleton, WI. **July 17-19**

*If you have a witnessing idea for the week, please share it with pastor!*