



## LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL

(Grades K-8)

CLC - Church of the Lutheran Confession

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10:00 am Service    Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:00 am

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Principal Dave Bernthal

Teacher Amy Osborne

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6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 15, 2009

**Preparation for Worship:** Read Psalm 77 front of hymnal p. 139

The Hymns: 279, 760, 404:1, 245, 48:3

*Prayer: Lord God, heavenly Father, We beseech Thee, graciously abide among us with Thy blessing, and keep us from covetousness and the cares of this life, that we may seek first Thy kingdom and Thy righteousness, and in all things needful for body and soul, experience Thine ever-present help; through Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.*

**Bells – Opening Prayer**

**First Hymn** 279

### **THE INVOCATION**

*We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
(Hymnal, page 5 – Congregation Stands)*

**PASTOR** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen.**

### **THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS**

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

**PASTOR** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**CONGR. (sing) *Who made heaven and earth.***

**PASTOR** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

**CONGR. (sing) *And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.***

**PASTOR** Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**ALL** O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PASTOR** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen.** (congregation is seated)

### **THE INTROIT**

*Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, most often drawn from the Psalms.*

**P:** Awake, why does it seem as though You sleep, O Lord?

**C: Arise, and do not cast us off forever.**

**P:** Our soul is bowed down to the dust:

**C: Arise for our help and redeem us.**

**P:** We have heard with our ears, O God:

**C: Our fathers have told us what great works You have done in their day.**

### **THE GLORIA PATRI**

*Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6)*

**CONGR. (sing) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### **THE KYRIE**

*Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing)*

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### **THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*"Glory to God in the highest" (Hymnal page 7 - sing)*

**Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world. Receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **THE SALUTATION** (Greeting)

**PASTOR** The Lord be with you.

**CONGR. (sing) And with thy spirit.**

### **THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

*The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.*

**PASTOR** Let us pray.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen.**

### **THE BIBLE LESSONS**

*God speaks to us.*

#### **Old Testament Reading:**

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil, 16 "in that I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the LORD your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess. 17 "But if your heart turns away so that you do not hear, and are drawn away, and worship other gods and serve them, 18 "I announce to you today that you shall surely perish; you shall not prolong your days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to go in and possess. 19 "I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore

choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; 20 "that you may love the LORD your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He is your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them."

**PASTOR** Here ends the Old Testament Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

### **THE GRADUAL**

*The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.*

P: Out of the depths I have cried to You, O LORD;

**C: Lord, hear my voice!**

P: Let Your ears be attentive

**C: To the voice of my supplications. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: If You, LORD, should mark iniquities,

**C: O Lord, who could stand?**

**CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**PASTOR** The New Testament Reading is from Matthew chapter 5, beginning there in the 27<sup>th</sup> verse.

**CONGR. (sing) Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

### **New Testament Reading:**

Matthew 5:27-37 "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not commit adultery.' 28 "But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. 29 "If your right eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast it from you; for it is more profitable for you that one of your members perish, than for your whole body to be cast into hell. 30 "And if your right hand causes you to sin,

cut it off and cast it from you; for it is more profitable for you that one of your members perish, than for your whole body to be cast into hell. 31 "Furthermore it has been said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' 32 "But I say to you that whoever divorces his wife for any reason except sexual immorality causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a woman who is divorced commits adultery. 33 "Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform your oaths to the Lord.' 34 "But I say to you, do not swear at all: neither by heaven, for it is God's throne; 35 "nor by the earth, for it is His footstool; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. 36 "Nor shall you swear by your head, because you cannot make one hair white or black. 37 "But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one.

**PASTOR** Here ends the New Testament Reading.

**CONGR. (sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

Congregation stands for:

### **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Anthem by the Choir and the Children**

*“Hallelujah! Round of Praise”*

**Congregation sings Hymn 760**

### **THE SERMON**

1 Corinthians 2:6-13 However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. 7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory, 8 which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him." 10 But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. 11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. 13 These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

Theme: "THE HIDDEN WISDOM OF GOD"

- I. Is unknown to the World
- II. Is secreted in the Gospel
- III. Is revealed by the Spirit

### **THE OFFERTORY**

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.  
(Hymnal, pages 12-13) (sing)*

***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.***

### **THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS**

*In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 404:1*

***Soul, what return has God, thy Savior,  
For all He gives thee day by day?  
Oh, hast thou in thy gift a favor  
That can delight and please Him? – Say!  
The best of offerings He requires: Thy heart it is that He desires.***

### **THE GENERAL PRAYER**

(Pastor)

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

(All)

**Congregation sings Hymn 245**

Congregation stands for:

### **THE BENEDICTION**

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

**PASTOR** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**CONGR. (sing) Amen, Amen, Amen.**

**The Closing Hymn (standing) 48:3**

\*\*\* Silent Prayer \*\*\*

Verbal Announcements - Ushers dismiss by row

# Announcements

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

**ASLEEP IN JESUS** Keith Rademann was taken to his heavenly home on Saturday, February 7, surrounded by family. The victory service celebrating the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ was held Friday at 2:00 pm. We keep Bernice and all the Rademann family in our prayers. Keith's confirmation verse was the basis of the sermon: **1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.**

**CONGRATULATIONS** To Keith Cedarquist and Juana Chincilla Paz who yesterday were joined in the bonds of Holy Matrimony. The wedding service was at 1:30 pm. May the LORD bless them as they begin their lives together as one in Christ.

**Proverbs 18:22 He who finds a wife finds a good thing, And obtains favor from the LORD.**

**LAST SUNDAYS' CHILI DINNER** The congregation would like to thank all the Ladies of Luther Memorial for serving up a delicious Chili Dinner last week. Your cheerful service to the LORD is much appreciated and enjoyed by your fellow believers!

**CALL ACCEPTED** We rejoice that the Holy Spirit has led Anita Meyer of Spring Valley, MN to accept the call to teach the middle grades here at Luther Memorial School. Her letter of acceptance will be read following service today.

**BRIEF VOTERS MEETING NEXT SUNDAY AFTER SERVICE**  
On the agenda: allocating Debt Retirement Fund to the deficit.

## **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**TUE:** 10:00 am LM Church Service at the Lutheran Home

**WED:** 9:00 am Women's Bible Reading

**FRI:** 7:30-8:30 pm Family Gym Night at Theisen

**TV CHURCH** – Today's Service replayed on Cable TV Channel 19

Tuesday at noon, Friday at 4:00 pm, Sunday at 3:30 pm.

**ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 25** This year we are having a "Lenten Exchange" with Pastor Paul Krause of Faith Lutheran in Markesan. He will preach here three times and Pastor Naumann will preach three times at Faith Lutheran. As usual, we will have a morning service of 10:30 am and evening service of 7:00 pm offered. Our theme this year is "KING OF KINGS." Be sure and set aside the time for these meditations upon the suffering and death of our Savior so that you may be filled with the riches of God!

**DIRECTORIES ARE IN!** Cost is \$10.00 each. If you had a picture taken and handed in your information sheet with the interest in purchasing a directory, a directory was ordered for you. The church has also ordered a few extra. They can be picked up in the meeting room.

**CHURCH SERVICE IN GREEN BAY** Our sister CLC congregation, Faith Lutheran Church of Markesan, is holding services twice a month in the city of Green Bay. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this, please let them know. Directions are available. Today a Bible Study will be at 4 p.m., followed by a service at 5 p.m. Communion will be celebrated on Feb 22nd.

**PLEASE DONATE YOUR ALUMINUM CANS** Now is the time of year to bring in all those aluminum cans to donate to our grade school basketball team to help defray their costs in the upcoming yearly tournament in Eau Claire, WI. Please leave the bags of cans by the door of the church garage in the parking lot. Thank you!

**GRADESCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** The 23<sup>rd</sup> Grade School Basketball Tournament for CLC Youth will be held at Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, Friday-Sunday, March 13-15, 2009. Hotel reservations should be made now. This and other information regarding the tournament can be found at [www.CLClutheran.net/tourney](http://www.CLClutheran.net/tourney).

**WOMEN'S INVITATION** The Christian Women's Retreat, sponsored annually by our sister congregation, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN, is being held Friday through Sunday, April 17-19 at Days Inn Hotel & Conference Center in La Crosse, WI. All the

women of Luther Memorial are ask to consider attending this spiritually uplifting event. More info and registration is available in the orange flyer by the registry table. This year's theme: Isaiah 45:5.

**SERVICE TODAY** Usher Team 3 Gordon Krause, Reuel Dins, John Herzberg, Tim Johannes, Steve Seibel. Organist Rhoda E.

**NEXT SUNDAY** Usher Team 4 Wayne Wischnefski, Alan Kottke, Chris Sabel, Ron Haensgen, Mark King, Joel Delarme. Organist Adrienne F.

**LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD** Attendance: 157

*(This is an unofficial summary. For the official summary, speak to the Financial Secretary)*

<b>Budgetary</b>	<b>weekly</b>	<b>for the fiscal year</b>
Received	3,606	\$19,924

**Non-budgetary**

Maintenance & Improvement	\$100	balance	\$3,143
Debt Retirement Fund	\$0	balance	\$2,558
LM Building Fund	\$0	mortgage	\$31,948
2008 Deficit Fund	\$610	total	1,682

**Missions** (CLC fiscal year is July 1 to June 30)

Budgetary	weekly	year to date
Received	\$905	\$28,909

*(\$20 given in memory of Larry Stubbe)*

**Non-budgetary**

CLCI Orphanage \$10

2009	BUDGETARY		New Loans	Loan Payments
	Offerings	Disbursed		
January	<u>13315.76</u>	<u>17741.33</u>	<u>1000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
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<b>Current Total Budgetary Loan balance:</b>				<b>17500.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
*Michael Sippert*, Treasurer

**WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE**

Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have

confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 1 Timothy 6:12

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STRIVES TO BE . . .

- + A Church which keeps foremost the purpose to proclaim, preserve, and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ
- + A Church which values faithfulness to the Word of God above the size and outward success of its membership
- + A Church which recognizes but one Master in all matters of faith, the God-man Christ Jesus, our Savior
- + A Church which promotes true Christian unity by both proclaiming the Gospel and by identifying error
- + A Church which backs its commitment to Christian education by supporting its own Christian Day school
- + A Church which respects your privacy in the matter of Christian giving
- + A Church which refuses to become just another political pressure group
- + A Church which seeks people to serve the LORD

Welcome! The Pastor is ready to arrange special instruction classes for you and your family at your convenience so that you may be sure of eternal life.

Pastor Dave Naumann 922-7421

The Principal of the school is also ready to discuss with you what the Lord wants most for your children regarding a truly Christian education.

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**Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

Speaking to the Children of Israel – as well as you and me and all believers of all time, Moses exhorts us to hear and heed the powerful Word of God for our eternal welfare. Don't turn away from God's Word, that only brings death, eternal death. Moses here encourages us "Choose life!" We read...

**New Testament Reading:**

**Matthew 5:27-37**

The Law of God shows us our sins. Jesus here targets the very heart and inner sinful attitudes we all have. He demonstrates that sin begins in the heart. Adultery, divorce, and sinful oaths are here highlighted in this part of His Sermon on the Mount. Being declared not guilty in Christ, you are set free from the inner sins that so burden us every day. Through this Gospel, God strengthens us and gives us the desire to obey His Word. We read...