



**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:** All the earth shall worship You:

**C:** And shall sing to You, O God.

**P:** They shall sing to Your name:

**C:** Oh You who are the Most High.

**P:** Make a joyful noise to God, all you lands:

**C:** Sing forth the honor of His name, make His praise glorious.

### **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:**

Isaiah 62:1-5 For Zion's sake I will not hold My peace, And for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, Until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, And her salvation as a lamp that burns. 2 The Gentiles shall see your righteousness, And all kings your glory. You shall be called by a new name, Which the mouth of the LORD will name. 3 You shall also be a crown of glory In the hand of the LORD, And a royal diadem In the hand of your God. 4 You shall no longer be termed Forsaken, Nor shall your land any more be termed Desolate; But you shall be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; For the LORD delights in you, And your land shall be married. 5 For as a young man marries a virgin, So shall your sons marry you; And as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, So shall your God rejoice over you.

**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: The Lord sent His Word and healed them:

**C: And delivered them from their destruction's.**

P: Oh, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness:

**C: And for all of His wonderful works to the children of men.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: Be praising Him, all you His angels:

**C: Be praising Him, all His hosts. Hallelujah!**

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

**PASTOR** The New Testament Reading is from 1 Corinthians chapter 3, beginning there in the 3<sup>rd</sup> verse.

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

### **New Testament Reading:**

1 Corinthians 13:3-11 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing. 4 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not

envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part. 10 But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. 11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

**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.**

**Congregation sings Hymn 129**

## **THE SERMON**

John 2:1-11 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. 3 And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." 4 Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it." 6 Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 And He said to them, "Draw some out now, and take it to the master of the feast." And they took it. 9 When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom. 10 And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the guests have well drunk, then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!" 11 This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him.

Theme: "JESUS IS LORD!"

His mother learned this (3-5)

The wedding couple experienced this (7-10)

His disciples believed this (11)

## **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*

*offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 477:4:*

***And for Thy Gospel let us dare To sacrifice all treasure;***

***Teach us to bear Thy blessed cross, To find in Thee all pleasure.***

***Oh, grant us steadfastness In joy and distress,***

***That we Thee ne'er forsake Let us by grace partake  
O endless joy and glory.***

## **THE GENERAL PRAYER**

(Pastor)

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

(All)

### **Congregation sings Hymn 352**

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) 134:2**

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

*Verbal Announcements - Ushers dismiss by row*

# Announcements

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

**TODAY'S ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING** begins at 1:00 pm. All eligible voting members (men 18 years and older) serve the LORD with their attendance and participation.

## **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**TODAY:** 1:00 pm Annual Voters' Meeting

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

**FRI:** 7:00-8:00 pm Family Gym Night at Theisen

**TV CHURCH** – Today's Service replayed on Cable TV Channel 21 Tuesday at noon, Wednesday at 4:00 pm

**SAVE THE DAY!** Our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary "Homecoming" service is planned for Sunday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010. A special morning service is planned, followed by dinner and a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary program.

**USED CHRISTMAS CARDS** If you're throwing out Christmas cards, please throw them out in the plastic baskets placed at either entrance of the church. The covers are used and very much appreciated in our foreign mission fields. Thank you!

**GYM NITE FRIDAY** Looking for some fun exercise? Please join us this Friday from 7-8:00 pm at the Theisen Gym for volley ball. The other half of the rented gym is used by our children to hone their basketball skills for for the upcoming CLC Grade School Basketball Tournament in Eau Claire, WI. The whole congregation is invited!

**HOSPITAL?** Planned or unplanned, hospital stays are serious. It is a time for God's Word and for prayer. If you let the Pastor know about a hospital stay he'll visit you with a brief devotion from God's Word to strengthen the heart and a prayer of faith to heal the sick.

**Psalms 4:3 Know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself; the LORD will hear when I call to him.**

**THE 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GRADE SCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** for CLC Youth will be held at Immanuel Lutheran College, Friday through Sunday, March 12-14, 2010. Information may be found online at [www.clclutheran.net/tourney](http://www.clclutheran.net/tourney) It is suggested that hotel reservations be made soon!

**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!

**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 23-25 at Days Inn Hotel & Conference Center in La Crosse, WI. All the women of Luther Memorial are encouraged to consider attending this spiritually uplifting event. More information and registration forms are available in the orange flyer by the registry table. The theme this year: "Good News For Tired Souls" based on Mark 6:31, **"Come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."**

**TEACHER DUPLEX BUILDING FUND** Built in 2000, the total cost was: \$163,028. In the past ten years God has greatly blessed our efforts to pay down this mortgage. The current remaining balance is down to \$23,370. Thank You, LORD! Please remember the Building Fund in your prayers and with your offerings. Envelopes are available by the registration table.

**LM STUDENT AID FUND** You can help the students from Luther Memorial attend Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary by marking your offerings and memorials "LM Student Aid Fund." Envelopes are available on the registry table.

**LM FINANCES** Our year end deficit for 2009 is about \$24,710. This is the amount that was spent, over the amount that came in. It is currently filled by bank loans. There are no member loans and no internal (non-budgetary) loans outstanding.

**CLC NEWS** >> The Rev. Andrew Schaller, Watertown SD, has returned the call from Grace Lutheran/Sleepy Eye MN and Faith Lutheran/New Ulm MN. <> Resurrection Lutheran, Corpus Christi TX, has called the Rev. Jay Hartmann, Fairbanks AK. <> Morning Star Lutheran, Fairchild WI, has called the Rev. David Fuerstenau, Ketchikan AK.

## India Flood Relief Report

Through the blessing of the LORD \$40,223.17 was received in offerings to help our brethren in India recover from the devastating flood waters in 2009. The financial needs for this relief effort have been met and no further offerings are being requested for this cause.

Pastor Jyothi Benjamin reports, "While thousands of people have been rendered homeless due to these sudden flash floods, more than 1250 families directly connected to the CLCI have lost their huts and their belongings including cattle. They lost their source of living and sense of security."

"Under these circumstances, with great courage, with the tremendous support from the respected CLC-US; the CLCI immediately stepped in. It is really wonderful to know that all the CLC-US rose as one to help the flood victims of the CLCI. It was really great to note that your kind support and grief are accompanied by a steadfast resolution. It was to rebuild the CLCI in the flood affected areas. Your surge of Christian love and humanitarian spirit completely overwhelmed us."

The recovery effort involved three phases. The **first phase** included the removal of rubble, setting up temporary shelters, and repairing damaged roofs. Concerning the **second phase** Pastor Benjamin writes, "We have been doing a series of programs for economic rehabilitation and livelihood restoration. We have developed a schedule for distributing extra rice, sleeping mats and family kits, etc. to all the 1250 affected CLCI members. Each family kit contains one stainless steel dining plate, one stainless steel tumbler, one rice bowl, one curry bowl, one plastic bucket, one plastic jug, one blanket and one towel. Also we have provided 5kgs of extra rice and one plastic sleeping mat to the entire flood affected CLCI members." The **third phase** will involve 1) repairing the damaged church and prayer sheds (12 congregations and 36 preaching stations.); 2) providing assistance to families who lost the man of the house (6 men and 1 woman died) who was the source of the family's livelihood; 3) purchasing school supplies lost in the flood for 650 students; and 4) buying water buffalo, which are the main source of income, for 68 families.

In expressing gratitude to CLC brethren Pastor Benjamin writes, "Your generous contribution enabled our flood affected members to recover emotionally and psychologically. From the bottom of our hearts we thank all the CLC members who have helped these CLCI flood victims."

A more complete report and pictures of the flood relief efforts in India can be found on the internet website of [www.LutheranMissions.org](http://www.LutheranMissions.org).

**GO INTO ALL THE WORLD** On Monday, Pastor David Baker of Ascension Lutheran Church in Batavia, IL, will be departing on a four week, self-funded, trip to India and the Andaman Islands to assist in the work of the Kingdom. He will be working alongside our brothers and sisters of the CLCI and BELC. Over the years the Lord has also given him the opportunity to correspond with a few independent pastors in South India who he plans to meet with personally. We pray that the Lord will bless this opportunity to spread His saving Word!

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

**NEXT SUNDAY** Usher Team 4 Wayne Wischneski, Alan Kottke, Ron Haensgen, Mark King, Joel Delarme. Organist: Adrienne Fillmore

## FOR THE LORD – FROM THANKFUL HEARTS

Attendance - 141

*(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	\$2,862		\$7,332
<b>Non-budgetary</b>			
Maintenance & Improvement	\$82	balance	\$2,978
Debt Retirement Fund	\$30	balance	\$919
LM Building Fund	\$10	mortgage	\$23,370
<i>(given in memory of Dorothy Nitschke)</i>			
LM Student Aid Fund	\$10		
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50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sign Fund	\$15		
Undesignated Memorial	\$20		
<b>Missions</b> <i>(CLC fiscal year is July 1 to June 30)</i>			
Budgetary	weekly	year to date	
Received	\$789	\$24,816	
<i>(\$5 given in memory of Dorothy Nitschke)</i>			
<b>Non-budgetary</b>			
ILC Building Fund	\$105		
<b>LM School</b>	\$75		
<i>(\$25 given in memory of Dorothy Nitschke; \$25 given in memory of Dorothy Nitschke; \$25 given in memory of Dorothy Nitschke)</i>			

## WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"There is also an antitype  
which now saves us; baptism!"

1 Peter 3:21

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**Old Testament Reading for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany  
Isaiah 62:1-5**

The LORD tells us through the prophet Isaiah about the GLORY of His Church – called Zion – in the time of the new covenant – which is today! The glory of His Church shines forth in its message of salvation to all. Through Jesus, God is as well pleased with us as a bridegroom is with his bride. We read

### **New Testament Reading**

#### **1 Corinthians 13:3-11**

God is love. Genuine Christian love always flows from the gift of faith that God has given you. Here we hear of this glorious gift of love from Him who first loved us. We read...