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Mark 7:15*



LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL

(Grades K-8)

CLC - Church of the Lutheran Confession
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9:00 am Summer Service

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15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 24, 2008

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 96 front of hymnal p. 144
The Hymns: 741, 444, 477:4, 541, 366:7

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, Thou living Savior, we beseech Thee, abide with us on our journey through this wicked world; for we are in constant need of Thy comfort and instruction. Open our hearts that we may gladly hear Thy Word, and enlighten us by Thy Holy Spirit that we may understand what the Scriptures teach concerning Thee and Thy work of redemption. Strengthen our faith, guide us daily by Thy Word, and finally receive us into Thy heavenly kingdom. Hear us for Thine own sake, Amen.

Bells – Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 741

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, often from the Psalms.

P: How lovely are your worship places, O Lord of all:

C: I yearn for, yes, I faint with longing for the courts of the Lord.

P: Blessed are those who dwell in your house:

C: They are always praising You.

P: The Lord will give grace and glory:

C: No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

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.

The Old Testament Reading:

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 "Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the judgments which I teach you to observe, that you may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers is giving you. 2 "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you. 6 "Therefore be careful to observe them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes, and say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' 7 "For what great nation is there that has God so near to it, as the LORD our God is to us, for whatever reason we may call upon Him? 8 "And what great nation is there that has such statutes and righteous judgments as are in all this law which I set before you this day?"

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: It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord:

C: And to sing the praises of Your name, O most High.

P: To show forth your loving-kindness in the morning:

C: And Your faithfulness every night. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: Those who are planted in the house of the Lord:

C: Shall flourish in the courts of our God. Hallelujah!

CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

PASTOR The New Testament Reading comes from Ephesians chapter 6, beginning there in the 10th verse.

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

The New Testament Reading:

Ephesians 6:10-20 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. 14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16 above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; 18

praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints; 19 and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

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.

Hymn 444

THE SERMON

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 Then the Pharisees and some of the scribes came together to Him, having come from Jerusalem. 2

Now when they saw some of His disciples eat bread with defiled, that is, with unwashed hands, they found fault. 3 For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands in a special way, holding the tradition of the elders. 4 When they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other things which they have received and hold, like the washing of cups, pitchers, copper vessels, and couches. 5 Then the Pharisees and scribes asked Him, "Why do Your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashed hands?" 6 He answered and said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written: 'This people honors Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. 7 And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.' 8 "For laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition of men; the washing of pitchers and cups, and many other such things you do." 14 When He had called all the multitude to Himself, He said to them, "Hear Me, everyone, and understand: 15 "There is nothing that enters a man from outside which can defile him; but the things which come out of him, those are the things that defile a man. 21 "For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, 22 "thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. 23 "All these evil things come from within and defile a man."

"THE NATURAL CONDITION OF THE HUMAN HEART"

- I. Was thought to be good by the Pharisees
- II. Was exposed as evil by Jesus
- III. Has been redeemed by Jesus

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 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.**

PRAYERS - (Pastor)

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.

Congregation sings Hymn 541

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) 366:7

*** Silent Prayer ***

Verbal Announcements --- Ushers dismiss by row

Announcements

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

COME TO LUTHER MEMORIAL SCHOOL OPENING SERVICE

This Tuesday, August 26 at 8:00 am. All the congregation is invited and encouraged to attend this service of thanks and praise to our loving God for His gift to us of a Christian Day School. This is a half day for the students who are dismissed at noon. We, the members of Luther Memorial Church, have the privilege of opening our Christian Day School for another school year of the LORD's blessings!

50th ANNIVERSARY PICTURE DIRECTORY

Today is the Last Day! 10:30-3:00 pm.

Why get your picture in the new directory? Getting your picture as a member of Luther Memorial Church in this special 50th anniversary Directory speaks volumes. Mostly it is a confession of your faith.

- Your picture says: "As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD!"
- Your picture says: "I believe that the pure Word of God is taught here in it's truth and purity."
- Your picture says: "These are my brothers and sisters in Christ."
- Your picture says: "I want people to know that I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ."
- Your picture says: "We preach Christ and Him Crucified!"
- Your picture says: "I support Christian Education."

This year, and in all the years to come, when people open this directory they'll know you confess the One True Triune God.

Matthew 10:32 "Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven."

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE The opening service for ILC in Eau Claire, WI, is tomorrow at 10:00 am. May the LORD bless the

faculty and student body of Immanuel as they begin another year in His service.

IN THE HOSPITAL - IN OUR PRAYERS The newborn Goldapske twins – Madysyn and Caleb are at the NICU in Theda Clark, Neenah. **Isaiah 40:11 "He will gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those who are with young."**

FALL SCHEDULE Beginning Sunday September 7, divine service will be held at 10:00 am. Also, Sunday School and Bible Class are offered at 8:45 - 9:45 am for you and your children. Please bring your favorite Bible. Come and be filled with the Gospel **"preached...to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven; things which angels desire to look into." 1 Peter 1:12**

A CALL FOR A SPONSOR The pastor has been informed that one of our members is not attending Immanuel Lutheran High School for financial reasons. Room and board and tuition for one year at ILC is about \$6,200. If anyone can sponsor or help sponsor this student, please contact the pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' MEETING Thursday at 6:30 pm

CLC NEWS >>Faith Lutheran Church in Markesan has called their interim pastor, Rev. Mike Gurath, to the full time pastoral ministry. >>Berea Lutheran Church of Inver Grove Heights, MN, and Grace Lutheran Church of Fridley, MN, has called the Rev. Mike Gurath, now serving as interim pastor at Faith Lutheran in Markesan, WI, to a one year part time exploratory call to the SW Metro area of the Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN area. >>Living Word Lutheran Church, Liberty MO, has called Michael Gurath to serve their congregation. >>Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Phoenix AZ, has called Michael

Gurath to participate in the congregation's local mission outreach effort, 10/08-6/09. We pray the Holy Spirit guide Mike Gurath in the consideration of these four calls!

SERVICE TODAY Usher Team 2 Don Seibel, Lowell Boelk, Joe Naumann, Ed Jacobs, Gene Mielke, Don Gescheidle, Adam J. Organist: Adrienne

NEXT SUNDAY Usher Team 3 Gordon Krause, Reuel Dins, John Herzberg, Steve Seibel Organist: Rhoda Eserhut

FUNDS TO REMEMBER WITH YOUR PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

General Budget; Missions, Duplex Building Fund; Student Aid Fund; New Copier Fund; Summer Catch-up Fund; ILC Building Fund. Other synod and local funds are listed on the bulletin board. Envelopes are available on the registry table.

GIVEN TO THE LORD – FROM THANKFUL HEARTS Attendance: - 161

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

Budgetary weekly for the fiscal year

Received \$3,200 *(needed \$4,312)* \$113,853

(\$384 given in the special Summer Catchup Fund. To date: \$1,439)

Non-budgetary

Maintenance & Improvement	\$7	balance	\$2,949
Debt Retirement Fund	\$20	balance	\$1,152
LM Building Fund	\$20	mortgage	\$35,919
LM Student Aid Fund	\$300		
New Copier Fund	\$40	balance	\$2,826

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

Budgetary	weekly	year to date
Received	\$759	\$5,899

Non-budgetary

ILC Building Fund \$10

Luther Memorial School

Undesignated Memorial \$20

(given in memory of Ronald Keyes)

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

”Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the

whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.”

Ephesians 6:10-11

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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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The Old Testament Reading for 15th Sunday after Pentecost
Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

In these verses Moses commands obedience to the Law of God – the whole Bible. We are not to add to the Bible or take away from it. It is from the Bible that we gain true wisdom and understanding of sin and grace, Law and Gospel, and God's unending grace and mercy toward us His dear children in Christ. We read...

The New Testament Reading:
Ephesians 6:10-20

As believers we are at war with evil. The Apostle Paul here encourages us to use the whole Bible every day of our lives so that as soldiers of Jesus Christ, we will be able to stand against every spiritual enemy wearing the full armor of His Word. We read...