

**"The Lord has called us  
to preach the Gospel to them."**



**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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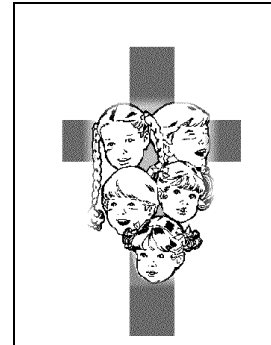
**Preparation for Worship:**    Read Psalm 19 front of hymnal p. 126  
The Hymns: 751, 496, 399, 404:1, 400,  
401

*Prayer: O almighty God, You who made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the earth, use us as instruments of Your holy Word, and let the light of your salvation shine to all the ends of the earth. Accomplish this great work first with our family, friends, and close neighbors, then, as you have commanded, to all the world. Ever keep Christ and Him crucified the center of every message we bring, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. For Jesus sake we ask it, Amen.*

**Bells – Opening Prayer**

**Hymn 751 followed by a Baptism Affirmation Ceremony**

Affirming the baptism of the Goldapske twins: Caleb and Madysyn, son and daughter of John and Barb Goldapske. Serving as witnesses: Jackie Schwersinske and Gail Haensgen.



**Hymn 496**

The congregation sings stanzas 1 & 4  
The children sing stanzas 2 & 3

**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: All the earth shall worship You:

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

P: They shall sing to Your name:

**C: 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.*

**The Old Testament Reading:**

Zephaniah 3:8-17 "Therefore wait for Me," says the LORD, "Until the day I rise up for plunder; My determination is to gather the nations To My assembly of kingdoms, To pour on them My indignation, All my

fierce anger; All the earth shall be devoured With the fire of My jealousy. 9 "For then I will restore to the peoples a pure language, That they all may call on the name of the LORD, To serve Him with one accord. 10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia My worshipers, The daughter of My dispersed ones, Shall bring My offering. 11 In that day you shall not be shamed for any of your deeds In which you transgress against Me; For then I will take away from your midst Those who rejoice in your pride, And you shall no longer be haughty In My holy mountain. 12 I will leave in your midst A meek and humble people, And they shall trust in the name of the LORD. 13 The remnant of Israel shall do no unrighteousness And speak no lies, Nor shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth; For they shall feed their flocks and lie down, And no one shall make them afraid." 14 Sing, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! 15 The LORD has taken away your judgments, He has cast out your enemy. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; You shall see disaster no more. 16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: "Do not fear; Zion, let not your hands be weak. 17 The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing."

**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 heathen shall fear the name of the Lord:

**C: And all the kings of the earth Your glory.**

P: When the Lord shall build up Zion:

**C: He shall appear in His glory. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice:

**C: Let the multitude of the isles be glad of it. Hallelujah!**

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

**PASTOR** The New Testament Reading comes from Hebrews chapter 4, beginning there in the 9<sup>th</sup> verse.

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

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**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 399**

### **THE SERMON**

Matthew 5:13-16 "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. 14 "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 "Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

**"THE CHRISTIAN'S MISSIONARY RELATIONSHIP TO THE WORLD"**

- I. We are a salt – let us not lose our savor.
- II. We are a light – let us not hide our radiance.

### **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 off'rings He requires: Thy heart it is that He desires.  
**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.**

### **Hymn 400**

*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) 401**

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

*Verbal Announcements --- Ushers dismiss by row*

# **A n n o u n c e m e n t s**

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

**TODAY'S BAPTISM AFFIRMATION** We thank the LORD for giving saving faith to Caleb and Madysyn, the son and daughter of John and Barb Goldapske. The twins were born on July 20<sup>th</sup>, and baptized on July 29<sup>th</sup>. **"Oh give thanks unto the LORD, for He is good!"**

**MISSION FESTIVAL TODAY:** We thank the Professor Emeritus John Lau for bringing us the Gospel message today for our Fall Mission Festival! Prof. Lau and his wife live in Eau Claire, WI. Our own Rhoda Krause is Prof. Lau's sister. Following service all are invited to a sit-down meal together downstairs in the basement. Please come, you didn't have to bring anything. Don't miss the good food and the chance to visit and encourage one another. There is someone in your life who needs Jesus, lets talk about it!

**HOSPITALIZED THIS PAST WEEK:** Floyd Mielke is UW Madison recovering from a leg amputation surgery this past week. We ask for and trust in the LORD's blessings for Floyd and for all who are ill. **James 5:15 "And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the**

**Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.”**

**CONGRATULATIONS** Mike Cutler and Betsy Koch were joined in Holy Matrimony at a divine service yesterday at Messiah Lutheran Church in Hales Corners, WI. May the LORD bless them as they begin their lives together as one in Christ.

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

**TUESDAY** 6:30 pm Quarterly Voters' Meeting at church.

**TV CHURCH** – Today's Service replayed on Cable TV **Channel 19**  
Tuesday at noon, Friday at 4:00 pm, Sunday at 3:30 pm.

**REFORMATION SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY** This year's area Joint Reformation service is planned, Lord willing, for a 3:00 pm service on Sunday October 26, at Messiah Lutheran Church in Hales Corners, WI, with a fellowship meal to follow. The adult choir as well as our children's choir will be practicing an anthem for this special service. We encourage all our members to make time to join in this fellowship service of like-minded believers from area congregations giving thanks to God for giving us our Lutheran Heritage. Attending congregations: Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac; Faith Lutheran, Markesan; Peace thru Christ, Middleton; Messiah, Milwaukee; and Ascension, Batavia, IL. Do you need a ride? Do you have extra room? Please see the sign-up sheet to coordinate rides.

**TODAY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON** Today our children heard the Bible's account of Mary and Martha. It is a lesson life's priorities. The message of the cross of Jesus Christ and the forgiveness of sins He earned for us there is THE most important thing in our lives. More important than food or anything else. Let us always put the hearing of God's Word first in our lives! We suggest that you look up Luke 10:38-42 and read it together at home for a review and family devotion!

**TODAY'S BIBLE CLASS** We are studying a paper being written for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the CLC by Pastor David Lau. It is a Bible based paper that explains our origins as CLC Lutherans. Join us!  
**“But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear.” 1 Peter 3:15**

**LM EAGLES YOUTH GROUP OUTTING** Pumpkin carving and a bon-fire are some of the activities planned for Friday October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Chris and Trisha Sabel house.

**LM CHURCH SERVICE AT THE LUTHERAN HOME** Our service date has changed from Monday back to Tuesday. The next worship service is Tuesday October 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am.

**LM CHURCH SERVICE ON TV** The Cable company changed the station number to view our recorded church service from channel 25 to channel 19. (Digital Channel is 980). If you know of someone who watches regularly, please inform them.

**INVITATION** Ascension Lutheran Church in Batavia, IL (Chicago area) has invited area congregations to a Sunday School Teachers' Workshop. This is for anyone who is a teacher, or who might like to become a Sunday School teacher in the future. If interested, please speak to the Pastor.

**BOOK EXCHANGE** The Evening Ladies have put together a “book exchange.” We believe there could be any number of our members who have personal libraries with wonderful books in them. Do you have any books you've found to be particularly inspirational or just plain fun to read? If you'd care to loan them to other members of the congregation, please get a list to Chairman Lisa Horton or Rhoda Krause at your earliest convenience.

**ILC COLLEGE VISITORS' DAY** Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> is the day set aside for our 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders (and anyone else considering college) to visit Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, WI. After the day of classes, you are welcome to attend the ILC play that is scheduled that evening at 7:30: “Alice in Wonderland”. Anyone interested in attending please contact Pastor Naumann.

#### **IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE ACADEMIC CENTER**

Much progress was made on the ILC campus this past week in preparation of the new Academic Center. Last week a large amount of brush was removed. This week the building site was prepped by leveling off the area which would be built upon. In fact, on Thursday, Oct. 9, the Cottage was demolished. It only took a matter of a couple of hours. In addition, the September financial report revealed that

\$33,172 in offerings were donated to the ILC Building Fund during the month. Even more amazing, \$407,340 came in promissory notes toward the Church Extension Fund. This will be quite helpful in reducing our dependency upon a commercial loan. We are well ahead of the Trustee's proposed financial plan at this past summer's CLC Convention. For more information, the latest news, financial reports, pictures, recorded video, and even live web cam video, please visit [www.ilcpublicity.org](http://www.ilcpublicity.org) or go to the construction blog at [ilcacademiccenter.blogspot.com](http://ilcacademiccenter.blogspot.com). There is a lot to see!

Let us all do what we can to help support ILC with donations and loans to the CEF (Church Extension Fund). Please pray about it and give this your gracious consideration in Christ. May the LORD open the hearts of His people at Luther Memorial to generous and cheerful giving. Mark your offering: "ILC Building Fund"

### MISSION WORK

- An ocean liner was wrecked on a dangerous reef off the New England coast. When the captain of the Coast Guard gave a command to attempt a rescue, one of the young seamen turned to him and said: "Sir, the wind is offshore; the tide is running out. We can go out, but we can never come back." But the captain replied: "Launch the boat. We have to go out. We don't have to come back." -- Our Lord says "Go!" He says nothing about coming back.
- Christ says to every lost sinner "Come!" and to every converted sinner "Go!"
- There's not enough darkness in the whole world to put out the light of a single candle. Witness for Christ!
- "If men will perish, at least let them perish with our arms about their knees begging them to be turned and saved. And if men will plunge into hell, at least let them plunge over our prostrate bodies begging them to be turned and saved." --Spurgeon

### UPDATE FROM MISSIONARY KOENIG

Highlights on our Sister Church in Congo. During a recent visitation we saw that the translation work continued with six pamphlets translated into either French or Swahili. An even more ambitious agenda is planned for this next year. By putting our teachings into the languages of Congo these pamphlets help our pastors to explain what we believe.

Reaching all the stations in the church on a regular basis continues to be a problem. The Mission Board is helping with a budgeted amount to cover transportation. Of course money is not the only difficulty. Roads are bad if one wants to travel that way. Recently, the railroad system around Lubumbashi shut down, though it is hoped it will open again soon.

Recently, five men who had finished the Sunday afternoon Bible studies were consecrated in a Sunday service by Pastor Muzakuza, who is head of the church. The church has the office of 'catechist' which is entrusted with the task of teaching the children in particular the truths in the catechism. Twenty individuals serve in this capacity. Some preachers from other churches approach our church to join, but when they find out we do not pay salaries, they leave. The people of the country are poor, but this not paying salaries by us is wise. It is a practice that will help the church to be strong on its own. To help the pastors who are with us, we are beginning a loan program as we do with other sister churches. The pastors are loaned an amount to be repaid to the fund kept in the country from which new loans are made from repaid amounts. This is in line with the 'tentmaking' of the apostle Paul when he worked with his hands for instance in Corinth, Ephesus, and Thessalonica. Keep our brothers and sisters in Congo in your prayers for they have a tough roe to hoe.

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

**NEXT SUNDAY** Usher Team 3 Gordon Krause, Reuel Dins, John Herzberg, Tim Johannes, Steve Seibel. Organist: Adrienne Fillmore

**GIVEN TO THE LORD – FROM THANKFUL HEARTS** Attendance: - 166  
*(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	\$4,517 (\$4,312 needed)	\$141,529	
<b>Non-budgetary</b>			
Maintenance & Improvement	\$44	balance	\$2,990
Debt Retirement Fund	\$0	balance	\$1,511
LM Building Fund	\$1,000	mortgage	\$34,315
LM Student Aid Fund	\$500		
New Copier Fund	\$205	balance	\$3,651

*(\$50 given in memory of Joyce Becker)*

**Missions** (CLC fiscal year is July 1 to June 30)  
 Budgetary weekly year to date  
 Received \$1,796 \$13,581  
 (\$500 received for the Fall Mission Envelope)  
**Non-budgetary**  
 ILC Building Fund \$5

## WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

**Isaiah 6:8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."**

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### The Old Testament Reading:

#### Zephaniah 3:8-17

In these verses the LORD through his prophet foretells of the restoration of Israel. In the big picture, Israel is another name for God's Church of all believers of all time. Great encouragement for us as we go ahead with the mission work God has laid out for each one of us in His Kingdom. We read...

### The New Testament Reading:

#### Acts 16:9-15

Each of us has been called by God to preach the Gospel, and today and tomorrow God will place opportunity in front of you to

do so. In these verses we hear of a Call from the LORD to the Apostle Paul, Silas and Timothy, to go and preach the Gospel in Macedonia. There Gospel worked mightily as it always does, through Word and Sacrament. We read...