

"This cup is the new Testament
in My blood, which is shed for you
for the remission of sins."



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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18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 4, 2009

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 86 front of hymnal p. 140
The Hymns: 761, 527, 528, 798:1
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, provide Thine ever-present help; through Jesus Christ, Amen.

The Order of our Communion Service

Bells – Opening Prayer

First Hymn 761

THE INVOCATION

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

PASTOR: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.
CONGR: (sing) *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.*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

God speaks to us.

The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:6-9 Seek the LORD while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near. 7 Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon. 8 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD. 9 "For as the heavens are higher than the

earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

PASTOR: This ends our Old Testament Reading.
Blessed are they that hear the Word of God
and keep it. Hallelujah!

CONGR: (sing) *Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

PASTOR: The New Testament reading is from Matthew
chapter 20, beginning with the 1st verse.

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

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PASTOR: This ends the New Testament Reading

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

THE NICENE CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 22)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Hymn 527

THE SERMON

Philippians 1:1-5, 19-27 Paul and Timothy, bondservants of Jesus Christ, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, 4 always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, 5 for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, 19 For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, 20 according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 But if I live on in the flesh, this will mean fruit from my labor; yet what I shall choose I

cannot tell. 23 For I am hard pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. 24 Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you. 25 And being confident of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of faith, 26 that your rejoicing for me may be more abundant in Jesus Christ by my coming to you again. 27 Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.

Theme: THE JOY OF FELLOWSHIP

- I. Giving Thanks to God for it
- II. Living for Christ as a result of it
- III. Using it together for the Gospel

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.

THE GENERAL PRAYER

(Pastor)

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

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

PASTOR: Having now heard the Word of God, I invite the congregation to kneel or stand and make confession of your sins.
(kneelers are available under the pews on the right side of church)

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and

sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

PASTOR: If this is your sincere confession, then answer by saying "yes."

CONGR: Yes.

PASTOR: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called servant of God's Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Arise now in peace. Let us continue our Communion service.

THE PREFACE/ PROPER PREFACE

Now we approach the second high point of the liturgy, the Sacrament, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood. We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of adoration. (Hymnal p. 24-25)

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

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

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

CONGR: (sing) ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

PASTOR: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

CONGR: (sing) ***It is meet and right so to do.***

PASTOR: It is truly meet, right, and spiritually beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS

Latin: "Holy." We join our voices to the angels who sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy" round about His throne and we welcome Him with the Palm Sunday multitude who sang, "Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!" (Hymnal, page 26)

CONG: (sing) ***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;***

Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory;

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest.

Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASTOR: 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;

CONG: (sing) For Thine is the Kingdom and the power, and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(Pastor)

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."

After the same manner also, He took the cup, when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Take, drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

CONGR: (sing) Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

Latin: "Lamb of God." As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to think only of that Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary's cross. (Hymnal, page 28)

CONGR: (sing)

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION

Those who are members here at Luther Memorial or are members of a sister church in the CLC and have announced their intention to partake of the Lord's Supper may now come forward to receive the Sacrament at the direction of the ushers.

A special note to our visitors: The Bible tells us to be "perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Corinthians 1:10). Holy Communion is therefore both a communing with God and a public statement that those communing together believe the same thing. For this reason we ask that anyone who has not established this unity through membership in a CLC congregation first schedule a meeting with the pastor before communing. We hold this position in loving obedience to the Word of God, not in judgment of anyone's Christian faith, sincerity, or standing before God.

Hymn(s) sung during the Distribution: 528

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

*Latin: "Now Dismiss." Simeon's words after seeing the Christ Child. (Luke 2:29-32)
(Hymnal, page 29)*

CONGR: (sing) Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel. 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.

PASTOR: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

CONGR: (sing) And His mercy endureth forever.

PASTOR: (Prayer)

CONGR: (sing) Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for 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) 798:1

***** Silent Prayer *****

Verbal Announcements - Ushers dismiss by row

Announcements

HOSPITALIZED THIS PAST WEEK: Marion Mach had a mild heart attack last Thursday, thankfully she is now recovering at home. Gordon Jacobs is on the 6th floor of St. Agnes recovering from a hip surgery. We ask for the LORD's blessings for them and all who are ill. **"Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies."** Psalm 103:2-4

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUE 10:00 am LM Church Service at the Lutheran Home
7:00 pm LM Evening Ladies Meeting

WED 9:00 am Women's Bible Reading

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

MISSION CALANDARS We consider it a great blessing to present to you the CLC Missions Calendar for the year of our LORD 2010. It features photographs and information about the people and places where the LORD has led the CLC to help proclaim the Gospel of Christ crucified. It also provides a daily Bible reading devotional program, and identifies Sunday's and holy days of the church year. We hope that it serves the members of our sister churches overseas, as well as the people of the CLC-USA, to have a closer bond of fellowship with each other. Copies of the calendar are available in the hallway for \$3.

REFORMATION SERVICE This years area Joint Reformation service is planned, Lord willing, for a 3:30 pm service on Sunday October 25, at Faith Lutheran Church in Markesan, WI, with a fellowship meal to follow. Our children's choir as well as our adult choir will be practicing anthems 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 speak to Pastor Naumann.

LM STUDENT AID FUND You can help a child 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.

50th ANNIVERSARY Luther Memorial Church will be celebrating it's 50th anniversary in March of 2010. The formal organization of the congregation took place on March 20, 1960. In our last Voters' Meeting, the "LM Sign Fund" was designated as our 50th anniversary fund and the congregation is encouraged to give their thank offerings to the LORD for 50 years of His grace through this fund. Volunteers are needed to help arrange and organize our 50th anniversary festivities. Please speak with the Pastor if you'd like to help.

CLC NEWS <> Messiah Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, WI has called the Rev. Todd Ohlmann of Faith Lutheran Church in Ballwin, MO. <>The Rev. Paul Gurgel has received and accepted a 1 year call from Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church of Red Wing, MN to be their full time Pastor (part-time resident). There will be an Installation Service on October 11, 2009 at 1:30 pm to which any and all are invited, Rev. David Schierenbeck and Rev. Mark Bernthal presiding. <> The Rev. Gordon Radtke, Morning Star Lutheran Church of Fairchild, WI, has resigned his call. He recently celebrated his 90th birthday.

THE JOY OF FELLOWSHIP "Do not be unwise," says St. Paul, "but understand what the will of the Lord is." And the Lord's will concerning our faith lives is that we get together with other believers on a regular basis to hear God's Word, to thank and praise Him, and to encourage one another in the faith. In the book of Hebrews, Paul says, "Let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching!" (Heb 10:24-25). The encouragement that comes from worshipping together is like a fire that warms both ourselves and those we worship with. For our own good, and for the good of our fellow Christians, God warns us not to let our attendance at public worship services slide! There are other advantages to attending church regularly. One is confession and absolution. Every Sunday, during our liturgy, each person confesses his sins before God, in repentance removing the load of guilt that has been weighing on his conscience. Then the pastor, exercising the Ministry of the Keys in behalf of the congregation, pronounces the "absolution", or forgiveness of sins. He does this according to the words of Jesus, "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them." (John 20:23). Of course, you can confess your sins and get forgiveness from God any day

of the week. But it is often especially comforting to join in confession with your fellow believers, and hear God's word of forgiveness spoken out loud from the lips of the pastor. One very special way that we receive the assurance of the forgiveness of sins in church is through the Sacrament of the Altar - the Lord's Supper. Scripture tells us that along with the bread and wine in the Lord's Supper, we also receive the actual body and blood of our Savior. In this special way, God "seals" to each individual the forgiveness of sins, much as a person would seal a letter, making it very personal - to be opened by him alone. Also, Paul says, coming to the Lord's Supper regularly is one way we witness the truth of the Gospel to our fellow believers, ". . . For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes." (I Cor 11:26).

SERVICE TODAY Usher Team 4 Wayne Wischnefski, Alan Kottke, Chris Sabel, Ron Haensgen, Mark King, Joel Delarme. Organist Rhoda E.

NEXT SUNDAY Usher Team 1 Lowell Boelk, Rodney Kern, John Scheberl, David Dexter, Sam N., Larry Stubbs, Craig Youngerberg. Organist Rhoda E.

WITH CHEERFUL HEARTS – LAST WEEK Attendance – 159
(This is an unofficial summary. For the official summary, speak to the Financial Secretary)

Budgetary weekly (\$4,327 needed) For the fiscal year

Received \$3,601 \$141,825

(\$55 given for Education Sunday Envelope. Total-to-date: \$1,843)

Non-budgetary

Maintenance & Improvement \$60 balance \$3,419

Debt Retirement Fund \$130 balance \$1,024

(\$15 given in memory of Bertha Wachholz)

LM Building Fund \$10 mortgage \$27,344

(given in memory of Bertha Wachholz)

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

Budgetary weekly year to date

Received \$2,957 \$13,065

(\$1,730 given for Mission Festival Envelope. Total-to-date: \$1,801)

Non-budgetary

ILC Building Fund \$5

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

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**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 18th after Pentecost Isaiah 55:6-9

We thank God that He has saved us HIS WAY – through the shed blood of His Son Jesus Christ. His Grace causes us to call on His name. We read...

The New Testament Reading Matthew 20:1-16

In this parable, an earthly story with a heavenly meaning, Jesus instructs us in God's payscale – when and to whom He give eternal life – Bible truth that speaks of His grace and His salvation. We read...