ST. LUKE'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH 10:30 a.m.

208 11th Street E. Lemmon, SD 57638 We are affiliated with the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC)

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3RD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY FESTIVAL July 3, 2022

Ruth Wiechmann

Organist

WELCOME!

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. Proverbs 3:5

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Human reason, though it ponder, Cannot fathom this great wonder That Christ's body e'er remaineth Though it countless souls sustaineth And that He His blood is giving With the wine we are receiving. These great mysteries unsounded Are by God alone expounded. ---TLH 305 v. 6

ORDER OF SERVICE: Hymnal, page 15

Hymn 545 The Morning Sun Is Brightly Beaming!

On page 17:

The Kyrie is read by the Pastor Hymn 212 vv. 1 + 7 in place of The Gloria in Excelsis.

EPISTLE: I Peter 5:6-11 Peter gives advice for this life and the life to come: Humbly trust the mighty hand of the Lord of forgiveness. Cast all your cares upon Him. Stand firm against the assaults of Satan. The Lord, who brings you eternal glory through cleansing in Christ, will strengthen and settle you!

GOSPEL Luke 15:1-10. The parables of the Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin make the point that God is very much interested in lost and wayward sinners—the souls around you and you yourself. Do you realize how lost you really are? Nevertheless, Christ came and comes to find us and save us. His Father rejoices when the lost are safe in His Son's arms. Trust Him!

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Pastor

Hymn 427 vv. 1-4 How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord!

SERMON: Genesis 15:1-15 WHEN THINGS WEIGH HEAVY ON YOUR HEART

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying, "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward."

But Abram said, "Lord God, what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" Then Abram said, "Look, You have given me no offspring; indeed one born in my house is my heir!"

And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "This one shall not be your heir, but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir." Then He brought him outside and said, "Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."

And he believed in the LORD, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.

Then He said to him, "I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it."

And he said, "Lord God, how shall I know that I will inherit it?"

So He said to him, "Bring Me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old female goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, down the middle, and placed each piece opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when the vultures came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

Now when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, horror and great darkness fell upon him. Then He said to Abram: "Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years. And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions. Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age.

OFFERING PRAYERS

Hymn 427 vv. 5-7 How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord!

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

VISITORS, please note that our congregation does not practice "open" *communion*. *Communion is an expression of oneness*—*certainly oneness with* the Lord, but also oneness in faith and teaching with each other. Differences of Bible teaching do separate. In keeping with the unity expressed in the Lord's Supper, we follow a "close-knit" communion practice. We respectfully ask that only members of St. Luke's and sister CLC congregations come forward. Be assured, we are not judging your heart or your faith in Jesus. God alone knows the heart. For further questions, please visit with the pastor. Thank you.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION: **Distribution Hymn 311** Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior!

Benediction

Hymn 577 God Bless Our Native Land!

IN OUR PRAYERS

--The nation as we celebrate Independence Day

- --The family of Jacob Kolb, whom the Lord called from this life on Friday
- -- Carter Lyons (grandson of Kermet and Cindy Kahl) who was severely burned in a tractor re-fueling accident.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

- 07/10 Sun. 9:30 Worship
- 07/17 Sun. 9:30 Worship with HOLY COMMUNION

07/24 Sun. 10:00 Worship at Ketterling Point, Shadehill—Picnic Sunday 11:15 2ND QUARTER VOTERS MEETING

- 12:30 POTLULCK PICNIC LUNCH

CLC CALL NEWS:

Pastor Aaron Ude, Rapid City, SD, has been called by Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA.

Pastor Aaron Ude, Rapid City, SD, has also been separately called by Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA. These are not joint calls.

JULY CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you for time, energy, and love freely given----Lou Ann B. Kerry C. Katie W. Robyn S. Geraldine S.

THANK YOU: For the vacation weeks! Pastor and Judy Kanzenbach

CLC CONVENTION REPORT: Next week.

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