

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

200 11th Street E.

Lemmon, SD 57638

We are affiliated with the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC)

Richard Kanzenbach

Pastor

12TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY FESTIVAL

September 4, 2022

Rhonda Tomac

Organist

WELCOME!

Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God! ---II Corinthians 3:5

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Unworthy, though I am, O Savior,
Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet, Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,
For Thou my faithful Shepherd art.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good.

--TLH 308:1-2

ORDER OF SERVICE: Hymnal, page 15

Hymn 578 Lord, While for All Mankind We Pray

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The Kyrie is read by the Pastor

Hymn 377 v. 10 in place of **The Gloria in Excelsis.**

EPISTLE: II Corinthians 3:4-11. Paul spoke about his labors in the New Testament ministry of Christ. His ability to serve in this ministry was not from himself, but from God. The focus of his message was not the harsh "letter" of the Old Testament Law demanding perfection, or else Death! The New Testament ministry was a message of life, freedom, and forgiveness, brought to the heart by the Holy Spirit, who leads to faith in Christ! This ministry brings a willingness to obey the Lord in devotion and love, not in compulsion and fear. This New Testament ministry in Christ has a glory far surpassing the Old.

GOSPEL Mark 7:31-37 A deaf and mute man was brought to Jesus for healing. Jesus visually communicated to the man that He was about to act in his behalf. He touched the man's ears, touched the man's tongue, and looking heavenward with a visible sigh said, "Ephphatha!" "Be opened!" And it was so! The Savior from sin can do all things. Trust Him.

Hymn 389 Not What These Hands Have Done

SERMON I Samuel 16:1-13

I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING

Now the LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go; I am sending you to Jesse the Bethlehemite. For I have provided Myself a king among his sons." And Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me." But the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Then invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; you shall anoint for Me the one I name to you."

So Samuel did what the LORD said, and went to Bethlehem. And the elders of the town trembled at his coming, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" And he said, "Peaceably. I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice." Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons, and invited them to the sacrifice.

So it was, when they came, that he looked at Eliab and said, "Surely the LORD's anointed is before Him!" But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the LORD does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." So Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Thus Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen these."

And Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all the young men here?" Then he said, "There remains yet the youngest, and there he is, keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him. For we will not sit down till he comes here." So he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, with bright eyes, and good-looking. And the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him; for this is the one!" Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward.

OFFERING

PRAYERS

Hymn 59 vv.1-4 Hail to the Lord's Anointed, Great David's Greater Son!

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 306 Lord, Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared

Benediction

Hymn 59 vv.5-6 Hail to the Lord’s Anointed, Great David’s Greater Son!

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Today	10:30	Worship with COMMUNION	9:30	Sun.Sch. & B.Class
09/11 Sun.	10:30	Worship	9:30	Sun.Sch. & B.Class
09/18 Sun.	10:30	Worship with COMMUNION	9:30	Sun.Sch. & B.Class
09/25 Sun.	10:30	Worship	9:30	Sun.Sch. & B.Class

CHURCH CLEANING - SEPTEMBER: Your labors in the Lord are much appreciated. Vickie P. Jodi L. Jill O. Autumn W.

CALL NEWS: *Pastor Neal Radichel*. Mankato, MN, has received the call to Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA.

CALL NEWS: *Pastor James Albrecht*, Okabena, MN, has returned the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

THE CLC’S “KINSHIP” PROGRAM: Kinship began in the 1980’s with the aim of being an avenue through which stateside CLC members could help primarily with the physical and material needs of the orphan children among our sister church body, the CLCI in India. Kinship receives monthly funds through CLC “sponsors.” By the Lord’s grace and guidance KINSHIP has expanded greatly. Kinship currently provides and is ready to provide aid for:

1. Orphans—not just in India, but also in Tanzania, Kenya, Congo, Togo, Nepal, and most recently, in Myanmar.
2. Adult men attending our foreign seminaries and Bible schools.
3. Widows of indigenous pastors.
4. Medical assistance.
5. Storm and disaster relief.

THE CLC's MDF—MISSION DEVELOPMENT FUND: The Mission Development Fund is a similar fund. Kinship aids *people*; the MDF supports *projects* in our overseas and U.S. missions:

- Exploring new mission fields
- Building overseas churches
- Building overseas seminary buildings
- Helping native pastors with books, bikes, and food
- Distributing Bibles and catechisms
- Funding regional conferences for native pastors
- Covering expenses for U.S. pastors to serve as part-time foreign missionaries.

JOURNAL OF THEOLOGY: The latest edition of the CLC's Journal of Theology is available on the table in the entry. If you wish, please take home, read, and return for others! Thank you!