

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

2ND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Ruth Wiechmann, organist

June 18, 2023

WELCOME !

*The grace of our **Lord Jesus Christ**, the love of **God**, and the communion of the **Holy Spirit** be with you all. Amen. ---II Corinthians 13:14.*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The word "communion" refers to the very special fellowship and sharing in this sacrament between the Lord Jesus and His brothers and sisters. In Holy Communion, each sinner shares in and receives Christ's true body and blood sacrificed into death for salvation. Bread and the wine are present in a natural way. However, Jesus' body and blood are present in a supernatural way, miraculously yet truly received in, with, and under the bread and the wine. This "real presence" is evident from Jesus' own words, "This is (*emphasis mine*) My body This cup is (*emphasis mine*) the new covenant in My blood" (I Corinthians 11:24-25). The sacrament of Holy Communion is Christ's personal statement of love and forgiveness to each heart. A precious fellowship!

ORDER OF SERVICE:

Supplement, page 12 with Holy Communion.

Hymn 742 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven!

EPISTLE: I John 3:13-18. Love for others comes from a heart that knows Christ's forgiveness and love for self. Christ willingly took our place under God's wrath, to make peace for us with God. Hate for others comes from a heart that does not know Christ's forgiving love for us. Whoever hates his brother is a murderer and stands outside the Kingdom of Christ !

PSALM 66, p. 37 Make a Joyful Shout to God!!

GOSPEL Luke 14:16-24. In Jesus' parable of the Great Supper, the host generously invited guests to his banquet. The invited guests foolishly disdained the invitation! The host was angry, excluded them, and found others. --- The Lord does not *force* anyone to receive the banquet of forgiveness. It is offered in His Word. Those who foolishly shun the Gospel message, considering it unimportant, will be excluded. Beware.

NICENE CREED: Supplement, page 5

Hymn 394 My Faith Looks Up to Thee!

SERMON: JUDGES 2:1-15 (selected)

PLAYING THE LONG GAME

Then the Angel of the Lord came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said: “I led you up from Egypt and brought you to the land of which I swore to your fathers. And I said, I will never break My covenant with you. And you shall make no covenant with the inhabitants of this land; you shall tear down their altars. But you have not obeyed My voice. Why have you done this? Therefore I also said, I will not drive them out before you; but they shall be thorns in your side, and their gods shall be a snare to you.”

So it was, when the Angel of the Lord spoke these words to all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voices and wept. Then they called the name of that place Bochim; and they sacrificed there to the Lord. And when Joshua had dismissed the people, the children of Israel went each to his own inheritance to possess the land.

So the people served the Lord all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders who outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great works of the Lord which He had done for Israel.

. . . Another generation arose after them who did not know the Lord nor the work which He had done for Israel. Then the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord, and served the Baals; and they forsook the Lord God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt; and they followed other gods from among the gods of the people who were all around them, and they bowed down to them; and they provoked the Lord to anger.

OFFERING

PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER

Hymn 625 Oh, Blest the House, Whate’er Befall!

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VISITORS, please kindly 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 one another. Differences of Bible teaching do separate. In keeping with the unity enjoined by God, we practice a “close-knit” communion. We ask that only members of St. Luke’s and sister CLC congregations come forward. Be assured, we are not judging anyone’s heart or faith in Jesus. God alone knows the heart. For further questions, please speak with the pastor. Thank you.

Distribution Hymn 377 Salvation unto Us Has Come!

BENEDICTION

Hymn 47 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise!

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

06/25 Sun. 9:30 Worship

07/02 Sun. 9:30 Worship with COMMUNION

07/09 Sun. 9:30 Worship

TO THE NEXT LIFE: Kathleen Schaller, wife of St. Luke's former Pastor Walter Schaller, was called from this life early Wednesday morning, June 14, to the Savior's side in heaven. Kathy is the mother of Pastor Andrew Schaller, Mrs. Anya Oster, Teacher Seth Schaller, Mrs. Eve Naumann, and Pastor Caleb Schaller. Services for Kathy are planned for Monday, June 19th--visitation at 12:00 pm, service at 1:00 pm, and a meal to follow at 2:00 pm., at Messiah Lutheran Church, 2015 N. Hastings Way, Eau Claire, WI. Instead of flowers, contributions and memorial offerings may be sent to the CLC's new "EduK8" fund to support new church schools in our synod. Cards may be sent to Pastor Walter Schaller, 3160 Mercury Avenue, Eau Claire, WI, 54703.

CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you for your labors of love for the Savior!

JULY—Jill O., Debbie W., and Geraldine S.

LADIES RETREAT WEST: Ladies, you are invited to Grace Lutheran Church in Valentine, NE, on September 22-24, for the annual women's fall retreat. See the brochure on the bulletin board in the entry area. Please register by August 22. Cost is \$100.00. For further information, call Candy Ohlmann 920-979-2016 or go to womensretreatclclutheran.net. Thank you.

CALL NEWS:

Pastor James Naumann, Jamestown, ND, has returned the call to Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI.

Pastor Mike Roehl, Bismarck, ND has received the call from Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI to be their third pastor.

Pastor Samuel Naumann, Corpus Christi, TX, has resigned his call from Resurrection Lutheran for personal reasons. Please keep Pastor Naumann and his family, as well as the Corpus Christi congregation, in your prayers.

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