

ST. LUKE'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Richard Kanzenbach

Pastor

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 10:30 a.m.

19th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY FESTIVAL

Rhonda Tomac

Organist

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WELCOME!

“The Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.” --Luke 19:10

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

In the Lord's Supper, the message of forgiveness of sins is given to each communicant in a very precious way. Each receives from the Savior a personal share in the actual purchase price of redemption, the Lord's body and blood willingly surrendered at the cross. Jesus says to each, *“I have paid the price for your sins. I have set you free. Guaranteed. Receive this from Me as comfort and assurance for sins of the past, and as strengthening for the present and the future. The debt is paid. You are safe.”* Jesus' body and blood are truly present, received in a miraculous manner with the bread and the wine; for the Son of God says, *“This is My body given for you . . . this is My blood shed for you.”* Cling to the Savior. Receive His assurance. Rejoice in His forgiveness and love given in this sacrament. Depart in peace. Live anew for Him!

ORDER OF SERVICE:

Supplement, page 12

Hymn 265 Thine Honor Save, O Christ Our Lord! (melody--Hymn 644)

EPISTLE: Ephesians 4:22-32. Christ brings us God's forgiving love! Let us in love and thanks, therefore, put off our sinful nature (old Adam / old self) with its evil deeds and desires. Let us put on the new self (new man / man of faith) who serves God willingly and gladly, in righteousness and holiness. Get rid of lying, anger, stealing, corrupt speech, bitterness, and malice. Be filled with kindness, love, and forgiveness toward one another—in Christ.

PSALM: 8, Supplement, page 27

GOSPEL: Mark 2:1-12. Four men brought a paralyzed man to Jesus for help; however, the house was already filled. They opened a section of the flat roof and lowered the paralyzed man down into Jesus' presence! Jesus assured the man that he was forgiven! Then He commanded him to rise and walk! ---- Jesus is the one who heals soul and body!

NICENE CREED (Supplement, page 5.)

Hymn 324 vv. 1-6 Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

SERMON: Luke 15:25-32

NOT FAIR!

BACKGROUND Luke 15:11-24

Then He said: A certain man had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living.

But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything.

But when he came to himself, he said, "How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants."

And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. And the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son."

But the father said to his servants, "Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.!" And they began to be merry.

TEXT vv. 25-32

Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, "Your brother has come! And because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf." But he was angry and would not go in.

Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. So he answered and said to his father, "Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him."

And he said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found!"

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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 expressed in the Lord's Supper, 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 visit with the pastor.

Hymn 315 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

Benediction

Hymn 324 vv. 7-8 Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

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CALENDAR:

10/22 7:00 COUNCIL MEETING

10/25 REFORMATION SUNDAY

10:30 Worship 9:30 Bible Class & Sunday School

11:45 THIRD QUARTER VOTERS MEETING

11/01 10:30 Worship with COMMUNION 9:30 B.Class & Sun. Sch.

11/08 10:30 Worship 9:30 Bible Class & Sunday School

REQUEST TO BE RECEIVED INTO COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP:

Ezekiel, Thaddeus, and Shekinah Wiechmann request to be received into communicant membership. Baptized at St. Luke's, they received catechism instruction and confirmation at Bethel Free Lutheran Church (AFLC) in Minot, ND. They have discussed with the Pastor the CLC's "Statement of Faith and Purpose." They express their oneness with our confession of Scripture. St. Luke's constitution requires two Sunday service notices prior to such reception into membership--in the event someone has questions. With no objections the three will be received by our voters on 10/25 and at our worship service on November 1. Parents are Caleb and Autumn Wiechmann. Thank you.

CHURCH CLEANING: It can hardly be called "fun," but we thank those who share their time & efforts to keep the Lord's house of worship fresh.

October: K. Larson, A. Lane J. Larson, K. Wiechmann.

November (5 Sundays): J. Goldsmith, L. Schoon, D. Wenner, C. Hourigan

SPECIAL REFORMATION SERVICE AT HECLA: This year the Joint Area Reformation Service at Jamestown will not be held. Prince of Peace in Hecla, ND, is holding a special service, to which all are invited on *Saturday, October 31, 11:00 am. German meal to follow at the parsonage. You are welcome to bring a dish to pass, if you are so inclined.*

CLC MISSION OPPORTUNITIES PRAYER LIST - OCTOBER 2020

Zambia – Zambia was on complete lockdown due to the coronavirus. Pastor Ibrahim was forced to return to his village in Tanzania, where he became ill with coronavirus. He is recovering and waiting to return to the work in Zambia.

Tanzania – Classes have resumed at the Wartburg Lutheran Bible Institute. Six students are attending the second year. A congregation of 10 has been organized in a predominantly Muslim population on the island of Tanzania.

Democratic Republic of Congo – Classes have resumed at Holy Trinity Lutheran Bible Institute.

Nigeria – Many restrictions placed on worship have been loosened in recent weeks. The students at the Bible Institute have returned.

Togo/Ghana/Benin – The government is still enforcing strict Covid lockdowns in Togo. Missionary Evensen cannot resume his teaching and preaching schedule. Outreach and evangelism efforts by Pastor Kossi are also prevented.

Liberia – Due to Covid travel restrictions and heavy rains, teaching and outreach in Bopolu have not taken place for several months. Pastor Kwiwalazu hopes to begin these visits again soon.

Kenya – Schools are making arrangements to resume in-person instruction.

Uganda – Pastor Mugeni has been dealing with typhoid. He and his whole family have been suffering from malaria aggravated by the heavy rains.

India – India has been hard hit by Covid in recent weeks. Christians are blamed in some villages and government aid is being used to entice Christians to return to Hinduism.

Nepal – Covid travel restrictions were lifted in some areas. The monsoons brought heavy rains that are causing destruction of roads and crops. Classes at the Himalayan Bible Institute have been canceled for the remainder of 2020.

Myanmar – Covid lockdowns prevent most travel within the city and prevent Pastor Charles from bringing God's Word to the preaching stations and orphanages that are under his spiritual care.

Bangladesh – Pastor Monotosh has recovered from illness and has resumed pastoral visits at preaching stations. He recently had the privilege of performing fifteen baptisms of former Hindus.

New and Ongoing Contacts – The Lord provides new opportunities to proclaim the truths of His saving Word of forgiveness in Christ in South Sudan, Pakistan, Yemen, Egypt, Burundi, Senegal, Congo, Puerto Rico, Russia, and Italy.

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