

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).

Richard Kanzenbach

Pastor

FINAL SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY FESTIVAL

End of Church Year

Rhonda Tomac, organist

November 21, 2021

WELCOME !

In My Father's house are many mansions [staying places]; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself, that where I am there you may be also.
---John 14:2-3

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Thy body, given for me, O Savior,
Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed,
These are my life and strength forever,
By them my hungry soul is fed.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!

--- TLH 315 v. 11

ORDER OF SERVICE: Supplement, page 12 with Holy Communion.

Hymn 604 Great God, What Do I See and Hear?

EPISTLE: I Thessalonians 4:13-18 At a Christian's death, tears of love are very much in order; tears of hopelessness are not. When Christ returns at the Last Day, those who died in Christ will rise first and meet the Lord in the air. Then those, who are still alive, will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord.

PSALM 2 Why Do the Nations Rage? (Supplement, page 30)

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13 SUMMARIZED Jesus told the parable of Five Wise and Five Foolish Virgins: These ten young ladies, virgins, were the attendants of a wedding bride. With their lamps burning in readiness, they awaited the arrival of the groom and the wedding to begin. Five had made preparations in the event the groom was delayed—which he was, and had extra lamp oil. The other five did not. They were unprepared for his arrival. They missed out. ----- Are you prepared for Christ's arrival? Are you rooted and grounded in His Word of forgiveness? Or are you walking with Satan?

Special Hymn: Through the Bars of Sin and Weakness (see insert)

SERMON: REVELATION 21:1-5

HEAVEN! DO YOU GET THE PICTURE ?

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

Hymn 613 vv. 1-3 Jerusalem the Golden !

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 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 598 Who Knows When Death May Overtake Me?

Benediction

Hymn 613 v. 4 Jerusalem the Golden !

ST. LUKE'S ON THE WEB:

For live videos of our service (streamed) on Facebook. Go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/lemmonlutheran>

For St. Luke's webpage, go to <https://lemmon.clclutheran.org/>. Bulletins, sermons, and videos of services are available there.. Also available are St. Luke's contact info., location, schedule, beliefs, etc.

CALENDAR:

TODAY LAST SUNDAY OF WORSHIP YEAR

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

11/25 THANKSGIVING DAY

10:00 Worship

11/28 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

12/01 WEDNESDAY ADVENT SERVICE

6:00 Soup and sandwich supper

7:00 Worship in basement.

12/05 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

11:45 Sack lunch for children

12:15 1st Christmas Eve Rehearsal

NOVEMBER CHURCH CLEANING: With continued appreciation to--
C. Hourigan, D. Wenner, L. Schoon, J. Olson

CHURCH YEAR: Today is the last Sunday of the Church Year. We ponder the Last Things—Christ's return at the End, the resurrection of the dead, the final judgment, the destruction of this world by fire, the pangs of hell for those despising Christ, the bliss of heaven for those trusting in Christ. Please be prepared always for the End. ----- Next Sunday begins a new church year with the Advent season. During Advent we prepare our hearts to celebrate the Savior's birth at Bethlehem.

THANKSGIVING: If we could only see how many physical blessings we have from the Lord, we would indeed fall at the Savior's feet in thanks and praise, as did the one leper who was healed from his dreaded leprosy and returned to give thanks to the Lord. Plus, far beyond blessings for the body, we also have the gift of God's merciful love and pardon in Jesus, through whom heaven's doors are open!

NOVEMBER 25, THANKSGIVING SERVICE: The Lord's blessings and care have been abundant for another year! Our worship service will be at 10:00 am. on Thursday. "Oh, give thanks to the Lord!"

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES: Evening Advent services will begin on the Wednesday after Thanksgiving—December 1. There will be two further services on Wednesdays, December 8 and December 15. A soup and sandwich supper will be held in the basement at 6:00. Worship will follow at 7:00 also in the basement.

REPORT FROM VOTERS MEETING S:

3rd Quarter July-August-September, Sunday, 10/24/21

Shut-ins visited: B Rieger, H. Erlenbusch, L. Hopfinger, L. Kinyon

Private Communion: H. Erlenbusch, J. Kirschmann

Received by Confession of Faith: 9-5-21 LaVonne Kinyon

Released upon Personal Request: Amanda Fischer Letellier

Janci Wenner Herr

New Office Copier purchased--from E Rieger Memorial (\$1400)

Lectern and Pulpit Lamps ordered—from E. Rieger Memorial (\$600-\$700)

Building Fund CD will be received upon maturity and reinvested in January

Calendar Approved---November-December-January

Basement Entry--to be spruced-up next spring

Special Meeting: Sunday 11/14/21

Calendar Amended—the 4th Wednesday Advent service on 12/22 dropped.

THANK YOU FOR IMPROVED LIGHTING: During the past months, additional lighting installed at St. Luke's has been very helpful for my reading comfort. Two LED office fixtures have been installed, a reading lamp at the altar, a reading lamp at the lectern, a reading lamp at the pulpit, and an overhead light at the pastor's chair near the altar. Thank you! Your concern and kindness are much appreciated! I might also add that a small window has been installed into the exterior door at the back of the parsonage. The window allows some daylight into an otherwise window-less entry and laundry room. Thank you again.

---Pastor Kanzenbach

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