

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

NEW YEAR SUNDAY

"My times are in Your hand."-- Psalm 31:15

Rhonda Tomac, organist

January 2, 2022

HOLY COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, Christ, Thou hast prepared

A feast for our salvation.

It is Thy body and Thy blood;

And at Thy invitation

As weary souls, with sin oppressed,

We come to Thee for needed rest,

For comfort and for pardon. ---- TLH 306:1

ORDER OF SERVICE: Hymnal, page 15

Hymn 125 The Old Year Now Hath Passed Away

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The Kyrie is read by the Pastor

Hymn 79 "Rejoice This Happy Morn!" replaces the **Gloria in Excelsis**

OLD TESTAMENT: Psalm 90 A Psalm of Moses

The Lord's strength and the sinner's frailty

P: O Lord, You have been our dwelling place

C: In all generations.

P: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world,

C: Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

P: You turn man to destruction,

C: And say, "Return, O children of men."

P: For a thousand years in Your sight are like yesterday when it is past,

C: And like a watch in the night.

P: You carry them away like a flood;

C: They are like a sleep.

P: In the morning they are like grass which grows up, in the morning it flourishes and grows up;

C: In the evening it is cut down and withers.

P: For we have been consumed by Your anger,

C: And by Your wrath we are terrified.

P: You have set our iniquities before You,

C: Our secret sins in the light of Your countenance.

P: For all our days have passed away in Your wrath,

C: We finish our years like a sigh.

P: The days of our lives are seventy years [“three score years and ten” –KJV] ;

C: And if by reason of strength they are eighty years,

P: Yet their boast is only labor and sorrow;

C: For it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

P: Who knows the power of Your anger?

C: For as the fear of You, so is Your wrath.

P: So teach us to number our days,

C: That we may gain a heart of wisdom.

The Lord’s mercy and the sinner’s joy

P: Return, O Lord! How long?

C: And have compassion on Your servants.

P: Oh, satisfy us early with Your mercy,

C: That we may rejoice and be glad all our days!

P: Make us glad according to the days in which You have afflicted us,

C: The years in which we have seen evil.

P: Let Your work appear to Your servants,

C: And Your glory to their children.

P: And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands for us.

C: Yes, establish the work of our hands!

GOSPEL: Luke 13:1-8 Each year brings its own sorrows. Is it true that dying in a tragic manner is the worst thing that can happen? The only *real* tragedy—the worst tragedy—is Death without repentance and forgiveness through faith in Christ! Cling to the Lord in 2022. Bear fruit for Him.

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Hymn 357 Jesus, Thou Art Mine Forever!

SERMON: Hebrews 12:1-2

THE NEW YEAR -- RUN THE RACE AND FINISH !

Therefore we also—since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. Who, for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Prayer

Hymn 118 Father, Let Me Dedicate All This Year to Thee

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 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 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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION: We ask that four come forward at a time, except if the group is immediate family.

Distribution Hymn 120 Help Us, O Lord, Behold We Enter
Benediction

Hymn 97 Let Us All with Gladsome Voice Praise the God of Heaven!

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NEW YEAR 2022: By God’s grace, we have entered calendar year 2022 ! The same Lord and Savior who was with us each day of 2021 will continue to be with us in 2022. In Christ, God forgives us, blesses us, guides us, and carries us from this life through death to the next. Hold tightly to Jesus in faith!

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, confession of faith, etc.

VOTERS MEETING: The quarterly voters meeting (covering Oct.-Dec.) is scheduled for Sunday, January 23, at 1:00. This is also the annual meeting covering the entire past year. Election for one councilman will be held. A potluck meal is scheduled for noon.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

01/09	Epiphany Sunday	10:30	Worship	9:30	B.Class & S.Sch.
01/16	Sun.	10:30	Worship with COMMUNION	9:30	B.Class & S.Sch.
01/23	Sun.	10:30	Worship	9:30	B.Class & S.Sch.
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CHURCH CLEANING: January—John and Myrna Erhardt. We thank all cleaners for their dedication and faithfulness to the Lord!

SERMONS BY E-MAIL AND LAND MAIL: Sermon summaries are e-mailed or land-mailed to members who so desire. If you are unable to be at services, or if you would simply like to receive copies, that is fine. Please give your contact info. to Pastor Kanzenbach. Thank you.

CALL NEWS:

Pastor Paul Krause, Watertown, SD. and Hidewood Township, SD, **has returned** the call to Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA.

Pastor Sam Rodebaugh, Winter Haven, Florida, **has accepted** the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

ILC Professor John Ude **has been called** to be the pastor of Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN .

Teacher Nathan Wales, Columbia, SC, **has been called** by Grace Lutheran School, Sleepy Eye, MN, to serve as principal and teacher for grades 5 -8, beginning with the 2022 school year.

Teacher Ross Kok, Phoenix, AZ, **has returned** the call to be the upper grade teacher of Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM THE GANTT FAMILY: A card, with several photos, is posted on the entry bulletin board. Pastor Gantt writes, "Our warmest Christmas greetings to St. Luke's. With much love and joy. The Gantt family"

REGARDING THE FIRE AT GANTT PARSONAGE: The initial estimate for house repairs is just over \$20,000. Possible damage to the HVAC system, located above the burned bedroom, is being investigated. All damaged material is being removed, the entire interior of the main part of the house washed, then renovation will begin. Insurance is also covering the cost for sealing every room in the main part of the house with KILZ and repainting. The Gantt family is doing much of the work themselves at a considerable savings to the church. The Gantts will be reimbursed for their labors.