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

LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY FESTIVAL END OF WORSHIP YEAR

Ruth Wiechmann, organist

November 20, 2022

WELCOME!

Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?" And I said to him, "Sir, you know." So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ---- Revelation 7:13-14

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

In the Book of Revelation those who stand righteous before God are pictured as those who lived through the days of evil on this earth having their robes washed white in the blood of the Lamb. The blood of Jesus does not wash anyone's <u>physical</u> garments white, but washes our souls white, pure, spotless, sinless before the Father in heaven. In the Lord's supper you are assured and comforted that the washing is yours, that your sins are forgiven. By His own miraculous means Jesus shares with you His very (true) body and blood in, with, and under the bread and the wine. In the Lord's Supper there is individual personal comfort that by faith in the crucified Jesus, you are spotless before God!

ORDER OF SERVICE:

Supplement, page 12 with Holy Communion.

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

EPISTLE: I Thessalonians 5:1-11 The time of Christ's return in judgment is unknown. Therefore, live self-controlled lives with love for Christ who died for sin and rose again. Live as children of light Then you are always ready!

PSALM 121, p. 42 I Will Lift Up My Eyes!

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13 Jesus told the parable of Five Wise and Five Foolish Virgins: These ten young ladies, virgins, were the wedding bride's attendants. With their lamps burning in readiness, they awaited the arrival of the groom. Then the wedding would begin. Five of the ten had made preparations in the event the groom would be delayed—which he was. They

had brough extra lamp oil. The other five had not. They were unprepared for his arrival and subsequently missed the wedding ------ Are you prepared for Christ's arrival? Are you rooted and grounded in His Word of forgiveness? Are you walking in the Light? Or walking with Satan?

NICENE CREED: Supplement, page 5

Hymn 609 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying!

SERMON: MATTHEW 6:9-13 and LUKE 11:2-4

WITH CONFIDENCE AND PRAISE !

Our Father Who art in heaven. Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil. <u>For Thine is the</u> <u>kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.</u> (COMMON WORDING OF THE LORD'S PRAYER.)

Hymn 458 v. 9 Amen! That Is, So Shall It Be!

OFFERING and Offering Prayer 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 611 The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

Benediction Hymn 613 v. 4 Jerusalem the Golden! END OF 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 always be prepared 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.

NOVEMBER 24, THANKSGIVING SERVICE: The Lord's blessings and care have been abundant for another year! Our worship service will be this week Thursday at 10:00 a.m. "Oh, give thanks to the Lord!"

THANKSGIVING: If we could only see how many physical blessings we have from the Lord! Then we would indeed fall at the Savior's feet in thanks and praise, as did the one leper out of ten who were all healed from dreaded leprosy. Far beyond blessings for the body, we also have God's gifts of mercy, love, and pardon in Jesus. Through Jesus heaven's doors are open!

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES: Evening Advent services will begin on the Wednesday after Thanksgiving—November 30. There will be three further services on Wednesday, December 7, 14, and 21. A soup and sandwich supper at 6:00 will precede the services. Worship will be held at 7:00 in the basement.

CALENDAR:

- 11/24 THANKSGIVING WORSHIP 10:00 Thursday
- 11/27 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 Worship 9:30 Bible Class & Sunday School
- 11/30 WEDNESDAY EVEING ADVENT SERVICE 7:00 Worship--in basement 6:00 Soup and sandwich supper
- 12/04 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 Worship with COMMUNION 9:30 B. Class & Sun. Sch.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Cara Smude, whose son Josh Smude is married to Trista (Bubbers). Cara has been found to have stage IV cancer. Her time appears to be short. We pray that through the Word of God she is drawn close to the Savior. We pray for Cara's physical comfort. We pray for the family.

FROM THE PRESIDENT CONCERNING PASTOR JOHN HEIN:

Aggressive cancer treatments have begun. I have received word from Pastor Hein's congregation, Grace in Fridley, MN, that they have set up a fund to help the family with financial burdens for his cancer care. Rather than set up another separate fund for CLC members at large, the Board of Trustees and the presidium have agreed that it would be less complicated if those wishing to help send contributions directly to:

Grace Lutheran Church (Attention Treasurer) 460 75th Ave. NE, Fridley, MN 55432. Designate the contribution as "Hein Gift" An online option is also available: https://www.gofundme.com/john-and-janelle-hein-family.

---From CLC President, Pastor Michael Eichstadt

CHURCH CLEANING—special Thanks! NOVEMBER Connie H. Kelly S. Krista S. DECEMBER Judy K. Darlene S. Erica W. Ruth W.

HOPE AND HELP FOR DEPRESSION: A seminar entitled "Hope and Help for Depression" was held on November 6 at Messiah of Eau Claire, WI. The first speakers was <u>Dean Marzofka</u>, a CLC member with a master's degree in Marriage and Family Therapy and twenty-five years of experience in the field. The second speaker was <u>Pastor David Ude</u> of Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton, WI. You may view the video at <u>tinyurl.com/depression-hope</u> OR go to <u>www.eauclairemessiah.com</u> and there click the seminar banner. Personal DVD copies are available by contacting the Messiah church office phone 715-834-2865 or email <u>church.office@ecmessiah.org</u>.

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