

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

60TH SUNDAY

(SEXAGESIMA -- "SIXTY" -- DAYS BEFORE EASTER)

Autumn Wiechmann, organist

February 12, 2023

WELCOME!

Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.
---Isaiah 41:10

ORDER OF SERVICE:

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Hymn 385 vv. 1-5 Now I Have Found the Firm Foundation!

EPISTLE: II Corinthians 11:19 – 12:10 The Corinthians were looking for spiritual leaders who could boast of greatness. Paul, however, boasted of his weakness and of all the things he suffered in weakness for Jesus' name. He boasted of a "thorn in the flesh" (we don't know its nature), from which he had prayed for relief from God, but his prayer was not granted. Although the thorn made him weak and humbled him, he rejoiced in it! His weakness forced him to lean on Christ, his Savior. In Christ, he was strong! Christ was his boast! Jesus, the crucified and risen Savior, is your boast also!

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

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GOSPEL: Luke 8:4-15 The Parable of the Sower and the Seed. When the Word of God reaches human hearts, it's like seed being broadcast onto the ground. Does the seed get snatched away by Satan? Does the seed land on gravelly soil, where it easily sprouts but any heat soon dries it up? Does the seed land in a thistle patch, where it is eventually choked, by all the competition? Does the seed land on good earth, where it grows and produces an abundant crop? May the Lord grant that we are all good soil.

APOSTLES' CREED

Hymn 49 Almighty God, Thy Word Is Cast like Seed into the Ground!

SERMON: I SAMUEL 17:3-11, 43-49

THE DEVIL WANTS TO GET INTO YOUR HEAD

The Philistines stood on a mountain on one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. And a champion went out from the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, from Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span [over nine feet]. He had a bronze helmet on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze [125 pounds]. And he had bronze armor on his legs and a bronze javelin between his shoulders. Now the shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his iron spearhead weighed six hundred shekels [15 pounds]; and a shield-bearer went before him. Then he stood and cried out to the armies of Israel, and said to them, "Why have you come out to line up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and you the servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." And the Philistine said, "I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together." When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid. . . .

So the Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. And the Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and the beasts of the field!"

Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the LORD of Hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. Then all this assembly shall know that the LORD does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's, and He will give you into our hands."

So it was, when the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, that David hurried and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine. Then David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone; and he slung it and struck the Philistine in his forehead, so that the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the earth.

Offering and Offering Prayer

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn 785 Children of the Heavenly Father!

INSTALLATION: 2023 CHURCH COUNCIL:

Dwight Wenner, re-elected	2026
Ray Schopp	2025
Jonathan Wiechmann	2024

Benediction

Hymn 492 Lord, of the Living Harvest!

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SEPTUAGESIMA, SEXAGESIMA, QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAYS:

These unusual names are passed down to us from the church of the Middle Ages. They are Latin names for the Sundays that fall between Transfiguration Sunday (end of Epiphany season) and the beginning of Lent. The words mean 70th, 60th, and 50th, respectively. These Sundays fall approximately 70, 60, and 50 days before Easter. The names are similar to our English words septuplets, sextuplets, and quintuplets. This year we celebrate all three of the Gesima Sundays. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

02/19	Sun.	10:30	Worship with COMMUNION	9:30	B.Class & S.Sch.
02/22	Wed.	7:00	ASH WEDNESDAY	6:00	Soup & Sandwich
02/26	Sun.	10:30	Worship	9:30	B.Class & S.Sch.
03/01	Wed.	7:00	WEDNESDAY LENT II	6:00	Soup & Sandwich
03/05	Sun.	10:30	Worship with COMMUNION	9:30	B.Class & S.Sch.

NEW BLESSING! On Friday, February 10, a baby girl, Evelyn Hope Wiechmann, was born to Ethan and Katie Wiechmann. We thank the Lord for His love and safekeeping. May He bless the family.

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING, FEBRUARY 19: A special voters meeting is being called for Sunday February 19 after worship to discuss 1) putting funds into a CD and 2) approving \$1200 for the removal of the disintegrating concrete steps at the office door.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES: Voters minutes from 2009-2014 are not with the other church records. Does anyone have any knowledge of their possible whereabouts? Please see John Erhardt or Pastor Kanzenbach. Thank you!

THANK YOU: Thank You, St. Luke's, for your ongoing support to the pastor. A special Thank You for the extra month's salary for 2022 as granted by the voters at the Annual Meeting. May the Lord bless our humble labors together serving in His Kingdom, sharing the Gospel of forgiveness and life for all through Christ's death and resurrection! ---Pastor Kanzenbach

ALMOST COMPLETE: 2023 CLEANING SCHEDULE -- Three weeks remain "unfilled" for 2023---Sundays, December 17, 24, 31. Is anyone willing to cover one or more of those Sundays? Thank you, all volunteers!

CALL NEWS:

Pastor Neal Radichel, Mankato, MN has been called to serve as third pastor at Messiah, Eau Claire, WI,

Mrs. Eileen Tiefel, Eau Claire, WI, has announced her retirement from teaching Kindergarten at Messiah.

Mrs. Haley Seffens, Eau Claire, WI, member at Messiah, has been called to teach Kindergarten at Messiah.

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.

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