# ST. LUKE'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH 10:30 a.m.

200 11<sup>th</sup> Street E.

We are affiliated with the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC) Richard Kanzenbach Pastor

#### **1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EASTER**

Rhonda Tomac, organist

April 16, 2023

Lemmon, SD 57638

#### WELCOME !

Because I live, you will live also! --- John 14:19b

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Acts 2:42: They continued steadfastly in--

- --the apostles' doctrine: [teachings from the Lord Jesus blessed by the Holy Spirit's understanding]
- --fellowship: [united in Bible teaching and Truth,, they shared the closest of bonds with one another]
- --breaking of bread: [in unity of teaching and fellowship, they shared the Lord's Supper],
- --and in prayers [one in faith and fellowship, they presented their requests and praises to God]

## **ORDER OF SERVICE:**

Supplement, page 12 with Holy Communion.

Hymn 208 vv. 1-5 Ye Sons and Daughters of the King!

**EPISTLE: I John 5:4-12** Love for God and carrying out His commands openly displays a believer's faith in Christ. Christ the Savior is God's own Son. His Sonship was made evident 1) by the **water** of His baptism—at which God the Father spoke, "This is My beloved Son," 2) by the **blood** of His death on the cross—at which time the sun stopped shining, the earth quaked, and the rocks split, and 3) by the **Holy Spirit**, who works faith and conviction in our hearts. These three witnesses point us to Jesus. In Jesus, we have eternal life!

PSALM 118, page 29 I Will Praise You!

**GOSPEL:** John 20:19-31 When Jesus appeared to His disciples on the evening of His Resurrection day, Thomas, one of the Twelve, was not with them. Thomas would doubt that Jesus had been there. A week later, Jesus appeared to the group again. Thomas was present. Jesus said, "Blessed are those who have not seen, and yet have believed!" --- True for you also!

#### NICENE CREED: Supplement, page 5

Hymn 208 vv. 6-10 Ye Sons and Daughters of the King!

# SERMON: ACTS 2:22–24 and 36-39 OUT OF THE GRAVE HAVE I CALLED MY SON !

Men of Israel, hear these words: "Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst—as you yourselves also know—Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death. Him [whom] God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it. ...

"Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ!"

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."

#### **OFFERING**

## **PRAYER** and **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Hymn 726 Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain!

#### 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.

### **BENEDICTION**

Hymn 51 Now May He Who from the Dead!

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#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

04/23	Sun.	10:30	Worship	9:30 B.Class & S.Sch.
		12:00	Potluck Meal	
		1:00	Quarterly Voters Meeting	
04/30	Sun.	10:30	Worship	9:30 B.Class & S.Sch
05/07	Sun.	10:30	Worship with COMMUNION	

THE MINISTRY OF THE GOSPEL IN OUR MIDST: Although the Gospel ministry is not an illustrious career by worldly standards, the "career" of being a Christian minister (*servant*) is indeed a blessing. The pastor (*shepherd*) of a congregation and the teacher in a Christian classroom are privileged to share Good News with needy souls. A dismal record it is, which each soul carries to God. It does not come close to meeting God's demands. However, souls have been reconciled (*granted "acceptable" status*) and stand in peace with God through Christ. There is forgiveness for each sinner, through Jesus. The "ministry of reconciliation" is truly a life-giving ministry and a privilege! We encourage our young people to prepare for serving as pastors and teachers in our CLC. The harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few.

# CALL NEWS:

*Pastor Chad Seybt*, Fairchild, WI--Onalaska, WI--Millston, WI --Melrose, WI, has returned the call to Redemption, Lynnwood, WA, & Ascension, Tacoma, WA *Pastor Luke Bernthal*, Mountain View, CA, and Hayward, CA, has returned the call to serve as third pastor at Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire, WI. *Pastor Nathanael Mayhew*, Sleepy Eye, MN, and New Ulm, MN, has been called to serve as third pastor at Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire, WI *Mrs. Chris Gerbitz*, member at Peace Thru Christ, Middleton, WI has been called to teach at Peace Thru Christ Lutheran School re-opening this fall.

ST. LUKE'S ON THE WEB:

For live videos of our service (streamed) on Facebook. Go to: <u>https://www.facebook.com/lemmonlutheran</u>

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

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