

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)

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Pastor

1st Sunday after Trinity Festival

Autumn Wiechmann, organist

June 2, 2024

WELCOME!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all! Amen! ---II Corinthians 13:14

THE SACRAMENT OF “THE LORD’S SUPPER”

“The Lord’s Supper” is another name for Holy Communion. This “Supper” is the very special “meal”—eating and drinking—that Christ commanded/ instituted/ started at the Passover meal with His disciples on the night before He was crucified. In a miraculous way as only God can do, He gave, and gives, His very body and very blood (the price of man’s salvation) together with the unleavened bread and the grape wine, as comfort and assurance to sinners that sins are forgiven in His name! --- “The Lord’s Supper” is sometimes confused with the term “The Last Supper.” “The Last Supper” is speaking only of His last meal with His disciples before His death. Thus, “The Lord’s Supper” was instituted at “The Last Supper.”

ORDER OF SERVICE: Hymnal, page 15

Hymn 237 All Glory Be to God on High!

On page 17: **The Kyrie** is read by the pastor.

Hymn 644 in place of the **Gloria in Excelsis**.

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!”

EPISTLE: I John 4:16-21 God is love. God’s love for us is demonstrated in the sacrifice of His Son. God’s love instills love and trust in our hearts toward Him. Through Jesus we have confidence to stand before God without fear. Perfect love casts out fear! Let us love our “brothers” also.

GOSPEL Luke 16:19-31 In Jesus’ parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus, the rich man did not love and trust in God; nor did he love the beggar Lazarus. In hell, the rich man saw that a life of ease does not make one a “son of Abraham,” that is, an heir of heaven. It is the trust in God’s promise of mercy and forgiveness in Christ— such as Lazarus had in his lowly life—that makes one a true child of Abraham. Days on this earth are the only time to cling by faith to Christ! Christ comes through the Scriptures and in no other way.

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Hymn 327 Out of the Deep I Call! [*Deep sorrows of life—not the depths of hell*]

SERMON: Matthew 19:16-26

THE BALLOON THAT WILL NOT BURST !

Now behold, one came and said to Him, “Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?” So He said to him, “Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.” He said to Him, “Which ones?” Jesus said, “You shall not murder, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, Honor your father and your mother, and, You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” The young man said to Him, “All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?” Jesus said to him, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.” But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

Then Jesus said to His disciples, “Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.” When His disciples heard it, they were greatly astonished, saying, “Who then can be saved?” But Jesus looked at them and said to them, “With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

OFFERING and OFFERING PRAYER:

PRAYERS

Hymn 533 Nearer, My God, to Thee!

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

VISITORS, please note that our congregation does not practice “open” communion. Communion is an expression of oneness with the Lord and also oneness in faith and teaching with each other. Differences in Bible doctrine do separate. Therefore, we have a “close-knit” communion practice. Respectfully 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 knows the heart. For questions, please visit with the pastor. Thank you.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION:

Distribution Hymn 311 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior!

Benediction

Hymn 50, melody 1 Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing!

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SCHEDULE:

6/9 10:30 Worship 9:30 Bible Class, if desired.
6/16 10:30 Worship with COMMUNION 9:30 Bible Class, if desired.
Thu.-Sun., 6/20-23 CLC Synod Convention, Eau Claire, WI
6/23 10:30 Worship (lay reader) 9:30 Bible Class, if desired.

SUMMER WORSHIP: This summer worship time remains at **10:30**.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS LAY-DELEGATE: St. Luke's may send two lay-delegates to the Synod Convention. Dates are Thu.-Sun., 6/20-23, at the ILC campus, Eau Claire, WI. Reports from the past two years are presented and plans are laid out for the next two years. See Pastor Kanzenbach. Thank you.

PROSPECTUS FOR 2024 CONVENTION: The Prospectus for this summer's CLC Convention has been printed. Two copies are on the table in the entry area, containing the reports from all synod Boards. Please review the copies as you wish, and return them for others to read. Please forward any thoughts you may have on the various reports, activities, and issues to Pastor Kanzenbach. Thank you!

FROM MISSIONARY TODD OHLMANN: MYANMAR. Our brothers and sisters in Christ in Myanmar, formerly Burma, (east of India) have regularly been included in the CLC World Missions Prayer List. I get weekly updates from Pastor Kham in Myanmar, and each one breaks my heart. Please continue to pray for them! I thought this week I would share his email to give a better idea about those for whom you pray. Thank you.

Dear Brother Todd, Greetings in Jesus' Name!

We, the CLCM, are in need of your continued support and prayers. I thought that the civil war would continue "normally" on May 17, 2024, in Chin State. However, it is getting worse day by day. The revolution and civil war has not ended yet, mostly due to the Combined PDF and Military. The Military has been bombing villages and towns with jet fighters. The areas where CLCM members are living, such as Tedim Township, Tonzang Township, and Cikha town, are being greatly affected, including 7 villages and 3 townships. Many people have had to leave their houses and flee to safe places. I just received a phone call from one of our Pastors, who said that approximately 37 CLCM

members have left their houses and taken shelter with their relatives and friends, sharing food, shelter, and daily necessities.

We don't know what will happen next, but we are trying our best to survive as families. Sometimes, we ask God why this condition is happening to us and we rely on our faith in Him to overcome. Thank you for your understanding and support. Blessings, Pastor Kham CLCM

FROM MISSIONARY TODD OHLMANN: BANGLADESH. Also please include in your prayers our brothers and sisters in Christ in Bangladesh, formerly East Pakistan (east of India).

Last weekend, Cyclone Demal struck the east coast of India and portions of Bangladesh. The Bangladesh Lutheran Church Mission (BLCM) has congregations, preaching stations, and many members in the affected area. Pastor Banarjee reports that fifteen homes of BLCM members have been destroyed, with an additional twenty-four homes severely damaged. Over fifty BLCM families have been affected. Two church buildings have also been severely damaged, which are some of the only Christian churches in the area. The congregations consist of mainly marginalized and impoverished former Hindus, who live day to day as subsistence farmers. The cyclone has destroyed this year's crops and future crops, including many established fruit trees.

The CLC Board of Missions was able to respond quickly by sending immediate Kinship humanitarian aid, praying that the Lord will bless and multiply these funds for the care of the sheep in the BLCM flock. “The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and great in mercy. The Lord is good to all, And His tender mercies are over all His works” (Psalm 145:8–9). Thank you for praying!

CALL NEWS:

Pastor David Ude, Appleton, WI, has returned the call to Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN, and Faith, New Ulm, MN.

Pastor Sam Rodebaugh, Manchester, MO has received the call to Grace, Sleepy Eye, MN, and Faith, New Ulm, MN.

Mr. Darin Lau, a member of Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire, WI, has been called by Messiah to teach 5th & 6th grades.

Teacher Andrew Roehl, Valentine, NE has returned the call to Luther Memorial School, Fond du Lac, WI.

Mr. Mark Wales, member of Holy Trinity, West Columbia, SC, has accepted the call to serve as principal of its school for the 2024-2025 school year.

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