

**ST. LUKE'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC)

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July 28, 2024

**9<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

10:30 am

Autumn Wiechmann

Organist

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen!**

**HYMN 18** Lord, We Come before Thee Now!

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS:**

*I John 1:7---2:2 (KJV)*

P: The blood of Jesus Christ His Son

**C: Cleanses us from all sin.**

P: If we say that we have no sin,

**C: We deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.**

P: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins,

**C: And to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: If we say that we have not sinned,

**C: We make Him a liar, and His Word is not in us.**

P: My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate [spokesman] with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous,

**C: And He is the propitiation [payment] for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.**

**HYMN 24** Lord of My Life, Whose Tender Care

**EPISTLE: I Corinthians 10:6-13.** The accounts of God's discipline upon His Old Testament people were written for our sake, not theirs --- Beware of turning from the Lord! Temptation is never so overwhelming that it must be followed. The Lord provides a way out. When sin does overtake, run to Jesus for forgiveness. His precious forgiveness gives a renewed will to do better each day.

**GOSPEL Luke 12:34-40** No man knows the day or the hour when Jesus will return. As an earthly master is pleased when his servants are waiting and watching for him even though the hour is late, so the Lord is pleased when we are always alert for Him. Those who give up, will face His wrath.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
Born of the Virgin Mary;  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried;  
He descended into hell;  
The third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven  
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead

I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints;  
The forgiveness of sins;  
The Resurrection of the body;  
And the life everlasting.

Amen!

**HYMN 375** If Thy Beloved Son, O God, Had Not to Earth Descended!

## **SERMON: Luke 16:1-11**

### **A WISE STEWARD LOOKS AHEAD**

There was a certain rich man who had a steward, and an accusation was brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. So he called him and said to him, What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.

Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do? For my master is taking the stewardship away from me. I cannot dig; I am ashamed to beg. I have resolved what to do, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. So he called every one of his master's debtors to him, and said to the first, How much do you owe my master? And he said, A hundred measures of oil. So he said to him, Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty. Then he said to another, And how much do you owe? So he said, A hundred measures of wheat. And he said to him, Take your bill, and write eighty.

**So the master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in their generation than the sons of light. And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home. He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?**

**Offering** and Offering Prayer

**PRAYER** and LORD'S PRAYER

**HYMN 465** Christ Is Our Corner-Stone!

**Closing Prayer**

**BENEDICTION**

**HYMN 401** Praise to Thee and Adoration!

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**SCHEDULE:**

7/28 10:30 Worship  
12:00 Potluck meal  
1:00 **2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER VOTERS MEETING**  
8/04 10:30 Worship with HOLY COMMUNION

**VOTERS 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER MEETING (APRIL, MAY, JUNE) TODAY:**  
A potluck meal will be served at noon. All invited. The voters meeting will begin at 1:00. Thank you.

**SUMMER WORSHIP:** Worship remains at **10:30** throughout the summer.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Your labors are much appreciated!  
August: Rhonda Tomac.

**CLC WOMEN'S RETREAT WEST: This fall the west regional CLC Women's Retreat will be held at Bismarck, ND**—about as close to Lemmon as it will ever be! Women's retreats are special events. Our Lord encourages us to gather and immerse ourselves in His Word of Truth. Each woman has a number of special callings in this life—learning more about these callings together provides encouragement for the journey. Whatever your life situation, a call to “retreat” from your normal routine is yet another way the Spirit can bring blessings in your life.

- This year's theme is “Be Encouraged—to Excel Still More.”
- The dates are Friday, September 13 - Sunday, September 15.
- The location is St. Paul Lutheran Church, Bismarck.
- Registration deadline is August 13. Be sure mailed registrations reach St. Paul by August 16.
- Attendance will be capped at 80 (space limitations).
- Further information plus registration sheets are posted at St. Luke's on the entry bulletin board.
- Or online: [womensretreat.clclutheran.net](http://womensretreat.clclutheran.net)
- Or email Sandy Roehl: [WomensRetreatWest@gmail.com](mailto:WomensRetreatWest@gmail.com)

Thank you!

#### **CALL NEWS:**

**Pastor Luke Bernthal**, Mountain View, CA, and Hayward, CA, has accepted the call to Messiah Lutheran, Hales Corners, WI.

**Pastor Aaron Ude**, Rapid City, SD, has returned the call to Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye, MN.

**Pastor Michael Gurath**, Phoenix, AZ, has been called by Grace Lutheran, Seepy Eye, MN

**Pastor James Albrecht**, Okabena, MN, has announced his retirement from the ministry at the end of this year.

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