

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

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Lemmon, SD 57638

*We are affiliated with the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC).*

*Richard Kanzenbach*

*Pastor*

**MISSION FESTIVAL**

*November 3, 2024*

*Autumn Wiechmann*

*Organist*

**WELCOME !**

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. --2 Corinthians 1:3-4*

**Hymn 502** Saints of God, the Dawn Is Brightening!

**I CORINTHIANS 1:18-25 THE FOOLISHNESS OF GOD IS WISER THAN MAN**

The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing,

**But to us who are being saved it is the power of God.**

For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

**And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent."**

Where is the wise? Where *is* the scribe? Where *is* the disputer of this age?

**Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?**

For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God,

**It pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.**

For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified,

**To the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness,**

But to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks,

**Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.**

Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men,

**And the weakness of God is stronger than men.**

**EPISTLE: Romans 10:11-15** Forgiveness and eternal life in Christ are not things that a person can manufacture for himself or buy for himself. Forgiveness and eternal life are a message of pardon in Jesus. Hearts, burdened by sin, cling to this Good Message by trust, or faith, or belief. Because it does not just sprout up in front of anyone, the Lord has entrusted us to proclaim the Message!

**Hymn 496** Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying! (by Sunday School)

**GOSPEL: Mark 16:15-20** During the days after Jesus' resurrection, He appeared to His disciples at various times and places with special words of encouragement for them. He also instructed them to preach the Gospel to all the world—which still applies to us today. On the fortieth day, Jesus ascended into heaven. He poured out the Holy Spirit upon the disciples ten days later. . They began to preach with wisdom, courage, and power.

## **APOSTLES CREED:**

**Hymn 507** Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word!

## **SERMON: JOHN 4 : 39-42**

### **COMFORT FOR THE HEART, FROM THE HEART!**

*And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His own word. Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."*

## **OFFERINGS and PRAYERS:**

**Hymn 61 vv. 1-2** Comfort, Comfort, Ye My People!

## **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.

**The Confession of Sins (Congregation):** O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserve Thy temporal

and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

**Absolution** (assurance of cleansing) **of Sins: P:** Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as your called Servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead, and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. **Congregation: AMEN!**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION:**

**Hymn 307** Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord

**Distribution Hymn 311** Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior!

**Hymn 309** O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

### **Closing Prayer:**

### **Benediction:**

**Hymn 769** Lift High the Cross!

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**MISSION FESTIVAL TODAY:** After today's service a fellowship meal will be served in the basement. You are invited!

**MISSION PRESENTATION:** After the noon meal, at **2:00 pm Missionary Peter Evensen**, serving our synod in Togo, West Africa, will be speaking to us by way of the wonders of modern video communications. He will share with us the spreading of the Gospel in the CLC-Togo. Pastor Evensen translates our English materials into French and teaches at the seminary. We thank him for his labors in our behalf and for his willingness to speak with us today. Missionary Evensen is still in Spokane, WA, recovering from knee ailments and infection. We pray for his continued recovery and quick return to Togo!

**THANK YOU:** We thank Clayton Pederson for providing the equipment and the expertise to make this presentation possible!

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

11/10 Sun. 10:30 Worship 9:30 Sun.Sch. & B.Class  
11/17 Sun. 10:30 Worship with COMMUNION 9:30 Sun.Sch. & B.Class  
10/24 Sun. 10:30 Worship 9:30 Sun.Sch. & B.Class  
11/28 Thu. **10:00 THANKSGIVING WORSHIP**

**REPORT FROM VOTERS MEETING, 10-20-24:**

Present—8 voters present, 1 pastor, 1 guest

Membership Changes—

Baptism: Ella Larson 8-11-24

Received by Confession of Faith: Michael Larson 10-20-24

Communion—Both individual cup and common cup will be continued.

Concrete work—bids still being pursued.

Property Insurance—Rate increases 20%

Calendar November, December, January approved –copies on bulletin table.

Spring Delegate Conference—Jamestown; St. Luke's layman assigned essay

Pastor Vacation Sunday—January 12

Quarterly Finances Reports—Copies on bulletin table.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** With thanks and appreciation!

November: 3+10 Kerry C. 17+24 Dean & Kathy L.

**2025 CHURCH CLEANING:** The 2025 sign-up sheet is in the entry area.  
Please sign at your convenience. Thank you!

**PASTOR DAUB, HECLA, SD:** Pastor Daub was at the Pastors' Study Group in Pierre last Monday. He is doing well! We thank the Lord!

**NOVEMBER-DECEMBER-JANUARY CALENDARS:** Calendar sheets are on the bulletin table. Please take one. Thank you.

**ELECTION DAY:** Tuesday, 11/5, is election day. We pray that the Lord protect our election process. We know that His hand is over all. We thank the Lord for those willing to run for office. We ask the Lord to bless their service.

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