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

4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Autumn Wiechmann, organist

February 2, 2025

WELCOME!

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Jesus. ---John 10:10

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Human reason, though it ponder, Cannot fathom this great wonder That Christ's body e'er remaineth Though it countless souls sustaineth And that He His blood is giving With the wine we are receiving. These great mysteries unsounded Are by God alone expounded.

--- TLH 305:6

ORDER OF SERVICE: Hymnal, page 15

Hymn 538 Now the Shades of Night Are Gone!

EPISTLE: Romans 13:8-14 In your life, all the Commandments would be kept perfectly if you loved perfectly. "Love is the fulfillment of the law." However, since a sinner cannot love perfectly, the Savior has come to take your punishment. With a new heart given by the Holy Spirit, serve Him faithfully. Realize His return is drawing nearer all the time. Serve Him, not sin.

GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33 After the miraculous feeding of the five thousand in the wilderness on the east side of the Sea of Galilee, Jesus sent His disciples in the boat back across the water to the other side. He stayed alone to pray. That night He knew the disciples were helplessly battling a strong wind. He walked on the water out to them. They were frightened! All along it was Jesus. Peter was so joyous, he wanted to walk out to Him, Jesus said, Yes, do. Peter did fine until fear took over his heart and his faith shrunk away. Jesus rescued him and brought the disciples safely to harbor. Do not let your faith slip away, as you battle the storms of life.

NICENE CREED, p. 22

Hymn 427 vv. 1-4 How Firm a Foundation!

SERMON: Matthew 8:23-27

JESUS IS "NEVER NOT-AWARE"!

Now when He got into a boat, His disciples followed Him. And suddenly a great tempest arose on the sea, so that the boat was covered with the waves. But He was asleep. Then His disciples came to Him and awoke Him, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!"

But He said to them, "Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?" Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. So the men marveled, saying, "Who can this be, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?"

OFFERING and OFFERING PRAYER:

PRAYERS

Hymn 427 vv. 5-7 How Firm a Foundation!

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 305 Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness!

Benediction

Hymn 653 Now the Light Has Gone Away

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

- 2/2 10:30 Worship with HOLY COMMUNION 9:30 Bible Cl. and S.Sch.
- 2/9 10:30 Worship 9:30 Bible Cl. and S.Sch.

MAILBOXES: The mailboxes in the church entry are being re-labeled. If you would like a mailbox with your name, please sign the sheet. There are 126 slots, enough for every man, woman, and child in the congregation, and more!

REPORT FROM VOTERS ANNUAL MEETING, 1/26/25:

Attendance—10 voters present, 1 pastor

New Voter Received—Michael Larson Welcome!

Pastor's Reports—2024 4th Quarterly Report, and 2024 Annual Report (see) Quarterly Membership Changes—None

2024 Finances and Funds—(Please find reports available church entry area)

In-house audit for April meeting—Anthony L. Thank you!

Election to Council (3-Year)—Clayton Pederson Welcome!

Term Expiring—Ray Schopp Thank You!

Appointment as Secretary to the Treasurer (1-Year)—John Erhardt Called Readers (1-Year)—Anthony L., Chuck C., Jonathan W., Clayton P.

Delegate to Pastor & Delegate Conference 5/20-22/25—as yet unfilled

Updated Ushers Manual—Approved with edits.

Thank you to a sequence of laborers—Dwight W., Blake L., Jonathan W.! Missions Goal CLC General Fund for 2025: \$2,500. (2024 actual \$3535).

Pastor's Support 2025: \$28,800 with \$10,000 of that amount designated as "housing allowance" for pastor's tax purposes. Also a special bonus of \$2,400 granted for 2024. Church mileage subsidy increase to \$.40 per mile. Also motion of thanks to pastor.

[And thank you, everyone! Pastor K.]

Calendar February-March-April—Approved. Lent and Easter services included Special Thank You: To ALL who assist at St. Luke's, whether visibly or behind the scenes!

VOTERS' ITEMS AVAILABLE IN THE ENTRY AREA:

- ---VOTERS AGENDA
- ---TREASURERS' REPORTS:
- ---PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT: The Pastor's 2024 Annual Report is also available in the entry area. Please inform the pastor of any misspelled names or other incorrect info. Thank you!
- ---FEBRUARY-MARCH-APRIL CALENDAR:

COUNCIL RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING:

Jonathan W. --President

Clayton P. -- Recording & Financial Sec.; Mission & Building Funds Treas.

Dwight W. --General Fund Treas. & Memorial Fund Treas.

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES: Wednesday Lenten services begin March 5. The time currently scheduled is 5:30 Worship, 6:30 Soup & Sandwich, the same as last year. How does that work for you? If any prefer the meal before the service, as done earlier, please inform the pastor. Thank you!

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor Paul Krause, Watertown, SD, & Hidewood Township, SD, has returned the call to St. Stephen Luth. Church & School, Mountain View, CA. *Pastor Sam Naumann*, re-entering the ministry, has returned the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

Teacher Claire Abbas, Inver Grove Heights, MN has returned the call to Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

Teacher Mikkela Schmitt, Mountain View, CA, has received the call to Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD.

Teacher Blair Sydow has accepted the call to continue serving as the upper grade teacher at Holy Trinity Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC.

THANK YOU CHURCH CLEANERS!

February 2 & 9 Lou Ann February 16 & 23 Katie, Kelly, Krista

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, Bible confession, etc.

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