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

"SEXAGESIMA" or "60TH" SUNDAY

Approximately Sixty Days before Easter

Katie Wiechmann, Organist

February 23, 2025

WELCOME!

"There was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And He said unto me, 'My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in [your] weakness.' Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me!"

---2 Corinthians 12:7-9

ORDER OF SERVICE: Hymnal, page 5

Hymn 465 Christ Is Our Corner-Stone!

On Page 7: **The Kyrie** will be read by the Pastor. In place of the **Gloria in Excelsis—Hymn 246 v. 1** "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!"

EPISTLE: II Corinthians 11:18, 22-30 and II Corinthians 12:7-10 The Corinthians were looking for spiritual leaders who could boast of greatness. Paul, however, boasted of his many weaknesses. He had a "thorn in the flesh" (nature unknown)) for which he prayed God for relief. His prayer was not granted. Although the thorn made him "weak," yet this weakness forced him to lean on Christ, his Savior. In Christ, he was strong! Christ was his boast! Jesus, the crucified and risen Savior, is your boast also!

GOSPEL: Luke 8:5-15 The Parable of the Sower and the Seed. When the Word of God reaches human hearts, it's like seeds being broadcast onto the ground. Some gets snatched away by Satan. Some easily sprouts but soon any heat dries it up. Some sprout, grow, and are choked by thistles. Or the seed lands on good earth, where it grows and produces an abundant crop!

THE APOSTLES' CREED: Hymnal, page 12.

Hymn 611 vv. 1-4 The Day Is Surely Drawing Near!

SERMON: AMOS 8:11-12 and 9:11-13

FAMINE! and FULLNESS!

Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine on the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD. They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, but shall not find it. (8:11-12).

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On that day I will raise up The Tabernacle of David, which has fallen down, and repair its damages. I will raise up its ruins, and rebuild it as in the days of old, that they may possess the remnant of Edom, and all the Gentiles who are called by My name, says the LORD who does this thing. Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who sows seed. The mountains shall drip with sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it. (9:11-13).

Offering and Offering Prayer Prayers and Lord's Prayer

Hymn 611 vv. 5-7 The Day Is Surely Drawing Near!

INSTALLATION: Church Council 2025

Clayton Pederson—elected 2025
Jonathan Wiechmann—elected 2024
Dwight Wenner—elected 2023
The Savior's Blessings on these laborers!

We thank Ray Schopp, whose term has expired.

Benediction

Hymn 492 Lord of the Living Harvest!

SEPTUA-GESIMA, SEXA-GESIMA, QUINQUA-GESIMA: These unusual names are passed down to us from the church of the Middle Ages. They are the Latin names for the three Sundays between Transfiguration Sunday (end of the End of Epiphany season) and Ash Wednesday (the beginning of the Lenten season). The words mean "Seventieth," "Sixtieth, " and "Fiftieth," respectively. The three Sundays are approximately seventy, sixty, and fifty days before Easter. Note how the words are similar to our words septuplets, sextuplets, and quintuplets.

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SCHEDULE, God Willing:

3 /02 Sun. 10:30 Worship with HOLY COMMUNION 9:30 B. Cl. & S.Sch.

3/05 Wed. 5:30 Ash Wednesday Service, in church basement.

6:30 Soup and sandwich supper follows. All invited.

3/09 Sun. 10:30 Worship 9:30 Bible Cl. and S.Sch.

3/12 Wed. 5:30 Lent Midweek 2 Service, in church basement.

6:30 Soup and sandwich supper follows. All invited.

THANK YOU CHURCH CLEANERS!

March 2 & 9 Kathy and Dean March 16, 23, 30 Kanzenbachs

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor George Dummann, of Salem Lutheran, Eagle Lake, MN, has accepted the <u>additional</u> call to Faith Lutheran Church, New Ulm, MN. *Sam Naumann*, Eau Claire, WI, has accepted the call to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Loveland, CO.

Pastor David Pfeiffer, West Columbia, SC, has returned the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School, Mountain View, CA.

Pastor Cory Drehle, Sioux Falls, SD, has returned the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

Pastor Johnathan Schnose, Morris, MN, has received the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

Pastor Caleb Schaller, Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to Grace Lutheran Church, Valentine, NE; Peace Lutheran Church, Mission, SD; and St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, White River, SD.