

Welcome in Jesus' Name

Lutherans believe that Jesus Christ is present in the Sacrament so that we receive His true body and blood along with the bread and wine (Mark 14:22, 24; 1 Corinthians 10:16). We further believe that in this Sacrament, we receive the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:28) and strength to live an improved Christian life (Galatians 2:20). A worthy communicant is one who is truly repentant of his/her sins and who resolves to amend his/her life (1 Corinthians 11:28). Furthermore, this Sacrament is not only a communion with Christ (Matthew 18:20, 28:20; 1 Corinthians 10:16), but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:17; Acts 2:42). Those desiring to commune with us for the first time should register with the pastor in his office BEFORE the service begins.

Divine Service, Setting Four

OPENING HYMN, "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"423

- Confession and Absolution (page 203)
- Introit (Insert)
- Kyrie (page 204)
- (The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Lent.)
- Salutation and Collect of the Day (page 205)

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
 A: This is the Word of the Lord.
 C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual (Insert)

Epistle: Romans 5:1-11
 A: This is the Word of the Lord.
 C: **Thanks be to God.**

Verse (page 205)

Holy Gospel: Mark 8:27-38 (Gospel responses, page 206)

Nicene Creed

HYMN OF THE DAY, "When in the Hour of Deepest Need"615

- Sermon
- Prayers (page 207)
- The Offering

Service of the Sacrament

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- Post Communion Collect (page 212)
- Benedicamus and Benediction

CLOSING HYMN, "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"704

Let Us Pray...

...for our members who are homebound:

Leona Albin, Loretta Brandt, Alma Hassebrock, and Paul Zimmerman;

...for God's healing hand that has touched the lives of those who have been ill recently;

...for those in need of the Lord's care and mercy, of whom we do not know at this hour; and

...for our members and friends who are in the service of our country.

Announcements

We **keep in our prayers** the family of Caitlyn Brooke Mathis, age 19, who was killed in an auto accident this week in Oklahoma. She was the niece of Neil and Beth Bidner and Susan and Steve Martin, the great-niece of Marvin and Kim Clemmons, and the great-granddaughter of Jeri Bidner. May God provide comfort to all those who mourn.

Easter Lilies. Please sign up on the back bulletin board to donate an Easter Lily to adorn the altar on Easter morning. The price of the lilies will be announced next week. Thanks in advance for everyone's generosity in preparing for the special day of our risen Lord!

Refreshments for Lent Worship Service. The following members are scheduled to bring refreshments for the social hour following the Wednesday night Lent worship service:

March 7th: Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCleary, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Poppe, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Johnson, Jeri Bidner, and Kathy Brendel.

Ladies Aid Meeting. All ladies of the church are invited to the Ladies Aid Meeting on Wednesday, March 7, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. The topic leader is Jeannine Henriksen and devotion, prayer, and refreshments will be given by Agnes Martinie. The roll call is a verse on "love."

LWML Meeting. LWML will meet on Thursday, March 8, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies of the church are invited. Wilma Grussing will have the topic and Karen Bryan and Shirley Sprau will serve refreshments.

The **New Member Reception** has been set for Sunday, March 11, 2012, after the church service in the Fellowship Hall. Cake and punch will be served. Those new members include our two new confirmands, Kristine Zimmerman and Ashley Hadler, and family transfer's Harry, Jeannine, and Erik Henriksen and Jim, Sue, and Theresa Van Wakeman.

Please help us welcome them into our congregation.

Thrivent Benefit Soup Supper. Thrivent will be sponsoring a benefit soup supper on Saturday, March 17, 2012, from 4:30-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The donations will be used to help pay medical expenses for Mr. Charles Poland of Newman, Illinois. He is the brother of Carolyn Heinze. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board at the back of the church.

Palms into Crosses. Anyone interested in making palms into crosses, please meet in the Annex of the church at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 31, 2012. The palm crosses will be passed out to the congregation during the Palm Sunday service.

Luther Tour 2012. There is still room! If you were thinking about the trip but have not yet decided, space is still available. Please contact Pastor McPike if interested.



VBS. We're going on an Amazing Desert Journey this summer in VBS! Kids will explore Bible stories, take Bible challenges, make crafts, eat snacks, play games, sing, and more! To ensure everyone is able to join us, family availability survey forms have been handed out to ensure you are able to join us Sunday, June 24-Thursday, June 28 with a program in church on Sunday, July 1! Please return your survey to Annette by March 18 so we can get our camels packed and ready for one incredible journey! If you have friends or neighbors you want to ask, please let me know ASAP so we can invite them too! Plus, we need you!

Through the dedication of our members and friends who volunteer at VBS, we share the Gospel of Jesus Christ to excited children each year. If you can help full-time or part-time, we have a job for you: snacks, games, crafts, teachers, music, and anything in between! Questions? Call Annette, 217 841-7730 or email granddesign1@yahoo.com.

Lutheran Witness Subscriptions! Be informed about Missouri Synod news by reading the Lutheran Witness. If you want to renew your subscription or want to start a subscription, see Mike Hendricks.

Online Database. An online version of our official acts book is needed. If you are interested in typing information into a database, please let Pastor or Chairman Hardesty know. There is no time limit, but we'd like for the project to begin soon.

New Grandparents. Rick and Jill Hardesty are proud to announce the birth of their 13th grandchild to Mitch and Kristin Allen, Armstong, IL. Steele Austin Allen was born on Thursday, February 23, 2012, weighing 8 lb. 1 oz. and 21 in. long. Steele is joined by his big sister, Brinley, 2. Everyone is doing great!

Statistics

February 26 Attendance	78
February 26 Offering	\$1,925.50
February 29 Attendance (Lent Worship Service)	41
February 29 Offering	\$326.05

Those Assisting Us Today

Elder	Marvin Clemmons
Altar Guild	Susan Martin
Organist	Alicia Haggin
Lay Reader	Shirley Sprau

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The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Second Sunday in Lent
March 4, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.



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