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WELCOME TREASURED MEMBERS AND HONORED

GUESTS: Following the flood, Noah’s descendants failed to spread out and fill the earth as God had spoken. Rather, they exalted themselves; with “one language and the same words” (Gen. 11:1) they spoke proudly and arrogantly. The Lord Humbled them by confusing “the language of all the earth,” dividing and dispersing the people (Gen. 11:9). That dispersal was reversed on Pentecost Day (the fiftieth day of Easter), when God caused the one Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to be preached in a multitude of languages. “At this sound the multitude came together” (Acts 2:6), for the preaching of Christ is the primary work of the Holy Spirit, whereby He gathers people from all nations into one Church. The Holy Spirit teaches and brings to our remembrance the words of Jesus, which are the words of the Father who sent Him. These words bestow forgiveness and peace to those who keep and hold on to them in love for Jesus. “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.” (John 14:27)

If you are a visitor, we would like to get to know you better. Please fill out a Call to Christian Fellowship card with our regular members and do join us again soon.

VISION STATEMENT: Christ Lutheran Church will continue its Christ-centered, life-directed focus, responding to the needs of its members, emphasizing local and worldwide witness, and acting as a catalyst for the improvement of the neighborhood.

Hymns: 8:00 AM - 497, 864, God Bless America
Order of Worship: Service of Prayer & Preaching, LSB, P. 260
The First Lesson: Genesis 11:1-9 Bible Page 8
The Second Lesson: Acts 2:1-21. Bible Page 909
The Holy Gospel: John 9:1-11. Bible Page 895
Organist: Mrs. Carolyn Koch
Sermon: The Rev. Aaron M. Schellhas
“Strong Families Know Each Other”

GREETING YOU THIS MORNING before the 8:00 AM service is Mr. & Mrs. George Von Behren. Before the 10:45 AM Service is Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Schaefer.

LAST WEEK: Tithes and offerings \$9,579.56, total to date for the month, \$34,427.28. Improvement Fund \$90.00, total to date for the month \$843.00. Attendance: 106+126=232. Sunday School Attendance: N-2nd, 10; 3rd-8th, 15; High School, 10; Adults, 72; Total, 107. Private Communion in April, 29.

THIS IS THE 21st SUNDAY OF OUR PLEDGE YEAR.

WHILE COMMUNING, please feel free to cup your hands for the Elder to place the host (wafer) and to use your hands to grip the bottom of the chalice and guide it to your mouth. This is entirely appropriate and actually quite helpful for the Pastors and Elders who are distributing the elements. Those who have difficulty walking to the Communion rail are also invited to sit in the front pews and make arrangements with one of the Pastors for the elements to be brought to you in your seat. We would be more than happy to assist you in this way.

ACOLYTES: Rebecca Kelly, Abigail Teske
Marizza Seling, Emma Whitehead
NEXT SUNDAY: Grace Crawford, Jordan Lowe
Jacob Partee, Joshua Eckhoff

USHERS FOR MAY: 8:00 AM - Team 1 (Aaron-Miriam Team); 10:45 AM - Team 5 (Simeon-Anna Team).

FLOWERS ARE PLACED on the Altar today to the glory of God and in celebration of James Case’s birthday today by Mrs. Dorothy Case.

APPLICATION FORMS for the John Jass Student Aid Fund and the Concordia Student Aid Fund are available in the Church Office. If you have any questions regarding either of the Funds, call Connie Bremer. Application deadline is June 30th.

THE WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY will meet this Thursday, May 27th at 6 PM at VandeVoorde’s for Lesson 7 and the video.

Oh-Oh-Oh Hey! Let the vast voyage begin! VBS is June 13-17, from 6-8:30 PM, with a meal served Monday-Thursday at 5:30 PM. Please consider bringing your child, grandchild, friend, neighbor, or yourself to join us for the week! There is something for everyone. Kids 3 years old - 5th grade can participate, 6th grade - adults can volunteer to help, and adults can participate in an Adult Bible study. We hope to see you make a splash! Check out the display table in the Narthex for more information.

VOLUNTEERS for VBS are still needed. If you would like more information, please call Leann Schellhas, 691-1684.

ALL ARE INVITED to help Lannert Chiropractic place flags on veterans grave at the Lutheran Cemetery on Thursday, May 27th at 5:30 PM. Join Dr. Lannert, his family, staff and youth members of Christ Lutheran Church as we honor those who sacrificed for our freedoms.

ANTHONY JAMES GREBE, infant son of James and Sarah Grebe, joined his parents as a child of God last week through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. This Sacrament of the Church is administered, according to the command and promise of God, for the sending of His Holy Spirit, the forgiveness of sins, and the assurance of life with God now and Eternal Life in Heaven. It is essential, then, that children be taught the Christian faith by parents and sponsors in order that their faith will continue to grow and the promises of Baptism not be lost. May the Holy Spirit bless Anthony’s new birth “from this time forth and even forevermore.”

BARRELS OF SUPPORT: Thank you to all of you who have already supported VBS with your donation of supplies listed on the barrels. If you are still interested in helping, please see Sue Lee.

SENIOR CLUB will meet this Friday, May 28th at 12 Noon. Baked chicken will be provided. Come join us for great friendship and outstanding food and bring a joke or two to share.

HOSPITALIZED: Methodist-Mrs. Janet Grebe; St. Francis-Miss Kayla Mills.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Continued prayers for Al & Delma DeWeerth, Amie Hester, Judy Lawrence, Raymond Marvel, Bev Marzahn, Marilyn Mingus, Margaret Schreiber, Lucy Tosch, Barb Wieland; for all of our military members; for all of our Church Boards and their members.

CLS Group Outing - Cardinals Game UPDATE: For those of you that expressed interest, there are group tickets available for the July 17th Cardinals game against the Dodgers. Start time of the game is 1:15 PM with group tickets available for the Outfield Loge Box seats at a cost of \$35 per ticket. Also, if there is enough interest, we can rent a charter coach to transport us from Peoria to the game, and back. Based on 40 people, the cost of the coach per person is approximately \$33 per person. Please contact Rhonda Frederking at 369-0695 or rmfreder@yahoo.com ASAP if you are interested in attending this event so that we can obtain a more exact headcount and purchase tickets.

CHRIST LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL will have a Summer Camp for ages K-8th grade from June 1st to August 13th. The cost is \$90 a week. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided. Activities will include: Earth Week, movies, swimming days, picnics/barbeques, luau, bowling, talent show, pool and foosball and so much more! Contact Julie Burch at 637-4755 to apply.

YOUTH EVENTS

June 6 - 1st Sunday Fellowship/NYG Team Meeting @ Schellhas'
June 13-17 - VBS
June 15-19 - OAFC Training
June 21-30 - OAFC traveling team
June 27 - NYG Team Meeting @ Teske's
July 9-11 - OAFC @ Christ, Normal
July 11 - NYG Team Meeting @ VandeVoorde's
July 15-22 - NYG!!!

SWEET TOOTH? Order sweet rolls to support the youth attending the National Youth Gathering ... it's just a few weeks away! Samples will be available in lieu of the monthly CYF Bake Sale on June 6. Have a taste and make an order! The rolls will be available for pickup on June 20th.

PURPLE POTTY SIGHTED - A CYF report confirms that an extremely poisonous variety of Purple Potty has been sighted in the front lawn of a Christ Lutheran member. In an effort to prevent an epidemic, CYF youth attending the National Youth Gathering have been trained to capture and remove the aforementioned pest. They are also capable of herding it to another location or preventing it from even approaching a yard. Don't wait ... act now and get Purple Potty Insurance from the Purple Potty Patrol today!

PAINTBALL OUTING - Saturday, June 26th (leave the Church parking lot at 8:00 AM). A sign up sheet is on the CYF Bulletin Board in the Parish Hall.

THE JUNE 12TH LWML Meeting will be a potluck. Please bring your favorite dish to share. We will start the luncheon at 12 Noon with the meeting to follow. Shirley Binder will present the topic – "Herbs of the Bible."

CAMP CILCA NEWS: The 60th Anniversary and Annual Hog Roast will be held on Memorial Day weekend. The cost per adult is \$7 and children are \$3. There will be a special presentation of a pictorial history of Camp CILCA on May 29th and May 30th at 1:30 PM. Tournaments and tours are available. Visit cilca.org for more information.

Camp CILCA is seeking out alumni!!! We would like to contact any alumni and interview you about your experiences at camp. We'd love to have any photos to include on our 60 years of CILCA DVD. Please email us at camp@cilca.org.

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING: May 23 - 29, 2010

- MON:** CLS Honor Roll Trip
- TUE:** Day School Board Meeting. 5:00 PM
- WED:** CLS Up on the Roof Day/School Picnic
CLS K-5th Grade Movie Day
Youth Choir Picnic @ Von Behren's. 4:00-6:00 PM
SO1024 Bible Study 5:30 PM
- THU:** NO SCHOOL - Recording Day & Staff Luncheon
Quilting 12 Noon
Women's Bible Study @ VandeVoorde's. 6:00 PM
- FRI:** Last Day of School-Chapel, 8:30 AM; Awards, 9:30 AM
School Dismisses at 12 Noon
Senior Club. 12 Noon
CLS 8th Grade Graduation. 6:00 PM

AS YOU LOOK FORWARD to your worship next Sunday, you should read the appointed lessons for Holy Trinity Sunday: 1st Lesson-Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; 2nd Lesson-Acts 2:14a, 22-36; The Holy Gospel-John 8:48-59.