

St. Luke's

Evangelical Lutheran Church & School

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The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 25 & 26, 2010

Weekly News and Information

4 NIGHTS WITH NO COOKING!! Just bring your families to the Faith, Family & Fun Week, this Tuesday through Friday. A light meal will be served each night from 6:00–6:30, after which you will be strengthening your faith, while having fun. If you cannot be there for all nights, please come when you can!

Church Picnic—Sunday, August 1 at 9:00 A.M. we will have an outdoor service and potluck picnic lunch. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex for food dishes to bring. Watch for more details!

Winnebago Lutheran Academy has four families who have expressed need for some help with their tuition payments due to some financial difficulties. The families desire a Lutheran, Christian education for their children, but they are struggling with the cost of tuition, even above and beyond the tuition assistance available.

If there is an individual or family who has the means and desire to financially help or sponsor a child coming to WLA please call the office – 920-921-4930. Ask for Principal Gregorius about more of the details to see how you can help.

Sunday School –We are searching for more Sunday School Team Members. We need more help to teach the gospel to every age group in our church family. If you would like to teach all year, the first four months, the last four months, every other month, can sub, (or other help) let us know. All teachers will be trained on the lessons and given any support they need. The Sunday School Team will be meet-

ing monthly to review lessons. Please call Sybille Rhodes at 920/583-2402 or e-mail at srhodes40@charter.net if you can help in any way.

School Supply Lists for grades K-3 are available in the narthex.

Softball—St. Luke's 1 plays St. Peters 1 at home and St. Luke's 2 plays St. Paul's at Theresa Fireman's Park

Prayer – Please include a prayer for the Hannah family, as the Lord in His infinite wisdom and mercy took home to heaven last week their sister and ours in the faith, Mary Krumbein-Bratz (Hannah). May the Lord bless her family with the comfort of His promise of forgiveness and eternal life in Christ Jesus so that they might be reunited with her in eternal life.

Memorials – Our thanks for the gifts to the General Fund and School Fund in memory of LaVerne Krause, Elmer & Marcella Patchett and Marjorie Brown Turville.

Last Week's Attendance – June 13, 2010

Sunday 9:00 A.M.: 157 Monday 7:00 P.M.: 43 **Total: 200**

Last Week's Offerings

**General Fund	\$4,168.88
**Plate Offering	52.06
**General Fund Memorial	70.00
**Debt Retirement	63.00
**Mission Fund	10.00
Parish Improvement	89.00
WLA-Forward in Trust	10.00
Communion Fund	18.00
School Fund	10.00
Student Aid Fund	5.00
St. Luke's Member Assistance	10.00
Budgetary Offering **	\$4353.94
Total Offering:	\$4495.94

About Today's Lesson

First Lesson – Genesis 18:1-14

1. **What gospel promise does the Lord once again give to Abraham and Sarah?**

The Lord assured this elderly couple that they would have a son within the year.

2. **How did Sarah react and why? How did Abraham react?**

Sarah laughed because she couldn't believe that such old people would be granted the blessing of a child. Abraham, however, believed God, and his faith-life was nourished through the gospel promises (see Romans 4:18-22).

Second Lesson – Colossians 1:21-29

3. **What kind of relationship did the Colossians once have with God? How did that relationship change?**

Paul says that the Colossians (yes, the entire sinful world) was once alienated from God because of sin. But we have been reconciled to God through the blood of Christ. Jesus is the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world (1 John 2:2).

4. **What impact does the revelation of God's gospel promises have on sinful people?**

When the "mystery [a hidden reality] of God," namely, that in Christ God loves and has forgiven all people unconditionally, is revealed to us through the powerful working of the Holy Spirit in Word and Sacrament, our faith-life is nourished by God's gospel promises.

Gospel - Luke 10:38-42

5. **When Jesus came to visit their home, with what did Mary and Martha busy themselves, respectively?**

Martha busied herself with preparing a meal for Jesus, while Mary busied herself with sitting at Jesus' feet for the nourishment of her faith-life.

6. **According to Jesus, which sister made better use of her time?**

When Martha became upset at Mary, Jesus told Martha that her sister had chosen the more necessary thing.

7. **True or false: Jesus is suggesting that work is a waste of our time.**

False. Jesus is simply pointing out that the nourishment of our faith-life through the gospel is far more necessary than worrying about earthly needs (see Matthew 6:25-34). Work is a blessing from God as we are given the opportunity to serve him and one another in unselfish love. Martha showed her selfishness when she became angry at Mary. Instead she should have graciously accepted the task of preparing the meal by herself without any thought of what Mary was doing! Instead of being angry at Mary, she should have rejoiced that Mary was being granted such a wonderful opportunity to be nourished through the gospel.

This Week at St. Luke's 7/25/2010

Today

9:00A.M. **Worship Service with Lord's Supper**

Monday

7:00 P.M. **Evening Worship Service with Lord's Supper**

Tuesday

6:00 - 8:00 P.M. **Family Bible School**

Wednesday

8:00-10:00 A.M. **Church Office Hours**

6:00 - 8:00 P.M. **Family Bible School**

Thursday

6:00 - 8:00 P.M. **Family Bible School**

Friday

6:00 - 8:00 P.M. **Family Bible School**

Next Sunday

9:00 A.M. **Worship Service Outside Service**

Next Monday

7:00 P.M. **Evening Worship Service**

Serving the Lord This Week

Service Deacons: Lorne Indermuehle & Lyle Collien

Organist: Betty Lange & Lauren Prochnow

Altar Guild:

Church Cleaning:

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God's Word for Today

When people are sick, doctors will sometimes tell their patients that they need to put on some weight; their body needs proper, daily nourishment. That's true for our souls! Even after we become Christians through the powerful working of the Holy Spirit, our faith-life is still sick with sin; it needs constant and proper nourishment! And how is our faith-life nourished and nurtured? Only through hearing God's gospel promises in Word and Sacrament.

ORDER OF SERVICE: CWS Divine Service II

OPENING HYMN: CW 282

"Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear"

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 18: 1-14

PSALM: CW 119a, Page: 109 (Unison)

SECOND LESSON: Colossians 1: 21-29

VERSE OF THE DAY:

Alleluia. My Word will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Alleluia

GOSPEL: Luke 10: 38-42

SERMON HYMN: CW 283

"Speak, O Savior; I Am Listening"

SERMON: Luke 9:18-24

Lord Help Us Think Again to Make Faith Based

Decisions

DISTRIBUTION HYMN CW 290

"One Thing's Needful"

CLOSING HYMN: CW 406

"This Is the Threefold Truth"

Serving the Lord Today

Pastor: Rev. Christopher Goelzer **Organist:** Betty Lange & Lauren Prochnow

Welcome to St. Luke's Oakfield

- † It is our prayer that our worship service will allow you to encounter your Creator and Savior today through His Word and give you an opportunity to praise Him with songs and prayers.
- † If you have any questions about the service, the readings or sermon, please feel free to ask our Pastor after the service. Feel free to join in any part of our service that you feel comfortable with.
- † Large bulletins, listening assisted devices and children's worship tote bags are available from the ushers.
- † We do ask that everyone who participates in worship today sign the worship attendance register in the narthex.
- † Parents, if your child become restless, that's okay... We're glad they're here and Jesus is pleased when they are brought to hear his Word! Perhaps a moment or two with mom or dad is all that is necessary. Our Church Nursery is located in the narthex
- † We believe that gathering together at God's altar to receive Holy Communion is a testimony of the confession and commitment we share as members of the Lutheran Church. We ask guests who are not members of our denomination to speak to the pastor before joining us at the altar so that all may have a clear understanding of our faith and practice.

Upcoming Worship Opportunities at St. Luke's

August 1 & 2 – The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday Service at 9:00 A.M Outdoor Service

Special Order of Service

Monday Evening Service at 7:00 P.M.

Faith-Life Expresses Itself in Fervent Faith-Filled Prayer

August 8 & 9 – The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost with Lord's Supper

Sunday Service at 9:00 A.M.

Service of Word and Sacrament

Monday Evening Service at 7:00 P.M.

Faith-Life's Riches Are Hidden with God

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