



*Sunday, August 28, 2011
9:00am*

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Welcome visitors! Thank you for taking the time to fill out the communion card provided by the ushers. We believe that the host of the meal provided during worship today is Christ. Christ invites everyone to this meal, saying, "This is for you for the forgiveness of sin." Echoing Christ, we invite everyone to this banquet. If you would like to receive deeper instruction in the Christian faith; if you desire to be baptized; or if you simply seek someone to pray with or for you, inquire of the pastor or indicate the need on the communion card. Grape juice is in the center ring of the communion tray.

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

*Thank you for observing a time of reflection & silence
in the sanctuary prior to worship.*

Prelude.....

Confession and Forgiveness.....Page 94

Hymn..... “For the Beauty of the Earth”#879

Greeting and Kyrie.....Page 203

Canticle of Praise “Glory be to God”Page 204

The Prayer of the Day.....

Assistant Minister: O God, we thank you for your Son,
who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world.
Humble us by his example,
point us to the path of obedience,
and give us strength to follow your commands,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

First Lesson.....Jeremiah 15:15–21
Jeremiah's delight in the word of the Lord is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words: I am with you."

¹⁵O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance do not take me away;
know that on your account I suffer insult.

¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart;
for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.

¹⁷I did not sit in the company of merry-makers,

nor did I rejoice;
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.

¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.

¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD:
If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
you shall serve as my mouth.
It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.

²⁰And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,

says the LORD.

²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Psalm.....Psalm 26:1-8

Assistant Minister = A: ~ Congregation = C:

A: ¹Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived | with integrity;
I have trusted in the LORD and | have not faltered.

C: ²**Test me, O | LORD, and try me;
examine my heart | and my mind.**

A: ³For your steadfast love is be- | fore my eyes;
I have walked faithful- | ly with you.

C: ⁴**I have not sat | with the worthless,
nor do I consort with | the deceitful.**

A: ⁵I have hated the company of | evildoers;
I will not sit down | with the wicked.

C: ⁶**I will wash my hands in inno- | cence, O LORD,
that I may go in procession | round your altar,**

A: ⁷singing aloud a song | of thanksgiving
and recounting all your won- | derful deeds.

C: ⁸**LORD, I love the house in | which you dwell
and the place where your glo- | ry abides.**

Second Lesson.....Romans 12:9-21

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation "*Alleluia*"Page 205

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel..... Matthew 16:21-28
After Peter confesses that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the living God(16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a flock."

²¹From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon..... "Christian Vocation".....Pastor Jim Schwarz

Hymn..... "*Lift High the Cross*".....#660

Apostles' Creed.....

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the Church.....

Assistant Minister: Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation: hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace.....

The Offering and Prayer.....

The Great Thanksgiving.....Page 206

Holy, Holy, Holy.....Page 207

The Eucharistic Prayer.....Page 207

Pastor:...we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Congregation: Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

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Pastor: To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor
and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Congregation: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer.....Page 208

Communion

The Lamb of God.....Page 208

*You are invited to sing the following hymn during the
distribution of Communion:*

"Here Is Bread" #483

Prayer after Communion.....

Assistant Minister : Generous God,
we give you thanks that again this day
you have opened wide your hand
and satisfied us with the food of life,
the body and blood of Christ.
Sharing your compassionate heart,
may we be blessed and given
to all who hunger and thirst;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Blessing.....

Pastor: God all mighty,
God most merciful
bless us, keep us, and + grant us peace.

Congregation: Amen.

Hymn..... “*God Be with You Till We Meet Again*”.....#536

Assistant Minister: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

~Worship Assistants~

Pastor ~ Pastor James A. Schwarz

Assistant Minister ~ Carolyn Lien

Lector ~ Karen Hayes

Acolyte~ Veronica Wipperfurth

Greeter ~ Joy Graffin **Ushers** ~ Obedience Circle

Communion Set-up/Take down ~ Eric & Cheryl Nuenthel

Communion Assistants ~ Lois Zerkle & Don Hoehn

Organist ~ Judy Rusch

~ Prayer Requests ~

Thanksgiving to God for...

- East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry.
- Prayers for the ministries of Arden and Jana Haug, Lindsay Stolen, and Jens Notstad.

God's guidance and direction for...

- Please keep the family of Bill Hitchcock and Harland Hoesly* in your thoughts and prayers as we express sympathy for their loss.
- For peace in Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya and among all the nations of the world.
- For the people of Japan in the aftermath of the disaster there.
- For the people of Norway following the tragic events there.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.

Healing and health concerns...

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| -Payton Mancheski | -Kim Badertscher | -Dave Nettum |
| -Julia Schremp | -Tony Hartwick | -Diane Barcellona |
| -Sandy Notstad* | | |

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the back of the communion/welcome card or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. Prayer requests week August 21, 2011

*Denotes new/changed request



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Middleton, WI
Sunday, August 28
St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 7337 Hubbard Ave., Middleton
2:15 p.m. Registration Begins
2:30 p.m. Financial Aid Seminar
3:00 - 4 p.m. College Fair

~ *Announcements* ~

- **Meals on Wheels.** September 26th thru October 7th East Koshkonong Congregation is scheduled to deliver meals to help persons in need of a noon meal. Pick up time is about 11:15am Monday thru Friday at The Family Restaurant in Cambridge. There are no Meals on Wheels deliveries on “no school” days. To volunteer please call Wilma Furseth 423-3194.
- **The EKLC Church Choir is looking for singers!!** Any one interested in joining the choir would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Krisy Klemp if your interested or have any questions (608-884-4080).
- **Wednesday Evening Worship.** There will be no Wednesday Worship Services at EKLC during August. In addition no Wednesday services are being scheduled from September on. The Worship Committee and Church Council will continue to review needs and preferences for weekday services at EKLC. Suggestions from members of the congregation are welcome and can be made through council and committee members.
- **Sunday School Registration is Sunday, September 11, 2011.** First day of Sunday School will be Sunday, September 18th.
- **There is a coffee hour sign-up sheet in the friendship hall** for anyone interested in hosting a coffee hour after a Sunday Morning Worship Service. Please note: THERE WILL BE NO COFFEE HOUR if no one has signed up for that Sunday. However, there is coffee available in the kitchen for those functions (Bible studies, meetings, etc.) that are held right after church. Groups may make coffee IF there is no host for coffee hour.

~ *Calendar of Events* ~

Sunday, August 28, 2011

9:00am Worship

2:15pm College Fair & Workshops @ St. Luke's Lutheran Church
Middleton

Sunday, September 4, 2011

9:00am Worship