



*Sunday, July 24, 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 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude.....

Hymn Sing.....

Confession and Forgiveness.....Page 94

Hymn..... "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"#774

Greeting and Kyrie.....Page 203

Canticle of Praise "Glory be to God"Page 204

The Prayer of the Day.....

Assistant Minister: Beloved and sovereign God,
through the death and resurrection of your Son
you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy.
By your Spirit, give us your wisdom,
that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

First Lesson..... 1 Kings 3:5–12
*Because Solomon did not ask for long life, riches, or the defeat of his enemies,
God gave him what he asked for: wisdom to govern the people well. In verse 13
God gives him additional honor and riches beyond compare.*

⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰It pleased the LORD that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches,

or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life
Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Psalm.....Psalm 119:129-136

Assistant Minister = A: ~ Congregation = C:

A: ¹²⁹Your de- | crees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with | all my heart.
C: ¹³⁰**When your word is opened | it gives light;
it gives understanding | to the simple.**
A: ¹³¹I open my | mouth and pant
because I long for | your commandments.
C: ¹³²**Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,
as you always do to those who | love your name.**
A: ¹³³Order my footsteps | in your word;
let no iniquity have dominion | over me.
C: ¹³⁴**Rescue me from those | who oppress me,
and I will keep | your commandments.**
A: ¹³⁵Let your face shine up- | on your servant
and teach | me your statutes.
C: ¹³⁶**My eyes shed | streams of tears,
because people do not | keep your teaching**

Second Lesson.....Romans 8:26-39
These words celebrate the depth of God's actions for us. Through Christ's death for us and the activity of the Spirit praying for us, we are fused to God's love poured out in Jesus Christ. Nothing, not even death itself, is able to separate us from such incredible divine love.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.
²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.
³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,
"For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."
³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.
³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life
Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

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

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel:.....Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Throughout Matthew's gospel, Jesus and his disciples proclaim the good news that the kingdom of heaven is near! Here, Jesus offers several brief parables that explore the implications of this announcement for people's lives.

³¹He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

³³He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

⁴⁴The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹Have you understood all this? They answered, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon.....Intern Miranda Hinrichs

Hymn..... "We Are Called"#720

Service of Sending for Intern Miranda Hinrichs.....

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: Hear us, O God.,

Congregation: Your mercy is great.

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, Amen, 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:*

"Eat This Bread" #472 3X

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..... “Go, My Children, with My Blessing”.....#543

Assistant Minister: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Postlude.....

~ *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 Eugene Lund 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.

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...

-Payton Mancheski

-Kim Badertscher

-Dave Nettum

-Mary Lou Lund

-Julia Schremp

-Tony Hartwick

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. Please continue to pray for those who have been removed. Prayer requests week July 17, 2011

*Denotes new/changed request

~*Worship Assistants*~

Pastor ~ Pastor James A. Schwarz
Intern Pastor ~ Intern Miranda Hinrichs
Assistant Minister ~ Carolyn Lien
Lector ~ Trudy Spike
Acolytes ~ Thomas Stach & Austin Haugen
Greeter ~ Bob & Lynette Swenson **Ushers** ~ Joy Circle
Communion Set-up/Take down ~ Beverly & Buddy Lien
Communion Assistants ~ Scott & Jackie Zahn
Organist ~ Judy Rusch
Nursery ~ Gina Reese

~ *Calendar of Events* ~

Sunday, July 24, 2011

9:00am **Worship, Farewell & Godspeed to Intern Miranda Hinrichs**
10:15am **Potluck in honor of Miranda Hinrichs**
4:30pm **Lindsay Stolen ordination service**

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

5:30pm **Worship Committee Meeting**
6:30pm **Church Council Meeting**

Sunday, July 31, 2011

9:00am **Worship**



Farewell & Godspeed For Intern Miranda Hinrichs July 24th, 2011 following worship.

It's time to say our goodbye's and best wishes to Miranda as her internship comes to a close with us, so we'd like to send her in style!

You're invited to Miranda's Farewell & Godspeed that will be held during worship today. Immediately following worship, join us as we throw her a Sending Potluck and Card Shower in the fellowship hall.

~ Announcements ~

- **Wednesday Evening Worship.** There will be no Wednesday Worship Services during July and August. During the summer the Worship Committee and Church Council will have the opportunity 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.
- **25th Annual Lutherdale Fest Quilt auction is August 13, 2011.** Preview quilts starting at 9am. NEW! The Auction begins at 12pm and continues until all the quilts are sold. More than 200 quilts, table runners, and wall hangings will be auctioned. Lunch is served from 11am-2pm. See the quilts on the Web site at www.lutherdale.org



Ordination Service

For Lindsay Stolen

July 24th, 2011 @ 4:30pm

Lindsay Stolen, a daughter of East, has been called to serve as pastor at Red Oak Grove Lutheran Church in rural Austin, MN. All are welcome to a service of Holy Communion as Lindsay is ordained into the ministry of Word and Sacrament. The Ordination Service will take place at 4:30pm on Sunday, July 24 at East Koshkonong. A reception in Fellowship Hall will follow.

Lutherdale Day Camp

August 8, 2011

Who: Kindergarten thru 5th Grade

What: Games, Worship, Bible Study, Swimming & More!

When: 8 AM to 5 PM Monday Aug 8th, 2011

(Bus will depart East Koshkonong at 8AM and return at 6 PM)

Where: Lutherdale Bible Camp

Cost: \$25 per Camper (\$65 family max), includes transportation & lunch

Registration forms available in Church Narthex.

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