



*Sunday, October 16, 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 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

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

Prelude.....

Hymn..... “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here” .....#443

Holy Baptism.....Page 227

Greeting and Kyrie.....Page 203

Canticle of Praise “Glory be to God” .....Page 204

The Prayer of the Day.....

**Assistant Minister:** Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts.  
Created by you, let us live in your image;  
created for you, let us act for your glory;  
redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Congregation: Amen.**

First Lesson.....Isaiah 45:1–7  
*The prophet announces that Cyrus the Persian emperor is the one the Lord has anointed to end Israel's exile. The Lord makes this choice so that the whole world will recognize this Lord as the only God. Persia had a god of light and a god of darkness; the Lord claims sovereignty over both light and darkness.*

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whose right hand I have grasped  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip kings of their robes,  
to open doors before him —  
and the gates shall not be closed:

<sup>2</sup>I will go before you  
and level the mountains,  
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze  
and cut through the bars of iron,

<sup>3</sup>I will give you the treasures of darkness  
and riches hidden in secret places,  
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,  
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

<sup>4</sup>For the sake of my servant Jacob,  
 and Israel my chosen,  
 I call you by your name,  
 I surname you, though you do not know me.  
<sup>5</sup>I am the LORD, and there is no other;  
 besides me there is no god.  
 I arm you, though you do not know me,  
<sup>6</sup>so that they may know, from the rising of the sun  
 and from the west, that there is no one besides me;  
 I am the LORD, and there is no other.  
<sup>7</sup>I form light and create darkness,  
 I make weal and create woe;  
 I the LORD do all these things.

**Lector:** Word of God, Word of Life

**Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm.....Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]

*Assistant Minister = A: ~ Congregation = C:*

**A:** <sup>1</sup>Sing to the LORD | a new song;  
 sing to the LORD, | all the earth.

**C:** <sup>2</sup>**Sing to the LORD, bless the name | of the LORD;  
 proclaim God's salvation from | day to day.**

**A:** <sup>3</sup>Declare God's glory a- | mong the nations  
 and God's wonders a- | mong all peoples.

**C:** <sup>4</sup>**For great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised,  
 more to be feared | than all gods.**

**A:** <sup>5</sup>As for all the gods of the nations, they | are but idols;  
 but you, O LORD, have | made the heavens.

**C:** <sup>6</sup>**Majesty and magnificence are | in your presence;  
 power and splendor are in your | sanctuary.**

**A:** <sup>7</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you families | of the peoples,  
 ascribe to the LORD hon- | or and power.

**C:** <sup>8</sup>**Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the | holy name;  
 bring offerings and enter the courts | of the LORD.**

**A:** <sup>9</sup>Worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness;  
 tremble before the LORD, | all the earth.

**C:** [<sup>10</sup>**Tell it out among the nations: "The | LORD is king!  
 The one who made the world so firm that it cannot be moved  
 will judge the peo- | ples with equity."**

**A:** <sup>11</sup>Let the heavens rejoice, and let the | earth be glad;  
 let the sea thunder and all that is in it;  
 let the field be joyful and all that | is therein.

**C:** <sup>12</sup>**Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your  
 com- | ing, O LORD,  
 for you come to | judge the earth.**

**A:** <sup>13</sup>You will judge the | world with righteousness  
 and the peoples | with your truth.]

Second Lesson.....1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

*Most likely this letter is the first written by Paul. Paul is giving pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic pagan environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.*

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead — Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

**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 twenty-second chapter.

**Congregation:** Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel.....Matthew 22:15–22

*After Jesus begins teaching in the temple, religious leaders try to trap him with questions. First they ask if God's people should pay taxes to an earthly tyrant like Caesar.*

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. <sup>16</sup>So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" <sup>21</sup>They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup>When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

**Pastor:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon..... “Chosen For a Purpose” .....Pastor Jim Schwarz

Hymn..... “Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good” .....#871

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:*

**“We Come to the Hungry Feast” #479**

Prayer after Communion.....

**Assistant Minister:** God our shepherd,  
you have gathered us again from scattered places  
and nourished us with rich food in word and sacrament.  
Go with us now, that we may seek the lost,  
bind up the injured, and strengthen the weak,  
until you gather us and all the saints into your eternal feast  
with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Congregation:** Amen.

Blessing.....

**Pastor:** The peace of God,  
which surpasses all understanding,  
+ guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.  
**Amen.**

**Assistant Minister:** Go in peace. The Lord is near.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

## *~Worship Assistants~*

**Pastor** ~ Pastor James A. Schwarz

**Assistant Minister** ~ Gloria Fruit

**Lector** ~ Jane Furseth

**Acolyte**~ Reese Parker & Carson Kaashagen

**Greeter** ~ Orin & Joan Kaare **Ushers** ~ Justice Circle

**Communion Set-up/Take down** ~ Scott & Jackie Zahn

**Communion Assistants** ~ Andy Christensen & Bobbie Rawinski

**Pianist** ~ Shelly Frank

**Coffee Hour** ~ Church Council

**Altar Flowers** ~ In honor of Morgan Hazel Rockney



*Today we welcome into Holy Baptism:*

***Morgan Hazel Rockney***

*Parents ~ James and Denise Rockney*

*Sponsors ~ Darin and Kari Rahn*

*Jeff and Sara Rockney*

*Douglas Rahn*

*The Christening gown worn by Morgan was made by her Great-Great-Grandmother Eide. The gown is 95 years old and Morgan is the 4th generation to wear it.*

## ~ *Prayer Requests* ~

### **Thanksgiving to God for...**

- Baptism of Morgan Hazel Rockney.
- 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...**

- For peace in Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya and among all the nations of the world.
- For those on the East Coast for losses suffered during Hurricane Irene.

### **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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|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| -Dave Nettum      | -Sandy Notstad    | -Jerry Behm    |
| -Julia Schremp    | -Tony Hartwick    | -Marques Bovre |
| -Cynthia Burnside | -Duane Dieckhoff* |                |

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 October 9, 2011

## ~ *Announcements* ~

- **All organizations and committees need to get their budget requests** in to the Church office by November 13, 2011. Your attention to this would be most appreciated. Church Council.
- **School Supply Drive at EKLC.** In this time of budget cuts and downsizing we are looking at various ways we can be of help in our local communities. Many area schools are accepting items for use in the classrooms. Cambridge Elementary School is accepting the following items: **Disinfectant wipes, Kleenex (boxes for classrooms), Expo markers and/or erasers, multi packs/colors, Crayola, jumbo size crayon for beginning students, Crayola, any water colors.** There is a collection box in the narthex for the local schools. If you are in another school district, check with your district office to find out what their needs may be.
- **Pastor Nathan Strong's ordination service will be October 16th** at First Lutheran Church, 3200 E. Military Ave., Fremont, Nebraska 68025 (Nathan's home congregation). Pastor Strong accepted a call to serve two North Dakota Churches: Davenport Lutheran Church (270 1ST St., Davenport, ND 58021 and Norman Lutheran Church (16803 52nd St. SE, Kindred, ND 58051). If you would like to send Nathan a card and/or well wishes you can mail it to his parents **Rick & Sharon Strong, 2204 Estes Lane, Fremont, NE 68025.**



~ *Calendar of Events* ~

*Sunday, October 16, 2011*

9:00am      Worship  
Rockney Baptism  
10:15am      Sunday School  
10:15am      Coffee Hour

*Monday, October 17, 2011*

7:00pm      Dartball league @ Fulton

*Tuesday, October 18, 2011*

6:30pm      Church Council Meeting

*Wednesday, October 19, 2011*

9:00am      Peace Circle meets  
                 at Marge Stach Home  
6:00pm      Confirmation Session

*Thursday, October 20, 2011*

8:00am      Men's Breakfast

*Friday, October 21, 2011*

6:00pm      Wedding Rehearsal

*Saturday, October 22, 2011*

2:00pm      Ruth Holden & Chris Ellis  
                 Wedding

*Sunday, October 23, 2011*

9:00am      Worship  
10:15am      Sunday School  
10:15am      Coffee Hour  
                 hosted by Justice Circle