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PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, bless us with Your Holy Spirit, so that as we meditate upon Your Holy Word we may be strengthened in our faith in Jesus as our crucified, Risen and everliving Savior. Lead us always to trust in You for the forgiveness of sins. Restore to us the joy of our salvation, and lead us to live to the glory of Jesus' name, that others may find life and salvation in His name. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (195:1,4)

HYMNS: 201; 196; 192:1,5-8; 205

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 1:22-25

Our temporal lives here on earth fade very quickly, but our spiritual lives have an eternal foundation. Our spiritual lives are built upon the word of God which endures forever. The message that endures is the message of God's love for us in Christ Jesus our risen and everliving Savior. So let us live as those who have been born again of that incorruptible seed of the Word, which lives and abides forever.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 21:15-24

Peter had fallen into the sin of denying the Lord three times because he had depended upon his own strength to face this trial of faith. After His resurrection Jesus reinstated Peter into the apostolic office, both questioning and calling Peter three times to affirm his love for Jesus. Peter appealed to the Lord's knowledge of all things to affirm his love. So Peter would feed the Lord's sheep, and when once again called upon to sacrifice all for Jesus, Peter would glorify God in his death. And so even as Jesus called Peter, let us also hear His call "follow Me" in our lives!

THE SERMON: Genesis 32:22-31

Theme: Clinging by Faith to a Living Savior

- I. Clinging to Our Living Savior for Blessed Life
- II. The Role of Affliction in our Spiritual Lives
- III. What a Blessing to Know the Lord

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and Bible class will follow the service. A pot luck lunch will follow Bible class. Our Quarterly voters' meeting is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m.

<u>MONDAY – THURSDAY</u>: Pastor Barthels will be in Eau Claire, WI for meetings of the Board of Regents and the CLC Coordinated Council.

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>: No Catechism class this week due to Pastor's absence. Ladies' Aid? at 7:00 p.m. Hostess: Donna Cole.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible class will follow the service. Sermon text: Matthew 28:1-8.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>May 10</u>: Spring cleanup day for church inside and out! Work day begins at 9:00. There will be signup sheets for people to volunteer for specific jobs, or to take on certain jobs if they cannot come on May 10.

<u>June 1</u>: Minnesota Delegate Conference in Sleepy Eye, MN at 3 p.m.

<u>June 8</u>: Pastor Barthels will be preaching in Hales Corners, WI.

June 16-21: CLC Convention in Eau Claire, WI.

June 22-28: Camp Koyquin in Pillager, MN

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Leon Hellickson, Melvin Eichstadt, Preston Johnson, Ken

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Cleaning: Ubl

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: April 20 Worship –32, (Sunday school & Bible Class – were in holiday recess).

| Weekly Offerings Needed | \$ 1,080.00 | Other Offerings / Memorials | |
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| Offerings Received | 1, ,313.00 | missions | \$ 15.00 |
| Needed for Year: | 17,280.00 | | |
| Received for Year: | 16,828.50 | | |

<u>Request for Volunteer(s)</u>: The Ladies Aid is (still) seeking a volunteer(s) for the Card Committee. If you may be interested, please contact President Deb Berg for details on what this may involve.

<u>LAWN MOWING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u>: Yes, it is that time of year again! Please consider which month of the mowing season you would be able to volunteer to mow, and sign up on the sheet that can be found on the mailbox table. Thank you!

<u>CLC NEWS</u>: Pastor Mike Wilke of Saginaw, MI has declined the call to Grace Lutheran of Sleepy Eye, MN. Berea Lutheran Church of Sioux Falls, SD has called Pastor Matthew Hanel of Dallas, Texas to serve as their pastor.