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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 (248:1-3)

HYMNS: 363; 404; 399; 52

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Ezekiel 34:11-16

The Lord will gather His people from the nations and care for them as a faithful shepherd cares for His flock. The Lord shall bring His people into a good spiritual pasture where they shall receive the care and nourishment they need for life. The Lord will seek out what was lost and driven away, that is those who neglected the Lord and His saving truth. He pledges to bind up that which was broken, the sufferings that their sin brought upon them. The Lord heals and the Lord protects His flock.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 21:1-14

This is the inspired record of the Jesus' third appearance to the disciples following His resurrection confirming the reality of His resurrection. He reached out to them in loving concern, and provided for them in their need, demonstrating the power of His presence in their lives.

THE SERMON: Revelation 2:1-5

Theme: For the Love of Jesus

- I. Knowing the Blessing of Jesus' Presence
- II. Responding with Fruits of Orthodoxy
- III. Reclaiming Your First Love

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and Bible class will follow the service.

MONDAY: Pastor Study meeting in Inver Grove Heights from 10:00-3:00.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism class this week at 4:30 p.m.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible class will follow the service. Sermon text: John 10:1-11.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

May 17: **Please note change of date!** 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 17.

May 25: Confirmation Sunday.

<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 16-19: CLC Convention in Eau Claire, WI.

<u>June 22</u>: MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY: Foreign Missionary Ed Starkey will serve as our guest speaker.

June 22-28: Camp Koyquin in Pillager, MN

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Lincoln Cole, Arnie Ottjes, Melvin Eichstadt, Joe Ubl

Cleaning: Barthels

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	
Offerings Received	1,009.00	Craig Gosha	\$ 10.00
		missions	
Needed for Year:	18,360.00		
Received for Year:	17,837.50		

Memorials: Esther Lorraine Butler Nelson \$25 to Property Imprv. Fund.

Request for Volunteer(s): 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>: Todd Ohlmann of Manchester MO has the call to Grace Lutheran of Sleepy Eye, MN. Seminary Graduate David Ude has been called to Living Hope Lutheran, Appleton, WI. Seminary Graduate Peter Evensen has been called to Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids, MI. Pastor Aaron Ude of Lexington, MO has been called to of Rapid City, SD. St. Paul Lutheran, Lakewood (Denver), CO, has called the Rev. Luke Bernthal, pastor of Grace Lutheran, Valentine, NE. St. John's Lutheran School, Okabena MN, has called Neil Bernthal, of Winter Haven FL, to teach upper grades at its school.

BRANCHES: the Ladies Aid subscribes to the CLC women's newsletter called "The Branches". It contains many different edifying and interesting articles even healthy recipes! It is available for members to borrow and to take home for a week to read.