

S' "I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me."

-Revelation 3:20 NISSY

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<u>PRAYER</u>: Heavenly Father, let me share the joy of the psalmist who said, "I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord." May every opportunity offered to worship You in Your house find me eager to join in hearing Your Word, in singing Your praise, in lifting up my heart to You in prayer. May Your Holy Spirit so bless the hour of worship in Your house that I may be refreshed after the toils and burdens, the sins and failures of daily life. Teach me to come into Your presence with a contrite heart, and let me depart with the knowledge that my sins are forgiven. Fill my spirit with the peace which through Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (238:3-5)

HYMNS: 281; 779; 408; 409:1

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 54:7-13

The chastisements of the Lord will come into the lives of His people, but they shall not be endless. Rather the Lord's loving-kindness is what lasts forever. Even the hills and the mountains shall depart, but the kindness of the Lord our Redeemer, and the covenant of His peace shall never be removed from us. We may endure affliction in this life, but after this life we will enjoy the glories of salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 14:13-21

When we put our faith in Jesus we also have placed our faith in the Father who sent Him. All that Jesus taught He did not speak on His authority alone, but it also expresses the gracious good will of God for us and our salvation. Great power has come to us through faith in Christ. With the power of the gospel we will not heal men's bodies, but rather the greater miracle of conveying life to their souls.

THE SERMON: Revelation 3:7-11

Theme: The Letter to Laodicea: A Wake-up Call from the Lord.

- I. Jesus Disdains a Tepid Faith
- II. Jesus Is the Only Source of the Spiritual Necessities of Life

May 25, 2014
III. Jesus Is Knocking on Your Door

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and are in summer recess. Church council will meet briefly to consider estimates from different lawn spraying services.

<u>TUESDAY</u>: Pastor Barthels will be in Watertown, SD representing the Board of Regents at the West-central District Delegate Conference. He plans on return home late Tuesday evening.

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>: Catechism class this week at 4:30 p.m. Ladies Aid at 7:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sermon text: John 14:1-6.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

<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. Mr. Rob Sauers will be conducting the service in pastor's absence.

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 19-22 Arise and Shine retreat for men and women in their 20s and 30s. more information at AriseAndShineRetreat.com or contact Pastor Luke Bernthal lbernthal@live.com.

June 22-28: Camp Koyquin in Pillager, MN

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Arnie Ottjes, Melvin Eichstadt, Joe Ubl

Cleaning: Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL: Attendance: May 18 Worship –25, Sunday school 0

Received for Year:

Weekly Offerings Needed\$ 1,080.00Other OfferingsOfferings Received1,198.00Needed for Year:21,600.00

<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.

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<u>LAWN MOWING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u>: Several months are still open for volunteers. 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>: Missionary Koenig Retirement Gift –Missionary Koenig's many years of service as foreign missionary will be recognized at this summer's CLC convention. This will include a cash gift from the CLC constituency. Checks should be made out to the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC), and may be put in the regular offering. Please write "David Koenig Retirement Gift" on the memo line; or mail your check, before June 9, to ILC Business Office, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

BRANCHES NEWSLETTER: The Ladies Aid subscribes to the CLC women's newsletter called "The Branches". It is available for members to borrow and to take home for a week to read.

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