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March 19, 2017

Third Sunday in Lent-A

WELCOME to where we hear God's Word to help us through the dark confusion the world and our sinful self brings upon us. If you are desiring to commune this week prepare by reviewing the Christian Questions with their Answers on page 329 in the hymnal. If you are a guest, kindly speak to the pastor before the service concerning your intentions to commune.

WORSHIP PRAYER O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT: Exodus 17:1-7. *The Israelites demand water in the desert.*

EPISTLE: Romans 5:1-8. *While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

GOSPEL: John 4:5-26. *Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well.*

CATECHETICAL LESSON *Evening Prayer:* I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES

(March 19-26)

Sun/March 19 **3rd Sunday in Lent**

Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am

Donut Fellowship, 9-9:30am

SS/Bible Study, 9:30am

Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am

LYF Sky Zone Event, 4-6pm

Mon/Mar 20 Staff Meeting, 11:30am

Trustee Meeting, 7pm

Faith Foundations, 7pm

Tues/Mar 21 Quilters, 9am-3pm

Elders Meeting, 7:30pm

Wed/Mar 22 Book/Bible Study @ Deaner's Diner, 6:30am

Lent Soup & Sandwich, 5:15-7pm

Parent/Student Session, 6:30pm

Jubilate Choir, 6:30pm

Lent Worship, 7:30

Thu/Mar 23

Fri/Mar 24 Zone Jr High Lock-in, 7pm-1am @ Immanuel

Sat/Mar 25 Hall Reserved

Grace Lutheran School Auction, 5pm @ Ramada Plaza

Sun/Mar 26 **4th Sunday in Lent**

Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am

Donut Fellowship, 9-9:30am

SS/Bible Study, 9:30am

Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am

HELP YOUR ELDERS IMPROVE COMMUNICATION AND

MEMBERSHIP Your elders decided to help communication within the congregation and clarify our membership. A mailing will be going out asking to reaffirm or update your information and any other family information, such as phone numbers, email addresses, and changes in membership. It will be as simple as filling out a form either by paper or online. You can help the elders and the church office by going online at www.standrewlcms.org and click on update membership and fill out the information. Please include an email address and phone number to be used as a contact for the whole family as well as personal email addresses of all the family.

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Third Sunday in Lent - A

Entrance Hymn 8am-#543

10:45-Insert

Confession and Absolution p.151

Introit *see insert*

Kyrie (*Omit Hymn of Praise*) p.152

Salutation-Collect p.156

Old Testament *see back*

Gradual *see insert*

Epistle *see back*

"Return to the Lord..." p. 157

Gospel *see back*

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn #609 (Tune: #974)

Sermon: The Gospels

Straight to Jesus

Apostles Creed p. 159

Prayers & Offering & Preface p.160

"Holy, Holy, Holy" p. 161

The Lord's Prayer (*right side*) p. 162

Words of Institution p. 162

"Lamb of God..." p. 163

Distribution & Hymns

#423, #684, #618, #619

Nunc Dimittis p. 165

Prayer & Benediction p. 166

Closing Hymn 8am - Insert

10:45 - #693

**-OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIS PEOPLE AND HIS WORLD-
USED OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP OUR LORD:**

Attendance for last week: 90 + 92 + 93 (Wed) = 275

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 5,734.42	\$6,212.10
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 788.96	\$2,415.00

<u>THROUGH JANUARY</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
General Fund Income:	\$ 28,025.06	\$ 28,025.06
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 28,081.71	\$ 28,081.71
Net	\$ -56.65	\$ -56.65

Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 4,199.70	\$ 4,199.70
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 6,386.00
Net	\$-2,186.30	\$ -2,186.30

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK:(Mar 22 & 26)

ELDERS: Wednesday: Gary Dillard
Sunday 8am: Larry Weil
Sunday 10:45am: Ray Wasness

AV: Wednesday: Steven Lindquist
Sunday 8am: Joe Franklin
Sunday 10:45am: Tony Borslien

USHERS: Wednesday: Gary Muhl*, Bryan Hall
Sunday 8am: Larry Phillips*, Tami Hertel
Larry Johnson, Logan Hintz
Sunday 10:45am: Todd Reber*, Trent Kosel
Mike Peterson, Steve Vogel

GREETERS: Sunday 8am: David & Karen Beck
Sunday 10:45am: David Cook, Karen Laddusaw

ACOLYTES: Wednesday: Jacob Renfrew
Sunday 8am: Paris Volk
Sunday 10:45am: Mia Severson

MUSICIANS: Wednesday: Jodi Pierce
Sunday 8am & 10:45am: Susan Jahnke

ALTAR: Rose Rios & Corrine Reber

**COMMUNICATING CHRIST OVER THE AIR:
OUR WEB SITE: www.standrewlcms.org**

"MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH" is a locally produced TV program that includes a 30 minute worship service by participating pastors of the ND and MN North Districts of our LCMS, along with a 30 minute children's program called "Kid's Crossing". Broadcast each Sunday at 10 AM Central time on KVRP Fargo-Moorhead Channel 15.1 and cable/satellite systems carrying these stations, and archived on www.mainstreetlivingnorth.com.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" Sundays on KFGO AM 790 at 7:30am. Upcoming topics are posted on the LLL bulletin board. www.lutheranhour.org

"CHRIST THE WAY" a radio program featuring ND District LCMS Pastors on KSJB 600AM at 7:30am on Sundays.

OUR SYNOD'S RADIO STATION: www.kfuo.org

DAILY DEVOTIONS by Pastor Klaus at www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

MEN NETWORK: www.lhmmen.com

ISSUES, ETC: Current events from a Lutheran view. www.issuesetc.org

HOLY WEEK SERVICE SIGN UP-To help avoid scheduling issues with the Easter holiday, there is a sign up sheet in the gathering area on the front table to usher, greet, acolyte, and elder for the Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday services. Please sign up by March 19th!

SKYZONE High school youth group (LYF) is going to SkyZone today, Sunday, March 19. We'll meet there at 4 to get checked in, jump from 4:30-5:30, and then have Bible study over pizza from 5:30-6:00pm. Invite your friends! Sign up on the youth bulletin board today. Cost: \$10

SHINGLES A shingle information meeting is set for Sunday, March 26th after the first and second services. This will be a brief discussion on where the Trustees are at with the project. Please remember to stop by the display in the Narthex and vote on shingle color. Hope to see you all there!

ANNUAL GRACE LUTHERAN AUCTION The auction is on March 25, 2017! Many items are already being lined up for this year's great event. Come and celebrate the richness, heritage and exciting future of Grace Lutheran School all in one night. This event is a great way to see some of the latest displays and happening at Grace Lutheran. Be sure to get your ticket for \$50.00 which includes your meal and a place at the auction and purchase great gifts for your family!

We still are in need of new donations!! Please consider donating something before March 20th, thank you!

SHORTFALL LOAN 2017 In August last year we were fortunate to have an anonymous donor offer to provide a matching gift to help us reduce the need for a shortfall loan this year. At that time we asked everyone to prayerfully consider any increased giving they could do to help us eliminate the need for a shortfall loan this year. Thank you to all who helped us utilize this generous gift! I am happy to report that we were able to apply \$15,300 to reduce this need!

In 2016, giving to the General Fund income was enough to cover expenses. The Mortgage Fund income remains low against expenses, however. We went a long way with the additional giving towards the shortfall reduction match, helping to reduce the shortfall loan amount. This year we only had to take out a Shortfall Loan for \$2,000.00 to cover the difference for the Mortgage Fund. As we enter March in 2017, we are asking all to consider again any additional giving they can contribute to eliminate the shortfall loan. In order to address this specific need, pink envelopes labeled Shortfall Loan can be found in the gathering area on the front table. Envelopes can be dropped in the Sunday offering plate or delivered to Mary at the office.

THE SEEKERS ARE SEEKING YOU We are a friendly group meeting the 1st and 3rd Thursday at 1pm in the Fellowship hall. We discuss current topics of interest from a Biblical standpoint and books of the Bible, followed by desserts and social time. Questions? Call Jim Larsen 239-218-9455.

FAITH FOUNDATION CLASS Faith Foundation Class is a way for you to brush up on the basics of the Christian Faith and to have in depth discussions with one of the pastors or DCE. This class can also be used for instruction in preparing for communicant membership in our congregation for those who are sophomores in High School and older. We are meeting Mondays at 7pm. Classes are about an 1 ½ hours for ten weeks.

CAMP GRACE will once again open at the end of May. I am looking for young adults (college age students) to help with our Camp. We need approximately 5 new leaders to add to our staff. We will need leaders for centers and activities, not to mention recreation helpers. Mrs. Betty Hagge, Mrs. Cindy Noenning, and Kari Lugo will be heading up this year Camp Grace. Please call me if you are interested in being a leader for Camp Grace at 615-479-1438 Come and fill out an application Now!

GRACE LUTHERAN-SCHOOL ITEMS & SERVICES Grace Lutheran School is always accepting in-kind donations of items or services that will assist us in keeping our school facilities clean, safe, repaired and up to date. If you own a company or work for a company that you feel could offer us assistance, please contact the school. 701.232.7747

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