This Week:

Today:	8:00 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
Tuesday:	10:00 AM	Pastor's Study Club
	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
	7:00 PM	Anniversary Committee Meeting at Samuel
Wednesday:	12:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
	5:00 PM	Confirmation Class
	5:30 PM	Lenten Supper
	7:00 PM	Lenten Worship
	8:00 PM	Choir
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Worship Coffee Hour: Serving Committee 6
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship

CLOSE COMMUNION: Because receiving the Lord's Supper together is an expression of unity of faith this side of heaven, it is proper that those of the same confession commune together. Since church membership is an individual's expression of confession, it is proper that members of congregations in fellowship with each other commune together. Therefore we invite those of sister WELS/ELS congregations to join us for communion today. On the same basis we cordially ask that those of other fellowships refrain.

MIDWEEK: This week Pastor Schliewe from Peace in Echo and St. John's in Vesta will be our worship leader. We will focus on the name *Immanuel.*

SUPPER: We hope you will take advantage of the meals offered before every Lenten service. Our youth groups will be serving Barbeques this week from 5:30-6:30 PM. There are still a few opportunities for you to contribute desserts for our meals in the coming weeks. Signup sheets are available on the table by the bulletin board.

PIONEERS: The Pine Car Derby has been rescheduled to Friday, March 15th at 6:30 PM at Samuel. Pioneers will not meet on Sunday, March 10th.

THANK YOU: Thank you for all the cards and visits while I was in the nursing home. God bless you all. *Stanley Schlorf*

125th ANNIVERSARY: Our next meeting is on Tuesday, February 26th at 7 PM. We are meeting at Samuel.

COUGAR BASKETBALL: The Samuel basketball team is in New Ulm this weekend for the annual MLC tournament. We will try to let you know how they are doing and what time they are playing this afternoon.

DIVINE SERVICE: The Divine Liturgy has been used in Christian churches for centuries. To help us better understand it each Sunday we will focus on a different part. Today ***INVOCATION*** – The Triune God is "invoked" recalling our baptism which gives us the right as his children to call on him for everything we need. ***CONFESSION*** – Since the Fall into sin our whole being is altogether sinful so there is nothing we can say as we stand in his presence except "I am sorry" and "I need your mercy." ***ABSOLUTION*** – As there is nothing we do to deserve God's forgiveness so there is nothing that stands between the confession and absolution. As Nathan immediately forgave David, so the pastor forgives us with Christ's authority.

FOOD SHELF: Next Sunday, March 3rd we will take a door offering in support of our local Marshall Food Shelf. We are collecting money rather than "food" as they can purchase more and get the products people need. *"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."* (Matthew 25:40)

WHOPPER FEED: Thank you to all who helped with and attended the Whopper Feed at Samuel on February 9th. It was a big success - we raised $904 for our new athletic uniform fund!

OWLS: The Minnesota Prairie OWLS will meet at St. John's in Vesta on Tuesday, March 12h. The day begins with coffee and muffins and registration at 9:00 AM and devotion at 9:30 AM. A potluck dinner will follow at noon. Please bring your Meditations and donations for the Food Bank.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK

$7463 – Budgeted Offerings ~ *Weekly need - $6154*
$162 – Mission Offerings ~ *Weekly need - $231*
$25 – Media Offerings ~ *Weekly need - $90*
$75 – Debt Reduction Fund $95 – Building Improvement Fund
$986 – Other Receipts
Budgeted offerings: YTD January '13: $21,700.77
YTD January '12: $25,026.43
Annual Budgeted – 2013: $320,000

Second Sunday in Lent
Sunday, February 24, 2013

Divine Service I

Opening Hymn #749

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