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
	11:30 AM	125 th Anniversary Sub-committee Meeting
Monday:	7:00 PM	Church Council
Tuesday:	9:00 AM	OWLS at Vesta
	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
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
Thursday:	7:00 PM	Mission Society
Friday:	6:30 PM	Pine Car Derby at Samuel
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Worship Coffee Hour: Stewardship Committee
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship
	3:00 PM	Afternoon of the Arts
	5:00 PM	CLYF at Marshall Bowl

"TAKE EAT, TAKE DRINK!": We're celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper today. For reasons based solely upon Scripture we practice "close communion" in our Wisconsin Synod congregations. This has been the standard practice of those church bodies fully committed to the Doctrine of the Real Presence. We would ask that only those members of our Synod or those in complete fellowship with us to come forward for the Sacrament. Please speak with our Pastor before the service if you have any questions.

ON THE BENCH: Our organist today is Miss Naomi Schwark. She is in her second year at MLC studying to be a teacher. She spent the past week at Samuel in her early field experience. We thank her for using her talents in helping lead our worship.

MIDWEEK: This week Pastor Tews from St. Peter in Balaton will be our worship leader. We will focus on the name *King*. A taco supper will be served from 5:30-6:30 PM.

PINE CAR DERBY: Pioneers will meet on Friday, March 15th at Samuel for the Pine Car Derby. The race is scheduled to begin at 6:30 PM. The congregation is invited to attend.

LILIES: Next Sunday we will take our annual door offering to help cover the cost of the Easter lilies used to beautify our chancel on Easter Sunday.

CLYF: ATTENTION – The time for our bowling bonanza has changed. We will meet at the Marshall Bowl next Sunday the 17th from 5-7 PM. Bowling, pizza and pop are on the agenda. See you there.

FOOD SHELF: God's people responded with a collection of \$508 for our local food shelf. What a generous way to show our love to those less fortunate than ourselves.

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 **PRAYER OF THE DAY** – These short, simple and eloquent prayers announce the theme of the day. **READINGS** – We continue by hearing God's plan of salvation. The first reading is usually from the Old Testament and the second is from one of the Epistles. **PSALM** – We still follow the ancient synagogue practice of breaking up the readings with a psalm written to be sung. **VERSE OF THE DAY** – The verse is another announcement of the theme of the day using a biblical passage. **GOSPEL** – The Gospel reading is the most important of the three readings since it is the culmination of the story of salvation. To recognize this, we stand. This is Christ in our midst.

AFTERNOON OF THE ARTS: Samuel Lutheran invites you to attend Afternoon of the Arts on Sunday, March 17th at 3:00 PM. The band will perform and grades 3-8 will sing at this concert. Art projects from all the classes at Samuel will be on display in the gymnasium.

OWLS: The Minnesota Prairie OWLS will meet at St. John's in Vesta on Tuesday. 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

\$6102 – Budgeted Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$6154

\$60 - Mission Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$231

\$50 - Media Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$90

\$73 – Debt Reduction Fund \$8 – Building Improvement Fund

\$2526 – Other Receipts

Budgeted offerings: YTD February '13: \$44,636.89

YTD February '12: \$47,831.65

Annual Budgeted - 2013: \$320,000

Fourth Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 10, 2013

Service of Word and Sacrament

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