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
	1:00 PM	Pioneers
Monday:	7:00 PM	Church Council
Tuesday:	9:00 AM	OWLS in Renville
	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
Wednesday:	8:15 AM	Chapel at Samuel
	12:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
	5:00 PM	Confirmation Class at Church
	5:30 PM	Lenten Supper
	7:00 PM	Lenten Worship
	8:00 PM	Choir
Thursday:	6:30 PM	Jesus Cares Ministry
Friday:	7:00 PM	PTF Bowling
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Worship Coffee Hour – Committee 4
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship
	1:00 PM	CLYF

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.

SEVEN WORDS: Starting today we will begin a new Bible class study. We will be looking at the Seven Words from the Cross. Did you know that not one of the gospels has all seven words from the cross? What was the second word spoken and was it the second? Come and explore with us.

PIONEERS: We will meet today from 1-3 PM at school to paint the birdhouses we built in February. Be sure to join us!

MIDWEEK: This week we will focus on *Shed No Tears for Jesus*. Lasagna supper served from 5:30-6:30 PM.

FOOD SHELF: We will be taking a door offering today for our local food shelf. This is a good way for us to show our Christian love for others. We are collecting money rather than "food" as they can purchase more and get the products people need. Monies given to the food shelf in the month of March are doubled. *"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."* (Matthew 25:40)

THANK YOU: God bless you all for the cards, prayers, kind words, hugs and visits you gave to my family during the illness and passing of my sister Janel DeRoode. We are truly blessed to have the church family that we have in you! Thank you from the bottom of my heart. *Colette Patzer and family*

BOWLING: The PTF of Samuel invites you to join them for an evening of bowling at the Marshall Lanes this Friday from 7-9 PM. The cost will be about \$11 per person for 2 hours of bowling. You must provide adult supervision for your child. Please let the office know by Thursday how many from your family will be attending so we can reserve enough lanes.

CLYF: Next Sunday we will meet from 1-3 PM at church for Bible study and to learn how to operate our new camera.

SW MINNESOTA LUTHERAN CHORALE: The SW Minnesota Lutheran Chorale invites you to attend a Sacred Music Concert following the theme "O *Come, Let Us Worship.*" The concert will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in Sanborn at 2:30 PM and at St. John's Lutheran Church in Fairfax at 7 PM on Sunday, March 18. Offerings received will go towards two special projects: Jesus Cares Ministries and Truth in Love Ministry (to Mormons).

LARGE PRINT: Just a reminder that there are large print folders available that contain the liturgy, hymns and bulletin announcements. Just ask an usher for one. If we don't have enough we can always make more available.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK \$6431 – Budgeted Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$6205 \$81 – Mission Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$154 \$225 – Media Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$90 \$43 – Debt Reduction Fund \$3 – Building Improvement Fund \$1437 – Other Receipts Budgeted offerings: YTD February '12: \$48,650.65 YTD February '11: \$41,559.17 Annual Budgeted – 2012: \$322,681 Third Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 11, 2012

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