

This Week:

<i>Today:</i>	8:00 AM	Worship Coffee Hour: Board of Elders
	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
<i>Monday:</i>	7:00 PM	Evangelism Meeting at Samuel
<i>Tuesday:</i>	9:00 AM	OWLS at Vesta
	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
<i>Wednesday:</i>	7:00 PM	Stewardship Meeting at Hardware Hank
	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
<i>Thursday:</i>	6:30 PM	Jesus Cares Ministry
<i>Saturday:</i>	1:00 PM	Swanson Baby Shower
<i>Sunday:</i>	8:00 AM	Worship and Holy Communion
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COFFEE HOUR: Please join us for coffee and treats between services. We wish to thank the Board of Elders for hosting this morning.

DOOR OFFERING: Today we will take a door offering to help cover the cost of the Easter lilies used to beautify our chancel on Easter Sunday.

MIDWEEK: This week Pastor Schlieve from Peace in Echo and St. John's in Vesta will be our worship leader. We will focus on the name *The Way*. A baked potato supper will be served from 5:30-6:30 PM.

AFTERNOON OF THE ARTS: Samuel Lutheran invites you to attend Afternoon of the Arts today 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.

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

SHOWER: The congregation is invited to attend a baby shower honoring Becky Swanson on Saturday, March 23rd from 1–3:00 PM in the church basement. She is registered at both Walmart and Shopko.

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 **CREED** – In response to the Word of God spoken and sung so far, we stand up with the Christian Church and confess all of it to be true. Since the devil has infiltrated the church with so many false doctrines it is necessary for us to state our beliefs. The Apostles Creed is the baptismal and catechetical creed.

CONCERN: We just want to alert the congregation to some suspicious activity at the church. A non-member was observed exhibiting suspicious behavior in the narthex during a recent worship service. We would advise not leaving any valuables in the narthex.

MLC AUXILIARY: The annual spring meeting will be held on Saturday, March 23rd at St. John's Lutheran Church in Vesta, MN at 9:00 am.

ROUND-UP: We will be hosting Kindergarten round-up on Monday, March 25 at 6:00 PM beginning with a pizza/pop supper. If you are interested or know someone who is please contact Mrs. Julie Festerling at 872-6353 or the school office at 532-2162.

SUMMER MUSIC/BIBLE STORY PROGRAM: Hopefully you read your March newsletter that detailed information about this new program. We are excited to offer this to our members. This summer long program will help keep our children in the Word and for those who enjoy music, there is an added bonus. Free piano/instrumental lessons will be offered. The leader of this program, Carla Carmichael, will be visiting our church on Palm Sunday. An informational packet including a sign up sheet is available on a stand in the narthex by the easel.

SW MINNESOTA LUTHERAN CHORALE: The SW Minnesota Lutheran Chorale invites you to attend a concert, *“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing.”* The concert will be held today at Zion Lutheran Church in Winthrop at 2:30 PM and at Peace Lutheran Church in Echo at 7 PM.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK	
\$6675 – Budgeted Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$6154	
\$645 – Mission Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$231	
\$150 – Media Offerings ~ <i>Weekly need</i> - \$90	
\$75 – Debt Reduction Fund	\$75 – Building Improvement Fund
\$255 – Other Receipts	
Budgeted offerings: YTD February '13: \$44,636.89	
YTD February '12: \$47,831.65	
Annual Budgeted – 2013: \$320,000	

**Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 17, 2013**

Divine Service I

- Opening Hymn #714
- Liturgy page 15 (CWS)
- First Lesson – see insert
- Psalm 73 on page 94
- Second Lesson – see insert
- Gospel Lesson – see insert
- Apostles Creed page 20
- Hymn of the Day #415
- Sermon – Isaiah 43:16-21
- “Create in Me” page 21
- Offering
- Prayers and Lord’s Prayer
- Hymn #421
- Closing Prayer page 27
- Closing Hymn #715

