## 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
Monday:	8:00 AM	Women's Prayer Group
Tuesday:	10:00 AM	Pastors Study Club
	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
Wednesday:	12:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
	7:30 PM	Choir
	8:00 PM	SMSU Campus Ministry
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship
	4:30 PM	Reformation Rally/Fall Festival at Samue

**COMMUNION FELLOWSHIP:** Biblically, Holy Communion is a promise of God's peace with us and an outward sign of Christian's peace with each other. The Bible teaches that the peace with each other involves a willingness to forgive as we have been forgiven and also a "peace", or unity, of faith. So as not to judge hearts, that unity of faith can only be judged by our public confession, it is proper that those of the same denomination commune together. Those of our sister WELS/ELS congregations who may be visiting today are therefore welcome to join us at the Lord's Supper. Those visitors of other denominations we welcome to our worship today. We hope you also realize that refraining from Communion today would be in keeping with God's will.

**THANK YOU:** We want to thank Rev. Dave Maertz for leading our worship and Bible class today. He serves as President at Great Plains Lutheran High School in Watertown. He will also be leading Bible Class today where he will tell us more about the Christian education offered at GPLHS.

**DOOR OFFERING:** We are taking a door offering today that will go to Great Plains LHS. This year we have four students attending that school. They are Kristina Hagberg, Carlie Heil, Paxton Schultz, and Sarah Werner.

**THANK YOU:** I want to thank you all for the beautiful cards, phone calls, prayers, words, and memorials given on the passing of Donna Keifer, my sister-in-law. *Darlene Schultz* 

**LAST CHANCE:** Today is the last day to order your Christmas greenery from our youth group. Check out what's available on the table in the narthex. Be sure to check out the two new items added this year – they are a 26" mixed greens wreath and a cross wreath.

**REFORMATION:** Next Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> we are going to meet at Samuel for an afternoon of Luther learning – lunch and lecture. At 4:30 we will eat a meal of brats, hot dogs, beans, chips, etc. We plan to have a keg of 1919 root beer too! About 5:15 there will be a lecture on Luther for the adults given by an MLC professor. The kids will go to the gym for games, a talk about Luther, and to practice the hymn *A Mighty Fortress* that they will sing to close this festive day. We ask that children under age three be accompanied by an adult. All the area WELS churches are invited to attend so don't miss out.

**PRAYER GROUP:** Our church is starting a women's prayer group that will meet Monday mornings at 8:00 at the home of Ellen Loe (800 DeSchepper) for about 30-45 minutes. This is a wonderful way to start your week – with fellowship and prayer for family, our church and school, our country and our concerns. All women are invited and very welcome. We will start this Monday.

**COLLEGE CHOIR REFORMATION VESPERS CONCERT:** The Martin Luther College Choir will perform a Reformation Vespers concert on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in Chapel of the Christ. Featured in the concert will be music by Mendelssohn, Runestad, Hobby, Bakken, and others. Also featured are texts by Martin Luther: A Mighty Fortress; We All Believe in One True God; and Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord. Join us for a Reformation celebration in a Vespers setting.

## SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK

\$7,892 – Budgeted Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$6462

\$100 - Mission Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$270

\$225 - Media Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$90

\$50 – Debt Reduction Fund \$0 – Building Improvement Fund

\$323 – Other Receipts

Budgeted offerings: YTD September 2016: \$230,960.95

YTD September 2015: \$225,868.18

Annual Budgeted – 2016: \$336,000.00

Interested in e-giving, check our website.

## Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, October 23, 2016

## **Divine Service II**

Opening Hymn #779

Liturgy page 28 (CWS)

First Lesson – see insert

Psalm 119b on page 110

Second Lesson – see insert

Gospel Lesson – see insert

Hymn of the Day #351

Sermon - 1 Peter 3:15-18a

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Offering

Prayer of the Church

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Distribution Hymn #311

The Thanksgiving page 37

Closing Hymn #143

