## 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
	5:00 PM	CLYF
Monday:	4:00 PM	SLS Volleyball at Redwood Falls
	7:00 PM	PTF Meeting at Samuel
Tuesday:	6:30 PM	Christ Lutheran Church on Cable TV
Wednesday:	8:20 AM	Chapel at Samuel
	12:30 PM	Christ Lutheran on Cable TV
	6:30 PM	Confirmation
	7:30 PM	Choir
	8:00 PM	SMSU Campus Ministry
Thursday:	4:00 PM	Samuel Volleyball vs. MACS
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Worship Coffee Hour – PTF
	9:15 AM	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Worship

**CLOSE COMMUNION:** According to the Scriptures, Holy Communion is only for repentant sinners, those who are instructed, those who are able to examine themselves, and those who are united in doctrine and practice. Therefore we lovingly practice Close Communion, meaning that only confirmed members of Christ Ev. Lutheran Church are invited, together with those members of sister WELS or ELS churches who have spoken to the pastor before the service.

**PASTORAL ACT:** *Baptisms:* Today by the grace of God and to the glory of God Kiptyn Douglas, infant son of Tim and Lacey (nee DeMuth) Kesteloot, born September 7, 2013 and Braden Lee Easterday, born August 17, 2013 child of Ethan Lundberg and Robin Easterday, will become children of God by the washing of Holy Baptism.

**SINGING TODAY:** We thank the students from Samuel in grades 3-8 for singing in our late service this morning.

**CLYF:** The high school aged youth group will meet today from 5:00-6:30 PM at the parsonage. Join us for Bible study, supper, games and planning the upcoming year.

**OUTING:** The golf and supper outing held last Sunday was enjoyed by all who participated. The golfers contributed \$219 to the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary fund.

**LAST CHANCE:** Have you RSVP'd for the anniversary meal yet? If not, technically today is the last day. Be sure to stop by the table in the narthex to purchase your meal tickets. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 2-10. The meal will be served out to Samuel school from 11:30-1 PM. If by chance you did not bring your checkbook with you tickets will be available for purchase at the school office for a few days. It is imperative that we get an accurate count as soon as possible so we can make proper preparations. We are only three weeks away from having the opportunity to thank God for the wonderful blessings he has bestowed upon our congregation for 125 years.

**WORSHIP CELEBRATION:** In conjunction with the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary on October 13<sup>th</sup> we will be having special worship services for the morning and afternoon services. Please note the special starting time for the late morning service. Service times are **8 and 10:00 AM.** (No Sunday School or Bible class that day.) The focal point of our celebration will be the festival divine services. Rev. David Mertz, president of Great Plains Lutheran High School and a former son of the congregation will be our worship leader for the morning services. At 2 PM we will once again gather at God's house for an afternoon anniversary service. Worship leader for that service will be Rev. Charles Degner, president of the Minnesota district. Special music will be provided by students of MLC. Light refreshments will be served following the service.

**COMMITTEES:** With a celebration the magnitude of our 125<sup>th</sup>, it is necessary that all of the members take an active role in helping out. Many of you will be contacted over the next few weeks to assist in providing cookies/bars, set up, take down, transporting tables and chairs, serving at the meal, etc. etc. Please respond with a cheerful voice and a smile when you say "Yes, how can I serve?"

**MEMORABILIA:** There will be a number of anniversary memorabilia items available for sale beginning in October. Items include anniversary Christmas ornaments, window decals, cookbooks, and anniversary booklets.

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH LAST WEEK \$5314 – Budgeted Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$6154 \$155 – Mission Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$231 \$0 – Media Offerings ~ Weekly need - \$90 \$75 – Debt Reduction Fund \$75 – Building Improvement Fund \$45 – Other Receipts Budgeted offerings: YTD August '13: \$189,846.85 YTD August '12: \$189,898.81 Annual Budgeted – 2013: \$320,000 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, September 22, 2013

The Common Service Opening Hymn #580 8:00 #296 10:30 Liturgy page 15 8:00 Liturgy page 12 10:30 First Lesson – see insert Psalm 38 on page 81 Second Lesson – see insert Gospel Lesson – see insert Nicene Creed page 18 Hymn of the Day #412 Sermon – 1 Timothy 2:1-8 "Create in Me" page 20 Offering Prayers and Lord's Prayer The Sacrament Distribution Hymn #410 The Thanksgiving page 24 Closing Hymn #408

