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Life Together at University Lutheran Chapel

Divine Service
Sundays 10 AM & 7:30 PM

Private Confession &
Absolution
Sundays 8-8:30 AM
(and by appointment)

Vespers/Eve. Prayer
Wednesdays 7:30 PM

Bible Studies
Sunday Morning Bible
Class 8:45-9:45 AM
The 12 Minor Prophets

Sunday Evening/LSF
Bible Study 6:30-7:15 PM
Genesis

Table Talk Bible Study
Wednesdays 6-7:30 PM
The Letters of
St. Ignatius of Antioch

Didache (Adult Catechesis)
Tuesdays at 7:00 PM

Couples' Bible Study
Saturday, April 12 &
May 10 at 5:30 PM

Patristics Study Group
Fridays, April 4, May 2,
June 6

See inside for the
Holy Week
service schedule!



With Him Through Death by Pastor Kind

Death is a powerful and frightening reality in our human existence. It is a reality that we try not to think about very often. Yet we know that inevitably we will have to face it one day. For it is the one thing that no one can escape. We may be able to cheat it for a while, or forestall it with medicine or surgery, but eventually death will have us. It is a curse we carry around in our flesh on account of Sin. When mankind first rebelled against God, death passed to all of humanity. The Lord said to Adam: "In the day you eat of it you will surely die." And die Adam did; and not only Adam but all those descended from Adam. The whole of humanity became cursed with death. And now that curse is passed on to us. And even though we don't like to face it, we see the marks of death in our flesh: aging, illness, disease, pain. These point the way to that inescapable end that lies ahead of us. Death is powerful and it is frightening.

In Daniel 3, the three young men who had refused to bow down to the image of Nebuchadnezzar were facing the grim specter of death that day in Babylon. They were to be thrown into a fiery furnace for their uncompromising faith in the God of Israel, a faith which would not allow them to worship the golden idol of their king. So the king decided to give them one more chance. He would again sound the call to worship that they might fall down before the golden idol and he warned them: "if you do not worship, you shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. And who is the god who will deliver you from my hands?" The three answer: "We have no need to answer you in this matter. If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up." Were they not afraid? Where did they get such boldness in the face of death?

They are thrown into the furnace and fall down in the midst of the flames. The flames are so hot that the men who escorted them die at the door to the furnace. And as the king watches to see Shadrach,

Meshach, and Abed-Nego burn he sees something amazing. They are not dying! The flames are doing them no harm! Moreover, only three men had been cast into the furnace, and now he sees a fourth whom he describes as being "like the Son of God."

The men walk through the furnace and back into the land of the living, unscorched, not even smelling of the fire they had passed through. These men had passed through certain death and come out alive. In faith they feared not the flames of death, but trusted in the Lord their God. And how was it that they were saved from death? God Himself - the pre-incarnate Christ - entered into death with them, kept them safe and whole, and brought them through it alive. As they confessed to Nebuchadnezzar "our God whom we serve is able to deliver us."

*Christ did not lay in the tomb
defeated, but triumphant...*

Our Lord entered into death for us as well. He who is God Almighty entered into our humanity and took the curse of our death upon Himself. As one hymn puts it: "You came into our hall of death, O Christ, to breathe our poisoned air, to drink for us the deep despair that strangled our reluctant breath" (LW #319). On Good Friday the purpose of His incarnation was fulfilled as He was crucified and died upon the tree. Then they laid Him into our tomb and sealed the door.

But death could not contain the Son of God. St. John Chrysostom writes: "He that was taken by Death has annihilated it! He descended into Hell, and took Hell captive! He embittered it when it tasted of His flesh...! It was embittered, for it was abolished! It was embittered, for it was mocked! It was embittered, for it was purged! It was embittered, for it was destroyed! It was embittered, for it was bound in chains! It took a body, and face to face met God! It took earth, and encountered

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Chapel News and Notes...

Faith Goes to the Movies - The Fellowship of the Ring!

Come watch a great movie with us and discover the Christian theological themes woven into the first of Tolkein's three part master work! Showing May 1st at 7 PM. Popcorn, soda, and plenty of good discussion provided!

Dr. Oliver Olson to speak at ULC on Eucharistic Prayers

Join us for Patristics on Friday, June 6, at 10:30 AM to hear Dr. Oliver Olson speak concerning the problem of Eucharistic prayer. Olson will discuss the liturgies of the Early Church, the issues of the Reformation, and the contemporary danger for Lutherans. This is an especially important issue as the new hymnal will likely propose the use of a eucharistic prayer in at least one setting of the Divine Service.

ULC Choir

Like to sing? If yes, you can join the ULC choir! Rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 7:30. New voices are always welcome! And remember, flexible rehearsal options are available. Interested? Contact our choir director, Carol Hasbargen (651-633-4801) or just drop in at rehearsal and join us!

Voters' Assembly

During our semi-annual meeting on February 16, 2003, the Voters' Assembly of ULC elected a new chapel council and board of elders. New officers are:

- President/Elder - Glen Meints
- Elders - Oliver Young, Jason Havemeier
- Board of Properties - Kris Schauer, James Boldt, Karen Henke
- Nurture - Dennis Bauer
- Outreach - Garrett Fields
- Stewardship/Christian Service - Jason Sloan
- Fellowship - Matthew Frahm
- ISCRC - Danielle Behling

Our thanks to outgoing officers for their great work this past year: Craig Henke, Grant Erdmann, Rebecca Young, James Burmeister, Matthew Beise & Ryan Badke. The congregation also voted to send several memorials to the 2003 MN South District Convention.

Instrumentalists Wanted

We are hoping to put together a small ensemble of instrumentalists to prepare music for the Easter season. If you are a musician and would like to help beautify our services, please contact Carla at the Chapel office!

Löhe Library Renovation

Work has begun on the new and improved Lohe Library/Lounge. The barnboards have come off, dry wall will soon be hung and new carpet is on the way! Thanks to everyone who has helped so far... but there's lots of work left to be done before this project is complete. Watch the weekly announcements for opportunities to help. If everything goes according to plan, we'll have a wonderful new library and lounge which will be a great place for students to hang out or

study during the week - and for the whole congregation to enjoy!

ULC Rummage Sale

It's not too early to make a donation for the 2nd Annual ULC Rummage Sale. Proceeds are again going toward the renovation of the Lohe Library/Lounge area. We are looking for items that students could use to outfit their dorms and apartments; things like:

Tables	Dishes
Chairs	Mugs, Glasses and Cups
Sofas	Vases, and other decor
Desks	Household tools (hammers, screwdrivers, and such)
Rugs	Grills
Lamps	
Clocks	
Small appliances	
Pots and Pans	

We will be accepting tax-deductible donations throughout the Summer. The sale will be held the first weekend after classes begin in the Fall. Thanks for your help!

Christ on Campus

This summer our pastor will travel to Laramie Wyoming for the first annual Christ on Campus conference for people involved in campus ministry. Pr. Kind, Pr. Marcus Zill, Prof John Pless and Pr. Peter Cage all helped plan and organize this



new effort which is being sponsored by Higher Things Inc. This is just the beginning of a new and concerted effort to bring a faithful, confessional, Lutheran focus back to LC-MS campus ministry. In the near future there will also be student retreats, a website, magazine articles in Higher Things, and more for college and university students who "Dare to be Lutheran". Check out www.higherthings.org to learn more.

Easter Decorating

Celebrate Easter by beautifying the chapel with lilies, tulips, mums and hydrangeas. We'll decorate the chapel on Holy Saturday, April 19th at 10 a.m. Plan to join us!



Owen Nicolai Matija Riley received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord, January 12th.

ISCRC Update

The number of international students in need of conversational English partners continues to grow. We are therefore pleased to have several new volunteer tutors from ULC now active in the program. Several days each week you will find these pleasant and helpful conversations taking place. If you would like to help or if you know of an international who would like to participate, please contact ISCRC Coordinator, Danielle Behling (651) 646-3423.

In His Face

The Higher Things "In His Face" Youth Conference is being held in Arlington Texas this summer, July 29-August 1. Pr. Marcus Zill is looking for college students who would like to attend at a greatly reduced rate in exchange for their willingness to help with a variety of things related to the conference. Details plus an application to download can be found at www.higherthings.org/news.asp?id=19.

Ascension Day Benefit Supper

Come to the Ascension Day Sandwich & Sundae Supper 6-7 PM on May 29th to benefit Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Thrivent will match all donations! Look for a sign-up sheet in May. See you there!

Lenten Coin Banks

Coin banks are available from the ushers or from the narthex table. Donations received will be sent to support the work of the Lutheran Heritage Foundation.

Altar Guild

All who are interested in participating in our Altar Guild are invited to a brief meeting at ULC on Monday, April 7th at 5:00 PM. Pr. Kind will bring us up-to-date on several matters plus we will look at scheduling, work project plans, etc. Join us!

Processional Items

We are getting closer to being able to afford a new processional cross, torches and Gospel book. If you would like to make a donation, please mark it "Procession Fund". Donations can simply be placed in the offering plate, given to the treasurer (Monica) or secretary (Carla), or mailed to ULC.

Spring Workday

Please make plans to lend a hand at our spring work day on Saturday, April 12th beginning at 9 AM. There are lots of projects to do indoors and out. Check with Karen Henke, Kris Schauer, or James Boldt for details.

Holy Week at ULC

Be sure to attend the Holy Week services at ULC, which, liturgically, are the richest services of the year. Palm Sunday we will begin outdoors with the Procession of Palms into the church for the Divine Service. On Maundy Thursday, we will celebrate the New Covenant of Holy Communion with a Divine Service which concludes with the ceremonial stripping of the altar. Good Friday commemorates our Lord's death with both a Noonday service and a more elaborate evening service with the Bidding Prayer, the Reproaches and the Adoration of Christ on the Cross. We will celebrate the Great Vigil of Easter on Saturday evening, focusing on Christ's fulfillment of the Old Testament prophets, His victory over the grave, and our victory in Baptism. Easter morning we will rejoice in our Lord's resurrection from the dead with a festal service.

Palm Sunday - April 13 at 10 AM

Maundy Thursday - April 17 at 7:30 PM

Good Friday - April 18

Noonday Service at 12:15 PM

Evening Service at 7:30 PM

Easter Vigil - Saturday April 19 at 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday - April 20 at 10 AM



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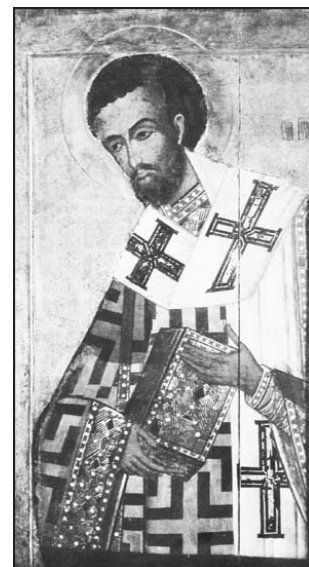
Heaven! It took what it saw, but crumbled before what it had not seen!" And so Christ has conquered death. He did not lay in the tomb defeated, but triumphant awaiting the Resurrection on Easter morning when His triumph would be proclaimed before all the world.

And now He brings that triumph to us through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. St. Peter says that Baptism now saves us through the resurrection of Christ. He, having died, risen and ascended is now in authority over all angels, authorities and powers - even over the power of death itself. He who once entered into the fiery furnace to save the three young men, who spent that Passover in the grave, now enters into the waters of Holy Baptism to bring us through death into life. There, according to St. Peter, we are put to death in the flesh and made alive in the spirit. That which was sinful in us by the power of God's Word through Baptism is slain and destroyed. And in its place God creates a new man who lives according to Spirit who will never die. And so, having died and risen again spiritually, we have nothing to fear from physical death. Its sting is removed and its power is gone. For Christ will also open that sealed tomb and by His Word will call our bodies forth to eternal life. And so in the face of the fear of our own mortality, in the face death, we too confess "our God whom we serve is able to deliver us."

For your contemplation: by St. John Chrysostom

The favors of God so far exceed human hope and expectation, that often they are not believed. For God has bestowed upon us such things as the mind of man never looked for, never thought of. It is for this reason that the Apostles spend much discourse in securing a belief in the gifts that are granted us of God. For as men, upon receiving some great good, ask themselves if it is not a dream, as not believing it; so it is with respect to the gifts of God. What then was thought incredible? That those who were enemies, and sinners, neither justified by the law, nor by works, should immediately through faith alone be advanced to the highest favor.

Chrysostom lived from (c.349-407) and was Bishop of Constantinople. One of the Doctors of the Eastern Church, he is best known for his preaching which earned him the nickname "Chrysostom" meaning "golden mouth".



The nave and beyond...

Those who have enjoyed school vacations in warmer climates recently include Peter Beach (Christmas in Florida with grandparents), The Henkes (Joe's 5th birthday at his grandpa's in Arizona), Kodi Geigle (Spring Break in Mazatlan)... CU-SP Pre-Sem Ryan McDermott attended ASL classes at St. Paul Tech during the January break and is practicing his sign language skills on Sundays with members of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church for the Deaf... Congratulations to Ryan Badtke as he has accepted a position with Thrivent Financial for Lutherans in Colorado after graduation this spring ... Mark & Trish (Marg) Bauer & family have relocated to Kasson, MN. Mark now works for one of the Mayo Clinic's Hematology labs... Angie Swanson & Jeff Brueske were united in Holy Matrimony on March 1st at St. Stephanus Lutheran Church in St. Paul with Pr Kind officiating... Several NDSU students & Pr Worrall stayed at ULC enroute to a Servant Event in Jamaica over Spring Break...



Rev. Dr. Stephen Wiest and his wife Donna have been with us since late January. Pr. Wiest (associate pastor of Kevin Walker's home congregation, Our Father's Lutheran Church, Greenfield, WI) is undergoing bone marrow transplant treatment at the U of M Hospital for recurrent lymphoma. If you would like

to be of help in any way to the Wiests during the next several months, please contact the chapel office... One of our alumnae, Doris Gadow, was diagnosed with amyloidosis last fall. She is on an extended stay with her daughter in Alabama and is receiving hospice care there.

Your prayers for and words of encouragement to Doris & her family would be greatly appreciated: Doris Gadow, c/o Mary Butler, 2102 Galahad Dr, Decatur, AL, 34503... Congratulations to Mark and Andrea Bieberich at the birth of Samuel Thomas on March 22... Also, congratulations to Derek and Gretchen Roberts at the birth of Katherine Elizabeth on March 4.

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