



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

June 3, 2018
Pentecost 2
Stewardship Sunday

Common Service with Communion
Christian Worship p. 15

Phil Spaude, Guest Pastor • Jennifer Suit, Organist
Roger Vomhof, Vacancy Pastor

To Our Guests

- The restrooms are in the fellowship hall. Turn to your left when exiting the church.
- We are happy to have children in our worship. Cloth bags with age appropriate books and activities are available. Please ask an usher.

Calendar for This Week

Today

10:30 am Bible Class

Tuesday

7 pm - St. Croix Pastor-Teacher-Delegate Conference.

Wednesday

1:30 pm Chapel Service at Red Cedar Canyon

HYMN

Almighty Father, Heaven and Earth CW 480

FIRST LESSON: 1 Kings 3:5-12

⁵ At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you."

⁶ Solomon answered, "You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day.

⁷ "Now, Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. ⁸ Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. ⁹ So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?"

¹⁰ The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this.

¹¹ So God said to him, "Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, ¹² I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 62, CW p. 88

SECOND LESSON: 2 Peter 1:3-11

³ His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. ⁴ Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶ and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; ⁷ and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. ⁸ For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

¹⁰ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, ¹¹ and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21



The Rich Fool

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

¹⁴ Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" ¹⁵ Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

¹⁶ And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷ He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'

¹⁸ "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. ¹⁹ And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.'"

²⁰ "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'

²¹ "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

HYMN OF THE DAY

Forgive Us, Lord CW 482

SERMON

Sermon text: 1 Kings 3: 5-12

Theme: Spiritual Wealth Is Better Than Money in the Bank.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face CW 315

CLOSING HYMN

Savior, Thy Dying Love CW 488

Guest Speaker Today

Pastor Phil Spaude is conducting our worship service today. He will give a PowerPoint presentation on our synod's Home and World Mission fields and our Ministerial Schools at our Bible Class this morning. We thank him for the message from God's Word that he proclaims to us and for his up-to-date information on our synod's work.

Pastor Phil Spaude accepted the Call to the WELS Ministry of Christian Giving after serving 27 years in the parish ministry in Missouri, Nebraska and Wyoming and serving four years in the teaching ministry in our Lutheran high schools. He has also served in positions at the district and synod level including 20 years with the WELS Adult Discipleship Commission. His ministry now includes the

northern, metro and southeast portions of the Minnesota District, the Dakota-Montana and Pacific Northwest Districts. He specializes in informing God's people of WELS mission and ministry opportunities. He teaches, preaches and helps God's people make current gifts that can help fund the work of our synod right now to spread the Gospel of Jesus. Phil and his wife Sue live in Lakeville, MN and are members of Good Shepherd, Burnsville, MN.

Pastor Vomhof Home This Evening

Pastor and Margie Vomhof plan to return home from their vacation this evening.

St. Croix Pastor-Teacher-Delegate Conference

Chris Hinz and Pastor Vomhof plan to attend the St. Croix Pastor-Teacher-Delegate Conference at St. Croix Lutheran Academy Tuesday evening. Reports from the Report to the Twelve District will be given and discussed. This is in preparation for next week's MN District Convention.

Women of Emmanuel Event Correction

The dinner at Postmark Grille and Concert in the Park is on July 19, not June 19 as listed in the June newsletter and calendar.

100th Anniversary of Minnesota District

Next Sunday, June 10, all the congregations in our Minnesota District, including our congregation, will observe

the 100th Anniversary of the organization of our Minnesota District. We will use a special liturgy and pastor will preach a special anniversary sermon that Sunday. The Minnesota District will hold its district convention that week, June 12-14, at Martin Luther College in New Ulm. Chris Hinz, our lay delegate, and your pastor plan to attend the convention.

Church and School Cleaning Team for June

Leader: Chris Hinz
Ehlers and Heth families

Other Items of Interest

Attendance last Sunday: 41

Fellowship refreshments next Sunday: Doty


CREATION MOMENTS
Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

New Glue from Ivy

Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. – Romans 8:39

All of us have seen ivy clinging to the sides of houses and trees, but did you know that these climbing plants can

withstand the force of hurricane and tornado-force winds?
What gives them such sticking power?

Well, an article at the Engineering360 website points out that scientists are now learning that ivy "might hold the key to manufacturing stronger adhesives, more durable paints and even cosmetics with better staying power." According to Mingjun Zhang, biomedical engineering professor at Ohio State University, "When climbing, ivy secretes ... tiny nanoparticles, which make initial surface contact. Due to their high uniformity and low viscosity, they can attach to large areas on various surfaces." Then after the moisture evaporates, a chemical bond forms.

Zhang and his research team have used the nanoparticles to reconstruct a simple glue that mimics ivy adhesive. Ultimately, he is interested in creating bioadhesives that can aid in repairing wounds.

Since ivy is also a pest plant that can be destructive to buildings and bridges, Zhang hopes that his team will come up with an approach to keep ivy from attaching itself to structures.

Though most types of glue lose their stickiness over time, there is one kind of "glue" that is guaranteed to work forever. We find it in the Bible, where it says that nothing can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Ref: John Simpson, "Chemistry Behind Ivy's Powerful Grasp Could Yield Stronger Adhesives," Engineering360, 6/16/16. © 2018, Creation Moments.

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