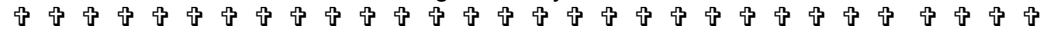


Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

September 6, 2009

Organist: Arlys Willis



PRAYER Loving and Merciful Father, Give us the kind of amazement which moves us to share Your Good News with those around us. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

GUIDES FOR WORSHIP

The order of worship begins on page 151 in the front of the hymnal. We will sing the "Hymn of Praise" on page 154. There is no Holy Communion today, so please turn to page 166 after the offertory hymn to continue.

The Hymns are: 528, 744, 793

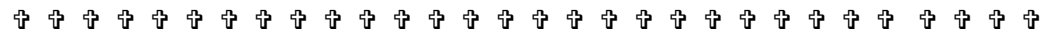
Sermon Text: Mark 7:31-37

Sermon Theme: "Amazing"



Church Attendance:

Sunday, August 30th	94
Tuesday September 1st	13



ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will enjoy a waffle breakfast after worship next week. Plan to attend, and bring family and friends along!

Next Sunday is "Rally Sunday" when we begin Sunday School and ask adults to establish regular worship habits for the school year. Encourage everyone to come. See if the "huggers" will come this year!

Meeting of Confirmation parents and students is after worship today.

Thinking of adoption? Many children are waiting to be placed in loving homes. The Permanent Family Resource Center in the Mankato area is planning a Pre-Adoptive Parent Training session September 11 & 12, 2009. For more information please call Claudia Fletcher at: 507-345-8865.

Come to Adult Inquirer's Class on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. and bring a friend!

The Gospels are rich with inspiration, symbolism, and spiritual refreshment. Take a few moments each day to reflect on the stories of the Gospels as you grow in His Word. With the four Gospels as the foundation, **Meditations on the Gospels: According to His Word** encourages you in faith and leads you deeper into the meaning of the Holy Scriptures. Each devotional begins with a Gospel reading from the ESV and uses a variety of common themes to help you connect life with God's kingdom. Devotions point to the cross of Christ and offer assurance of God's grace, love, and

forgiveness. *Meditations on the Gospels; According to His Word* is available at: www.cph.org (keyword: Meditations on the Gospels), or by calling 1-800-325-3040.

Challenges/Reality Everywhere, now with **Gaylord area Weight Loss Challenge.** Local area residents have teamed up to launch a 12 week non-profit course that offers tips on eating, life style changes, exercise, along with the flair of competition. The challenge begins Tuesday, September 14, from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Classes are held at Forever Young Senior Center, 6th St. Gaylord. The cost to join is \$29.00 (\$5.00 off if registered by August 31st). All monies will be paid out in cash and prizes to the biggest weight loss loser's. Seating is limited so call: 507-237-2802 or email espeland1@leadingincome.com. to pre-register.

The Youth Groups new Out-reach program "Parent's Time Off" is underway. If you are interested in having the youth help out with your children for 1½ hours by reading books, doing art work or just taking the kids for a walk, please contact us. The sign up sheets are in the rear of the church, or speak to one of the Youth group leaders, who are September Kube, Miranda Asmus, Amy Ruehling or Elia Peterson.

Project Harmony is sponsoring the 4th annual Pregnant Pause, Thursday, September 17th at the Hutchinson Event Center, 1005 Hwy. 15 S. - Plaza 15. The program begins at 6:00 p.m. The register please call: 320-693-5388 or e-mail Brenda at: brenda.boline@co.meeker.mn.us. This is a fun free event for pregnant women and their support persons.

St. John's Lutheran Church, Arlington Township is celebrating their 150th Anniversary of Sunday, September 20, 2009. Worship begins at 10:00 a.m. with a meal following at noon and a program at 2:00 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. to 507-964-2400 by September 1, 2009

The Bible verse to memorize this week is: Acts 2:38 – "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Please join us in the fellowship hall after worship for food and conversation.



THIS WEEK AT PEACE

Today	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Inquirer's Class
Wednesday	3:45 p.m.	Catechism Class
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Bible Class – Highland Commons
	5:00 p.m.	Worship Service with Holy Communion
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 a.m.	Youth Group Meeting/Fellowship
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Inquirer's Class

A nursery is available for parents with small children while attending our worship service. If you need to use it, please ask one of the ushers and they will direct you to it. Today's Helpers: Tyler Norman.