FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT........................................March 1, 2020

Welcome: What a joy it is that you have joined us today as we worship our Savior Jesus Christ. His perfect life, death and resurrection have won for us forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. We extend a warm welcome to everyone attending our worship service today, especially to you who are guests. Please sign the guest book at the entrance and join us again soon! If there is any way we can serve you, please speak to the Pastor.

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TODAY'S HYMNS: .378...201...396 (305 if needed)...121 vv 1,5

Organist: Smiths Mill - David Bilitz; Alma City – Sarah Berg

FIRST LESSON........................................Genesis 2:7-9,15-17;3:1-7

PSALM OF THE DAY.................................Psalm 130 (p. 114)

SECOND LESSON.....................................Romans 5:12-19

GOSPEL LESSON......................................Matthew 4:1-11

SERMON.................................................Genesis 2:7-9,15-17;3:1-7

THE GREATEST TRAGEDY EVER TOLD:
IN ADAM WE ALL DIED
  1. A tree of worship
  2. A tree of death
  3. A tree of victory

HEARING GOD’S WORD
Sunday: Smiths Mill: 60 St. Clair: 67 Alma City: 51
Wednesday: Smiths Mill: 46 St. Clair: 69 Alma City: 35

OFFERINGS TO OUR LORD
Smiths Mill: $1,324.60 Alma City: $1,046.00
Wednesday: Smiths Mill: $210.50 Alma City: $702.00

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE
Sunday: 8:00 AM – Worship with Holy Communion – St. Clair
  8:30 AM – Sunday School Classes - Smiths Mill
  9:15 AM – Sunday School & Bible Study – St. Clair
  9:30 AM – Worship with Holy Communion – Smiths Mill
  10:00 AM – Sunday School Classes – Alma City
  11:00 AM – Worship with Holy Communion – Alma City

Monday: 7:30 PM – Committee Meetings – St. Clair

Tuesday: 9:00 AM – Bible Study – Smiths Mill
         7:30 PM – Bible Study – Alma City

Wednesday: 9:30 AM – Janesville Nursing Home Service
           6:00 PM – Soup Supper – Alma City
           6:00 PM – Lenten Worship – St. Clair
           7:00 PM – Lenten Worship – Smiths Mill
           7:30 PM – Lenten Worship – Alma City

Thursday: 6:30 PM – Joint Catechism Class in Alma City

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Announcements:
Holy Communion will be offered in our services today. We practice Close Communion. Visitors from our sister congregations in the WELS and ELS are welcome to commune with us. If you are a guest and wish to commune, please speak to the Pastor before the service.

Committee meetings will begin at 7:30 pm in St. Clair on Monday.

Our Tuesday Bible Studies will resume this week. The classes will be in Smiths Mill at 9:00 am and in Alma City at 7:30 pm. We will study 1 Samuel 15: God Rejects Saul. All are welcome to attend.

We hope you will join us for our mid-week Lenten services this Wednesday. Our theme: The Son of God Goes Forth to War. Pastor Tom Smith of Emmanuel-Owatonna will preach at Smiths Mill’s 7 pm service with the theme: Skirmishes. Retired Pastor Larry Wiederich will preach at St. Clair’s 6 pm and Alma City’s 7:30 pm service with the theme: Hidden Warrior.

Alma City will have supper each Wednesday from 6-7 pm organized by the Ladies’ Aid - there is a sign up sheet. Smiths Mill will have a coffee hour following each service.
If any group is interested in serving after Wednesday services in St. Clair, please tell one of the elders in the back of the church.

Catechism classes will meet on Thursdays at 6:30 pm in Alma City during the month of March.

Please note: St. Clair’s Ladies’ Aid will meet on March 28th not the 14th.

March calendars. Forward in Christ magazines, and new Meditations are available. We thank Tom Marzinske for forwarding our old Meditations to the Prison Ministry. You can drop yours off in the entryways.

Come join Trinity Lutheran School in Nicellet for some fun on Saturday, March 14th from 11 am-3 pm at our annual Carnival and Auction. We will hold a silent auction for many fantastic donations along with a pie auction, bake sale, games and face painting for the children, and lots of good food. We hope to see you!

Easter for Kids, a one day Bible School at St. Johns-St Clair, will be held on Saturday, April 4 from 1-4 pm. Registration forms will be handed out to Sunday School students and are in the back of church. Please turn them in by Sunday, March 29. If you have questions or would like to help, please contact Pam Warner: 507-720-8997.

The Sunday School Students in St. Clair will present an Easter Program during the 9 am service on Easter Sunday, April 12. Please have students here by 8:15 am. After they have presented their part of the service, they will sit with their parents for the remainder of it.

Anyone at St. Clair wishing to donate an Easter Lily to help beautify our church during the Easter Season may sign the sheet in back of church on the bulletin board. You may order a plant or you may bring your own that you purchased. Please sign up by March 29 if you would like to donate. If you have questions, contact Cindy Glamm: 381-8221. Checks may be given to her for your order.

Prayer List: Marvin Kollos (home from the hospital); and Clark Koplen (Mayo-Mankato)

Remember the time change next weekend – Spring Forward!