Welcome in Jesus' Name

We are pleased to have you with us and hope that you are enriched today in the fellowship of the Word. May the Lord bless you in the days ahead! If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book at the back of the church or complete a visitor card found in each pew.

MATINS

The worship service begins with the Sunday School children laying palm crosses down the center aisle while singing "Hosanna! Hosanna!." They are also singing "For God So I oved the World."

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Announcements

Altar Flowers. The beautiful flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Delaney to commemorate the confirmation of their daughter Courtney.

Confirmation. Today Courtney Delaney will be received into full communicant membership through the Rite of Confirmation. Confirmation is a way the Lutheran Church has adopted to recognize that young Christians have come to a better understanding of the faith into which they were baptized, most often as infants. As confirmation ties into, and is necessarily secondary to baptism, it is important that we recall the date of baptism for Courtney Marlene Delaney (June 8, 1997).

Thank you to the Sunday School children for singing during our worship service and reminding us of the first Palm Sunday as Jesus entered the holy city.

Thank you to Wilma Grussing and Agnes Martinie who represented our LWML at the Spring Gathering yesterday at Woodworth Lutheran School.

A special **"thank you"** to the ladies who folded palms into crosses yesterday at the church.

National Volunteer Week was celebrated last week from April 10-16, 2011. Our church has been built by generations of selfless individuals from all walks of life who have donated hours of volunteer time. We thank each of you for your service and commitment as we continue to do the Lord's work in our communities.

Thank you. We would like to thank the LWML and choir for the beautiful roses and bucket of delicious fruit and snacks as well as Sara's cute gift. We enjoyed the songs. It was a wonderful afternoon. Thanks again. Paul and Arnita Zimmerman

Easter Lilies. Today is the last day to sign up to donate an Easter Lily. The cost is \$8.10. Checks should be made out to the church and given to Mike Hendricks.

After **Julia Camp** had extensive tests at Provena, she will have surgery on Wednesday, April 20, 2011. May the Lord guide the surgeons during her surgery and bless and comfort her during her recovery!

Holy Week News. The family has decided to have Courtney Delaney's first Communion during the Maundy Thursday evening service. This service will only have the Common Cup used. At the Good Friday service, we will have a special guitar performance by Sara McPike! Then on Easter

morning, we will celebrate Holy Communion. Please plan on joining us during Holy Week in the resurrection of our Lord!

Refreshments for Lent Worship Service. The following members are scheduled to bring refreshments for the social hour following the Wednesday night Lent worship service:

April 21st (Maundy Thursday): Mr. and Mrs. Rick Hardesty, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Clemmons, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Delaney, Mr. and Mrs. David Masko, Mr. and Mrs. Shane Zimmerman, Dr. and Mrs. Bill Schuh, and Diane Greer.

The annual **Easter Egg Hunt** sponsored by Thrivent will be held on Easter morning during the youth breakfast. All children are invited to participate.

Church Mowing. April 23rd - Neil Bidner and Marvin Clemmons. (The 2011 Church Mowing Schedule is posted on the back bulletin board.)

Items needed for the **Military Care Packages** are posted on the bulletin board at the back of the church. Please sign your name beside as many items as you wish to donate. At this time we are sending packages to three servicemen who are related to members in our congregation. They are Jeff Walker, brother-in-law of Christie Delaney and Nikki Gallier; Toby Johnson, nephew of Skinner and Joy Johnson; and Cody Sloat, grandson of Charlie Homann. Place your items in the box at the back of the church marked "Military Care Package" until Easter Sunday. Let's show these boys who are helping to secure our freedom, how much we truly appreciate their efforts!

"Ingathering" Items for Convention. Ingathering items will be collected for the National LWML Convention until June 19, 2011. To assist with the Japan relief effects, the Orphan Grain Train is emphasizing the following items: dark colored bath towels and washcloths, bath size bar soap (4-5 oz.), adult size toothbrushes, toothpaste, stick deodorant (all in the original packaging), sturdy combs, Band-Aids (3/4"), and small tissue packets. Place these items in the box under the Elder's pew marked "Ingathering Items." They are requesting that price tags be left on each item. As a loving response to Christ's example of servanthood and love, let's continue to support those less fortunate than we are!

Statistics

| April 10 Attendance | 77 |
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| April 10 Offering | |
| April 13 Lent Attendance | 42 |
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