

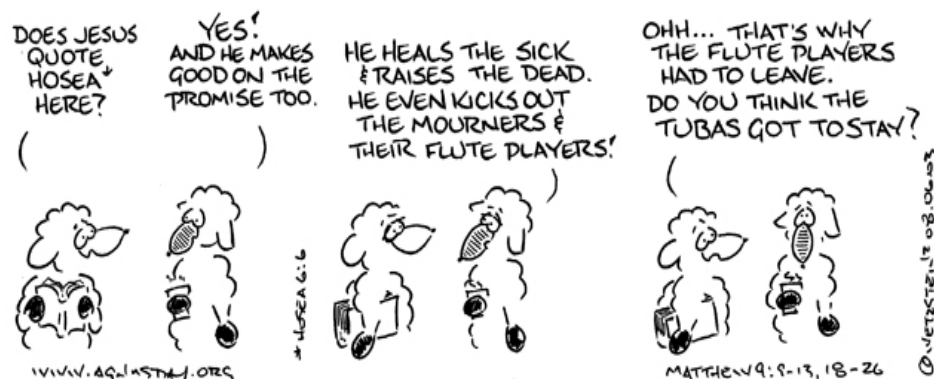
Statistics

September 14 Attendance.....77
 September 14 Offering.....\$1,905.50

Those Assisting Us Today

Elder Jim VanWakeman
 Altar Guild Jill Hardesty
 Organist Alicia Haggin
 Acolyte Will Delaney

Agnus Day



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Bulletin and Newsletter Deadlines

If you have announcements for the weekly Bulletin, please forward those to me by **NOON on Wednesdays**. Please forward articles for the monthly newsletter to me by NOON on the Wednesday before the last Sunday of the month. You may contact me by email at **SecretaryOsmanLutheran@frontier.com** or by phone at **309-828-5883**. Thank you! Linda

Upcoming Mowing Schedule

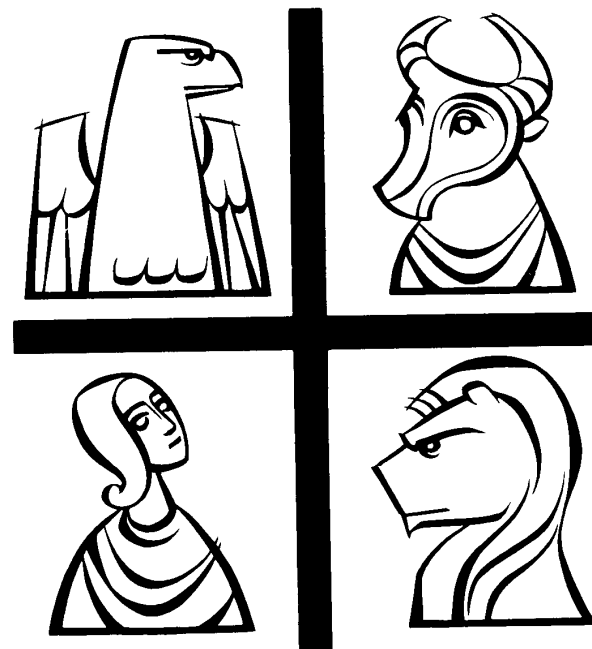
September 28.....Steve Gaines and Bill Schroeder
 October 5.....Mark Barrack

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

September 21, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.



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Welcome in Jesus' Name

Lutherans believe that Jesus Christ is present in the Sacrament so that we receive His true body and blood along with the bread and wine (Mark 14:22, 24; 1 Corinthians 10:16). We further believe that in this Sacrament, we receive the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:28) and strength to live an improved Christian life (Galatians 2:20). A worthy communicant is one who is truly repentant of his/her sins and who resolves to amend his/her life (1 Corinthians 11:28). Furthermore, this Sacrament is not only a communion with Christ (Matthew 18:20; 1 Corinthians 10:16), but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:17; Acts 2:42). Those desiring to commune with us for the first time should register with the pastor in his office BEFORE the service begins.

Divine Service, Setting One

OPENING HYMN, "What Is the World to Me"730

Confession and Absolution (page 151)
Introit (Insert)
Kyrie (page 152)
Hymn of Praise (page 155)
Salutation and Collect of the Day (page 156)

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 2:8 - 3:11

A. This is the Word of the Lord.
C. Thanks be to God.

Gradual (Insert)

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:7-16

A. This is the Word of the Lord.
C. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (page 156)

Holy Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13

A. This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C. Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY, "By All Your Saints in Warfare"518 st. 1, 25, 3

Sermon
Nicene Creed (page 158)
Prayer of the Church (page 159)
The Offering

Service of the Sacrament

Preface (page 160)
Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving (page 161)
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DISTRIBUTION HYMN, "God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets' Sons" ..682

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Post-Communion Canticle (page 164)
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Benediction

CLOSING HYMN, "God's Word Is Our Greatest Heritage"582

Let Us Pray...

...for our members who are homebound:

**Alma Hassebrock, Carolyn Heinze,
Carol Martinie, and Marge Morrissey;**

...for God's healing hand that has touched the lives of those who have been ill recently;

...for Austin Miller for continued healing;

...for Brad Hoyt for healing;

...for Bryan Warsaw as he recovers from surgery;

...for Wilma Grussing for healing following surgery;

...for Harry Henriksen for healing;

...for Steve Dirksen for healing strength and comfort;

...for those in need of the Lord's care and mercy, of whom we do not know at this hour;

...for our members and friends who are in the service of our country;

...for all the people in the Gifford and Washington areas that are still recovering from the tornadoes;

...for the Nebraska District;

...for the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod officers and staff at the International Center, St. Louis;

...and for Osman's mission-giving project for September - Olympians for Olympians Relief Fund (OORF) in Colorado Springs, CO.

About today: Today, we are celebrating a day for St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist. When we celebrate such a "minor festival", we do it not to honor a person, but what God has done in and through that person. Matthew, the tax collector, became a disciple of Jesus and later wrote the first of what we call the "four gospels". September 21 became the day in the history of the church where he was killed for his faith. (For martyrs, the day of death is the day they are "born into eternity"). Paraments on the altar, pulpit and lectern (and the pastors' stoles) are red, the color of blood and fire. Red as blood reminds us of the blood that was shed - that Matthew gave his all, including his life, for the message of the Gospel of Christ. Red also represents fire, symbolizing the zeal with which Matthew went about his work.

The front cover of the bulletin shows symbols of the four evangelists, of which Matthew was one. The symbol for Matthew is the winged man. A characteristic of Matthew's gospel is his emphasis on the human nature of Jesus as a Jew. Hence, Matthew's genealogy, in contrast to Luke's, begins with Abraham. St. Mark's gospel is represented by the lion. Lions get right to the point when they feed or deal with prey; Mark is short and to the point, the shortest of the four. The ox represents St. Luke's gospel. The ox represents sacrifice, and Luke highlights the sacrifice of Jesus for us. St. John is represented by the eagle. Unlike the previous three, which tell the story of Jesus in a more or less "history-book format", St. John begins with language that ties his gospel back to the beginning of human history ("In the beginning") but emphasizes the uniqueness of the two natures of Christ, how Jesus is both God and Man and that was necessary for our salvation.

Announcements

The Altar Flowers today are given to the glory of God by Esther and Larry Lutz in honor of their 49th wedding anniversary on September 18.

The Eternal Flame is being sponsored by Wilma Grussing during the month of September. We thank her for the donation.

Thank You! Thank you to all for your prayers and uplifting cards. I really appreciate your support through this time of healing. God bless you all.

Marsha Warsaw

Our sympathy goes to the family and friends of Marvin Heinze who passed away last week. His funeral was held yesterday here at Osman and his burial was in Rantoul. May God grant comfort to all those who mourn.

Thank You! Thank you to the nine people who helped clean the church last week. Many hands made the job a little more enjoyable and our House of Worship a little fresher.

Hayrack Ride/Wiener Roast! The annual Hayrack Ride and Wiener Roast will be held on Sunday, September 28th beginning at 4:30 p.m. The drinks and meat will be provided, and members are asked to bring a dish to share and their own table service. Ask a friend to join you for this fun-filled evening of fun, food and games for all ages.

Thank You! Thank you to Brenda Hendricks, Debbie Lammle and Connie Warsaw for representing our LWML at the Zone Rally held at Milford on Thursday of this week.