Adult Christ Light Bible class will meet next Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement.

MLHS Fine Arts Department Pancake Breakfast May 11 Start the day with a great breakfast, and support the Fine Arts Department as well. 8-11 a.m. in the MLHS Commons. Funds raised will help to purchase equipment, as well as aid students in their biennial trip to Chicago next year.

MLHS Church Year In Song Concert Join us for this special concert on Sunday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. as the seniors present their final sacred concert at First German Lutheran Church. The MLHS Concert Choir and Lancer Singers will present songs from their concerts and MLHS Sundays. A narration between the anthems will highlight the theme and serve as a bridge to connect the seasons of the church year.

Pentecost Geraniums If you would like to provide geraniums for our Pentecost worship please sign upon the sheet in the basement. The cost is \$3. Please sign up by Sunday May 12.

Priority In Ministry Meetings If you did not attend any of the Priority in Ministry Meetings in April please join us for 45 minutes on Wednesday, May 15 at 7:00 p.m. or Sunday, May 19 after worship. Over 160 people did share their thoughts on the Gospel ministry of our congregation. Thank you to everyone who took the time. Please join us at one of the final two meetings if you did not join us in April. These meetings are open to all communicant embers of our congregation.

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Easter 6

May 2 & 5, 2013

Love for Christ shows itself in obedience to his teaching and trust in his peace.

Service: Evening Prayer (p. 52) Thurs.

Common Service (p. 15) Hymn 265 will replace *Glory Be To God*

Hymns: 396, 377, 771, 145:2,3

Prayer of the Day: (Sunday) Father of lights, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Inspire us to think those things that are true and long for those things that are good, that we may always make our petitions according to your gracious will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Anthem: *This Is Love For God* (grades 1-2, Sunday)

First Lesson: 2 Kings 6:15-17

Obeying the Word of God had brought Elisha and his servant to the brink of death. The servant of Elisha was gripped in fear when he saw the forces that King of Aram sent to capture his master. In a stunning revelation of divine knowledge, the servant receives spiritual sight. The sight of the vast army of fire brought peace to his fainting heart. God's message is simple, but profound. Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God!

When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. "Oh no, my lord! What shall we do?" the servant asked.

"Don't be afraid," the prophet answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them."

And Elisha prayed, "Open his eyes, LORD, so that he may see." Then the LORD opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and

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Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today.

Restrooms are located in the basement. Hearing loop headphones and Large Print Hymnals are available from an usher.

Today we gather together in the presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of our worship.

saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 65 (p. 89)

Psalm Prayer: (Thursday) Bountiful Lord God, your presence fills our hearts with joy and your blessing nourishes our souls with peace. Enlighten us by your Holy Spirit that we may see and appreciate these gifts as tokens of your amazing love to your glory and praise; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Second Lesson: Revelation 3:14-22

Spiritual apathy has disastrous results. The Laodiceans failed to obey the teaching of Christ. Their lukewarm Christianity was taking them to destruction. But Christ called them to new obedience and new love for him by offering them real wealth, clothes of holiness, and the salve of healing. Hear what the Spirit says and overcome the world even as the risen Lord has overcome it.

"To the angel of the church in Laodicea write:

These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see.

Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent. Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne. Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

Verse of the Day: (Sunday) Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Alleluia.

Gospel: <u>John 14:23-29</u>

Jesus continues to prepare the disciples for his visible departure. The new command to love one another also means loving him and his Word. Loving Jesus means obeying his teaching. We do not fear at the thought of this impossible task. The gift of the Spirit comes to bring knowledge and peace. With un-

troubled hearts, we believe.

Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

"All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

"You heard me say, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

Sermon:	Love Obeys	John 13:31-35
	God expects it	
	God empowers it	

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 314 (38, 276) **Communion**: 211 (31, 180)

Bible Class: 46 (17, 20. 9) **Youth Study:** 16

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
-	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Aid
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, chapter 9
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Class
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	School Board
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Ascension Festival Worship, communion
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Class, church
	8:00 a.m.	End Times Bible Study, commons
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, chapter 10

Book Study will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday and discuss chapter 9.

Ascension Worship This coming Thursday, May 9, we will celebrate the Festival of the Ascension of our Lord at 7:00 p.m. Communion will be a part of our worship. Please join us and bring the family!

End Times Bible Class continues next Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the commons. We will look at "The Events of Judgment Day." Join us and bring the family!