

East Union Lutheran Church
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A Conservative And Biblically-Based Lutheran Church

From Luther's Large Catechism

9] Therefore I beg such lazy paunches or presumptuous saints to be persuaded and believe for God's sake that they are verily, verily! not so learned or such great doctors as they imagine; and never to presume that they have finished learning this [the parts of the Catechism], or know it well enough in all points, even though they think that they know it ever so well. For though they should know and understand it perfectly (which, however, is impossible in this life), yet there are manifold benefits and fruits still to be obtained, if it be daily read and practised in thought and speech; namely, that the Holy Ghost is present in such reading and repetition and meditation, and bestows ever new and more light and devoutness, so that it is daily relished and appreciated better, as Christ promises, Matt. 18:20: Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.

10] Besides, it is an exceedingly effectual help against the devil, the world, and the flesh and all evil thoughts to be occupied with the Word of God, and to speak of it, and meditate upon it, so that the First Psalm declares those blessed who meditate upon the Law of God day and night. Undoubtedly, you will not start a stronger incense or other fumigation against the devil than by being engaged upon God's commandments and words, and speaking, singing, or thinking of them. For this is indeed the true holy water and holy sign from which he flees, and by which he may be driven away.

11] Now, for this reason alone you ought gladly to read, speak, think and treat of these things, if you had no other profit and fruit from them than that by doing so you can drive away the devil and evil thoughts. For he cannot hear or endure God's Word; and God's Word is not like some other silly prattle, as that about Dietrich of Berne, etc., but as St. Paul says, Rom. 1:16, the power of God. Yea, indeed, the power of God which gives the devil burning pain, and strengthens, comforts, and helps us beyond measure.

Yours In Christ
Pastor Rob

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28 (NRSV)

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Ephesians 5:15-17 (ESV)

Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. Romans 5:2-5 (ESV)

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:38-39 (ESV)

A Page From Our History
By Barb Massie

On November 10 1960 the congregation voted to establish a separate parish from St Paul Lutheran Church in Smithville. The two congregations had shared their pastor since 1903. At this time East Union called its own pastor, The Rev. Robert Neimiller.

Council Corner

The Following are your Council Members and the areas they serve:

Rich Thomas	VP/Stewardship
Becky Jewell	Treasurer/Christian Ed
Daniel Hodge	President
Paula Moore	Evangelism
Joe Thompson	Property
Peggy Hodge	Worship/Music
Cal Merrill	Social Minisrty
Barb Massie	Historical
Marilyn Wrangler	Secretery
Pastor Rob	Pastoral Care

April's Numbers

Offerings	\$9,070.48
Expenses	\$5,056.45
Balance checking	\$25,434.07
Current balance in General Fund	\$11,644.24
Year-to-Date Offerings to General Fund	\$25,088.43
Year-to-Date Expenses in General Fund	\$23,769.40

Becky Jewell
Treasurer

Lutheran Congregations In Mission
For Christ

The LCMC now has over 943 congregations in 42 states, 2 territories and 15 countries.

Did you Know
By Jim Jewell

....It was one said "Use your voice for kindness, your ears for compassion, your hands for charity, your mind for truth, and your Heart for Love."

Author Unknown

Mission Statement Of
East Union Evangelical Lutheran
Church

This church community welcomes all believers to gather around Word and Sacraments, to teach, preach, and be a witness in our community. We will share the gifts of God with all through worship, gospel study, mission, and fellowship. To this end we pray that God will help and guide us in our life together in His Great Commission and Commandment.

***Christ Has Risen!!! He has Risen
Indeed!! Hallelujah!!!***

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