

St. Stephen Lutheran Church and School

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Mother's Day / Easter 6

Today's Focus:

THE PROVIDENCE OF OUR PATERNAL GUARDIAN

Pre-service mediation: The resurrection of our Lord assures us that our salvation is complete and so we approach our heavenly Father as His holy sons and daughters, not as guilty sinners. Covered with the righteousness of our triumphant Savior, we are worthy to bring our praises to God. He in turn delights in hearing our concerns and always grants us those things He knows to be best for us.

OPENING HYMN: CLC ANNIVERSARY HYMN "Seek His Word"

(See handout)

THE ORDER OF HIS DIVINE SERVICE – (Tan Worship Supplement), Page 12

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Acts 14:8-18 (on back) The Acts reading in place of the Old Testament Lesson tells of Barnabas and Paul healing a crippled man and then pointing the amazed crowd to the true God, Whose providence reveals His mercy.

RESPONSIVE READING – Psalm 67

The Psalm calls on us to rejoice in and praise God in consideration of His goodness.

L: God be merciful to us and bless us, And cause His face to shine upon us.

C: That Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among all nations.

L: Let the peoples praise You, O God;

C: Let all the peoples praise You.

L: Oh, let the nations be glad and sing for joy!

C: For You shall judge the people righteously, And govern the nations on earth.

L: Let the peoples praise You, O God;

C: Let all the peoples praise You.

L: Then the earth shall yield her increase; God, our own God, shall bless us.

C: God shall bless us, And all the ends of the earth shall fear Him. Amen.

Revelation 21:10-14,22,23 (on back) The Epistle describes the new world that will be the eternal home and rest of the faithful. One feature is that God Himself will be with His people visibly rather than invisibly as in this world. His glory will also light their lives.

CONFESSION OF FAITH, Apostles Creed - Page 15

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as believed/taught by the Apostles.

HYMN 660 (Red Hymnal)

I'm But a Stranger Here

SERMON (NKJV) **John 14:23-29**

23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. **24** "He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me. **25** " These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. **26** "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

27 "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. **28** "You have heard Me say to you, 'I am going away and coming back to you.' If you loved Me, you would rejoice because I said, 'I am going to the Father,' for My Father is greater than I. **29** "And now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe.



Theme: **I live in an orphanage, but I am NOT an orphan.**

1. Because my Brother has told me
2. Because my "Mother" has shown me
3. Because my Father hasn't disowned me
4. Because my "Home is where my Heart is"

HYMN "He Knows My Name"

(See Cover)

AN OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD - Sing 50 v. 2 (Red Hymnal)

C: Thanks we give and adoration, For Thy Gospel's joyful sound.

May the fruits of Thy salvation, In our hearts and lives abound;

Ever faithful, Ever faithful, To the Truth may we be found!

SPECIAL PRAYERS - GENERAL PRAYER - LORD'S PRAYER - BENEDICTON

CLOSING HYMN 207:1-2 (Red Hymnal)

Like the Golden Sun Ascending

NEWS and NOTES

Welcome visitors! We're very happy that you're here today and hope you come again!

Please sign our guest book in the entryway. If you have questions about our church/school just ask!

-Today: Refreshments in classroom/Bible class continues with our study of the controversial book of Genesis.

-Tuesday morning: 10am Bible Class continues with our study of the CLC's Concerning Church Fellowship.

-Wednesday evening Witnessing Workshop (for month of May) continues this week from 6-7:30pm!

-Next Sunday, May 16th the CLC will be celebrating 50 years in the form of a special worship service!

-St. Stephen East Bay in Hayward has moved their service location to Grace on 1836 B St. Hayward, CA at **9am**.

The Branches, 2010-2011 (Just in time for Mother's Day!) Subscriptions are available and/or due for renewal for the 2010-2011 subscription year (July through June) of The Branches magazine, a quarterly publication for Christian women. Consider a subscription for yourself and/or gift subscriptions for women in your life! Subscriptions are still \$12.00/year (4 issues)—July, October, January, and April. Please make checks payable to The Branches. Any questions? Want to see a sample of content? Browse: www.TheBranchesOnline.info

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Call News Rev. Richard Kanzenbach, Watertown SD, has accepted the call to Morning Star Lutheran, Fairchild WI. <> The Rev. Mark Gurath, Sioux Falls SD, has returned the call to Our Redeemer's Lutheran, Red Wing MN.

Next week scriptures lessons: (Anniversary text selections) Leviticus 25:1-17; Romans 5:1-11; Luke 10:13-20

