

Immanuel Lutheran Church

May / June 2017



Connecting to Each Other

There are many metaphors that describe a congregation, but one of my favorites is *faith family*. It

reminds me of the incredible web of supportive relationships of which I am a part within the body of Christ – with God, others, and you. Together we live, love, laugh, cry, hold, serve, grow up and witness.

As with any family, *faith families* also come with their share of challenges, including staying connected to one another amidst very busy lives. Days, weeks, and months can go by without spending quality time with one another.

So how can we as a *faith family* connect and continuously reconnect? Pastor Marcia and I like to take our daughters on family vacations, traveling and camping, away from the pressures of everyday, work-a-day schedules. Of course, going on a road trip as a congregation probably isn't very practical. It would be hard to fit us all into one car!

So how can we as a *faith family* connect and continuously reconnect? Let's brainstorm and experiment. I bet we can come up with some quality ideas, both corporate and individual. How about trying out one of these?

- Pray for each other.
- Gather for worship AND stay or come early for Sunday coffee time.
- Try sitting in a new place at gatherings like worship and coffee time, starting a conversation with "new" neighbors.
- When in conversation, ask simple questions that help you to get to know someone else.
- Join a small group Bible study, service project, or ministry team, building relationships.
- Invite a fellow Immanuel disciple you don't know very well to dinner.
- Participate in (and perhaps even plan) a fun event. (I heard talk of a summer BBQ at council.)
- Send a birthday or anniversary card to someone from the listing in the Beacon.
- Connect with a Thrivent member to form an action team that does something good for someone else, tapping Thrivent's Action Team Grant (see *Thrivent Action Team* article in this Beacon)

What are some idea you have to connect and reconnect to other sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus here at Immanuel? Let's get creative and experiment! Also stay tuned for ideas that council is

IN OUR HOME...

*We do grace
We do mistakes
We do real
We do sorry
We do funny
We do loud
We do hugs
We do family
We do love*

working on. Come join in as the *Immanuel faith family!*

Your brother in Christ,
Pastor Steve



Hebrews 10:24-25 "And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

5th Graders' Spring Orientation to Confirmation

On Monday, May 15, at 7:00 pm, all 5th graders and parents

are invited to a spring orientation to the three-year adventure we call confirmation. What is confirmation? *Confirmation is an educational ministry of the Lutheran Church that helps the baptized child through Word and Sacrament to identify more deeply with the Christian community and to participate more fully in its mission.* What does this mean for you? We'll start "unpacking" that for you as you participate in the orientation. We'll even explore "eroding haystacks" and talk about how to add support.

Although we'll hold another "nuts & bolts" orientation and registration in the fall, the spring orientation allows us all to better prepare for the fall's events. We'll conclude by 8 pm. ***I urge all 5th graders and parents to make this a priority!***

Contact person: Pastor Steve

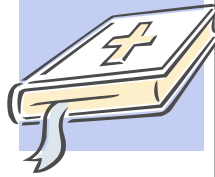


Honoring Graduates

We will honor all high school (and other) graduates during and after our May 28 9 am worship. Together we'll celebrate and pray God's blessings on and through these dear brothers and sisters in Christ.

Don't Forget:

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY



We still meet **Every Wednesday Morning at 10:00 am** for **Bible Study** in the **Fellowship Hall**. Come & join us. Pastor Steve or Pastor Marcia lead the Bible Study. If you would like to become better acquainted with the Bible & grow in your faith, this is a great opportunity for both! We go over the readings for the next Sunday/Monday services. Please join us- everyone is welcome. Come for Bible Study, Fellowship, and Coffee.



Bible Camp Style Services

... take place the **3rd Monday** of each month. Ellen Lindblom & Katie McEachern lead the music with their guitars. Come join the worship! See what it's all about.

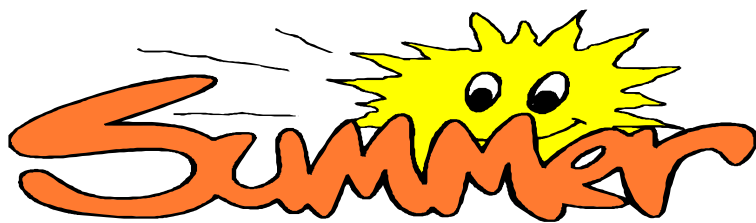
... The **2nd Sunday** each month, Connie & Dan Lindblom and Immanuel's Youth lead the 11:00 am service music. Come join in this worship.



FOOD PACKS FOR STUDENTS IN NEED

Negaunee Public Schools is beginning a new program that will serve students in our district, whose families are in financial

need. The new *Miner Packs* program provides a healthy pack" of food each weekend to students in need, and relies entirely on donations from individuals and businesses. If you would like to give financially or by volunteering time to assemble the *Miner Packs*, contact Lakeview Elementary School, 475-7804. This is another way in which we can give of ourselves to do God's work.



NEGAUNEE HIGH SCHOOL LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS



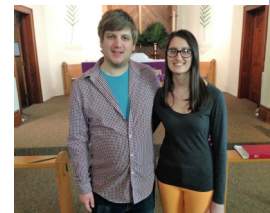
Two scholarships were available this year for Immanuel seniors who met the guidelines. The applications were reviewed by a committee in charge, and the persons who were selected to receive the Barbara Lehtonen Family Scholarship were: Samantha Carlson and Anna Young. The scholarship will be awarded at the Awards Banquet at Negaunee High School. We wish you the best in your futures and God be with you both. *Congratulations!!*



New Members Welcomed

On April 2nd, we welcomed into our congregation Marcus & Danielle Songer, celebrating Marcus' baptism and Danielle's affirmation of baptism. On May 1st, we will be welcoming in Daniel & Colleen LaJoie, and their daughter Aleah, and Colleen's mother, Barbara Cohan. If you know of anyone else who may be interested in considering membership, please contact one of the pastors. All are welcome. Here's a little bit about our newest members.

- The Songer's are also transferring from other congregations. Marcus works at 906 Technologies and Danielle works at up Engineers & Architects. Marcus enjoys hiking, technology, film/reading, biking, traveling, cooking, while Danielle enjoys reading, hiking, kayaking, and biking.
- The LaJoie's are transferring from St. Paul's in Negaunee. Dan works at UPHS-MGH, and Colleen works at UPHS-Bell. They both enjoy walking, biking, kayaking, and reading. They have a daughter Aleah who is in our confirmation program and has helped at the Lenten suppers.
- Barbara also transferred from St. Paul's, is retired & a housewife, and enjoys scrapbooking for her grandkids and family.



We Welcome all of You!

SECOND SUNDAY MISSION DONATIONS



In May and June we will be collecting items for Janzen House, a homeless shelter for men. Suggested donations are: toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, men's razors, shaving cream, deodorant, laundry soap, hand soap, hand lotion, chap stick, Kleenex, paper towels, toilet paper; even items such as socks would be appreciated. The people at Janzen House were so appreciative of our donations in March and April that we have decided to support them again in May and June.



Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Retreats

SPRING & SUMMER RETREATS @ FORTUNE LAKE:

Further details are available at www.fortunelake.org. (906) 214-CAMP (2267) // Crystal Fall, MI.

Sunday School Report for May / June Beacon



Our Sunday School mission is to nourish the children's faith through Bible stories. Faith is a gift from God. Faith comes from hearing God's word and grows when we hear stories of God's love and promises that God keeps. Faith allows us to rely on God to take care of us, helps us to love God and other people. During the opening I give the children the main focus of the story, but tell them to listen to the Bible story to find out what happens. I am going to give you this same opportunity in this article.

Children learned about two kinds of stories- Miracles and Parables.

- Jesus used miracles- events that could *only* happen through the power of God- to catch peoples' attention so they would be ready to see the and hear God's message.
- Jesus used parables- to teach about God's love. He used unexpected elements to get people to look at life differently. The parables were more difficult for us to understand because we are not familiar with the elements of the culture, language and customs of Jesus time. It took extra explaining, but we did look at life differently because of the stories.

We told these miracle stories:

- God used his power over the fish created on Day 5 to increase the faith of Peter. Peter, the fisherman, fished all night but had not catch any fish. He was not sure he wanted to take fishing advice from a carpenter- Jesus. Read the story in Luke 5:1-11 to see what happened to Peter's faith when he did rely on Jesus.
- Jesus knew he had God's power. A Roman Centurion sent word to Jesus asking him to use that power. Read Luke 7:1-10 to see what amazed Jesus. Hint: Romans did not worship God.
- God revealed his power to Peter again, this time using the water he had created on Day 2. Jesus walked on that water to get to the boat. Read Matthew 14:23-33 to see what happens when Peter's faith is strong, and when Peter begins to worry about worldly things- wind and waves.
- We told the story of the most AWESOME miracle- the Easter story of Palm Sunday, Jesus' Crucifixion and Resurrection from the Gospel of John, chapters 18, 19 and 20.

We told the parable story about God loving us so much that he sent Jesus to find us. Read Luke 15:1-7 to see what unexpected things Jesus told to the Pharisees. (We learned that sheep and shepherds were very low class in Jesus' time and the Pharisees thought themselves to be very high class.)

We told three more parable stories where Jesus used unexpected ways to teach us that praying and spending time with God are the most important parts of our lives.

1. We learned that hospitality is important, but read Luke 10:38-43 to find out the unexpected advice Jesus gives to two sisters.
2. We learned that sharing is important. Read Mark 12:38-44 to see who Jesus uses to teach that HOW we share is more important than how MUCH we share. The children learned that although they do not yet have money treasures to share, they do have treasure that can be shared happily- hugs, encouraging words, prayers, God's Good News of salvation....
3. Jesus used birds and flowers to help people look at life differently. Read Matthew 6:24-34 to see what Jesus taught the people what to do instead of worrying.

Yours in Christ, **Paulette Patron**
Co-Sunday School Superintendent



Thrivent Action Teams Empower Leadership

Are you a Thrivent Financial member (i.e., have insurance, etc, with them) with a passion to make a difference? Eligible Thrivent members are empowered to take action, impacting a cause by forming an Action Team with the help of a \$250 Action Team Grant. Invite friends, family, and others to join your team to make an immediate impact. As a fraternal organization of Christians, Thrivent believes that *all* we have is a gift from God and that generosity is an expression of faith. Thrivent sees the support of Action Teams as a way of helping others be wise with money and live generously.

More information can be found at www.Thrivent.com/actionteam/. If you're a Thrivent member who doesn't think you'd make direct use of your potential Action Team grants (2/year) and are willing to share, please let the church office know, and we'll endeavor to help you put that potential into action that makes a difference in people's lives.

DON'T FORGET... (in July)



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers for **COUNTING** (both a regular counter & a captain), **USHERS**, and **GREETERS** (particularly for the 11am hour.

Since we are going to a 9 am service only on Sunday, consider being a greeter and/or usher for the fall 11am service. But, we do need more counters. Can you help? Thank you for your consideration.



OTHER NEWS FROM FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CAMP

We're excited to be planning for the **Summer 2017 Camp Season!** This year's theme: **The Water of Life.** See the Fortune Lake website and posted flyers for more information, or call the Camp office.

May and June Mission Emphases

In May, our mission emphasis is Lutheran Social Services' *Welcome Home* ministry. Welcome Home helps individuals and families in Marquette and Alger counties make the transition from homelessness to safe, secure and permanent housing. In addition, the program provides rental assistance and support services along with personalized services to help participants achieve self-identified goals.



The Voices for Youth Program is closed because of budget cuts. The Transitional Living Program provides similar services for youth between ages 16 and 21 in our area.

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this caring and essential ministry, please use May's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelopes box or in some other way designate your gift. Thank you for your generosity!

In June, we focus on *Answer the Call*, an offering toward development of future pastors in our Northern Great Lakes Synod (NGLS).

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and its predecessor church bodies have a long history of theological education for pastors and other rostered persons who serve this church in ministries of Word and Sacrament. Your synod is asking you to share a financial gift with our synod seminarians.



Seminary education costs continue to increase with tuition, books, room and board expenses now totaling about \$30,000 per year for the three-year Masters of Divinity program in our seminaries. The average debt load of a new pastor graduating in 2016 with debt from our seminaries (70% of all graduates) and beginning her or his ministry will exceed \$40,000. Our goal as a Synod is to fund full tuition scholarships for our students studying for the pastoral ministry.

You can take part in making God's call to ministry accessible for a seminarian from the NGLS! If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, please use June's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelopes box or in some other way designate your gift. Thank you for your generosity!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE TO BEGIN



Our Summer Worship Schedule runs from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day Weekend, this year featuring just one Sunday service at 9 am as well as one Monday service at 6 pm (... although there will be NO Monday evening service on Memorial Day itself).

The schedule will be 9 am service beginning May 28th, followed by coffee and fellowship. There will be ONLY 1 SERVICE ON SUNDAY, but the regular 6 pm service on Monday, excluding Memorial Day, May 29th, when the office will also be closed. This schedule will run until Sunday, September 3rd, when we will return to our regular 8:30 & 11 am services, and the 6 pm Monday services. Thank you for attending worship! Blessings to All!



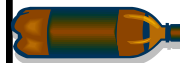
\$ Fundraisers for Youth

There are several fundraisers going on to raise money to provide camperships for Fortune Lk.



Book Swap/Donation: This is an ongoing fundraiser in the Fellowship Hall where you may have noticed one of the corners filled with books on shelves. Take a look at these. If you find something you would be interested in reading, just put a donation into the can. If you have books to donate, drop them off.

Econo Food slips: These are still being collected. The church gets a small percentage of the amounts, but they can add up significantly. Please place your receipts into the collection box in the Stewardship Center by the Fellowship Hall.



Pop cans & bottles are collected & can be brought to the church. Containers are available near the stairs in the Stewardship Center for dropping them off.

Thank you for supporting our youth and Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp!



THANK YOU

... for all of your Easter lily donations. It was a meaningful time to honor or memorialize our loved ones during this Holy Time. God Bless Everyone !!

Council Corner Council Highlights

Greetings and blessings!

The council was able to meet at Fortune Lake Camp for the Leadership Intensive and we are excited to bring all that we have learned back to share with all of you, starting with a new format for the church minutes. They are available in the office of you have any questions or wish to follow up.

John Meier has made the decision to step down as the Council President to pursue other ministries within the church. We appreciate the time we had with him and pray God's blessings on his new mission.

We are excited to receive Cheryl Dix as our new council president and ask for prayers for her as she steps into this new role.

The Property Committee has brought to our attention that the up-lights in the Fellowship Hall are a fire hazard and are taking steps to have them removed and replaced with wall caps. We appreciate the great care they take in providing safety for us all.

We are also looking for suggestions for any programs, events, ideas that you would like to see happening at our church. Feel free to email Hayley Smith at Hayley-smith@hotmail.com with suggestions, concerns, or questions.

The next council meeting will be held May 16th, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

In Christ,
Immanuel Council of 2017



Love INC
Love In the Name of Christ
of the Central Upper Peninsula

Clearinghouse Coordinator

We are looking for a clearinghouse coordinator! It could be you. Are you someone who works well with people?

Someone who can work both independently and cooperatively? Do you listen, empathize and accept others as they are? Are you organized and willing to make decisions? Contact us if this is you. We would love to put your talents to use! Part-time position available at the Love INC office. Contact us by calling: (906) 486-8287 or email: loveinccup@gmail.com.

Thank You to Sandy LaForest for making all of the table runners for the tables in the Fellowship Hall. Your name was unintentionally omitted from the "Thank You" page. The runners are beautiful & bring springtime to the Fellowship Hall. Thanks, again!



IMMANUEL WOMEN of the ELCA A CELEBRATION OF CHURCH WOMEN

The WELCA *Booklet of Events for the 2017 Year* are now available in the tract racks at both entrances.

If you haven't already done so, pick one up so you know what the Circles are doing. And, come and join one of them. All are welcome.

"ALL ANEW" 2017 Triennial Theme of the Spring Cluster Meeting for Superior Central Cluster 8, will be held on Sunday, May 7th at the Eden on the Bay Lutheran Church in Munising. Registration will begin at 2:30 PM. The program begins at 3:00 PM with a business meeting to follow. Supper will be served after the meeting. Car pooling can be arranged. Reservations by Monday, May 1st, in the Immanuel office, 475-9161.

The Women of Immanuel will again sponsor the reception in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, May 28, honoring 2017 graduates and their parents. The congregation is invited to attend.

The **PROJECTS** for the month of May: old T-shirts may be donated to be made into diapers by women at Fortune Lake.

Quilting during the summer months (June, July, August) will take place on Thursday mornings. Check with Connie Scanlon and/or Virginia Paulson for the times.

Women and Kids' Retreat at Fortune Lake will be held from Sunday, June 18, to Friday, June 23. Scholarships for the Kids can be arranged through the Immanuel Church office. No one has applied for the Woman's Scholarship, but there is a full scholarship available for a first-time woman camper. Then, her kids can get church scholarships. Send requests, in writing, to Jonelle Collins, 109 W Main St., Negaunee, or call Jonelle at 475-9177 if you are interested. A Visitor's Day can be arranged if women are interested. Watch for information in the Sunday bulletin. Those interested in attending for a day, please contact Jonelle Collins, at 475-9177.

Circles meet through May, and then are off for June - August, beginning again in September.



There are no PROJECTS scheduled for the months of June nor July. Don't forget, in July, there is the Annual Pioneer Week Ecumenical Salad Luncheon on Wednesday, July 5th, in the Fellowship Hall. Donations and service will be needed. The cost is still \$5.00 and can be purchased at the door. Everyone is welcome.

~ ~ ~ **For the Months of June, July, and August.**

Quilting will meet on Thursdays mornings. ~ ~



W.E.L.C.A. CALENDAR for May

- 2 - 9:30 am, Kitchen Clean-Up
- 4, 11, 18, 25 - 1:00 pm, Quilting at the Church
- 7 - 3:00 pm, Spring Cluster Meeting at Eden Lutheran Church, Munising
- 10 - 1:30 pm, Abigail Circle, meets at Lakeview Apts.
- 16 - 9:30 pm, Miriam Circle
- 28 - Graduate Coffee & Fellowship between services

PROJECT: Kitchen Clean-Up (9:30 am)

W.E.L.C.A. CALENDAR for June

- 18-23 - Women & Kid's Half Week at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp, Crystal Falls
- Visitor's Day to be announced.

PROJECT: None scheduled for June


WELCA has donated: \$10.00 - Martha Lindstrom





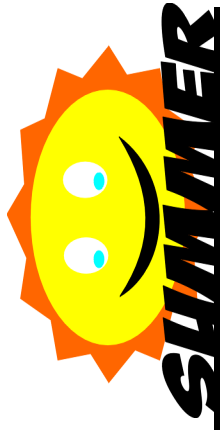
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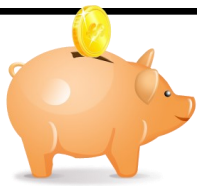
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6:00 Worship (Hymn Sing) Welcome New Members 6:00 Worship & Music Committee Mtg	2 9:30 Kitchen Clean-Up	3 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	4 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study	5 10:00 AA (OFFICE CLOSED)	6 11-3:00 Hall Reservation
7 4th Sunday of Easter 8:30 Worship 9:30 Coffee & Fellowship 9:45 Sunday School 10:00 Adult Education 11:00 Worship 3:00 Spring Cluster (Munising) 7:00 AA	8 6:00 Worship	9 6:00 Worship	10 10:00 Bible Study 11:30 Neg. Ministerial Assc Meeting (Immanuel) 6:00 Choir Practice 6:30-8:00 Girl Scouts	11 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study	12 10:00 AA (OFFICE CLOSED)	13 12noon-4:00 Hall Reservation
14 5th Sunday of Easter 8:30 Worship 9:30 Coffee/Fellowship 9:45 Sunday School 10:00 Adult Education 11:00 Worship 7:00 AA	15 6:00 Worship 7:00 5th Grade Confirmation Orientation	16 9:30 Miriam Circle 6:00 Executive Board Mtg 6:30 Church Council	17 10:00 Bible Study 1:30 Abigail Circle (meets at Lakeview Apartmnt) 6:00 Choir Practice	18 9:30-12 Christiam Woman Group 1:00 Quilting 6:00 NO Bible Study	19 10:00 AA (OFFICE CLOSED)	20
21 6th Sunday of Easter 8:30 Worship SYNOD ASSEM -> 9:30 Coffee / Fellowship 9:45 Sunday School (last one) 10:00 Adult Education 11:00 Worship 4:00 Eucharist Worship (Mtg) @ Messiah / 7:00 AA	22 -> May 21-23 (Messiah) -> 6:00 Worship	23 <- SYNOD ASSEMBLY (Mtg) 2:00 Teal Lake Assisted Living Worship	24 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	25 1:00 Quilting	26 10:00 AA (OFFICE CLOSED)	27
28 7th Sunday of Easter Worship Time Changes Today 9:00 Worship (only 1 service) 10:00 Graduate Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	29 NO 6 pm Service OFFICE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE	30 (summer hours begin 8 am-12 noon)	31 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	 IMMANUEL NOW HAS A PAGE ON FACEBOOK! SEARCH FOR "IMMANUEL NEGAUNEE" AND "LIKE" US.		



June 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 (Quilting done for the summer. MAY meet at a different time))	2 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	3
4 Day of Pentecost 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	5 6:00 Worship	6	7 10:00 Bible Study	8 Quilting	9 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	10
11 The Holy Trinity 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	12 6:00 Worship	13	14 10:00 Bible Study	15 Quilting	16 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	17 1-5:00 Hall Reservation
18 2nd Sunday After Pentecost 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	19 ←--- 18th-23rd Women's & 6:00 Worship	20 Kid's Retreat at Fortune Lake---> 2:00 Eastwood Worship 6:00 Exec Comm. Meeting 6:30 Church Council	21 -----> 10:00 Bible Study	22 -----> Quilting	23 -----> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	24
25 3rd Sunday After Pentecost 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	26 6:00 Worship	27	28 10:00 Bible Study	29 Quilting	30	



SIMPLY GIVING PROGRAM

The *Simply Giving* Program is available at Immanuel. It is an automated giving program between you & your bank or credit union & Immanuel. This program allows members to make their contributions via electronic funds transfer. It is free! Contact the office for more information.

If you have a child in College and / or in the Military, PLEASE let the office know their address. Thank you.

College/Military Addresses

If changes/additions, please call the office, 475-9161.

NORTHERN GREAT LAKES SYNOD

News – Visit: npls@nplsynod.org

Lutheran Campus Ministry

www.nmulutherans.org 228-8033



CONGRATULATIONS!
GOD'S BLESSINGS to those members of Immanuel who celebrate milestones in their marriage in the months of:

MAY / JUNE

20 YEARS & OVER

- 05/04 - Sandra & Rodney Swiedals - 21 years
- 05/06 - Steven & Diane Anderson - 28 years
- 05/06 - Brian & Tricia Syrjala - 22 years
- 05/23 - Scott & Catherine Gustafson - 25 years
- 05/27 - Mark & Connie Heinlein - 29 years
- 06/15 - Shelloy & Robert Mattia - 26 years
- 06/18 - Shelli & Mark Miller - 29 years
- 06/24 - Tanya & Dennis Stanaway - 22 years

30 YEARS & OVER

- 05/10 - Rory & Carol Rankinen - 37 years
- 05/17 - Donald & Sandra LaForest - 35 years
- 05/17 - Tom & Sandra Larson - 31 years
- 05/24 - Mark & Tari Wainio - 31 years
- 05/25 - Jacob & Donna Hayrynen - 32 years
- 06/03 - Cindy Sue and Keith Kendall - 39 years
- 06/04 - Diane and Dale Tincknell - 34 years
- 06/04 - Connie & Dan Lindblom - 34 years
- 06/08 - Marcia & Steve Solberg - 31 years
- 06/15 - Sara & Terry Garceau - 32 years
- 06/16 - Sue & Terry Cathcart - 38 years
- 06/21 - Karen & Marty Saari - 37 years
- 06/29 - Paulette & Dean Patron - 39 years

40 YEARS & OVER

- 05/03 - David & Marjorie Healey - 48 years
- 05/05 - William P & Kathy Kosonen - 45 years
- 05/18 - Larry & Linda Dillman - 49 years
- 06/01 - Dorothy & Albert Hill - 49 years
- 06/06 - Mary & Donald Leece - 47 years
- 06/06 - Alice & William Zinsser - 46 years
- 06/07 - Kathleen & Dennis Partanen - 42 years
- 06/08 - Diane & James Carlson - 49 years
- 06/08 - Leona & Victor Orr - 43 years
- 06/14 - Peggy & Larry Laitala - 42 years
- 06/14 - Kathy & Darrel Stambaugh - 48 years
- 06/14 - Maryls & Alan Trudgeon - 42 years
- 06/15 - Sharon & Rudy Gagnon - 49 years
- 06/19 - Kathy & Jim Kallioinen - 41 years
- 06/23 - Terry & John Basolo - 44 years

50 YEARS & OVER

- 05/14 - Ronald & Mildred Isaacson - 57 years
- 06/04 - Maxine & Robert Sylvester - 51 years
- 06/14 - Charlene & Ronald Kivisto - 59 years
- 06/18 - Nancy & Alvar Kurin - 51 years
- 06/20 - Fay & Carl Basto - 58 years
- 06/24 - Kathy & Al Sundine - 50 years

60 YEARS & OVER

- 05/12 - John & Beverly Roberts - 66 years
- 06/15 - Elaine & Leo Nirva - 60 years
- 06/29 - Joanne & Wayne Connors - 60 years



HOSPITAL VISITATION

Please let us know if you go to the hospital or are planning on surgery. Due to privacy laws, we do not have access to any records at any hospitals. Patients sign a release form so the pastor can visit, but this is not always passed along. Be sure to call 475-9161 or 204-2029 to inform us. We want to visit you!



NOTICE: Did you know that Immanuel sends out cards, notes and/or care packages several times a year to our college students? BUT... we don't always know who they are. If you have a child in college, please call the church office (475-9161) to give us their address so that they may be put on our list.



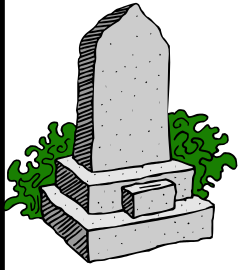
Don't Forget.....we do battery recycling here at Immanuel. This is a wonderful way to care for God's creation. We recycle ALL BATERIES, including phone, hearing-aid, and any others. Drop them off in the Stewardship area, into the container for that purpose.



The Christian Woman's Fellowship

... will be at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Thursday, May 18, 2017, from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$5.00. To make reservations, call Annette at 475-5329.

SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:



... The Family of **Dorothy Hope Jarvi**, who died on Wednesday, February 22, one month before her 100th birthday (of which she was waiting to celebrate at her party.) Her funeral was here at Immanuel on Tuesday, February 28th.

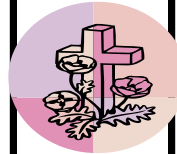
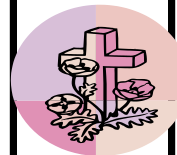
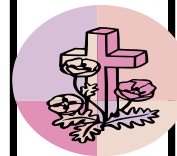
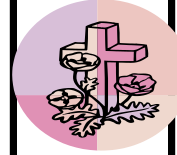
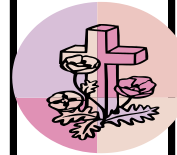
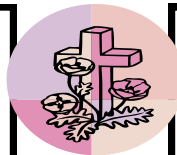
... Kay (David "Barney") Korpi, on the loss of her father-in-law, **Jackie William Korpi**, on Saunday, February 26th. Also, condolences to all of the Korpi Family.
... Sharon Tincknell on the loss of her brother, **Donald C. Holmi**, on Sunday February 26th. Also, condolences to all of the Holmi Family.

... Paulette (Dean) Patron, Sandra Etelamaki, and Chris Johnson, on the loss of their sister, **Barbara Anne Herman**, on Friday, March 10th, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN. Also, condolences to Barb's husband, David, and all of the Herman Family.

... Mary Ann Laukka on the death of her brother-in-law, **Alan Lars Laukka**, on Thursday, March 16th, in Colorado Springs, CO. Also, condolences to all of the Laukka Family.

... Katie (Steve) Ritzenhein-Hytinen, on the loss of her daughter, **Annamarie Hytinen**, on Thursday, March 29th, at St. Vincent's Hospital in Green Bay, WI. Also, condolences to her brother Anthony Newman and all of the Hytinen Family.

... Sharlene (Daryl) Hoiem and Kenneth (Nancy) Lindstrom on the loss of their mother, **Marth M. Lindstrom**, on Thursday, April 6th. Also, condolences to her grandchildren: Brad (Jennifer Seelye) Hoiem, Brian (Beth Baughn) Hoiem, Michelle (Todd) Saunders, Chad (Stefanie Rider) Lindstrom, and Tammie (Brian) Purcell; her great-grandchildren: Gavin & Liliana Saunders, and Trevor & Eastor Purcell, and all of the Lindstrom Family.



MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF NORMAN BRUCE LAURILA

Mrs. Vickie Laurila

IN MEMORY OF DOROTHY HOPE JARVI

Marjorie Bantle
Mary Brintlinger
Jonelle Collins
Rudy & Sharon Gagnon
James & Martha Hayward
Roger Hiironen
Mary Ann Laukka
Don & Mary (Matthews) Leece
Kim & Heidi Lenten
John & Sheila Meier
Don & Vera Palomaki
Wendy Penhald
David & Beverly Stromquist
Al & Kathryn Sundine
Alan & Marlys Trudgeon
James & Susan Wickstrom

IN MEMORY OF BARBARA ANNE HERMAN

John & Terry Basolo
Rudy & Sharon Gagnon
Rev. Thomas & Luanne Skrenes
Gary & Leslie Suardini

IN MEMORY OF WILHO & ELSIE HELSTEIN

Linda Bertucci

IN MEMORY OF ANNMARIE HYTINEN

Jefferson & Joanne Gibitz
Steven & Katie Ritzenhein-Hytinen
Aaron & Lisa Poquette
Walter & Connie Scanlon
Bishop Tom & Luanne Skrenes

IN MEMORY OF ELSIE SUARTINI'S SISTER & GARY SUARDINI'S AUNT

Jonelle Collins

IN MEMORY OF JEFF ROSTEN

Paul & Arlene Rosten

IN MEMORY OF MARTHA LINDSTROM

Dave & Judy Hallgren
Daryl & Sharlene Hoiem
Mary Ann Laukka
Beverly Jennings
Ken & Nancy Lindstrom
Reuven & Marlene Romback
Paul & Arlene Rosten

"REPORTING A PROBLEM" at the Church



When you notice something in our building that needs repair or adjustment, please talk with our custodian, Foo Koski, or use a bright green "Report a Problem" slip located on the upper hallway resource table. Drop off completed slips in the office or the mailbox just outside the office, and the Property Committee will review the forms.

Congratulations to...

... **Susanna Suardini** (Grade 7, Negaunee Middle School), for winning 2nd place in the 2017 Regional Spelling Bee. *Congratulations!!*

... **Morgan Carilli** (Grade 6, Negaunee Middle School), for winning 2nd place in the 2017 Regional Spelling Bee. *Congratulations!!*

... to the following students who have been named to the 1st semester honor roll at Negaunee High School for the 2016-2017 academic year: GRADE 9: **Emily Vercoe**; GRADE 10: **Adriana Gustafson, Annmarie Hytinen, Julia Johnson, Jacob Larson, Cassidy Orr, Amanda Tilly, Grace Ulvila**; GRADE 11: **Preston Koski, Nathon Krook, Travis Nelson, Megan Syrjala**; GRADE 12: **Samantha Carlson, Mitchell LaBelle, Sydney Mattia, Ethan Wallner, Anna Young**.

... to the following student who is named on the 1st semester honor roll at Ishpeming High School for the 2016-2017 academic year: GRADE 9: **Tanner Romback**.

... to the following students who have been named to the 1st semester honor roll at Marquette Senior High School for the 2016-2017 academic year: JUNIOR: **Morgan Waite**; SOPHOMORE: **Madison Pancheri**; FRESHMEN: **Spenser Waite**.

... to **Ella Demarois** (7th Grade) and **Emily DeMarois** (5th Grade) for achieving straight A's at Ishpeming Middle School. *Congratulations!*

... to **Ty Koski** and Mitchell LaBelle for being contestants in the Negaunee High School Bowl and competing against Stephenson Eagles in the 3rd round of High School Bowl, winning by a score of 290-180.

... to **Tyler Annala** for being selected Student of the Week in April from Aspen Ridge Middle School. Tyler is a 7th Grade student, the son of Greg & Rachael Annala, and likes outdoor activities and sports. He is conscientious, respectful, & hard-working, and always comes to class prepared, participating often. *Congratulations, Tyler!*

... to **The Person** for making all of the beautiful table runners in the Fellowship Hall. It really adds a little springtime to the tables. And, they look just wonderful. *Thank you!!*

PLEASE LET ME KNOW OF ANY RECOGNITION THAT I CAN INCLUDE IN OUR BEACON FOR THE MONTH. THANK YOU.
You can call it in, email it in, send it in, just let me know so that it can be included. Thanks.



AND Thank you to Immanuel Lutheran Church for the beautiful flowers sent over for my 80th birthday. They were very much appreciated! Also for the wonderful ladies that delivered them (Judy Hallgren & Beverly Stromquist). We had a wonderful visit over a cup of coffee.
Thank You!! Joyce Peterson

- To **Sheila and John Meier** for assembling the Sunday/Monday Bulletins.
- To **Shirley Koski, Shirley Lahti, Mary Ann Laukka, John Meier, and Marlys Trudgeon** for assembling the March / April Beacon. Please call the office if you are willing to come and help to put together the Beacon. It only takes about an hour. We generally start about 8:30-9 am. (Depending on the weather.) Your help would be appreciated. Thank you.
- To **ALL OF THE ALTAR GUILD WORKERS** for setting up the communion trays, paraments & attending the altar area. Also, thank you to **the other volunteers**.
- To **Jonelle Collins, Linda Dillman, Judy Hallgren, Martha Hayward, Shirley Koski, Virginia Paulson, Connie Scanlon, Danielle Waite**, who are our Lay Eucharistic Ministers who deliver communion to our shut-ins each month; to **Fae Collins, Linda Dillman, Mike Frustaglio, Dave & Judy Hallgren, Linda Ogea, Lillian Rivers, Dave & Bev Stromquist, and Leslie Suardini**, for their dedication in counting the offering last month; to **Fae Collins & Hayley Smith** for making the shut-in CDs; to **Terry Basolo** for scheduling our Communion Assistants; to **Connie Scanlon** for scheduling the Lecturers; to **Susan Eman & Mary Ann Laukka** for scheduling the Greeters; to **Kathleen Partanen** for the college student mailings & **Carol Romback** for the military member mailings; to **Linda Dillman** for the Cradle Role. To all **March / April Greeters, Ushers, Lectors, Communion Assistants, Acolytes, & Coffee Servers** who volunteered, even though you were not scheduled. *Thank you!*





PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those members of our congregation who will celebrate birthdays in the months of:

MAY * * * * *

- May 1 Karen Anderson, Karen Couture, Lilly Jylha, Daniel Kill
- May 2 Clara Alexander, Greg Kivisto, Edna Laurila, Benjamin Noskey, Paul Rosten, Vince Tincknell, Grace Weston
- May 3 Amy Carlson
- May 4 Sandra Ecklid, Nickolas Hamel, Christine Hendrickson
- May 5 Carl Basto, Ty Koski, Virginia Paulson, James Wickstrom
- May 6 Betty Carilli, Dean Ellis, Astrid Hamlin, Mark Makela, Madison Pancheri, Crystal Zarbeck
- May 7 Jonelle Collins, Dan Faust, Shane McEachern, Elsie Suardini
- May 8 Mark Alexander, Reyna Debelak
- May 9 Lucas Lambertson, Eric Malmsten, Anja Pyhtila, Jacob Yoho
- May 10 Marcia Solberg, David Stromquist
- May 11 Michael Klein, Katie Ritzenheim, Curtis Uren
- May 12 Terry Basolo, Peggy Bray, Terry Garceau, Ruth Mattson
- May 13 Eli Jarvi, Callie McEachern, Marlene Romback
- May 14 Russel Ault, Lilly Cotterman, Ruth Perucco, Cody Scanlon, Danielle Songer
- May 16 Sondra Grimes, Grace Jalonen, Tyler Riutta
- May 17 Sara Garceau, Richard Koski, Charles Latourneau, Reuven Romback, Jacob Ulvila, Luke Ulvila, Kim Uren
- May 18 Louis Kowalski, Beverly Stromquist
- May 19 Jennifer Fredin, Daniel Perucco, Mark Wainio
- May 20 Brandon Carey, Shana DeShambo, Cayden Herman, James Juopperi, Jeanette Tossava
- May 21 Chris Carey, Albert Hill, Linda Sjolund, Tari Wainio
- May 22 Daniel Carilli, Caleb Scanlon, Atley Smith
- May 23 Hadley King
- May 24 Mikel Annala, Larry Dillman, Landin Koski, Lori Kurian, Easton Palomaki
- May 25 Elyza Larson, Tricia Syrjala
- May 26 Ann Neiswander
- May 27 Greg Annala, Jenna Espinoza, Payton Nelson
- May 28 Emma Collins, Annette Jachimski, Christine Johnson, William Judkins, Kathy Kallioinen, Elise LaBeau, Sharon Tincknell
- May 29 Rachel Joyal, Jessica Manier, Amber Miller, Kristen Tossava
- May 30 Charles Jurvelin III
- May 31 Connor Chapman, Mason, LaPine, Dean Patron, Aino Uren

JUNE * * * * *

- June 1 Wayne Champion, Pamela Larson
- June 2 Jane Cotterman, Heidi Hill
- June 3 Stephen Setterlind, Duane F. Sirtola, Tiffany Sirtola
- June 4 Eric Faust, Erik Sundine, Tyler Young
- June 5 Abby Garceau, Preston Paulson

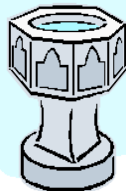
- June 6 Mark Anderson, Mavis Carlson, Jessica Noskey, Scott Soeltner
- June 7 Julie Young
- June 8 Bryan Annala, Dee Aper, Diane Carlson, Stanley Mager, Michelle Makela, Rebekah Mayzes, Donald Palomaki
- June 9 Alan Grimes, Byron Koski, Dylan Mihelac, Marianah Speaker, Randy Tossava
- June 10 Donna Hayrynen, Chad Kallioinen, Kay Korpi
- June 11 Amy Bazinette, Alexander Fentress, Bonny Koski
- June 12 Adam Wainio
- June 13 Patrick DeWitt, Kathleen Fredrickson, Doug LaBelle, Riley Williams
- June 14 Adam Kemper, Alvar Kurin, John Meier, Bruno Wommer
- June 15 Mike Frustaglio, Danielle Pierre-Trettel, Ryan Syrjala
- June 16 Sharon Gagnon, James Hayward, Larry Johnson, Grant Karki, Shari Tilly
- June 17 Olivia Krook, Deborah Moyer, Donald St.Amour
- June 18 Abbi Kill, Alan Makela
- June 19 Mary LaBelle, Spenser Waite
- June 20 Sandra Swiedals, Terry Tincknell
- June 21 Mike Poutanen, Kerri Stanaway
- June 22 James Carlson, Mary Leece, Kelly Menge, Scott Olinske, Tim Romback, Rachael Viitala
- June 23 Ely Goupille
- June 24 Jesse Anderson, Peter LaFreniere, Dorne Piirto, Tanner Romback, Brooke Soeltner, Amy Steele
- June 25 Brady Bouman, Debra Pierre-Trettel
- June 26 Brent Kurian
- June 27 Jill Laitala
- June 28 Connor Anderson, Nicole Chapman, Ella DeMarois, Keith Kendall, Aidon Steele
- June 29 Harley Koski, Katherine Liuha, Abi Luokkala

Happy Birthday to All of You!!



ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar plant on Sunday, March 26th, was in memory of **Carl Laukka's** 80th birthday and **Dorothy Jarvi's** 100th birthday, both on March 23rd, as they celebrate it in heaven, from **Mary Ann Laukka**. "They were neighbors on Buffalo Road and Dorothy never forgot Carl's B. Day. She would always sing him *Happy Birthday*".



BAPTISM: WE WELCOMED INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD:

On April 2nd, we welcomed into our congregation, **Marcus James Songer**, through Baptism, and **Danielle Songer** through Affirmation of Baptism.

On May 1st, we will welcome into our congregation, **Daniel** and **Colleen LaJoie** and their daughter, **Aleah Grace LaJoie**. Also, we welcome Colleen's mother, **Barbara Jean Cohan**. These will be with affirmation of baptism. *Welcome to All of You!*

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OUR PURPOSE
 Immanuel, God with us,
 renewing lives in Christ
 through the Holy Spirit

Guiding Principles
 Prayer taps into God's
 renewing power

Faith is renewed through
 the **Word & Sacraments**

Worship that renews is
 done with **many voices**
 but **one heart**

Renewing mission
 is best supported by
leaders committed
 to God's vision

Renewed lives
welcome and care
 for one another

Renewed,
 we **live and serve**
 within a greater community

Renewed lives
 witness to others

**CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO ALL OF
 THE H. S. & COLLEGE GRADUATES FOR 2017**
 (HIGH SCHOOL): *Jacob Anderson, Samantha Carlson,
 Ty Koski, Mitchell LaBelle, Aaron LaJoie, Joshua
 Lambertson, Mark Makela, Sydney Mattia, Kyle
 Tincknell, Ethan Wallner, Anna Young.*
 (COLLEGE): *No Names Have Been Given. God Bless
 You All!! You are blessed to be a blessing
 in Jesus' name! AND, for the High School
 Graduates, PLEASE let us know where you
 will be working and/or attending school /
 etc. along with your address.*



Summer Worship Schedule

Begins Sunday, May 28th

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Monday: 6:00 p.m.



Summer Office Hours

Begin Tuesday, May 30, 2017

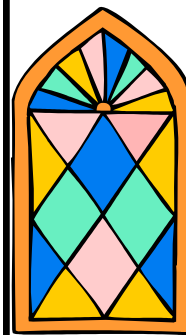
Monday through Thursday

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Or by appointment - call 475-9161

**NO SERVICES & OFFICE CLOSED
 MONDAY, MAY 29th
 IN OBSERVANCE OF
 MEMORIAL DAY**

(NO Monday 6pm Service)



*Our worship time is
 changing to the summer
 hours, only 1 service on
 Sunday at 9:00 am. The
 Monday evening service
 stays the same, at 6 pm.*

*This will run from
 Memorial Day Weekend,
 May 28th, through Labor
 Day Weekend, September 3rd,
 2017.*

COME AND WORSHIP !!