



Immanuel Lutheran Church

July / August 2017

### What Defines Us?

Seven years ago, when I was first diagnosed with ovarian cancer, I wrote a newsletter article titled, *Not Defined by Cancer*. I continue to maintain that conviction.

For eight years I have served you as your pastor, and have been greatly blessed in doing so. Thank you for this opportunity. I have seen the love of Christ from you and through you. We have walked together through hard times and danced through celebrations. We have shared the Word in many and various ways and gathered at the table of the Lord to be fed His very presence in the bread and wine. We have pushed each other and uplifted one another. Thanks be to God for the community He gives us. Praise be to God for the community of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

It is hard for me to step back from serving as your pastor now. It is not what I desire, but what I need. Please know that even in this time, when I am not working, you remain in my heart and my prayers, as I know you hold me in yours.

Thank you for allowing me this disability leave, and for your support for Pastor Steve as he and you together discern how to make sure all the ministry needs are met. Thank you for using your gifts to that end, and for working with and encouraging Cheryl Dix as council president, the executive committee, and all of the council and committees.

I don't know what will mark the end of my disability leave. Perhaps the disability leave will conclude with the fact that I will not be able to return to work – that the cancer will take over completely. We must admit that that is a real possibility. But I hope that I'll be able to return to work, and that that day will come soon. I'm feeling good right now, and seeing increased strength and ability each week. The doctor has said that the present chemo drug I'm on might give me several years of remission. We find hope in that.

But the truth is that we cannot rely on that. It is only a 50/50 chance based on limited experience and observation. Our ultimate hope is not in a drug, but in the *promise* that has been realized – the promise of life with Christ now and into eternity. He holds us in his love. Jesus is our Way, our Truth, and our Life, given for us to be in relationship with our Father, which has been established through Jesus' death and resurrection.

I have many favorite Bible passages and many favorite hymns (which are all based in scripture). One of those passages is Romans 14:8 – "If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's."

I stand firm in that promise.

Over these past years I have been asked many times how I'm doing. (Thank you for your sincere concern and expression of that.) My answer has typically been, "I'm doing well," or something similar. I have given that response even when I have felt lousy or have just gotten a not-so-good-report from the doctor; even when nausea has knocked me back, or I've been slowed

down by lethargy or weakness, or handicapped by "chemo brain". My response has been honest. I have been well because I know who holds me, and I know that it is not cancer that defines me. I am defined by the cross on my forehead and by my God and Lord who claimed me through His cross. I am defined by the promise that I know and which gives me peace and joy.

Hymns expound on the scripture that defines us, and certain ones speak to me in specific ways. Here are some phrases from some hymns that define me as a child of God, as one held by God, and they give me comfort and strength. Other hymns feed me in different ways, and I go to them in different times of need.

(If you have been on the Greenwood Reservoir sometime when I have been out there kayaking, perhaps you have heard me singing these as I've paddled along.)

*When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply.  
The flames shall not hurt you; I only design  
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.*

*...And then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn  
Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne  
(How Firm a Foundation ELW #796)*

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*Oh, let me nestle near thee,  
within thy downy breast  
Where I will find sweet comfort and peace  
within thy nest.*

*.... Oh, take into thy keeping thy children  
great and small  
And while we sweetly slumber  
enfold us one and all.  
(Thy Holy Wings ELW #613)*

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*Have no fear, little flock; Have no fear, little flock  
For the Father has chosen  
to give you the Kingdom;  
Have no fear, little flock!*

*Have good cheer, little flock;  
Have good cheer, little flock,  
For the Father will keep you  
in his love forever;  
Have good cheer, little flock!  
(Have No Fear, Little Flock ELW #764)*

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*Children of the heav'nly Father  
Safely in his bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge e'er was given.*

*Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord his children sever.  
Unto them his grace he showeth,  
And their sorrows all he knoweth.  
(Children of the Heavenly Father ELW #781)*

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These are just a few of my favorite. There are many others that meet different purposes. What are some of your favorite hymns, or what scripture do you hold dear? How do they help define or strengthen you as a child of God, as one set free from sin and death and the power of the evil one to live in the power of God's kingdom? We can use these – words that God has given us – to share our faith story and the Good News of God in Jesus Christ with others.

You bless me by hearing my faith story. Thank you for sharing yours as well. Thank you for your love as Sisters and brothers in Christ.  
Love, **Pastor Marcia**



## Sunday School Report for July / August Beacon

Sunday School finished off on an exciting note. We heard the story of Pentecost a little early, because our Sunday School calendar is compressed. The children heard how God sent Holy Spirit to strengthen the disciples to tell God's story to people from all over the world.

Then, we saw the Holy Spirit at work in our children as they told God's story to other children and to our older brothers and sisters in God's family. The Fellowship Hall was set up with story stations where the children shared their stories- some with adult guidance, many independently telling the stories or guiding the activity. Segments of God's story were told and retold!

The Holy Spirit has also empowered our Sunday School teachers to bring God's story to our children each week. This are the Spirit supported people who worked with Immanuel's children:

- Pastor Marcia, advisor and substitute teacher
- Josh Lambertson, first term with Preschool
- Danielle Songer, final term with Preschool
- Ruth Perrucco, Kindergarten
- Heidi Lenten, Grades 1 and 2
- Kristen DeMarois, Grade 3
- Gary Suardini and Paulette Patron took turns teaching Grades 4 and 5
- Connie Scanlon, Preschool and Kindergarten Music
- Connie Lindblom, Elementary Music Christmas Program
- Dan Lindblom, Elementary Music Christmas Program

**THANK YOU!!**

The Sunday School children are a very small percentage of our current worshipping congregation- but they are nearly 100% of the future of Immanuel. The mission of Sunday School is to support faith development in our children to enable them to move into the future living out their faith as worshipping Christians.

**THAT BRINGS US TO THE NEW NEWS!** Working with the Worship and Music Committee and through the Church Council, we are making some changes to better support one of Immanuel's Guiding Principles.

- Faith is renewed through **Word and Sacraments**  
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## 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 leads 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, 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 & Immanuel's Youth lead the service music. Come join us.

*(Sunday School Report continues here...)*

Sunday School time will now overlap with the Second Service. This will allow the children to participate in the Sacrament of Holy Communion regularly.

The plan for Sunday School:

1. We would GATHER with a short singing time in the sanctuary, prior to the beginning of the service.
2. Our Sunday School lessons will provide the WORD part of the worship service.
3. We will return to the Sanctuary for the MEAL.
4. We go back to the classrooms for a wrap up and the SENDING.

Sunday School and Second Service times were adjusted. The Second Service will be at 10:30. Sunday School will start at **10:15 AM** and conclude with the end of the Service. By starting a little earlier, we will still have time for a full Sunday School Lesson AND participate in Holy Communion! We were scheduled to teach the unit *Fed and Forgiven* about Holy Communion in February. Instead we will start that 4 part unit in September. The children will learn about and experience Holy Communion right from the start.

The first Day of Sunday School will be September 10, 2017. We will start the new schedule then.

The new schedule and format will take some planning, but

**Matthew 19:26 (NIV)** Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

**Sunday Schedule starts**  
**Sunday September 10, 2017**  
**at 10:15**

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



**MAKER FUN FACTORY**  
Created by GOD -  
Built for a Purpose

**Vacation Bible School (VBS)**

**July 31st-August 4th, 9:30am - 12:30pm**

Please join us for our Vacation Bible School and for:

- \*Time with Friends
- \*Bible Adventures
- \*Fun Games
- \*New Adventures
- \*Incredible Music
- \*Cool Snacks

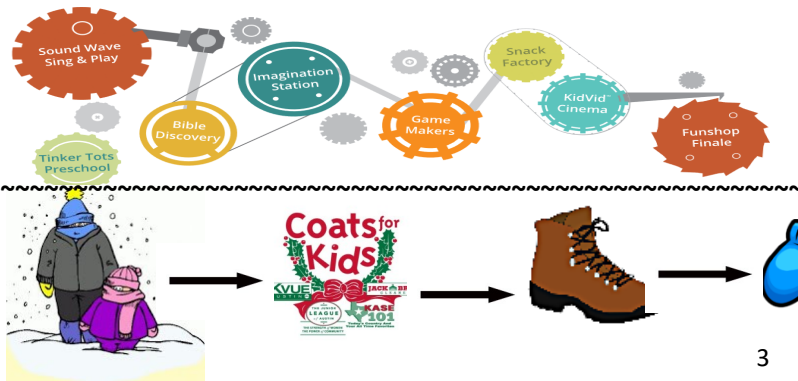
“*Maker Fun Factory*” VBS will be hosted at **St. Paul Catholic Church** at 202 W. Case St., Negaunee. At *Maker Fun Factory* kids will embark on a VBS adventure that will travel through field-tested rotations that reinforce relevant Bible points and immerse kids in new adventures. The Bible content & Buddies will show how kids experience God’s Word. At *Maker Fun Factory*, one memorable Bible Point is reinforced each day. For example on Day 1, you will meet Decker, the Decoration Crab where you will learn that “*God made you*” (related to Psalm 139:14, and Genesis 1:26-24) plus a Bible story. Then, Day 2 you will meet Tina, the Cathedral termite where you will learn “*God is for you*” (related to Romans 8:31 and Joshua 1-2), plus a Bible story. Sign up so you will find out who Bubba, Skylar, & Abbee are and what you will learn Day 3, 4, & 5. It will be exciting. Start the day together, singing a fun mix of memorable worship & praise songs echoing Bible truths. Leaders reinforce one simple Bible truth—which makes it easy for kids to remember & apply to real life! Kids will experience God’s Word in surprising and unforgettable ways!



Our Bible VBS theme is *Created by GOD - Built for a Purpose*. One of the best parts about *Maker Fun Factory* VBS is the Award-Winning Music! Songs we will sing are: *Made for This, The Maker, Love Comes Down, He’s Got the Whole World, . . . , A Happy Day, You Forgive Me*. PLEASE register on-line at: <https://vbspro.events/p/neg> or use code -> For questions, to register by phone, or to volunteer, call Stacy at 361-9123. Please register ASAP.



VBS is provided for Preschool to entering 5th grade, & with help from the following churches: St. Paul Catholic Church, Immanuel & Bethany Lutheran Churches, along with Mitchell United Methodist Church, and St. John’s Episcopal Church. There is **no fee for VBS**. (although, donations are always appreciated.)






VBS will be needing volunteers. Please call Stacy or the church if you are willing to volunteer. Thank You! Adults will be needed to lead the openings & closings, games, video time,



registration tables, & in the kitchen. VBS needs middle & high school students to lead small groups of kids through their day. Please volunteer. You, too, will have a fun time!!



## SOCIAL MINISTRY

### Second Sunday Mission Offering

In July and August we will be supporting Beacon House with our Second Sunday Mission Offering. *Beacon House* becomes a “Home away from home” for patients and families that travel across the U.P. to receive specialty medical care at U.P. Health System-Marquette and the Upper Peninsula Medical Center. The private, nonprofit, donation-based organization ensures that families never have to ask, “Where am I going to stay and how am I ever going to be able to afford it?” during a medical crisis. Top priority supplies needed for Beacon House are toilet paper as the number 1 need, and paper towels at a close second. Other things are general toiletries, unscented bar soap, laundry soap and dryer sheets, dish soap.

**God’s Work Our Hands Sunday** ... is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. We will be working on several projects for God’s Work our Hands in September. On Friday, September 15 we will provide lunch for Habitat for Humanity volunteers. Sign-up sheets will be available in mid- August for food donations and volunteers to deliver the lunches. Social Ministry is hoping to work on a local project and once finalized will be announced in the Sunday bulletins.

*God’s peace be with you as we work toward helping our neighbors.*

Respectfully submitted,  
**Linda Sjolund**

## KEEP KIDS WARM PROJECT COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER

- (All of these originate at Immanuel Lutheran Church)
- Tuesday, Sept. 19 @ 6 pm – Bag Assembly
  - Saturday, Sept. 23 @ 10 am – Bag Distribution
  - Saturday, Sept. 30 @ 10 am – Bag Collection
  - Saturday, Oct. 7 – 9am–1 pm – Shopping Day  
**at Ishpeming Armory**

## July & August Mission Emphases



**IN JULY**, we focus on Habitat for Humanity, Marquette County. Marquette County Habitat for Humanity is

part of a global, non-profit housing organization operated on Christian principles that seeks to put God's love into action by building homes, communities, and hope.

There are currently 4 homes under construction in the Marquette area. Volunteers and cash donations are always needed. In fact, we will have an opportunity to volunteer in September as part of our *God's Work, Our Hands* mission.

Help support the vision of Habitat for Humanity: "A world where everyone has a decent place to live."

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

**IN AUGUST**, we focus on ELCA Disaster Relief (LDR) bringing God's hope, healing & renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world



When the dust settles and the headlines change, LDR stays to provide on-going assistance to those in need.

In the last year, assistance was provided to the Louisiana Gulf Coast and West Virginia here in the United States. In the world, assistance went to the African drought and the Nepal earthquake victims.

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



**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](mailto:loveinccup@gmail.com).

## SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE RUNS THROUGH LABOR DAY WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 3 / 4



Our Summer Worship Schedule will go through Labor Day Weekend, this year featuring just one Sunday service at 9 am as well as one Monday service at 6 pm.

The schedule is 9 am service, followed by coffee and fellowship. On Sunday, September 3rd, this will be our LAST 9 AM ONLY service. On Sunday, September 10th, we will return to our 8:30 AM service and a second Sunday service at **10:30am**. (See related article elsewhere in Beacon.) The 6 pm Monday service will remain, except, again, there will be NO 6pm service on Labor Day, September 4th.

Thank you for attending worship! Blessings to All!



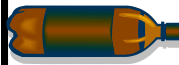
## Fundraisers for Youth

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



**Book Swap/Donation:** This is an ongoing fund-raiser 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 some-thing 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!**

Christ Alone



## REFORMATION MEETING

The Lutheran Church is having a birthday and it is a big one! This coming Reformation Sunday on October 29th, will mark the 500th Anniversary of Luther pounding the 95 Thesis on the Door of Wittenberg Church that started the Reformation, as well as the Lutheran Church. We are looking forward to a year of special activities to mark this major event in the life of the

Church. Preliminary plans are in the works for events like, a German dinner, viewing the movie "Luther", a German Christmas Market, book clubs, and more. But to make all of this happen, we need you! Please think of joining the planning committee at a meeting on Thursday, July 27th at 6:00pm. Maybe you want to help arrange one aspect of the celebration, or maybe you want to be on the steering committee for all the events, share some of your own ideas, or you can just come and hear more about it. For more information, please contact Connie Lindblom at 475-6139. Hope to see you there!

## Council Corner Council Highlights

Greeting and blessings to all of you during this summer season. We are in a time of great transition while we support Pastor Marcia during her time of treatment. As part of Pastor Marcia's call agreement, Immanuel will continue to pay for her compensation package through July 10. At that point, Immanuel's financial responsibilities conclude, and Pastor Marcia's disability insurance will take over, paying her 2/3 of her defined compensation. She has many ministries throughout our congregation and anyone willing to pitch in to further her work while she recovers, please contact Hayley Smith at 906-367-4295 or at [Hayley-smith@hotmail.com](mailto:Hayley-smith@hotmail.com).

The council approved and defined a new worship schedule starting in September 10, 2017. To foster more relationships with our Sunday school students, we will be starting the second Sunday service at 10:30 instead of 11. Please read the related article for more details and a greater Explanation (p. 2).

We also took another step toward defining use of Barbara Lehtonen's bequest. Details will follow as they're developed and we're thankful for such a blessing.

A constitution committee is presently working on updating our congregational constitution for presentation to council and congregation. Their next meeting is July 19 at 5:00 pm. If anyone is interested please contact John Meier.

We will not be meeting in July, so our next meeting will be August 15, 2017 at 6:30.

In Christ, *The 2017 Immanuel Council*



### Coffee House Monday, July 24, after church,

Do you have a song you want to share, an instrument that you want to play, or even a poem that you want to recite? Well if you do, please join us for *Immanuel's Open Mic Night/Coffee House* on Monday, July 24th, at 7:00pm in the church fellowship hall. Liz Grenke, FLLC Song Leader, will headline and facilitate the evening. So, bring your instruments, voices, and anything you need to participate in this event, or just come to listen and enjoy a night of fellowship. Refreshments will be served! It'll be **FUN!!**



## IMMANUEL WOMEN of the ELCA A CELEBRATION OF CHURCH WOMEN

**PROJECT OF THE MONTH for July** – There are no Projects scheduled for the month of July. Don't forget, there is the Pioneer Week Ecumenical Salad Luncheon on Wednesday, July 5th, in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$5.00 and can be purchased at the door. We will need salads and workers. Everyone is welcome to come.

Circles don't meet July or August, but begin again in September.

Quilting during the summer months (June, July, August) will take place on Thursday mornings at 10:00 am.

### W.E.L.C.A. CALENDAR for July

- 5 - 11:30 am "Pioneer Week" Ecumenical Salad Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall (\$5.00)
- 13-16 - **ALL ANEW** Churchwide Triennial Convention In Minneapolis, MN

### PROJECT FOR THE MONTH of AUGUST IS SCHOOL KITS.

*"Watch the ads for school supplies on sale." The items needed are: an 8"x11" lined tablet (150-200 sheets), a 2 1/2" eraser, a pair of blunt scissors, a ruler with centimeters or inches & centimeters, a pencil sharpener, 6 new pencils with erasers, 12 sheets of colored construction paper, and a box of crayons (8, 16 or 24 size). **THERE IS A NEW PATTERN:** The bag is a draw-string bag. The pattern can be found on the bulletin board by the elevator. Pick one up so you can follow it. Place all items into the bag. Place it into the bin marked "LWR" located near the stairway across from the Fellowship Hall, in the "Stewardship" area. Any money donation should be brought to the office. Your donation helps Lutheran World Relief give aid to people who need it. Thank you for your consideration & generosity.*

Registration for Fortune Lake Fall Retreat must be in by the end of August. See Jonelle Collins for information.

### W.E.L.C.A. CALENDAR for August

- 1 - 9:30 am, Kitchen Clean-Up

Circles begin meeting in September with a new Bible Study in Gather Magazine. All women are welcome to join a Circle.

**PROJECT: School Kits (see listing above.)**

**WELCA** has donated: \$5.00 - Louise Johanna Vizena (Marjorie Healey's mother); \$5.00 - Ron Isaacson



## WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT at FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CAMP

**September 15-17, 2017.** The Theme is "**A Godly Touch**", *"I want men/women everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing."* 1 Timothy 2:8

To register, call Pan at 906-428-2442 or 906-260-2918. Forms are available on the following website: <https://www.nglsnod.org/welca/>. Cost: \$125/\$140, includes meals, Sat. ite social, workshop materials, coffee café. Sign up now.



## Fall Worship and Sunday School Time Changes

Beginning September 10, our Sunday morning schedule will shift to 8:30 am 1<sup>st</sup> Worship Service, 10:15 am Sunday School, and 10:30 am 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship Service. The goal of overlapping Sunday School with the late Worship is to conclude Sunday School with our Sunday Schoolers joining other worshippers of all ages for Holy Communion and the sending into mission. Together we meet Jesus and go to share Jesus. All too many young people are not otherwise afforded this opportunity. We also hope this will encourage parental participation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship Service while their children are in Sunday School. Thank you in advance for your openness to this experiment in a new Sunday schedule.

## Forming Faith in the 21 Century



Christian faith formation is a lifelong growth in head (informing), heart (forming), and hands (transforming) as followers of Christ Jesus. At the time of this writing, Pastor Steve is in the 7<sup>th</sup> week of a 2-year commitment of study and experiment through Vibrant Faith (formerly known as the Youth & Family Institute) with the latest research in this area. The Gospel has not changed, but 21<sup>st</sup> century society and church certainly has; we need to engage people where they are.

A Faith Formation Team is working with him, as well, focused on learning and experimenting with faith formation that is intergenerational, spanning the generations, and digitally empowered. Interested in joining the exploration? Contact Pastor Steve.

## Confirmation



Calling all parents of new 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders! Confirmation, a 3-year ministry of faith formation for our young people, is a gift we encourage you to give to and receive with your children. Contact Pastor Steve with your questions. Please put these dates on your calendar:

- Fall Orientation: Monday, September 18, at 7:00pm (guaranteed one hour max; get home in time for the Lion's game)
- First Class Session: Monday, October 2, at 7:00pm (and most Mondays through April)

## ELCA National Youth Gathering



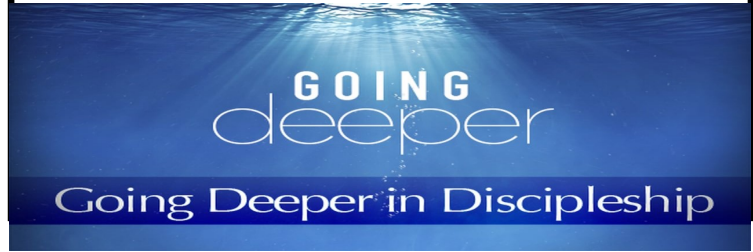
High schoolers, it's time to make commitment to next summer's National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX, June 27-July 1. Check out details, including a video, on our church website to learn more!

## Go Deeper Website

Want to go into deeper conversation about some of the themes presented in our weekly scripture readings and preaching? Pastor Steve's latest faith formation experiment can be found online at:

[www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org/GoDeeper.php](http://www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org/GoDeeper.php).

From week-to-week he is posting various resources (videos, articles, books, etc.) that come to mind as he prepares his preaching and teaching. Not everything fits in a sermon! Along with information pages, a forum page welcomes conversation with your questions and insights into theological issues. Postings thus far include Christian Apologetics, Creation and the Big Bang, Praying for Miracles, and more. Check it out and bring your ideas!



## New Members Welcomed



On May 1st we welcomed into our congregation 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 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!**



## Dear Church Members:

***Please join us for an Intergenerational program and luncheon for parents, children, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends,.....on Sunday, August 6, 2017, 9:00 am (after the church service)***

***If you would like to be on the planning committee for this event, please contact Maxine Sylvester @ 475-7368.***

***Immanuel Lutheran Church  
Negaunee, Michigan***



## Our new Bishop-Elect is Pastor Katherine Finegan.

The Rev. Katherine A. Finegan was elected May 23, 2017, to serve a six-year term as bishop of the Northern Great Lakes Synod, ELCA. The election was held during the Syn-

od Assembly which took place at Messiah Lutheran Church and Northern Michigan University in Marquette, MI, on May 21-23. Bishop Tom Skrenes will retire as of September 1, at which time Pastor Katherine will assume that ministry.

Pastor Katherine has served as Assistant to the Bishop in the NGLS since February, 2012. Previously she served as pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church in Republic, MI, from 2002-2012, and as Youth Minister at Hope Lutheran Church in St. Paul, MN, from 1988-2000. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, IN, in 1987, and received her Master of Divinity from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN, in 2002.

Pastor Katherine will be installed as the fourth bishop of the Northern Great Lakes Synod on Saturday, **October 21<sup>st</sup>**, at **1:30 p.m.** at St. Peter's Cathedral in Marquette. A reception will immediately follow at the Holiday Inn from 3:00-5:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend both the installation service and reception.

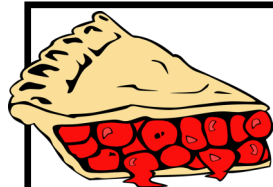
As Bishop Tom Skrenes and Bishop-elect Katherine Finegan enter these transitions, please hold them as well as our synod in prayer. Praise God for gifted and willing leaders!



### INSTALLATION CHOIR

You are invited to sing with an adhoc choir that will enrich the Installation Worship Service of Bishop -elect Pastor Katherine Finegan on **October 21**, at

**1:30 pm.** More information and details coming soon.



### MITCHELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

207 TEAL LAKE AVENUE, NEGAUNEE

.... Will be having their annual Pioneer Days Pie Social on **Thursday, July 6th, from 1:00-3:00 p.m.** \$5.00 for pie-ice cream or cool whip—coffee, tea or punch. Please join us for a great pie and fellowship! Thank you!



**Bishop Tom & Luanne Skrenes are headed toward Tanzania in July. Please hold them in prayer, beginning with a blessing during our July 2 worship.**



## NORTHERN GREAT LAKES WATER STEWARDS UPDATE

In July of 2016, a four-year interfaith initiative was launched to help deepen and enhance our understanding of the spiritual underpinnings of our region's environmental resources.

Since then, two community public presentations have been sponsored, 8 Public Service announcements (radio) distributed, 2 congregational adult forums facilitated, a delegation to Standing Rock supported, and 11 columns written by 9 different writers published in the Marquette Monthly.

This summer our intention is to plant 500 Northern white cedar trees in the community forest, part of the yellow-Dog Watershed Preserve. We invite local congregational members and youth to consider joining us for one or both of two planting projects, both on Saturday mornings, July 1 and July 29.

As our churches search for ways to communicate our commitment to a healing and protection of this place we call our home, here is an on-the-ground opportunity. Those of you who may wish to commemorate a tree in someone's name, that can, and will be done. Names will be whispered and prayers lifted up as each designated seedling is placed in the ground. Donations for trees are \$5 a piece.

We have representatives of the Lutheran, Methodist, Jewish, Episcopal and Methodist traditions involved in this effort. In October we intend to invite an African-American pastor from Flint, Michigan, to come and speak to our community about their faith-based work dealing with their community's water crisis.

Jon Magnuson (906) 360-5072



### ALTAR GUILD WORKSHOP

Saturday, September 30, 2017

8:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

Bethany Lutheran, Ishpeming  
Featuring Rev. Melinda Quivik

Cost: \$20 which includes program, lunch and snacks

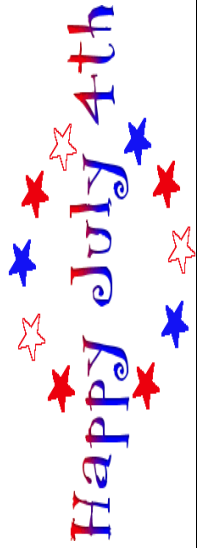
Register by Monday, September 25th  
More information at [www.nglsynod.org](http://www.nglsynod.org)

Sponsored by the Synod Workshop Committee

Don't miss it!!  
Bring your whole Altar Guild!!  
Ecumenical!!

Learn the finer details  
and best practices!!





# July 2017





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>24th Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 4:00 Lighthouse Worship 7:00 AA	<b>3</b> --> Pioneer Week (2nd-8th) 6:00 Worship	<b>4</b> Happy 4th of July! -----> <b>OFFICE CLOSED FOR 4TH OF JULY</b>	<b>5</b> 10:00 Bible Study 11:30 Pioneer Week Salad Luncheon	<b>6</b> --> Pioneer Week 10:00 Quilting	<b>7</b> 10:00 AA <-- Pioneer Week (2nd-8th) OFFICE CLOSED	<b>8</b> <-- -- Pioneer Week ends
<b>9 5th Sun. after Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	<b>10</b> 6:00 Worship	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10:00 Bible Study	<b>13</b> 10:00 Quilting (13th-16th Churchwide Triennial Convention Minneapolis, MN)	<b>14</b> 10:00 AA (13-16th Triennial Conven) OFFICE CLOSED	<b>15</b> (13-16th Churchwide Triennial Convention)
<b>16th Sun. after Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	<b>17</b> 6:00 Worship - Camp Style Outdoor Service @ Lindblom's	<b>18</b> 6:00 NO Exec. Com.. Mtg 6:30 NO Church Council	<b>19</b> 10:00 Bible Study 5:00 Constitution Committee Meeting	<b>20</b> 10:00 Quilting 7:00 Faith Formation Meeting	<b>21</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>22</b> 12-4:00 Hall Reservation
<b>23 7th Sun. after Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00AA <b>30 8th Sun. after Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	<b>24</b> 6:00 Worship <hr/> <b>31</b> <-- VBS July 31-Aug 4 --> 6:00 Worship	<b>25</b> 2:00 Teal Lake Asst. Living Worship	<b>26</b> 10:00 Bible Study	<b>27</b> 10:00 Quilting 6:00 Reformation Task Group Meeting	<b>28</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>29</b>





# August 2017

**Hello August!**  
(and goodbye July)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> (9:30—12:30) ←-----VBS-----→ 9:30 Kitchen Clean Up	<b>2</b> (9:30-12:30) ←-----VBS-----→ 10:00 Bible Study	<b>3</b> (9:30-12:30) ←-----VBS-----→ 10:00 Quilting	<b>4</b> (9:30-12:30) ←-----VBS ends today. 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>5</b>
<b>6 9th Sun. After Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship Intergenerational Gathering 7:00 AA	<b>7</b> 6:00 Worship	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10:00 Bible Study 11:30 Neg.Ministerial Asc. (Mitchell Methodist, Neg)	<b>10</b> 10:00 Quilting	<b>11</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>12</b>
<b>13 10th Sun. After Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	<b>14</b> 6:00 Worship	<b>15</b> 2:15 Eastwood Worship 6:00 Executive Comm. Mtg. 6:30 Church Council	<b>16</b> 10:00 Bible Study	<b>17</b> 10:00 Quilting	<b>18</b> 10:00 AA 3:00 Wedding Rehearsal OFFICE CLOSED	<b>19</b> 1:00 Wedding— Anderson / Maxon
<b>20 11th Sun. After Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	<b>21</b> 6:00 Worship - Camp Style	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 10:00 Bible Study	<b>24</b> 10:00 Quilting	<b>25</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>26</b>
<b>27 12th Sun. After Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	<b>28</b> 1:00-4:00 Laukka Family Memorial Gathering 6:00 Worship	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 10:00 Bible Study	<b>31</b> 10:00 Quilting 		

**SERVING THE LORD FOR THE MONTH OF JULY**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Greeters</u></b>	<b><u>Ushers</u></b>	<b><u>Lectors</u></b>	<b><u>Comm. Asst.</u></b>	<b><u>Counters</u></b>
<b>2</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Susan Eman Alice Mutkala	James Kallioinen John Kallioinen	Hayley Smith	Linda & Gary Sjolund Cheryl Dix	Fae Collins Linda Dillman
<b>3</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Kaylen Wallner Zoe Argall	Heidi Lenten Riley Carlson	Sheila Meier	Heidi Lenten Sheila Meier	Sharon Gagnon
<b>9</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Susan Eman Alice Mutkala	James Kallioinen John Kallioinen	Paulette Patron	Linda Sjolund Gary Sjolund	Mike Frustaglio Lillian Rivers
<b>10</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Kaylen Wallner Zoe Argall	Heidi Lenten Riley Carlson	Corey Holcomb	Corey Holcomb	Linda Ogea
<b>16</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Nicole Whitford Ronette Coduti	James Kallioinen John Kallioinen	Mike Frustaglio	Linda & Jim Derocher Paulette Patron	Sue Wickstrom Bev Stromquist
<b>17</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Drake Spickerman Gavin Jacobson	Heidi Lenten Riley Carlson	Corey Holcomb	Cheyenne Holcomb Corey Holcomb	Dave Stromquist
<b>23</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Nicole Whitford Ronette Coduti	Valerie Paulson Mike Frustaglio	Martha Hayward	Jim Kallioinen Shirley Koski	Barb Smith Sharon Gagnon
<b>24</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Drake Spickerman Gavin Jacobson	Linda Ogea Gavin Jacobson	Jill Sladek	Jill Sladek	Linda Ogea
<b>30</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Nicole Whitford Ronette Coduti	Valerie Paulson Mike Frustaglio	Jim Hayward	Jim Kallioinen Jean Manginen	Sue Wickstrom Linda Dillman
<b>31</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Drake Spickerman Gavin Jacobson	Linda Ogea Gavin Jacobson	Julie Mager	Julie Mager	Linda Ogea

PARAMENT COLORS FOR MONTH OF JULY-Green

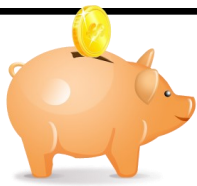
JULY COFFEE SRVRS: EVANGELISM/PARISH LIFE/SOC. MIN

**SERVING THE LORD FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Comm. Asst.</u>	<u>Counters</u>
<b>6</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Terry Basolo Linda Dillman	Mike Lempinen Vicki Lempinen	Jean Manginen	Heidi Hill, Shirley Koski, Jean Manginen	Sue Wickstrom L. Ogea, L. Dillman Barb Smith Lillian Rivers
<b>7</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Corey Holcomb Linda Ogea	Corey Holcomb Luke Syrjala	Sheila Meier	Heidi Lenten Sheila Meier	Mike Frustaglio
<b>13</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Terry Basolo Linda Dillman	Mike Lempinen Vicki Lempinen	Alice Mutkala	Sara Garceau Terry Garceau	Fae Collins Bev Stromquist
<b>14</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Corey Holcomb Linda Ogea	Corey Holcomb Luke Syrjala	Julie Mager	Julie Mager	Dave Stromquist
<b>20</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Shirley Koski Hayley Smith	Walter Scanlon Dean Patron	Cody Scanlon	Heidi Hill Bob & Maxine Sylvester	Sue Wickstrom Linda Dillman
<b>21</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Ron Ulvila Cheryl Ulvila	Kaelyn Amis Amara Wallner	Jill Sladek	Linda Ogea Jill Sladek	Sharon Gagnon
<b>27</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Shirley Koski Hayley Smith	Walter Scanlon Dean Patron	Alice Zinsser	Alice Zinsser Bill Zinsser	Barb Smith Linda Ogea
<b>28</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Ron Ulvila Cheryl Ulvila	Kaelyn Amis Amara Wallner	Kay Korpi	Kay Korpi	Lillian Rivers

PARAMENT COLORS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST: Green.

AUGUST COFFEE SERVERS: FORTUNE LAKE SCHOLARSHIP



## 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

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## CONGRATULATIONS!

**GOD'S BLESSINGS** to those members of Immanuel who celebrate milestones in their marriage in the months of:  
**JULY / AUGUST**

### 20 YEARS & OVER

7/01 - Susan & Darryl Tincknell - 22 years

7/06 - Julie & James Mager - 27 years

7/13 - Leslie & Gary Suardini - 21 years

7/22 - Julie & Randy Carlson - 22 years

7/30 - Cheryl & Greg Dix - 29 years

8/07 - Jill & Dale Jarvi - 24 years

8/08 - Stacy & Mark McEachern - 20 years

8/26 - Jacqueline & Scott Olinske - 28 years

8/27 - Scott & Darla Soeltner - 23 years

8/31 - Tricia & Gregory Montgomery - 26 years

### 30 YEARS & OVER

7/02 - Elaine & Russel Ault - 34 years

7/03 - Deborah & Chris Carey - 30 years

7/21 - Dawn & Gary Annala - 38 years

7/25 - Sheila & John Meier - 30 years

8/07 - Darlene & Gary Pepin - 35 years

8/10 - Debra & Kevin Young - 32 years

8/15 - Noreen & Paul Collins - 31 years

8/25 - Debra & Peter Hicks - 33 years

8/29 - Karen & Scott Couture - 30 years

### 40 YEARS & OVER

7/20 - Chyrl & John Hemmilla - 43 years

7/24 - Joanne & Albert Carriere - 46 years

8/01 - Christine & Dan Hendrickson - 47 years

8/09 - Ann & John Neiswander - 42 years

8/17 - Karen & David Keranen - 43 years

8/28 - Shelly & Paul Koski - 41 years

### 50 YEARS & OVER

7/24 - Charlotte & Richard Koski - 52 years

7/30 - Kathleen & Douglas Palomaki - 52 years

8/09 - Judy & Dave Hallgren - 59 years

8/15 - Marlene & Reuven Romback - 53 years

8/26 - Betty & Paul Carilli - 56 years

### 60 YEARS & OVER

7/06 - Jean & Howard Manginen - 60 years

7/14 - Mavis & Philip Carlson - 61 years

8/04 - Beverly & Dave Stromquist - 61 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.



**IMMANUEL NOW HAS A PAGE ON FACEBOOK! SEARCH FOR "IMMANUEL NEGAUNEE" AND "LIKE" US.**

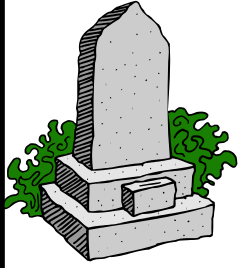
**ALSO, VISIT OUR WEBSITE: [WWW.IMMANUELNEGAUNEE.ORG](http://WWW.IMMANUELNEGAUNEE.ORG)**

### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"As a church we need to engage in basic spiritual practices: prayer, silence, corporate worship, Scripture study, giving, service. These are ways God comes to us. These disciplines create a space in us, an openness, for God's Spirit. They chip away at our willfulness. They make us aware of God's presence in our lives." (ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, *The Lutheran*, November 2014)

Quote of the Day

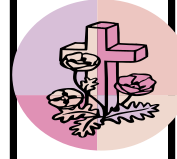
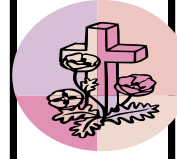
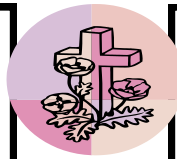
## SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:



.... Marjorie (David) Healey, on the loss of her mother, **Louise Johanna Vizena**, on Friday, May 19th. Also, condolences to Louise's husband, Robert 'Crow' Vizena, and all of the Vizena Family.

.... Millie Isaacson on the loss of her husband, **Ronald Lee Isaacson**, on Sunday, June 11th. Also, condolences to his children, Steven 'Ike' Isaacson, & Bonnie (Bill) Beale; grandchildren: Christopher 'Bubba' Isaacson & Jessica Juchemich, and all of the Isaacson / Katajamaki family.

... Reuven (Marlene) Romback and Victor (Carol) Romback on the loss of their sister-in-law, **Jane Elizabeth Romback**. Also, condolence to her husband Bill and all of the Romback Family.



## MEMORIALS

### IN MEMORY OF ANNMARIE HYTINEN

Helen Kivisto-LaCombe

### IN MEMORY OF BARBARA LEHTONEN

Helen Kivisto-LaCombe

### IN MEMORY OF ELSIE HELSTEIN

Lisa Helstein

### IN MEMORY OF WILHO HELSTEIN

Lisa Helstein

### IN MEMORY OF RONALD LEE ISAACSON

Edna Laurila  
Alice Mutkala

### IN MEMORY OF LOUISE JOHANNA VIZENA

Larry & Linda Dillman

**Pray... Faithfully . . .**

**"To you, O Lord, I will sing praise."** (Psalm 101:1b)

**Welcome to Church is Good!!**

First of all, a word of confession. The Church is imperfect. It's full of sinners, after all. The Church is full of people who, with the best of intentions, still get it wrong. The Church does not exist or gather together because we have all the answers, or because we have life and love or God all figured out. We gather together to draw strength and wisdom from each other and from the Spirit of Christ who promises to live among us.

So we're doing the best we can. And we invite you to join us! We feel that Jesus meant the Church to be a blessing to the world. And His presence, embodied in the people who gather as Church, is on a mission to make a difference in His name, and that means a POSITIVE difference, MEANINGFUL, working together for something that MATTERS.



What words come to mind when you hear the term "Stewardship"? How about these:

**JOY – SERVICE – SACRIFICE**

Harper's Bible Dictionary defines a "steward" as follows: "From the Greek *oekonomos*, the manager of a large household or estate, who might be a slave. The name also designated a municipal officer (Romans 16:23). The steward had management of the children of the owner (Galatians 4:2). Jesus proposes the faithful steward as the example of the responsible Christian (Luke 12:42). The apostles are managers of the mysteries of God (I Cor. 4:1-2; Titus 1:7). The Christian is a steward of the grace of God (I Peter 4:10)."

Stewardship is our response to God, how we manage what God has entrusted to our care. We believe and we respond with our whole lives. As children of God, we share in the purpose and work of God. Stewardship is a conscious effort to show what is important to us. It's setting our priorities. Stewards are witnesses, sometimes silently, for showing what is important in life, including home, family, work, school, friends – not just what you do in your congregation. Stewardship is a way of life, a total response to God for all God's blessings.

Our God blesses us abundantly! Everything we have – families, friends, homes, food, clothing, meaningful work – all are from God's gracious hand. How we choose to care for and use those blessings is what stewardship is all about. God has entrusted to our care the many things of this world. We don't own them; they are God's, to be used for God's purpose and work.

We respond to God's blessings in two ways: 1) First, as individuals: how we deal with people in our everyday lives, nurturing them with kindness and respect, or hurting them with anger and harsh words. We as individuals set up priorities by which we live and thus we become silent witnesses to where Christ belongs in our lives. 2) Secondly, we respond to God as partners with other Christians, sharing His word and will throughout our Church, our community, and the world.

## Congratulations to...

... **Louis Brian Lenten (Louie)**, for graduating from Northern Michigan University on May 6th with a Bachelor of Science Degree (Magna Cum Laude) as an Electronic Technology Engineer. **Louie** is the son of **Heidi & Kim Lenten**. He will be heading to Grand Rapids in August for his new job. *Congratulations, Louie!!*

... **John LaTourneau** for being a graduate of the Ishpeming-Negaunee-NICE Adult Education Class of 2017.

... to the following students who are part of Negaunee Graduating Class of 2017: **Jacob Andrew Anderson, Samantha Jean Carlson, Ty Anthony Koski, Mitchell Stuart LaBelle, Joshua Todd Lambertson, Mark Alan Makela, Sydney Brynn Mattia, Kyle Mark Tincknell, Ethan Michael Wallner, Anna Marie Young**.

... to the following students on the third quarter Honor Roll for the Negaunee Middle School: 5th GRADE: **Macie Annala, Cassidy Crabb, Owen Debelak, Madison Frustaglio, Anthony Gleason, Kylie Heggaton, Delanee Lenten, Gavin Saunders, Riley Williams**; 6th GRADE: **Morgan Carilli, Brayden Dunstan, Cheyenne Holcomb, Gavin Jacobson, Mia Koski, Tatum LaPine, Haylee Lenten, Easton Palomaki, Drake Spickerman, Luke Syrjala, Jace Turri, Jacob Ulvila, Luke Ulvila, Kaylen Wallner**; 7th GRADE: **Kaelyn Amis, Madeline Leece, Susanna Suardini**; 8th GRADE **Morgan Carlson, Sierra Hendrickson, Aleah LaJoie, Nathan Marcotte, Katie McEachern, Emilia Palomaki, Lily Ulvila, Amara Wallner**.

... to **Samantha Jean Carlson** and **Anna Marie Young** for receiving the *Barbara Lehtonen Family Scholarship* for the Fall of 2017, to attend Northern Michigan University. Congratulations!

... to **Randy Carlson** (head coach) & **Bryon 'Cubby' Nelson** (assistant coach) of the Negaunee HS Varsity Miners girl's fastpitch team finishing the season with 21 wins & 15 losses. Great job! Congratulations also to all of the **Girls on the Team**.

... **Taylor DeWitt**, NHS, Chemical Engineering, for being on Michigan Technological University's Dean's List for the 2017 spring semester. She is the daughter of **Becky & Patrick DeWitt**. *Congratulations!*

... Did you see the great picture of **Bryce Jarvi**, Negaunee, in *The Mining Journal*, winding up for his discus throw in the boys discus Division 1?

... **Emma Collins**, who will receive her Physician Assistant (PA) Degree from Central Michigan University on July 29th.

... **Noreen Collins** for receiving the State Gate Keeper Award in Lansing.

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 hanging flower basket that was delivered by Bev Stromquist & Judy Hallgren for my 80th birthday. It is very much appreciated! Also THANKS to Bev & Judy for the wonderful visit.**

**Mavis Carlson**



**We Thank You...** Warm & special thanks to you for all the considerate things you do. "Thank you Pastors Marcia & Steve for your visits, prayers, and care. We also thank our Immanuel Family for calls, visits, prayer for healing and for the many meals that were provided. God Bless Everyone."

**Vera & Don Palomaki**

- To **Sheila and John Meier** for assembling the Sunday/Monday Bulletins.
- To **Mary Ann Laukka, John Meier, Sheila Meier, and Marlys Trudgeon** for assembling the May / June 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 **Marlys & Alan Trudgeon** for buying & planting the flowers in our outside containers. Wonderful job!!
- To **William Zinsser** for repairing the outside kitchen door.
- To **Sheila & John Meier** for putting labels on the Beacon envelopes.
- To **Jim Hayward** for returning our many used batteries to be re-cycled.
- To **Bob Sylvester** for spackling & painting the walls in the Fellowship Hall where lights were removed.
- To **Linda Perucco** for donating a container of CD's to be used in recording the service for our homebound.
- 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, Bob Sylvester, 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, Barbara Smith, Dave & Bev Stromquist, Leslie Suardini, and Sue Wickstrom** 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 **May / June 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:

**JULY** \* \* \* \* \*

- July 1 Dolores Reichel
- July 2 Catherine Collins, Emily Mihelac, Brian Savolainen
- July 3 Brandi Anderson, Micailly Carlson, Vicki Elliott, June Jarvi, Easton Purcell, Austin Toyra
- July 4 Tatum LaPine, Don Mattson, Rose Setterlind
- July 6 James Anderson, Owen Debelak, Caden Grant, Rodney Grimes, Daniel Larson
- July 7 Sharlene Hoiem, Madison Lambertson, Kevin Laukka, Robert Mager, Hayden Sundberg
- July 9 Allison Charbonneau, Samuel Richards
- July 10 Zachary Brintlinger, Steven Isaacson, Glen Nelson, Michael Pascoe, Jr.
- July 11 James Champion, John Makinen
- July 12 Jill Hamlin, Drake Spickerman
- July 13 Diana Benti, Staci Croschere, Siiri Lenten-Lawson
- July 14 Randy Champion, Jeffrey Poutanen
- July 15 David Keranen, Nickolas Kill, Payton Marcotte, Steffanie Pepin, Dale Tincknell
- July 17 Brandon Denofre, Brian Hoiem, Alexis Mayzes
- July 18 Sarah Hicks, Lesli Williams
- July 19 Roger Champion, Danny Nelson, Martin Trudgeon
- July 20 Isaac Crider, Elizabeth Kevern, Kim Lenten
- July 21 Hayden Anderson, Jeremy Bell, Dan Collins, Melissa Cornell, Connie Hagar, Rachel Hayward, Eric LaBelle, Michael Lempinen
- July 22 Jeff Johnson, Adam Tilly
- July 23 Robert Ryttonen
- July 24 Samantha Carlson, Gary Sjolund
- July 25 Kyle Saari
- July 26 Zakary Hyry, Katelyn Pancheri, Michelle Pascoe
- July 27 Marilyn Anderson, Daniel Hendrickson, Mason Hietikko, Michelle Judd, David Roberts
- July 28 Alexis Charbonneau, Jessica Nelson
- July 29 Lori Bell, Jaime Crabb, Sandra LaForest
- July 31 Daniel Ellis, David Ellis

**AUGUST** \* \* \* \* \*

- August 2 Jared Cornell, Chad Lindstrom, Branden Wainio
- August 3 Katherine Brintlinger, Scott Jarvi
- August 4 Taryn Gleason
- August 5 Fay Basto, Lisa Uren, John Wassberg
- August 6 Paul Carilli, Kolton Klein
- August 7 Sandra Etelamaki
- August 9 Diana Bergh-Hetrick, Richard Uren
- August 10 Adelyn Chapman, Matthew Elliott, John Latourneau, Emersyn Nelson
- August 12 Sandra Burkhalter
- August 13 Hank Tincknell
- August 14 Cassidy Crabb, Katie McEachern, Jamie Rosten
- August 15 Sue Cathcart
- August 16 Gary Evans, Kate Frustaglio, Jason Hamlin
- August 17 Connor Champion
- August 18 Judith Dobi, Amanda Ecklid, Jeaneen McAuliffe

- August 19 Bethany Cody, Tristan Palomaki, Victoria Poutanen
- August 20 Emily DeMarois, Heidi Lenten, Kenneth Lindstrom, Kimberly Stille, Jeremy Thompson
- August 21 Holly Gustafson, Jacob Hayrynen, John Makinen, Jr., Jared Nelson
- August 22 Alexis Tipton
- August 23 Piper Lakenen, Mack Schlicht
- August 24 Suanne Debski, Rilynn Grant
- August 25 Macie Crabb, Peyton King
- August 26 Brandon Ecklid, Ryan Tincknell
- August 27 Peyton Anderson, Kelsi Mattson, Sydney Skewis, Lisa Tincknell, Anna Young
- August 28 Judy Hallgren
- August 29 Adam Brintlinger, Kenneth Gustafson, Brandon Josefsen, Susan Judkins, Shirley Koski, Hayley Smith, Gary Suardini
- August 30 Sandra Collins, Sara Solberg
- August 31 Brenda Alexander, Donald LaForest, Robert Setterlind, Roy Tossava

**Happy Birthday to All of You!!**

**ALTAR FLOWERS**



The Altar flowers on Sunday, May 28th, were *In Memory of Leslie and Irja Kallioinen, John & Dagmar Kallioinen, and Frank & Saima Jarvi*, from Sandi & Tom Gauthier, John, Al, and Larry Kallioinen, Audrey Heater, and Jim & Kathy Kallioinen.

The Altar flowers on Sunday, June 11th, were *In Honor of the 31st Wedding Anniversary of Pastors Steve & Marcia Solberg*, from Reuven & Marlene Romback. *Congratulations from the whole congregation!!*

**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!*

**CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO ALL OF THE H. S. & COLLEGE GRADUATES FOR 2017**



**(HIGH SCHOOL):** **Jacob Anderson, Samantha Carlson, Ty Koski, Mitchell LaBelle, Joshua Lambertson, Mark Makela, Sydney Mattia, Kyle Tincknell, Ethan Wallner, Anna Young.**  
**(COLLEGE):** **Louie Lenten BS-NMU, Magna Cum Laude, Emma Collins, Physician Assistant Degree (PA), Central Michigan University. 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.**

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Bookkeeper:	Daniel V. Kill
Organists:	Connie Scanlon & Sue Pohlman
Choir Director:	Connie Lindblom
Accompanist:	Vicki Lempinen
Ministers of Music:	Connie & Dan Lindblom
Custodian:	Roland Koski



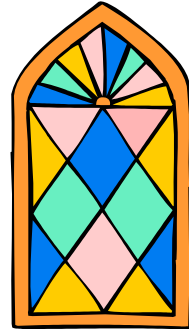
**Summer Worship Schedule**  
**Sunday: 9:00 a.m.**  
**Monday: 6:00 p.m.**

**Summer Office Hours**  
**Monday through Thursday**  
**8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon**

**Or by appointment-call 475-9161**

*There is only 1 service on Sunday at 9:00 am. The Monday evening service stays the same, at 6 pm. This will run through Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 3rd, '17.*

**COME & WORSHIP !!**



**HAPPY...**

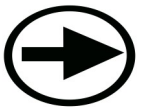


**4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY**

**Pioneer Days**



**PIONEER DAYS  
 ECUMENICAL SALAD LUNCHEON  
 Wednesday, July 5, 2017  
 Beginning at 11:30 am - Fellowship Hall**



**WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2017**  
**Begins at 11:30 am**  
**Fellowship Hall @ Immanuel**



This year, the Ecumenical Salad Luncheon will be put on by the Women of Immanuel. Women willing to work and/or bring salads, rolls, or bars should contact Virginia Paulson, at 475-9641. Donations of money will be used to purchase items needed. The cost of the luncheon is \$5.00 per person. Don't miss it!!!

**DON'T FORGET... (in July)**



**VBS  
 July 31 thru  
 August 4.  
 Plan to attend.**

**See page 3 for  
 information on  
 Vacation Bible School.  
 Sign up early.**

**PRAYING OUR PURPOSE**

Holy and gracious God, Immanuel, ever-present with us; you renew our lives in Christ through your Holy Spirit.

- Guide us in prayer that we may know your renewing power.
  - Strengthen and renew our faith through your Word and the sacraments.
  - Join our many voices into one heart as we come to give you praise and glory in our worship.
  - Give us leaders and make us leaders committed to your vision to always renew the mission to which you call us.
  - Renew our lives that we may welcome and care for one another and that we may live and serve within a greater community of Negaunee and the world, witnessing to others your abundant love, grace, and welcome
- We ask all this in the promise of life you give us through our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**NOTE: If you choose NOT to receive the BEACON, please notify the church office at 906-475-9161, or email to: [Office@ImmanuelNegaunee.org](mailto:Office@ImmanuelNegaunee.org)**