

Immanuel Lutheran Church

September / October 2017

## Discipleship – What We’re Called to Do

Discipleship is what we’re called to do in faith. It means to follow Jesus and grow in him, even to the point of sharing his word of promise and life with others, so that they, too, might become disciples and grow in him.



Dietrich Bonhoeffer said, “Christianity without discipleship is always Christianity without Christ” (*The Cost of Discipleship*, 1937, p. 64).



Though faith itself is a gift from God through the Holy Spirit, discipleship is something we must intentionally pursue in response. Furthermore, our faith formation as disciples of Christ needs to be holistic (*Will There Be Faith*, Thomas Groome, 2011, p. 111-119):

- *A way of the head (inform)* demands a discipleship seeking understanding and belief with personal conviction through study, reflecting, discerning, deciding.
- *A way of the heart (form)* demands a discipleship of right relationship and right desires, community building, hospitality and inclusion, trust in God’s love, prayer and worship.
- *A way of the hands (transform)* demands a discipleship of love, justice, peacemaking, simplicity, integrity, healing, and repentance.

As we come into this fall, I call you once again to renew pursuit of your personal discipleship. Experiment with growing through the opportunities mentioned in this Beacon and beyond. Experiment with the faith formation resources that will become available via our church website. If something doesn’t help, try something else...or let’s talk about how you and “it” can better connect, thinking through the details.

<sup>12</sup>...so that the body of Christ may be built up <sup>13</sup>until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ....

<sup>21</sup>When you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. <sup>22</sup>You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; <sup>23</sup>to be made new in the attitude of your minds; <sup>24</sup>and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

Eph.4:12-13, 21-24

Though faith itself is a gift from God through the Holy Spirit, discipleship is something we must intentionally pursue in response, and you are in charge of you.

Your brother in Christ,  
**Pastor Steve**



## Confirmation Mentor Program

We are about to embark on an exciting journey with our confirmation students as we offer a mentor program! Each 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation student will be paired with an adult mentor.

The Purpose of a mentoring program is to build relationships offering a stronger faith support system and to bring two people together to grow in their spiritual lives and thereby encounter Jesus.

Remember, the children of Immanuel do not only belong to their parents, godparents, and grandparents. Through their baptism they belong to:

God - The Church - The Community

**THEY BELONG TO EACH ONE OF US!**

We are asking all adult members to consider being a mentor to these 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. This year we will need six women. It will be a monthly commitment through the school year.

If you are interested or have questions, feel free to call Luanne Skrenes at 485-5121 or 869-6796 or email: [TLSkrenes@aol.com](mailto:TLSkrenes@aol.com)

## Council Corner Council Highlights

Greetings and blessings!

Immanuel received just over \$40,000 from Barbara Lehtonen’s estate. Although there were no binding stipulations, council desired to honor Barbara’s ideas by endorsing use toward technology that empowers worship & education, new floor covering for the lower level Sunday School area, building debt retirement, and contribution to Immanuel’s Endowment Fund. Council is forming two teams – tech and floor covering – that will develop specific proposals for congregational approval at the next annual meeting. Please contact the church office if you wish to be involved on either team.

Memorial funds were set aside for use toward events that serve our congregational vitality project, particularly through community building. Recent successes have included the Coffee House (Open Mic Night) as well as the August 6 Intergenerational Brunch & Sharing. Upcoming events include more Coffee Houses and Reformation 500 functions.

Two new trees will be added to the front of the church. Flower gardens and a park bench for the bus stop have already been added.

A complete set of minutes for each meeting is available from the church office. The next council meeting will be held September 19, 2017, at 6:30.

In Christ, *Immanuel Council of 2017*

# Sunday School Report for September / October Beacon

The first day of Sunday School is Sept. 10.

Times for Sunday School and the second service have changed! Sunday School will start at 10:15, overlap with the 10:30 service, and finish when the service is completed.

All children age 3 through Grade 5 are invited to attend Sunday School. Invitations and registration forms have been sent to families for whom we have addresses. If your family— or a friend, neighbor— would be interested, but have not yet received your invitation, please call the Church Office at 475-9161 and we will get that invitation out to you.

This year our Sunday School emphasis will be on participation in Holy Communion and Worship within the congregation. Our Sunday School format will more closely follow the Order of Worship:

**GATHER** 10:15-10:25 in the Sanctuary for Opening & Singing

- Everyone is always invited to sing with us as they arrive for worship

**WORD** 10:25-11:15

- The classroom lessons and activities will present God's word to the children through age appropriate Bible Stories and activities.

**SHARING PEACE, MEAL** 11:15

- Students will come back to the Sanctuary to Share the Peace of God as they join their family in the pew.
- Students will participate in Communion and remain with their family to conclude the service. (In the event that a parent cannot attend on a particular day, there will be a communion partner for the child that day.)

## FACEBOOK PAGE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

In an effort to better communicate with parents, we have created a Facebook page dedicated solely to pertinent Sunday School information and scheduling. Please LIKE and FOLLOW the page. We won't be sending notes or letters, this page will be THE means of communication.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sunday School will always meet every Sundays that has a 10:30 service. If there is a 10:30 worship service, there will be Sunday School.

Most Sundays will follow the above Schedule. Several times throughout the year, Sunday School and the Second Service will worship together as a special Intergenerational Activity. The first Intergenerational Activity will take place on November 5, 2017 celebrating All Saints Day.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF

- Coordinator: Paulette Patron
- Preschool: *Need a teacher*  
Jordyn Paananen, High School helper
- Kindergarten: Danielle Songer
- Grades 1, 2: Heidi Lenten
- Grades 3, 4: Kristen DeMarois
- Grade 5: Paulette Patron, Gary Suardini
- Music: Connie Scanlon, Connie Lindblom,  
Dan Lindblom, Katie McEachern

(See more information on Sunday School on page xx.)

Yours in Christ, **Paulette Patron**, Sunday School Coordinator



## You can Choose

Are you interested in a Bible study, or topical study, or perhaps a book club? Come share your ideas on **Thursday, September 7, 6 p.m.**

This is just a sharing session to discuss what you want and when you want it, and how we can support one another. All ideas are welcome, and we will see what comes of it.

**Come learn and grow together in Christ.**  
*It's what we're called to do.*



## 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, 2nd Service** each month, Connie & Dan Lindblom & Immanuel's Youth lead the service music. Come join us.



## Project Keep Kids Warm

Your mission, should you decide to accept it: *Project Keep Kids Warm* is our Christian effort on the west-end of

Marquette County to provide warm winter clothes for local children. Be a part of giving and collecting these warm winter clothes by volunteering to prepare donation bags, be a driver or walker who collects donated clothes across Negaunee, help feed other volunteers, and/or sort clothing by size (and possibly gender). Immanuel Lutheran Church is hosting this event and will provide refreshments for the volunteers. Sign up today at church. There will be sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall to volunteer for various tasks. Or, contact the office.

- **Sept. 19** (Tues.) at 6:00 pm – Assemble Collection Bags (at Immanuel)
- **Sept. 23** (Sat.) at 10:00 am – Distribute Collection Bags across the communities (start at Immanuel)
- **Sept. 30** (Saturday) at 10:00 am - Collect Clothes Bags from across the communities (start at ILC)
- Provide food for volunteers on the above Saturdays (**Sept. 23** and/or **30**)
- **Oct. 5** (Thursday) at 5:00 pm - Sort Clothes (at Ishpeming Armory)
- **Oct. 7** (Saturday) from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm – “Shopping” Day (at the Armory)



**Are you in need of warm winter clothes for your children or know of someone who is? Clothing items will be available to the public at the Ishpeming Armory on Saturday, Oct. 7, from 9am - 1pm.**





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

**A Vacation Bible School Report**

Once again, Vacation Bible School (VBS) has come and gone for another year. **“Maker Fun Factory”** VBS was hosted at **St. Paul Catholic Church** at 202 W. Case St., Negaunee. At Maker Fun Factory kids embarked on a VBS adventure that traveled through field-tested rotations that reinforced relevant Bible points and immersed kids in new adventures. The Bible content & Buddies showed how kids experience God’s Word. At *Maker Fun Factory*, one memorable Bible Point was reinforced each day. For example on Day 1, kids met Decker, the Decoration Crab where they learned that *“God made you,”* related to Psalm 139:14, and Genesis 1:26-24, plus a Bible story. Then, on Day 2 they met Tina, the Cathedral termite where they learned *“God is for you,”* related to Romans 8:31 and Joshua 1-2, plus a Bible story. On Days 3, 4, & 5, they met Bubba, Skylar, & Abbee. It was exciting. They started the day together, sang a fun mix of memorable worship & praise songs echoing Bible truths. Leaders made it easy for kids to remember & apply to real life what they learned! Kids experienced God’s Word in surprising and unforgettable ways!



Our Bible VBS theme was Created by GOD - Built for a Purpose. One of the best parts about *Maker Fun Factory* VBS was the Award-Winning Music! Songs sung were: *Made for This, The Maker, Love Comes Down, He’s Got the Whole World, . . . , A Happy Day, You Forgive Me.*

VBS was 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 was no fee for VBS. (although, donations are always appreciated.)

VBS had many volunteers. Thank You to Everyone who were so willing to help in any way, whether lead-



ing groups, registration tables, in the kitchen, etc.... Without the help of YOU, VBS could not go on. So, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. Everyone had a fun time!

**THE EQUAL EXCHANGE TABLE**

The Equal Exchange Table located by the Fellowship Hall, will have reduced inventory in the future. Some of the coffee that was selling well a couple of years ago is no longer moving quickly and becoming out-dated. All of the coffee on the table now is dated use by 2017 and 2018. If there is any product that you would like ordered from Equal Exchange, please call Martha Hayward (475-7582) and she will include it in the next order. Thanks for your support for these products which honor the small farmers in third world countries.



**SOCIAL MINISTRY**



**SECOND SUNDAY MISSION** for September and October donations will go to Beacon House, 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. Currently needed are paper products, i.e., toilet paper, paper towels, tissues.

**“GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS.” SUNDAY** is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor every day. Social Ministry has planned two events:



- On Sunday, September 10 between services, join us in the Fellowship Hall as we put together health kits for Lutheran World Relief.
- Friday, September 15 we will provide lunches for workers who are volunteering at Marquette County Habitat for Humanity build site. A sign-up sheet will be in the Fellowship Hall for donations of food and beverages.

**PROJECT KEEP KIDS WARM** See article on page 2.

**ROOM AT THE INN** The Social Ministry Committee will begin to look at the many ways to assist homeless persons being sheltered at the Inn until permanent housing can be found. One consideration being explored is hosting a week of shelter services and meals at a Marquette church. As we explore this ministry please feel free to contact any of the Social Ministry Committee members with your ideas.



**Marquette County CROP Walk**  
**Oct. 1, 2017** ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME  
**First Presbyterian Church**  
**120 N. Front St., Marquette MI**

Join Immanuel’s CROP Walk Team and help eradicate hunger by raising funds that will empower and feed hungry people around the world. Of the funds raised, 75% will care for people beyond our local scene through **Church World Service**, and 25% will support people through **Room at the Inn** and its **Warming Center**.

See Pastor Steve to join Immanuel’s Walk Team and receive your walk collection packet... OR join online.

- ⇒ Walk Registration: 1:30 pm
- ⇒ 5K walk begins at 2:00 pm – walk will start at First Presbyterian Church, go North on Front St. to Fair Ave. turn right and go to the bike path, turn right at bike path and go South to Spring St. turn right to Front St. and back to First Presbyterian Church.
- ⇒ Refreshments to follow.

See Pastor Steve with questions. You may also donate or join the team online at <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/marquettemi/ImmanuelNegaunee>



## September & October Mission Emphases

In **September**, our mission emphasis is the *Always Being Made New Campaign for the ELCA and our Northern Great Lakes Synod*. As members of



the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) we share a living, daring confidence in God's grace. And through God's grace, we are freed to love and serve our neighbors. *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA* is our opportunity to invest in the future of this church, deepen relationships and expand ministry opportunities that serve our neighbors and communities in the United States and around the world. For 2017, Campaign offerings will be divided between a partnership through which ELCA members can receive training in evangelism from the ELCT AND facilitating visits between our churches.

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



In **October**, we focus on *Immanuel's Good Samaritan Fund*, a beyond-the-budget financial resource that empowers Pastor Steve, when appropriate, to back up caring words with caring action for needy people within our congregation and beyond.

What do people who need a Good Samaritan look like? They're people who have come into hard times for various reasons and are feeling very much alone. Perhaps they've lost their job or can't find a job with enough wage or hours. Perhaps they've been hit by illness of body or mind and just can't keep up. Perhaps they're experiencing the financial grief that can come right alongside the greater grief of death or divorce. Perhaps they've made poor decisions but are trying to put life back in order. These and more are their stories, and their very real needs can include help with rent, utilities, food, fuel, etc, etc, etc. What do people who need a Good Samaritan look like? They look a lot like you and me.

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

**NOTE:** While *Love INC CUP* blesses the church with better coordination of holistic care for neighbor, *Love INC CUP* does not itself pay out funds toward the care of people. *Immanuel's Good Samaritan Fund* is still needed.

## A Clearinghouse Coordinator has been selected



A Clearinghouse Coordinator has been selected. Her name is Lauri Kass. So, the Love INC CUP is fully functional. Their contact number is (906) 486-8287. They can still use volunteers. Thank you.



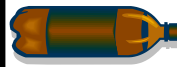
### Fundraisers for Youth

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 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!

Christ Alone



### 500th Commemoration of the Reformation

As of October 31, 2017, it will be 499 years since Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses on the Castle Church door in Wittenberg, Germany, challenging fellow academics to debate on indulgences. So much more was begun!

Throughout this coming year, we'll remember Reformation in both silly and serious ways each month. What's up next?

- **October 10 @ 7:00 pm** – Hymns & Hopps at Digs Gas-tropub in Marquette (154 W Washington)
- **October 22 between services** – Share your confirmation picture, certificate, and/or verse on this Confirmation Sunday during the coffee hour.
- **October 29 & 30** – Worship with Luther hymns and writings during our Reformation Sunday services.
- **November 4 @ 1:00 pm** – Press apple cider at the Lindblom's house (109 W. Arch, Negaunee), remembering that Luther when asked what he'd do if he knew the world would end tomorrow responded, "I'd plant an apple tree."
- **December 9** – Christmas Market (see pg. ??)

If you'd like to join this planning, please contact Connie Lindblom (475-6139) or Alice Zinsser (475-7147).

**LWR**

**Lutheran World Relief (LWR)  
Boxcar Loading of Quilts & Kits  
Saturday, October 7, 2017, 9 am - 1 pm**

This will take place at the railroad yard, Wisconsin Central Siding on Lakeshore Drive in Ishpeming.

**We will need volunteers to help load & deliver the boxes to the box car.** Please call the office (475-9161) if you are interested in helping. Or, if you have other questions, please call Pastor Kenneth Lahners at Trinity in Ishpeming, 486-6791.



**IMMANUEL WOMEN of the ELCA  
- A CELEBRATION OF  
CHURCH WOMEN**

Circle meetings begin in September and will meet on:

- Miriam -- Tuesdays, 9:30 am at Immanuel Church
- Abigail -- Wednesdays, 1:30 pm at Lakeview Apartments.

New members and visitors are always welcome. The Circle gathering begins with a Bible Study from the *Gather Magazine*. All women are welcome to join a Circle. Come and see.

**PROJECT FOR THE MONTH of SEPTEMBER 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 & centi-meters, a pencil sharpener, 6 new pencils with erasers, 12 sheets of colored construction paper, and a box of crayons (8, 16 or 24 size). Take a 12" x 14" cloth bag (Bags are already made and can be found in the LWR plastic bin) and 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.

**W.E.L.C.A. CALENDAR for SEPTEMBER**

- 6 - 7:00 pm, Executive Board Meeting (Multi-purpose Rm)
- 7, 14, 21, 28 - 1:00 pm, Quilting
- 15 - (1-Day) SWO Convention at Fortune Lake  
Cheryl Ulvila is our delegate. Visitors are welcome.
- 16-17 - Women's Fall Retreat at FLLBC (Registration for Fortune Lake Fall Retreat is still available. See Jonelle Collins for more information.)
- 19 - 9:30 am, Miriam Circle
- 20 - 1:30 pm, Abigail Circle (meets at Lakeview Apt)
- 24 - 3:00 pm, Fall Cluster Meeting (at Bethany - Neg.)  
(Registration at 2:30 pm; Meeting & Supper@ 3 pm)  
RSVP by Monday, September 18th.

**Project: School Kits**

**PROJECT OF THE MONTH of OCTOBER** - is Packing of the Quilts, the School Kits, and the Layette Kits (all Lutheran World Relief Items) and bringing them to the boxcar in Ishpeming.

Sunday, October 1, will be 'Quilt Kits and Blanket Sunday.' Quilts and kits will be displayed and dedicated. Those wishing to make monetary contributions may place envelopes into the offering labeled **LWR**. Checks can be made to Immanuel and noted **Luther World Relief**. Information about packing & sending boxes will be announced in the bulletin.

**W.E.L.C.A. CALENDAR for OCTOBER**

- 1 - (1st Sunday), WELCA / Quilt / Blanket / Kits Sunday
- 5, 12, 19, 26 - 1:00 pm, Quilting
- 17 - 9:30 am, Miriam Circle
- 17 - 2:15 pm, Eastwood Worship Services (All women of Immanuel are encouraged to attend. Cookies appreciated.)
- 18 - 1:30 pm, Abigail Circle at Lakeview Apartments

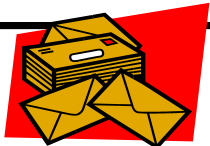
**Project: LWR** - Packing of Lutheran World Relief Items

There were no **WELCA** donations.

**2018 ENVELOPE BOXES**

*The 2018 Envelope Boxes will be available for pick-up in November.*

**NOTE:** This year we are going to be assigned **NEW ENVELOPE NUMBERS** because not as many boxes are needed. When done, **PLEASE pick yours up from the table near the Fellowship Hall.** If you cannot find your box or would now like to receive a Contribution Box, call or stop by the office. Let us know. Thank you!!



**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 Pam 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, Saturday night social, workshop materials, coffee café. Sign up now.

**Check out upcoming Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Retreats online**, including REF FEST (Junior High Retreat) November 3-4 and UFO Retreat (Unfinished Arts & Crafts Objects) November 3-5.

**Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp Fall Fest** Quilt and Fine Arts Auction is Saturday, October 7.

**Fall Christian Women's Fellowship**



Our next meeting will be at Immanuel Lutheran Church, US 41 E, Negaunee, on **Thursday, September 14th, 9:30am-11:00am.**

Come for fellowship & a light lunch. Refreshments will be served — **\$5.00**. The guest speaker is Norma Nominelli. Music by Men's Singing Gospel. For Reservations: Call Alice: 475-7147



## 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.

## 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). This year's theme: **The Creed.**

## Don't Forget: AN 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.



## 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/](http://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.

## 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 on our church website and in live conversation on Sundays at 9:45 am, beginning September 17th.

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! Your questions and insights into theological issues are welcome. Check it out and bring your ideas!

GOING deeper

Going Deeper in Discipleship



## 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!

## Immanuel Christmas Market



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As part of the yearlong Reformation 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, we are planning a German-style Christmas Market for **Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>** (possibly carry over to Sunday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>.) While the event is still in the planning stages, we would like all of the various groups and committees within the Immanuel congregation to be a part of this market by having their own kiosk (table). These could include crafts, food, bakery, etc. The Quilters are already planning their contributions! Would you be willing to help out with set-up, decorations, kids' activities, etc.? While we have some ideas for activities for the kids (thank you Paulette Patron), all ideas are welcome! We need your participation to make this a success. Details will be in the November/December Beacon and the Sunday/Monday bulletins as we get closer to the date. For more information or to sign-up, please contact Connie Lindblom (475-6139) or Alice Zinsser (475-7147).



**CHOIR STARTING UP FOR THE YEAR NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**  
**Wednesday, 6pm, Sept. 6**  
**We need YOU!**  
**Meet in the Music Room.**



## 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**.

Call the Synod Office (906-228-2300) to sign up by Sept. 15th.



### 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 Worship Committee. Don't miss it!! Bring your whole Altar Guild!! Ecumenical!! Learn the finer details and best practices!!



**ALTER GUILD CHANGES** Altar guild help is needed. After nearly 5 years of taking care of the altar duties Cheryl Dix has decided to resign. We are in need of people who are interested in setting and cleaning up communion and or changing the parameters on the altar. Please contact [Virginia Paulson](mailto:Virginia Paulson) at 475-9641 if you are interested in serving in this ministry. Scheduling can be flexible and training can be provided if necessary.

## PRISON MINISTRY NEWS

**KERYX 48, OCTOBER 19-22, 2017**



Fellow Members of Immanuel,

Once again, a team of 25 Christian men who will be conducting a KERYX weekend for a group of inmates at the Marquette Branch Prison, October 19-22. KERYX 48 is similar to the CURSILLO, Emmaus, and Via de Christo programs and is adapted to the prison environment. It is a condensed, life-changing course in Christianity offered to 24 new inmates every 6 months.

We will begin Thursday afternoon and continue until Sunday afternoon. The team will spend the nights at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church where breakfast is also provided at 5:30 am. We join the inmates for our other meals.

I am requesting your support in two ways:

1. We will need cookies for the correction officers and prison staff as a reward and incentive for all of the additional responsibilities created by our program.
2. We need our congregation's prayer support that the Holy Spirit will open the minds & hearts of the inmates so that they may more fully receive and accept the Lord Jesus in their lives. Also, prayers that the team will effectively reflect God's love for these inmates. A prayer vigil will be in progress during the duration of the weekend, along with support from similar groups worldwide.

Sign-up sheets for the prayer vigil will be passed out during the coffee-time and then available on the bulletin board outside the Office. Cookies can be put in a disposable container in the kitchen, labeled "**Prison**". They need to be ready for pick-up by noon on Thursday, **October 19**.

Thank you in advance for your support of this effort of evangelization and work of mercy.

*"For I was ... In prison and you visited me."*

**Matthew 25:35-36**

Jim Hayward, Social Ministry Committee

## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

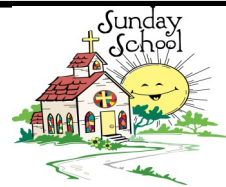
### SUNDAY SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Faith is a gift from God that deepens as we "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." (2 Peter 3:18)

All lessons are being designed here at Immanuel to:

- utilize the strengths of our Congregation
- help students and families know more about our Lord and Savior and so grow in faith.

In the first quarter lessons will focus on Holy Communion, Worship and a short unit on Luther and the Reformation. Old Testament lessons will bring us up to Advent and Christmas. The Ministry of Jesus will be the focus of most of the lessons in 2018. We will conclude with lessons about the early Church.



# LAY SCHOOL NEWS Fall 2017



**For the fall semester we will be trying a different format so please read carefully!**

The afternoon classes will continue to be held on Tuesdays beginning on September 5<sup>th</sup>. The tentative ending date is November 28<sup>th</sup> but Halloween and weather could push things to December 5<sup>th</sup>. Classes will not meet during Thanksgiving week.

\*\*\* The big change is that the evening classes will be moved to Wednesday. For the first three weeks class will begin at 6 pm and go until 8:30. In late September the classes will become part of Messiah's *Wednesday Night Life* program. The WNL program begins with a meal at 5:30 pm followed by a Vespers service at 6. Lay School classes would then begin at 6:30 and go until 8:30. Lay School participants are invited to come for the meal and/or worship as well as the evening's class.

Classes will be held at Messiah, Marquette (305 W. Magnetic) with Pastor Warren Geier (Bethany, Ishpeming) as the site coordinator.

Four classes will be offered in the Fall 2017 semester, Early Church History and Worship and Liturgics on Tuesdays, Gospels and World Religions on Wednesdays. **(please note the dates and times for each class as they do vary)**

- ◆ **Early Church History** Tuesdays, Sept 5<sup>th</sup> to Oct 10<sup>th</sup> (3-5:30pm) (6 sessions) This class will focus on the development of the early church and the issues that led to the Seven Ecumenical Councils out of which most of our basic theology comes. The development of the Bible, the Nicene Creed and other doctrines concerning Jesus will be examined. (Pastor Warren Geier)
- ◆ **Gospels** Wednesdays, Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> (6-8:30) Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> (6:30-8:30) (7 sessions total) An examination of the four gospels exploring the common message presented by the four evangelists, but also the unique aspects of each work. (Pastor Allan Johnson)
- ◆ **Worship and Liturgics** Tuesdays, Oct 17<sup>th</sup> to Nov 28<sup>th</sup> (3-5:30) (6 sessions) This class will focus on leading worship (why we do what do) and also on understanding the symbols we use, the church calendar, and the liturgical structure of worship. (instructor TBA)
- ◆ **World Religions** Wednesdays, Oct 25<sup>th</sup> to Nov 29<sup>th</sup> (6:30-8:30pm) (5 sessions) An overview of the essentials of the Christian faith and then a comparison with other religions of the world including Judaism, Islam and Buddhism. The hope is to have practitioners of other religions speak about their faith (Instructors TBA)

The Tuesday/Wednesday format does represent a significant change but it seems like it's worth a try for the fall semester. We'll evaluate as we go.

A reminder that there is no tuition; the only cost is for books (and instructors do their best to keep that within reason.)

**As is always the case, we need new students! It should be emphasized though that one does not have to sign up for all the classes, one does not have to complete all the classes in a certain period of time, one does not even have to complete all the classes ever. You can take as much or as little as works**  
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(Lay School News continues .....)

**for your schedule and your interests. The program is designed to be flexible. Also, Lay School is not designed to produce Licensed Lay Ministers. With further work beyond Lay School that is a possibility and some graduates have gone in that direction, but most students are just interested in growing in faith and becoming more active in their own congregations.**

To register for classes, or if you have specific questions, contact Pastor Steve or Pastor Geier (486-4351; pastor@bethanyishpeming.org). If you would like more detailed information on any of the classes contact Pastor Geier.

It would be great to have some new students give Lay School a try, so consider this a personal invitation! If you're not sure, try a course and see how it goes. You will grow in faith and you and your church will benefit from your involvement!

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**



### **SUNDAY SCHOOL BIBLES**

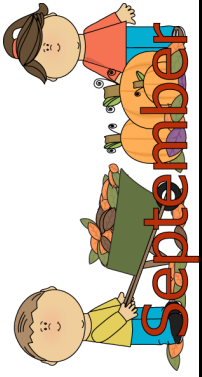
Martin Luther was very adamant that all people have access to the scriptures. He worked to translate the Bible into the common German language so all families could read and understand the Bible.

So, another Sunday School change is that all children will have access to the scriptures in an age appropriate book! In the past, there have been several different Bibles and Bible Storybooks in use across the grades. Some classes used a Bible Storybook that was big, heavy, and expensive. The teacher read the story, but there were only a few books to share among the students. This Storybook did not support beginning readers. Some- such as the Spark NRSV which we had been using-has a High School reading level. The Good News Bible is easy to read translation, but the ideas from the original texts are not as easy to understand.

Our Committee made a selection from a variety of books available. None of the books were perfect for every use, but we made choices based on accurate presentation of the scripture message, readability, kid appeal and cost. So:


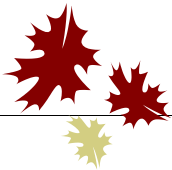
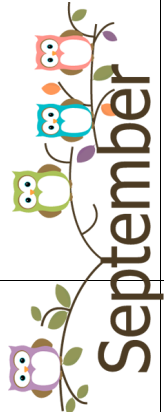
- Students Preschool through Grade 2 will use *The Beginners Bible*, written for ages 4-8. This book does not present the whole Bible, but introduces children to the major characters and stories of God's plan for his people. There is a short text on each page with an illustration to show the characters, action & setting. The pictures match the story, so younger students can use the pictures to know what is happening in the story. Beginning readers can use the pictures to help them read the words.
- Grades 3-5 will each have *Extreme Faith, Contemporary English Version*. It is a complete Bible with idea to idea translation rather than a strict word for word translation. It is written to be easier to read and listen to without misunderstanding. It has an early 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading level.



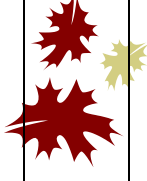


# September 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>3 13th Sun. After Pentecost</b> 9:00 Worship (LAST 9 am Service) - Baptisms (3) 10:00 Coffee & Fellowship 7:00 AA	 <b>4</b> <b>CLOSED</b> <b>IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY</b> <b>Be Safe!</b> <b>NO 6 PM Worship</b>	<b>5</b> Lay School Begins @ Messiah in Marquette	 <b>6</b> 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice Begins 7:00 WELCA Brd Meeting	<b>7</b> 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study Group Gathers for Decisions	<b>8</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>9</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED
<b>10 14th Sun. After Pentecost</b> <b>cost</b> <b>"God's Work - Our Hand's"</b> 8:30 Worship 9:30 Coffee & Fellowship 10:15 Sunday School Kick-Off 10:30 Worship (NEW time) 11:30 Youth Committee (F-H) 7:00 AA	<b>11</b> 2:00 Social Ministry Mtg 6:00 Worship	<b>12</b> 9:30 Miriam Circle 6:00 Bag Assembly (Project Keep Kids Warm) 6:00 Executive Comm. Mtg. 6:30 Church Council	<b>13</b> 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>14</b> 9-12:00 Christian Woman Brunch, gathering 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study	<b>15</b> 10:00 AA 1-day SWO - Fortune Lake Provide lunch for Habitat For Humanity Build OFFICE CLOSED	<b>16</b> 16-17th Fall Women's Retreat Fortune Lake Luth. Camp
<b>17 15th Sun. After Pentecost</b> <b>cost</b> 8:30 Worship 9:30 Coffee & Fellowship 9:45 Go Deeper w/P.Steve 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 6:00 Alpha @ Bethany (Neg.,) 7:00 AA	<b>18</b> 6:00 Worship - Camp Style 7:00 Fall Orientation Night (6th-8th Grades)	<b>19</b> 9:30 Miriam Circle 6:00 Bag Assembly (Project Keep Kids Warm) 6:00 Executive Comm. Mtg. 6:30 Church Council	<b>20</b> 10:00 Bible Study 11:30 Neg.Ministerial Assoc. @ St. John's Episcopal (Neg) 1:30 Abigail Circle (Lakeview) 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>21</b> 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study	<b>22</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>23</b> 10 Project Keep Kids Warm (bag distribution) Provide food for volunteers
<b>24 16th Sun. After Pentecost</b> <b>cost</b> 8:30 Worship 9:30 Coffee & Fellowship 9:45 Go Deeper w/P.Steve 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 3:00 Fall Cluster Mtg (TBA) 6:00 Alpha @ Bethany (Neg.) 7:00 AA	<b>25</b> 6:00 Worship	 <b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice 7:00 Faith Formation Group	<b>28</b> 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study	<b>29</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>30</b> 8:30-2:30 Altar Guild Workshop @ Bethany in Ishpeming 10 Project Keep Kids Warm (bag collection) Provide food for volunteers

**SERVING THE LORD . . . . . FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER**



<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Comm. Asst.</u>	<u>Counters</u>
3 ***	<u>9:00 AM</u> (Last Sun. w/ 1 serv.)	Mary Ann Laukka Alice Mutkala	Dave Roberts Pat Roberts	Dan Collins	Dan & Fae Collins Jonelle Colline	Fae Collins Sharon Gagnon Mike Frustaglio

**4 NO SERVICE NO SERVICE LABOR DAY NO SERVICE**

<b>10</b>	<b><u>8:30 AM</u></b>	Mary Ann Laukka Alice Mutkala	Dave Roberts Pat Roberts	Mary Ann Laukka	Linda Dillman Walter Scanlon	Sue Wickstrom Bev Stromquist
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Jill Jarvi Sierra Hendrickson	Dale Jarvi Bryce Jarvi	Dan Lindblom	Deb Moyer Janet Penhale	Dave Stromquist
<b>11</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Callie McEachern Katie McEachern	Ron Ulvila Cheryl Ulvila	Dan Kill	Sheila Meier	

<b>17</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Valerie Paulson Virginia Paulson	Mary Ann Laukka Robert Sylvester	Jim Kallioinen	Gary & Linda Sjolund Diane Faust	Barb Smith Judy Hallgren
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Jill Jarvi Sierra Hendrickson	Dale Jarvi Bryce Jarvi	Kevin Crupi	Kay Korpi, Deb Moyer, Hayley Smith	Dave Hallgren
<b>18</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Callie McEachern Katie McEachern	Ron Ulvila Cheryl Ulvila	Katie McEachern	Stacy McEachern Katie McEachern	

<b>24</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Valerie Paulson Virginia Paulson	Mary Ann Laukka Robert Sylvester	Walter Scanlon	Dave Roberts Pat Roberts	Mike Frustaglio Leslie Suardini
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Jill Jarvi Sierra Hendrickson	Dale Jarvi Bryce Jarvi	Noreen Collins	Cheryl Dix Kristine Hill-Alderton	Linda Ogea

<b>24</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Callie McEachern Katie McEachern	Ron Ulvila Cheryl Ulvila	Julie Mager	Julie Mager	
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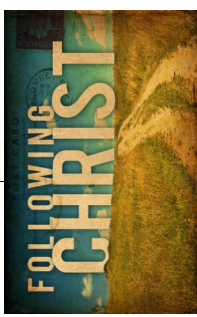

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SEPTEMBER COFFEE SERVERS: SENIOR CHOIR



# October 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 17th Sun. after Pentecost</b> <b>WELCA Quilt/Blanket Sunday</b> <b>Companion Synod Sunday</b> 8:30 Worship 9:30 C & F (Synod Presentation) 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 2:00 CROP Walk (Mgt. @ 1st Pres)	<b>2 Companion Synod Monday</b> 6:00 Worship 7:00 Confirmation Starts	<b>3</b> 7:00 Hymns & Hops @ 'Digs' Gastro Pub (154 W. Washing St., Mgt)	<b>4</b> 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>5</b> 1:00 Quilting 5:00 Project Keep Kids Warm Sorting of the Clothes @ Ishpeming Armory 6:00 Bible Study	<b>6</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>7</b> 9:00-1:00 LWR Boxcar Loading, Ishpeming 9:00-1:00pm Keep Kids Warm Shopping Day @ Ishpeming Armory
<b>8 18th Sun. after Pentecost</b> 8:30 Worship 9:30 Coffee & Fellowship 9:45 Go Deeper w/P. Steve 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship - Youth Lead 6:00 Alpha (Bethany)	<b>9</b> 6:00 Worship 7:00 Confirmation	<b>10</b> 7:00 Hymns & Hops @ 'Digs' Gastro Pub (154 W. Washing St., Mgt)	<b>11</b> 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice 6:30-8:00 Girl Scouts	<b>12</b> 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study	<b>13</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>14</b>
<b>15 19th Sun after Pentecost</b> <b>Faith Journey—Confirmands</b> 8:30 Worship 9:30 C & F (Faith Journey) 9:45 NO Bible Study 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 6:00 Alpha (Bethany)	<b>16</b> 6:00 Worship - Camp Style 7:00 Confirmation	<b>17</b> 9:30 Miriam Circle 2:15 Eastwood Worship 6:00 Executive Comm. Mtg 6:30 Church Council	<b>18</b> 10:00 Bible Study 11:30 Neg. Ministerial Assoc. @ Immanuel Lutheran 1:30 Abigail Circle (Lakeview) 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>19</b> KEROX 48 (19th-22nd) (cookies needed by 12N) 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study	<b>20</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>21</b> 1:30 Installation of Bishop Elect Finegan @ St. Peter's Cathedral, Marquette 3:00 Reception of Bishop Finegan @ Holiday Inn, Mgt. (no advance registration. All are welcome)
<b>22 20th Sun. after Pentecost</b> <b>Confirmation Sunday</b> 8:30 Worship - Confirmation 9:30 Coffee & Fellowship 9:45 NO Bible Study 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 4:00 Worship - Lighthouse 6:00 Alpha (Bethany)	<b>23</b> 6:00 Worship 7:00 Confirmation	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>26</b> 1:00 Quilting 6:00 Bible Study	<b>27</b> 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	<b>28</b>
<b>29 Reformation Sunday</b> <b>500th Anniversary of Luther</b> 8:30 Worship 9:30 Coffee & Fellowship 9:45 Reformation Activities 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 6:00 Alpha (Bethany) 7:00 AA	<b>30</b> 6:00 Worship 7:00 Confirmation	<b>31</b> 499th Anniversary of Luther's Nailing of his Thesis on the Door of Wittenburg Castle 				

**SERVING THE LORD ..... FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER**

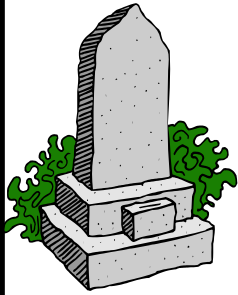
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<b>1</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Sue Cathcart Terry Cathcart	Dave Hallgren Judy Hallgren	Donna Hayrynen	Jean Manginen	Fae Collins Linda Dillman
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Nicole Whitford Ronette Coduti	John Kamppinen Reuven Romback	Kathy Sundine	Bob & Maxine Sylvester Randy & Julie Carlson	Lillia Rivers
<b>2</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Morgan Carlson Jace Turri	Heidi Lenten Riley Carlson	Sheila Meier	Hayley Smith Sheila Meier Linda Ogea	
<b>8</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Sue Cathcart Terry Cathcart	Dave Hallgren Judy Hallgren	Linda Derocher	Terry Garceau Sarah Garceau	Leslie Suardini Judy Hallgren
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Nicole Whitford Ronette Coduti	John Kamppinen Reuven Romback	Kathleen Partanen	Millie Balzarini Cheryl Dix Jill Sladek	Dave Hallgren
<b>9</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Morgan Carlson Jace Turri	Heidi Lenten Riley Carlson	Jill Sladek		
<b>15</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Sue Cathcart Terry Cathcart	Dave Hallgren Judy Hallgren	Gary Suardini	Alice & Bill Zinsser Alice Mutkala	Barb Smith Sharon Gagnon
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Nicole Whitford Ronette Coduti	John Kamppinen Reuven Romback	Reuven Romback	Carole & Soren Spickerman Drake Spickerman	Linda Ogea
<b>16</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Morgan Carlson Jace Turri	Heidi Lenten Riley Carlson	Katie McEachern	Stacy McEachern Katie McEachern	
<b>22</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Maxine Sylvester Robert Sylvester	Marty Saari Kyle Saari	Alice Mutkala	Linda Dillman Shirley Koski	Barb Smith Dave Stromquist
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Kevin Crupi Deb Moyer	Deb Moyer Mike Frustaglio	Kay Korpi	Kay Korpi Cody Scanlon	Bev Stromquist
<b>23</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Kaylen Wallner Riley Carlson	Kaelyn Amis Need Volunteer	Dan Kill	Connie Champion	
<b>29</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Maxine Sylvester Robert Sylvester	Marty Saari Kyle Saari	Virginia Paulson	Terry Cathcart Sue Cathcart	Fae Collins Judy Hallgren
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	Kevin Crupi Deb Moyer	Deb Moyer Mike Frustaglio	Kristine Alderton	John Kamppinen Phillip Lindblom	Dave Hallgren
<b>30</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	Kaylen Wallner Riley Carlson	Corey Holcomb Kaelyn Amis	Julie Mager	Julie Mager	

PARAMENT COLORS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER: Green - 1, 8, 15, 22. Red - 29.

OCTOBER COFFEE SERVERS: PROPERTY/STAFF SUPPORT



## SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:



.... Maryellen (Jason Paul) Charbonneau (Poutanen), on the loss of her grandmother-in-law, **Anita Mariam Lehtinen**, on Saturday, June 24. Also, condolences to great-grandchildren: Alexis, Allison, & Maggie Charbonneau, and all of the Lehtinen / Charbonneau Family.

### MEMORIALS

#### IN MEMORY OF RONALD LEE ISAACSON

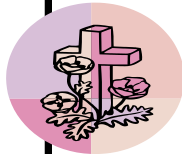
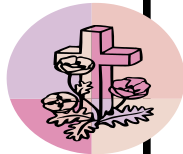
Donald & Mary Leece

#### IN MEMORY OF JEFF ROSTEN on his BIRTHDAY

Paul & Arlene Rosten

#### IN HONOR OF THE 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY of AL & KATHY SUNDINE

Jonelle Collins



## CONGRATULATIONS!

**GOD'S BLESSINGS** to those members of mmanuel who celebrate milestones in their marriage in the months of: **SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER**

### 20 YEARS & OVER

9/03 - Lori & Mark Young - 23 years  
9/07 - Tanya & David Johnson - 21 years  
9/17 - Luanne & Thomas Skrenes - 29 years  
9/23 - Kurt & Sandra Collins - 28 years

10/10 - Daniel & Lori Kill - 25 years  
10/24 - Michael & Ami Klein - 25 years  
10/27 - Kevin & Lorraine Laukka - 21 years  
10/29 - Charles & Kristen Marcotte - 23 years

### 30 YEARS & OVER

9/02 - James & Martha Hayward - 39 years  
9/11 - Connie & Stephen Kemper - 35 years  
9/14 - Daniel & Colleen Lajoie - 32 years  
9/22 - Danny & Heidi Hill - 38 years  
9/23 - Duane & Cindy Sirtola - 39 years  
9/27 - Jay & Merry Bengry - 37 years

10/12 - Walter & Connie Scanlon - 33 years  
10/12 - Carol & Dale Bayer - 33 years  
10/25 - Annette & Edwin Jachimski - 32 years

### 40 YEARS & OVER

9/09 - Roland & Barbara Koski - 45 years  
9/26 - Daryl & Sharlene Hoiem - 47 years

10/13 - Kimberly & Gary Stille - 44 years  
10/23 - Ronette & Mick Coduti - 41 years

### 50 YEARS & OVER

9/04 - Paul & Barbara Smith - 52 years  
9/13 - Donald & Vera Palomaki - 59 years  
9/14 - Gary & Linda Sjolund - 54 years  
9/26 - Paul & Arlene Rosten - 53 years.

## CONGRATULATIONS & GOD'S BLESSINGS



... to the following Confirmation Students, who will be affirming their Baptism on Sunday, October 22nd. Confirmation Sunday has been set

for October 22nd at the 8:30 am worship. A Faith Fair Journey the previous Sunday, October 15, between services will again high-light the faith projects that our confirmands are presently working on. Please pray for the individuals following, tentatively scheduled for their Confirmation: **Morgan Carlson, Sierra Hendrickson, Olivia Krook, Aleah LaJoie, Katie McEachern, Arnold Spickerman, Lily Ulvila, Amara Wallner.**

*"Grow & mature in Jesus Christ with each*



### **A Message from Mother Teresa...**

People are often unreasonable and self-centered. **FORGIVE THEM ANYWAY**  
If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives. **BE KIND ANYWAY**

If you are honest, people may cheat you. **BE HONEST ANYWAY**

If you find happiness, people may be jealous. **BE HAPPY ANYWAY.**

The good you do today may be forgotten. **DO GOOD ANYWAY.**

Give the world your best and it may never be enough. **GIVE YOUR BEST ANYWAY.**

for you see, in the end it is between **YOU AND GOD**

It was never between you and them anyway.

## BAPTISM

### WE WELCOMED INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD:



On May 23rd, we welcomed into the family of God, **Isaac Norbert Roberts**, husband to Emily Jean

(Garceau) Roberts. Robert's parents are Francis & Judith Roberts. Emily's parents are Terry & Sara Garceau, sister, Abby Garceau.



## WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO:

**Brandi Louise Anderson & Adam Duane Maxon** who were married here at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Saturday, August 19th. Their witnesses were Megan Anderson and David Maxon. Brandi's parents are Diane and Steven Anderson.

## Congratulations to...



... **Susan Eman** for being awarded several gift cards from the Negaunee Public Library for the 1st Adult Summer Reading Program conducted by our library. For more details, visit the Negaunee Library or ask Susan about her awards.

... **Brian Waite**, MD, for being named the new director of the Marquette Family Medicine Residency Program.

... **Rachel Gustafson** for graduating from Weber Stat University in Utah, *with honors* and with a Masters Degree in Health Care Administration on April 28th. **Rachel** is the daughter of **Gregg Gustafson** and **Jane Cotterman**.

... **Arthur David Stromquist** for graduating *with honors* from the University of Oregon on June 19th. He also was a pitcher for the University's baseball team, "*The Ducks*", and is the grandson of **Bev & Dave Stromquist**.

... **Larry Dillman** for being selected "*The Veteran of the Year*".

... to the following students who earned a place on the *Negaunee Middle School Honor Roll* for the 4th Marking Period: GRADE 5: **Courtney Beckman, Cassidy Crabb, Owen Debelak, Madison Frustaglio, Anthony Gleason, Kylie Heggaton, Delanee Lenten, Alec Nelson, Riley Williams**; GRADE 6: **Morgan Carilli, Gavin Jacobson, Tatum LaPine, Haylee Lenten, Callie McEachern, Eastor Palomaki, Marianah Speaker, Drake Spickerman, Luke Syrjala, Jace Turri, Jacob Ulvila, Kaylen Wallner**; GRADE 7: **Kaelyn Amis, Zoe Argall, Madeline Leece, Susanna Suardini**; GRADE 8: **Morgan Carlson, Sierra Hendrickson, Aleah LaJoie, Emilia Palomaki, Lily Ulvila, Amara Wallner**.

... to the following students for being named to the 3rd Quarter *Honor Roll at Negaunee High School* for the 2016-2017 academic year: GRADE 9: **Raena Larson, Dawson Makinen, Emily Vercoe**; GRADE 10: **Julia Johnson, Jacob Larson, Shane McEachern, Cassidy Orr, Peter Ruokola, Grace Ulvila**; GRADE 11: **Preston Koski, Nathan Krook, Payton Marcotte, Travis Nelson, Megan Syrjala**; GRADE 12: **Mitchell LaBelle, Joshua Lambertson, Sydney Mattia, Kyle Tincknell, Ethan Wallner**.

... to the following students for being named to the *Ishpeming Middle School Honor Roll*, Quarter 4: GRADE 5: **Emily DeMarois**; GRADE 6: **Marina Pascoe**; GRADE 7: **Ella DeMarois, Dylan Larson**.

... to the following student for being named to the *Ishpeming High School Honor Roll*, Quarter 4: FRESHMAN: **Tanner Romback**

... to the following student for being named to the *Aspen Ridge Middle School Honor Roll*: GRADE 7: **Tyler Annala**.

... to the following student for being named to the *Westwood High School Honor Roll*, Term 3: GRADE 10: **Brandon Beckman**.

... to the following students who were listed on the Winter Semester 2017 Dean's list: **Kendra Klein, Hailee Richards, Samantha Richards, Louis Lenten, Kate Rasmusses, Tyler Thomas**. *Congratulations!*

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.

## Thank You

**PASTOR STEVE, VIRGINIA, FOO, & IMMANUEL CHURCH:** *Thanks for your gracious hospitality for our youth group from Lord of Life Maple Grove Church. The home-away-from-home was perfect as we worked with the Habitat Chapter. A special thanks to the "kitchen staff" for hosting breakfast and dinner on Wednesday. The youth loved a home-cooked meal. Open doors like yours make these youth opportunities possible; and they mean so much to bringing faith alive for high schoolers. Thanks again.* **Janet Surmi and the Youth Group**



- To **Sheila and John Meier** for assembling the Sunday/Monday Bulletins.
- To **Millie Isaacson, Shirley Koski, Shirley Lahti, Mary Ann Laukka, Mary Parkkonen, Lillian Rivers,** and **Marlys Trudgeon** for assembling the July / August 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 **Bill Zinsser** for repairing the kitchen back door and a leaking drain pipi in the sacristy. Also for repairing the lights in the Fellowship Hall.
- To **Paul Smith** for spading the two new flower beds.
- To **Lisa Helstein** for planting the new flowerbeds.
- To **Dan Hendrickson** for constructing the Bus Bench, located on the North West side of the church.
- To **Jim Hayward** for disposing of the old batteries to the Co-op Store in Marquette.
- To **Barbara Smith, Carol Echelbarger,** and **Bob Sylvester** for painting of the Sunday School rooms.
- 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:

**SEPTEMBER** . . . . .

- September 1 - Julie Carlson, Valerie Fetting, Jessica LaPine
- September 2 - Lydia Jarvi, Justin Leppanen, Susan Tincknell
- September 3 - Pamela Anderson, Leah Karki, Samantha Laukka, Ari Rasmussen, Stacy Whitley
- September 4 - Brian Frustaglio, Shane Miller, Virginia O'Brien, Renee Prusi
- September 5 - Carl Baldini, Evan Card, Nicholas St. Amour
- September 6 - Lillian Rivers
- September 7 - Dennis Connors, Tiffany Connors, Kathleen Partanen
- September 8 - Kristine Goupille, Leona Orr, Jonathan Rice, Soren Spickerman
- September 9 - Shannon Derocher-Finnila, RaeAnn Larson, Halle Palomaki, Alissa Thomas
- September 10 - Judith Howe, Charlene Kivisto, Barbara Koski, Linda Ogea, Haley Thomas
- September 11 - Taylor Connors, Nancy Mager, Cameron Soeltner
- September 12 - Quinn Burbach, Christopher Isaacson, Lauren Judd, Jennifer Poutanen, Michelle Rice
- September 13 - Sue Cohan, Sheila Meier
- September 14 - Mildred Isaacson, Steven Solberg
- September 15 - Janice Anderson, Madison Frustaglio, Andrew LaJoie, Paulette Patron
- September 16 - Max Frustaglio
- September 17 - Annaliise Hayrynen, Chyrl Hemmila
- September 19 - Jin Hee Hayward, Kathy Heiskanen, Ty Jacobson
- September 20 - David Alexander, Regina Debelak, Jacque Kurian
- September 21 - Donn Collins, Mia Koski, Kyle Roberts
- September 22 - Lauren Hietikko, Amy St. Amour, James Vercoe
- September 23 - Lois Ellis, Megan Heinlein, Connie Lindblom, Kristin Marcotte, Arlene Rosten
- September 24 - Isabella Coley, Kristine Keranen
- September 25 - Jason Bell, Carl Bergh, Andrew Crow-Roberts, Bradley Frustaglio
- September 26 - Cathy Baldini, Paul Collins, Cross Lakenen
- September 28 - Brett Koski
- September 29 - Daniel Carilli, Roger Heggaton, Benjamin Kowalski
- September 30 - Ireland Villalobos

**OCTOBER** . . . . .

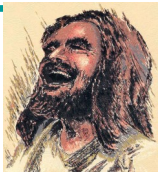
- October 1 - Alexander Partanen, Jodi Skewis
- October 2 - Jason Grant, Charlotte Koski
- October 3 - Jacob Brintlinger, Amy Croschere, Cindy Sue Kendall
- October 4 - Dawn Annala, Nathan Marcotte, Tanya Stanaway

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- October 5 - Michael Ecklid, December Roberts, Cheryl Ulvila
- October 6 - Anne Collins
- October 7 - Elizabeth Lenten-King
- October 8 - Russell Card, Cindy Romback, Alice Zinsser
- October 9 - Daryl Hoiem, Paul Meier
- October 10 - Henna DuMoulin, Brenda Makela, Charles Marcotte, David Rivers, Steve Turri
- October 11 - Megan Anderson, Mitchell Butorac, Nicolle Grant, Tobias Smith
- October 12 - Elisa Card, Adam Collins, Scott Gustafson, Juliana Herman
- October 13 - Alexander Ault, Harrison Karki
- October 14 - William P. Kosonen, Daniel LaJoie, John Makela, Keith Romback, Kathryn Sundine
- October 15 - Matthew Kennedy, Joshua Lambertson
- October 16 - Maryellen Charbonneau, Marjorie Healey
- October 17 - Dustin Montgomery, Robert Sylvester
- October 18 - Kyle Tincknell
- October 19 - Eli Cody, Megan Couture, Susan Wickstrom
- October 20 - Deborah Carey, Mark Jylha, Samantha Richards
- October 22 - Michelle Kowalski, Jason Makinen, Bridget Pancheri
- October 23 - Don Mattson, Anthony Newman
- October 24 - Jacob Espinoza, Steve Paulson, Trevor Purcell, Marlys Trudgeon
- October 25 - Becky Jacobson, Ernest Piirto, Allyson Tincknell
- October 26 - Ryan Collins, Dean Leece, Abram Lenten
- October 29 - Corey Holcomb, William Zinsser
- October 30 - Chet Anderson, Christopher Nelson, Liisa Turri
- October 31 - John Benti, Derek McEachern

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

**EVEN GOD ENJOYS A GOOD LAUGH'**



There are 3 good reasons that Jesus was of color.

1. He called everyone "brother".
2. He liked Gospel.
3. He couldn't get a fair trial.

But, than there are 3 good reasons that Jesus was Jewish.

1. He went into his father's business.
2. He lived at home until he was 33.
3. He was sure his Mother was a virgin and his Mother thought that he was God.

But, then there were 3 equally good reasons that Jesus was Italian.

1. He talked with his hands.
2. He had wine with every meal.
3. He used olive oil

But, then there are 3 equally good reasons that Jesus was a Californian.

1. He never cut his hair.
2. He walked around barefoot all the time
3. He started a new religion.

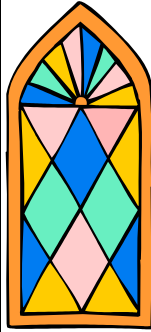
But, then there are 3 equally good arguments that Jesus was Irish.

1. He never married.
2. He was always telling stories.
3. He loved green pastures.

But, the most compelling evidence of all - 3 proofs that Jesus was a woman.

1. He fed a crowd at a moment's notice when there was no food.
2. He kept trying to get a message across to a bunch of men who just didn't get it.
3. And, even when he was dead, He had to get up because there was more work to do.

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 Accompanist: Vicki Lempinen  
 Ministers of Music: Connie & Dan Lindblom  
 Custodian: Roland Koski



## Worship Schedule - Fall / Winter

**\*\* Beginning September 10th \*\***

### Services

Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
 Monday at 6:00 p.m.

### Summer Office Hours

Monday through Thursday  
 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 pm  
 Or by appointment - call 475-9161

Sunday School starts at 10:15 this year.

## 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.

*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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## 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!



**BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH** of Ishpeming invites all women from local ELCA congregations to attend a Potluck Salad Supper on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 6 pm, followed by "Meet the Bishop", a program to be presented by Bishop-elect Katherine Finegan. This will be a great opportunity to meet, greet, & hear about and from the newly elected Bishop of our Northern Great Lakes Synod. You are welcome to bring a salad to share; rolls, desserts & beverages will be provided. Please call by Friday, Sept. 15, if you plan to attend so an approximate count can be determined. Thank you.



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



**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.



## FALL CLUSTER PROGRAM & MEETING, NGLS, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, @ BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH, NEG.

Registration: 2:30 pm; Program & Business Meeting: 3 pm. Cost is \$5.00, payable when you register, Make checks to: NGLSWO. The program will be Dr. Brian Anderson & Mrs. Danielle Anderson speaking on their trip to Tanzania. Special music will be by Kim Lenten. To register call by September 18 to: 475-9533.

## 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.



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