

Immanuel Lutheran Church

September / October 2023

**Grace to you and Peace,
siblings in Christ, in the name of
Jesus our Savior.**



This is the first Beacon article that I've written as your new pastor and as I write, it's been 24 days since I've served here at Immanuel. I'm a rookie here for sure. ;) So far, I've gotta say, it's been a great place to be a rookie!

In this very first greeting, I want to thank you for calling me here. Thank you for entrusting me



with this privilege and honor of being your pastor. (A pastor following really exceptional pastors.) Thank you for the very warm welcome; the personal greetings to my family and I, thoughtful welcome gifts, a beautiful reception after our first worship together, photos and gifts to remember that day, smiles and thank you's, and all of your prayers that have helped us arrive and settle in. Truly, truly, I feel & am so blessed to live and work among you.

I want to share a piece of scripture from our first worship together on August 6. Here is a portion of our Gospel from that Sunday that tells the story of the miracle of the feeding of the 5,000:



*"Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full." **Matthew 14:19-20***

This huge crowd was far from a gas station, grocery store, or drive thru and it was getting late, folks had walked a long way, and had to be hungry. The disciples didn't know what to do but to send them away. Jesus knew what to do though. He took charge, blessed and broke the loaves and put them back into the hands of the disciples who fed the hungry crowd. Everyone ate and was filled with leftovers to boot!

I'll lift up one pearl of wisdom in this story. We don't always have the answers or see a solution to a problem in our lives, but Jesus does. Just as Jesus went to work on their behalf in the story, he is working on our behalf to



help us so that we have plenty of what we need and so that all those around us have plenty too. Life with Jesus is not always easy and we don't always receive what we want, but there is a promise here of blessing what we can offer, including our very selves, and making them far greater than what we could do on our own.

As we walk together, may we remember we need Jesus' help and that what we offer to him is enough. He's the Miracle Worker, Savior & Immanuel, God with us.



*God bless and keep you my friends,
Pastor Bre*

WE WELCOME CHILDREN

At Immanuel Lutheran Church we want to be overrun with children. That would be awesome. Don't let your kids grow up without being in church.



Bring them to church. Saturate their lives with the Word of God. Even if they lay on the floor. Even if they need 437 goldfish and a sucker. Even if you stand in the back swaying back and forth holding them. Even when it's hard. Even when your pew looks like a small hurricane just came through.

Bring them to church. Let them see you worship. Let them see you pray. Let them see you running toward the Savior ... because if they don't see and learn these things from you, from whom are they going to learn it? The world will teach them worship is not a priority. The world will teach them it's okay to not attend church, to not pick up their Bibles. The world will direct them so far off course, confuse them, and misinform them to thinking that just being "good" is enough.

The world won't teach them about Jesus. That's our job. We love your kids and look forward to seeing them here often!
Please bring them to church.

Sunday School Report for September & October, 2023



Sunday School will resume September 10, 2023, with classes for children Age 2 through Grade 5.

Arrival time is 9:15. Bible stories, crafts and snacks are planned for each week.

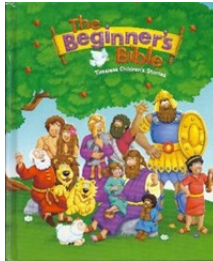
At 10:15 we will join our families in the Sanctuary to participate in Holy Communion and the Children's Sermon.



The success of our Sunday School program lies in having enough classroom staff so the children can successfully learn the stories and do the activities. Classroom assistants are needed.

We particularly need teachers for **Kindergarten and Grades 1, 2.**

The Beginner's Bible will be used. Stories will be designated for each week. Teachers can follow the accompanying lesson plans or develop their own activities.



Information and applications for Sunday School students, classroom helpers and teachers are available in the box on the table in the upper hallway.

Please text Paulette Patron (906)361-1562 for an online application or leave a message with the Office.

Sunday School Baptism and Prayer Project

In September, we will learn about Baptism. The children will learn that in Baptism that they were adopted into God's family and that all of you in the congregation are all their big brothers and big sisters in God's family! The Sunday School children will also be learning about praying for people.

We can never have too many people pray for us!

Here are the ways you can help with this project:

- 1) Select a dove (or several) with children's names and photos from a bulletin board in the entry way. Please take it home and pray for them.
- 2) We will be putting shell cutouts with the bulletins. Please put your name (and names of any one else for whom you would like the children to pray) one per shell. Put your shells in the offering basket.

May we all experience God's renewing power as we pray for each other!



Yours in Christ,
Paulette Patron
Sunday School
Coordinator

2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

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TO BE MYLE
the tAble Young Adult Gathering

2024 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) has announced that the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering will be held in **New Orleans**, July 16-20, 2024. The Gathering pre-events — the Multicultural Youth Leadership Event (MYLE) and the tAble, the ELCA gathering for youth living with disabilities — will be held July 13-16.

The Gathering brings together thousands of high-school age Lutherans from across the country & overseas for faith formation, worship, fellowship and service. The ELCA Young Adult Gathering will take place in New Orleans during the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering (July 16-20, 2024). Programming and content are still being discerned. Young adult participants are invited to join the ELCA Youth Gathering's Mass Gathering and closing worship. The registration fee for the ELCA Young Adult Gathering is \$260 per person, which will increase to \$310 per person on Nov. 2, 2023 and then again to \$360 on Feb. 15, 2024.

Immanuel's 8th—12th grades are planning this trip. This will be a life-changing faith formation event. Youth & chaperones will get to explore the city, connect with others, worship & deep dive into the theme of *Created to Be*. The days will be focused on active exploring, serving & playing. The evenings will be spent enjoying phenomenal speakers on subjects close to the hearts of teens & concerts from Christian musicians who are at the top of the Christian music charts.

For those interested, there will be a meeting on Sunday, August 27th, at 6 pm, at Immanuel where details will be explained, including cost. Because of travel, this group will probably be gone July 15-21st.

A registration form & a non-refundable \$100 deposit is due by **September 11th** for those planning to attend. If you have questions, call or text Stacy @ stacymc6@gmail.org or (906) 361-9123.

All 8-12th graders should have received a letter in the mail concerning this event. If interested, please respond!



JOIN THE CHOIR

**DO YOU LIKE TO SING?
WE NEED YOU!! THE
CHOIR IS STARTING UP**

**AGAIN ON SEPTEMBER 6,
(Wednesday) AT 6 PM IN
THE MUSIC ROOM ON
THE LOWER LEVEL. COME
AND JOIN US THERE.
YOU ARE ALL WELCOME!**





CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, October 1st, the Marquette County CROP Hunger Walk will take place on NMU's campus. The starting/ending point will be the Marquette Hope Connection Center, 927 W. Fair Ave, Marquette. Registration begins at 1:30 pm with Start of Walk at 2 pm.

In 2023, we continue fighting against disease, disaster, displacement and other challenges that leave people hungry. Join with us as we raise funds to help neighbors near and far get the meals they need for today and sustainable food security for tomorrow!

75% of donations will care for the hungry of the world. 25% will stay locally with St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantries across the county AND Northern Michigan University's Food Pantry.

Immanuel has traditionally been a leader in this noble effort. Join our Immanuel Walk Team and raise funds through walk patrons! Call or text Kay Korpi (906- 360-2132). You may also donate or join our Walk team online at <https://events.crop-hungerwalk.org/2023/event/marquettemi>.

What does CROP stand for?

When CROP began in 1947 (under the wing of Church World Service, which was founded in 1946), CROP was an acronym for the "Christian Rural Overseas Program." Its primary mission was to help Midwest farm families to share their grain with hungry neighbors in post-World War II Europe and Asia. Today, we've outgrown the acronym but we retain it as the historic name of the program. CROP Hunger Walks are inter-faith hunger education and fundraising events sponsored by Church World Service and organized by CWS local offices across the U.S. Questions? Call Crystal @ 906-225-0595.



CONFIRMATION DATES

Confirmation will be meeting the 1st Saturday of the month at various churches. Here is what is scheduled to date:

- 1.) Immanuel Lutheran Church**
Saturday, October 7, 2023
9:00 am—12 noon
- 2.) Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Harvey**
Saturday, November 4, 2023, 9:00 am—12 noon
- 3.) Messiah Lutheran Church, Marquette**
Saturday, December 2, 2023, 9:00 am—12 noon

Confirmation will also be meeting on Monday evenings to be scheduled. Stay tuned for further information and developments. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Bre in the office at 906-475-9161.

SAVE THE DATE / OCTOBER 10th Tuesday, 5:30 - 8:30 pm

The Faith Formation Team in conjunction with the Youth Ministry team will be hosting this training event for the Superior Central area of our Synod.

We are working with Stephanie Ehle Youth Coordinator for the Northern Great Lakes Synod to bring this important topic to light.

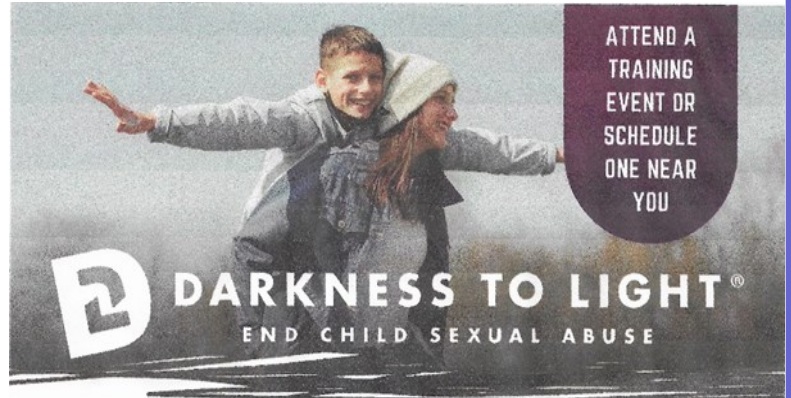
This training event is open clergy as well as non-clergy- Parents, Council members, Sunday School and Youth leaders. We would like to have a core of Immanuel members be trained and then support the rest of the congregation in this important aspect of safety for our children.

Immanuel members are eligible for Thrivent Action Grants: Can anyone at Immanuel write a Thrivent Grant to defray the cost to Immanuel members? Grant writing help is available. The anticipated costs would involve a light supper & the cost of the workbooks for participants.

For further information, contact Stephanie Ehle:

YOUTHCOORDINATOR@NELSYNOD.ORG

Registration will be online: www.nglsynod.org.



ATTEND A TRAINING EVENT OR SCHEDULE ONE NEAR YOU

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN NEGAUNEE

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM**

Pastor Kari Vadis, of Trinity Lutheran in Rhinelander, is an authorized facilitator with Darkness to Light: a leader in child sexual abuse prevention education, research, and advocacy.

A training event in your conference will empower adults to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse through awareness, education, and stigma reduction.

Join the movement toward a world free of child sexual abuse – a world in which adults form prevention-oriented communities that protect the child's right to a healthy childhood.

Join the movement to make your faith community a safe space.



QUESTIONS? CONTACT STEFANIE EHLE: YOUTHCOORDINATOR@NELSYNOD.ORG
REGISTER ONLINE: WWW.NGLSYNOD.ORG

\$10 per person (includes materials, program & food)

This important work is generously supported by the Equipping the Saints Endowment ministry of the NGLS.

September & October Mission Emphases

IN SEPTEMBER . . .

we focus on **ELCA
Disaster Relief (LDR)**,

bringing God's hope,
healing & renewal to



Lutheran Disaster Response

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.

This year, assistance includes wildfires in the western United States, assistance to Eastern European crisis (Ukraine), African drought, Middle Eastern & European refugees, domestic hurricanes, wildfires including Hawaii, floods. The locations change but the need is still there. Also, working with Ukrainian refugees. In this country, relief from hurricanes & severe storms. In the last year, approximately 55% funding went to international disasters, the remainder remained here. *"God is present in the violence, in the crisis, & in the moments of rest"*. (Rev. Rachel Eskeren, LDR)

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, please use September's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelope 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 Immanuel's Good Samaritan Ministry, 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 & 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!*



FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CAMP

Greetings from Fortune Lake!
We've got some important updates on our upcoming Summer Camper Activities:

Summer 2023 Activities Scheduled:

- September 14 - 17, 2023 CDT
Nature Inspired: Fall Wellness Retreat (3-day and 4-day options!) Adults // Join us for either 3 days (Fri-Sun) or 4 days (Thurs-Sun) to refresh, center yourself, and learn more about you and your body! Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp welcomes you back to our annual Wellness Retreat in partnership with Pam Roose of Inspiring Roots, LLC. See Pricing Table
- October 7: FALL FEST 2023: QUILT & FINE ARTS AUCTION FUNDRAISER** Join us in support of the ministry of Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp! Mark your calendars! Our Sisters of the Cloth and other generous artisans and quilters are hard at work to provide the beautiful, high quality items you have come to expect from this event. Join us in support of the ministry of Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp! Thank you to all of the quilters, crafters, and volunteers who make this event possible!

Please point folks to our website for more information & to register: <http://fortunelake.org/> Make it your goal to have all of your campers registered as soon as possible! As always, please let us know if you have any questions. Blessings to you all.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL SUPPLIES



We will be collecting school supplies for Lutheran World Relief. A container for donations will be by the Fellowship Hall door. Items needed are:

- Four 70 Sheet notebooks of wired or college ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 1/2" (no loose leaf paper)
- One 30 centimeter ruler or a 30 centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One pencil sharpener
- One pair blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers, secured with a rubber band
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2 1/2" erasers
- One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag, approximately 14" x 17". Pick up a bag (or more) & fill it up! Instructions for making a school bag pattern are located by the elevator on the WELCA bulletin board.

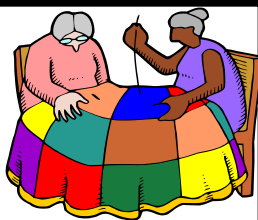
Mark your calendars:

- Tuesday, November 21st, following our Thanksgiving Service, there will be a Fall Pie Fest.
 - Sunday, December 3rd, 5:00 pm, there will be an Advent/Christmas Wreath making & pizza dinner.
- More information to come in the next Beacon.

FORTUNE LAKE FALL FESTIVAL & QUILT AUCTION

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Everyone is invited to Fortune Lake Fall Fest. Come and enjoy a day at your church camp! PLEASE READ THE ARTICLE ON PAGE 4 FOR THE INFORMATION ON THE FALL FESTIVAL AND QUILT AUCTION.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTS AND KITS PACKING



This year, the ingathering for LWR quilt and kit packing will be held at **Messiah Lutheran Church**, 305 W. Magnetic St., Marquette, on **Monday October 23rd, from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.** You will be loading your items on to a semi-truck for transport to the LWR distribution center in St. Paul, MN. If there are any questions or concerns, please call **Jennifer**, Parish Administrator, at **Messiah Lutheran Church**, at **906-225-1119**.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF DONATIONS

The following items are needed. Can you donate any of them? Place them into the LWR bin in the Stewardship Area, near the North side stairs and Fellowship Hall. Items needed are:

- Baby sleepers and gowns
- Gentle bathing soap for both babies & the health kits
- Full size bath towels
- Nail clippers
- Adult T-shirts to make diapers

Fundraisers for Youth

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



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.

NOTICE-> Pop cans & bottles are not collected any longer. After associated Committee discussions, it was decided to discontinue the recycling of cans and bottles. Thanks to all who contributed to this worthy cause over the years. This was a great fundraiser for the Youth Program, but it is time to say *Goodbye!*

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

IMMANUEL WOMEN of the ELCA CELEBRATION OF CHURCH WOMEN



WELCA "As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in

ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world."

All women of Immanuel are members of WELCA.

All women are part of WELCA and we invite you to attend our Circle meetings and programs. If you are interested in an evening Circle meeting, please contact Linda Sjolund (242-5020) and she may organize a new Immanuel Circle. Circles include bible study from the *Gather* magazine and a time of fellowship and project participation.

The **Fall Cluster Meeting**, is in the planning state and more information will be forthcoming. Stay tuned to the church bulletin. As normal, registration begins first followed by the convention. The cost is still \$5.00. Please sign up on the WELCA sign-up sheet that will be found on the WELCA table. Call 242-5020 for more information.

The Annual **Fall Fest and Quilt Action will be October 7th.** Although it will be partially virtual, mark your calendar and help celebrate and support the incredible ministry that occurs at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp. The Fall Fest raises vital funds to expand the mission and ministry of FLLC. Shop at the Country Store on-line, and get ready to place your bid at the virtual quilt auction.

Immanuel's Fall WELCA Quilt/Blanket Sunday is October 8th. Come to worship and see the beautiful quilts on display all around the sanctuary. Such fine work of our quilters.

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER DATES TO REMEMBER:

September

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| 11 | - 1:00 p.m. Executive Board Meeting |
| 7, 14, 21, 28 | - 10:00 a.m. Quilting |
| 19 | - 9:30 a.m. Miriam Circle (Pot Luck & Study @ the Collin's Camp in Big Bay. We will carpool from Baldwin parking lot @ 9:30 am) |
| 19 | - 1:30 p.m. Abigail Circle |

September Projects School Kits (4 70-sheet notebooks (8"x10 1/2"), 1 2 1/2" eraser, 1 pair blunt scissors, 1 ruler (30 centimeters) or with inches & centimeters, 1 pencil sharpener, 6 new pencils with erasers, 5 black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel-ink), 12 sheets of colored construction paper, 1 box of crayons (16 or 24). A NEW PATTERN: The bag is a draw-string bag. The pattern can be found on the bulletin board by the elevator OR on the web: <https://lwr.org/downloads/school-kit-drawstring-bag-pattern>. **(SAVE DATE: Dec. 3rd for the WELCA Advent Wreath Making.)**

October

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| 7 | - Fortune Lake Fall Fest & Quilt Auction (see FLLC article on page 4) |
| 8 | - WELCA Quilt & LWR Kits Sunday |
| 5, 12, 19, 26 | - 10:00 a.m. Quilting |
| 13 | - SWO @ Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp |
| 13-15 | - Women's Fall Retreat @ Fortune lake |
| ?? | - TBA - Fall Cluster Meeting, Bethany Lutheran, Ishpeming |
| 17 | - 9:30 a.m. Miriam Circle |
| 17 | - 1:30 p.m. Abigail Circle |

October Project: Packing of Lutheran World Relief Items

WELCA donations: \$10.00 - Joyce Marilyn Peterson

COUNCIL CORNER

Highlights

The Church Council met on Tuesday, August 15.

We discussed items as listed below:

- Pastor Bre's installation will be held on Sunday, September 24 at 3:00 p.m. Ben has generously volunteered to cook, and Linda Derocher will help to coordinate side dishes and desserts. Please let Linda know if you are willing to help.
- The elevator will be out of commission for 3-4 weeks as preparations begin to install the wheelchair lift. Thanks to Marty Saari for his oversight of this project.
- Immanuel's float in the Pioneer Parade was warmly received as were the can koozies that were given away.
- Our website is in the process of being updated.
- The new AED has arrived and will be installed soon. The first training for designated volunteers will be held on Sunday, August 27. Additional trainings will be scheduled.
- Automated locks have been installed on four entrance doors. After years of performing lock up duties, Virginia Paulson has resigned from the position. The Staff Support Committee will be looking for someone to fill this role which will include use of the automated locks. We are grateful to Virginia for her dedicated service to Immanuel.
- Sunday School will begin on Sunday, September 10. Paulette is looking for volunteers to teach as enrollment numbers have increased. This is a good thing! Please prayerfully consider volunteering to teach/help at Sunday School. Plans for confirmation are underway that will include a collaboration with area churches.
- Our youth will be participating in several church-wide gatherings in 2024. It is anticipated that the costs will be considerable. While our youth will be participating in fundraising activities funding will also come from church resources. A motion was made and passed to implement a noisy offering on the first Sunday of every month in 2024 to assist with fundraising efforts.

Yours in Christ,
Linda Derocher
 Church Council President



AED FUNDED & ARRIVED

Our AED (automated external defibrillator) has arrived and will soon be installed! An AED is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. AEDs are easy-to-use medical devices that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm. **AEDs SAVES LIVES!!**



We are encouraging people from across the ministries of Immanuel be trained in the use of the AED. This includes both Sunday and Monday worship services, quilters, various Bible Study and committee members, etc.

The first training which includes a certification in CPR will be held on August 27. Additional trainings will be held in September.

If you are interested, please contact Luanne Skrenes, Walter Scanlon, Jaime Crabb, Reuven Romack, or Mack Schlicht.

SOCIAL MINISTRY/PARISH LIFE

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10

- Holly Michelin is the Program Coordinator at United Way of Marquette County and will speak on September 10th about United Way and volunteer opportunities through our volunteer website Yoopers United.
- United Way of Marquette County is holding a 2-day community-wide volunteer initiative on Sept. 10 & 11, called "Days of Service" in celebration of UWMC's 80th anniversary & the National Day of Service. The complete list of volunteer opportunities will be available starting August 28th at <http://www.yoopersunited.com/days-of-service/>. You can sign up on [yoopersunited.com](http://www.yoopersunited.com) now & get notified when the Days of Service opportunities are available! This event pairs well with the ELCA God's Work our Hands Sunday.
- Immanuel Lutheran will be packaging Senior Care Kits for homebound seniors involved with Community Action Alger-Marquette's (CAAM) Meals on Wheels program after the service on September 10th.

From CAAM's volunteer request directly: "Suggested items: Large print puzzle, word search, crossword puzzle books, Adult coloring books, colored pencils, Jigsaw puzzles, Tea/Coffee, Mugs, Lotion, Chapstick, Small throw blankets, Socks, & Candy. Please drop off items in the Fellowship Hall in the container marked. 'God's Work Our Hands Sunday'."

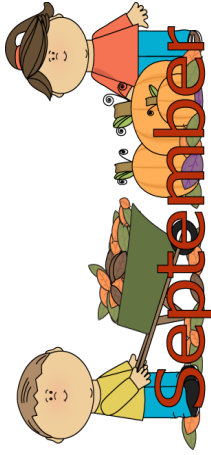
Additionally, our Sunday School children will be making greeting cards to include in the bags.

Paulette Patron has helped to organize this year's God's Work Our Hands Sunday.

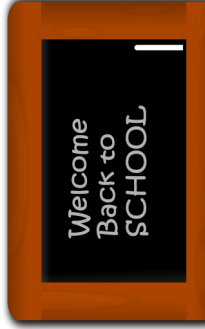
Thank you, Paulette!

Respectively submitted,
Linda Sjolund





September 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 14th Sun. After Pentecost 9:30 Worship - Baptism 10:30 Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 Bible Conversation Grp 7:30 AA	4 CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY Be Safe! NO 6 PM Worship	5 (Office Hours Change Today to 8:00 am—2:00 pm) 10:00 Bible Study 5-6:00 Stewardship Comm. Meeting	6 6:00 Choir Practice Begins	7 10:00 Quilting	8 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	9 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED
10 15th Sun After Pentecost God's Work Our Hands 9:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School Begins 10:30 Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 Bible Conversation Grp 7:30 AA	11 1:00 ELCA Exec. Brd. Mtg. 6:00 Worship	12 10:00 Bible Study	13 6:00 Choir Practice	14 10:00 Quilting	15 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	16 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED
17 16th Sun After Pentecost 9:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 C & F 11:00 Bible Conversation Grp 7:30 AA	18 6:00 Worship	19 9:30 Miriam Circle 10:00 Bible Study 1:30 Abigail Circle 6:00 Executive Comm. Mtg. 6:30 Church Council	20 9:00 Staff Meeting (office) 6:00 Choir Practice	21 10:00 Quilting	22 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	23 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED
24 17th Sun After Pentecost 9:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 Bible Conversation Grp 3:00 Installation of Pastor Bre followed by gathering 7:30 AA	25 6:00 Worship	26 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 PEO (Sjolund)	27 6:00 Choir Practice	28 10:00 Quilting	29 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	30

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	9:30 AM	Linda Derocher Jim Derocher	Linda Derocher Jim Derocher	Alice Zinsser	Sally Echelbarger Dana Echelbarger Shirley Koski	Vicki Lempinen Judy Hallgren Dave Hallgren
4	NO SERVICE	NO SERVICE	NO SERVICE	NO SERVICE	NO SERVICE	
	LABOR DAY	LABOR DAY	LABOR DAY	LABOR DAY	LABOR DAY	
10	9:30 AM	Linda Derocher	Linda Derocher	Dave Keranen	Judy Hallgren, Sue	Fae Collins
11	6:00 PM	Jim Derocher Deb Hicks Connie Kemper	Jim Derocher Deb Hicks Connie Kemper	Tom Johnson	Cathcart, Walter Scanlon Heidi Hill	Linda Dillman Juliana Herman
17	9:30 AM	Kathleen Palomaki Doug Palomaki Deb Hicks Connie Kemper	Kathleen Palomaki Doug Palomaki Deb Hicks Connie Kemper	Dan Lindblom	Kaitrin & Ben Raymond Andy Crow-Roberts Jill Sladek	Mike Frustaglio Linda Sjolund Linda Ogea
18	6:00 PM			Jill Sladek		
24	9:30 AM	Kathleen Palomaki Doug Palomaki	Kathleen Palomaki Doug Palomaki	Linda Derocher	Linda & Jim Derocher Walter Scanlon	Sue Wickstrom Judy Hallgren
25	6:00 PM	Jim Hetrick Diana Hetrick	Jim Hetrick Diana Hetrick	Kay Korpi	Kay Korpi	Dave Hallgren



PARAMENT COLORS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER: Green.

SEPTEMBER COFFEE SERVERS: SENIOR CHOIR



October 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 18th Sun. after Pentecost 9:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 Bible Conversation Grp 7:30 AA	2 6:00 Worship	3 10:00 Bible Study	4 6:00 Choir Practice	5 10:00 Quilting	6 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	7 8:00 Men's Bible Study & Breakfast in Fellowship Hall 9-2:00 Fall Fest/Auction FLLC
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22 21st Sun after Pentecost 9:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 C & F 11:00 Bible Conversation Grp 7:30AA	23 9:00-1:00 LWR Semi-Truck Loading of Quilts/Kits @ Messiah in Marquette 6:00 Worship	24 10:00 Bible Study	25 6:00 Choir Practice	26 10:00 Quilting	27 10:00 AA OFFICE CLOSED	28
29 Reformation Sunday 9:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 C & F 11:00 Bible Conversation Grp 7:30 AA	30 6:00 Worship	31 10:00 Bible Study 				

SERVING THE LORD FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Comm. Asst.</u>	<u>Counters</u>
1	9:30 AM	Judy Hallgren Dave Hallgren	Judy Hallgren Dave Hallgren	Hayley Smith	Lori & Larry Marta Diane Faust	Linda Ogea Kerri Puckett
2	6:00 PM	Jim Hetrick Diana Hetrick	Jim Hetrick Diana Hetrick	Tom Johnson	Julie Mager	Juliana Herman
8	9:30 AM	Judy Hallgren Dave Hallgren	Judy Hallgren Dave Hallgren	Donna Hayrynen	Martha & Jim Hayward Noreen Collins	Fae Collins Linda Dillman
9	6:00 PM	Kevin Crupi Reuven Romback	Kevin Crupi Reuven Romback	Kevin Crupi	Kevin Crupi	Linda Sjolund
15	9:30 AM	Marty Saari Kyle Saari	Marty Saari Kyle Saari	Alice Mutkala	Dan & Fae Collins Linda Dillman	Vicki Lempinen Judy Hallgren
16	6:00 PM	Kevin Crupi Reuven Romback	Kevin Crupi Reuven Romback	Jill Sladek	Jill Sladek	Dave Hallgren
22	9:30 AM	Marty Saari Kyle Saari	Marty Saari Kyle Saari	Lisa Saari	Randy & Julie Carlson Alice Mutkala	Mike Frustaglio Linda Dillman
23	6:00 PM	Katie Puckett Tom Johnson	Katie Puckett Tom Johnson	Paulette Patron	Paulette Patron	Kerri Puckett
29	9:30 AM	Alice Mutkala Need Volunteer	Alice Mutkala Need Volunteer	Walter Scanlon	Kathy & Al Sundine Carol Bayer	Linda Ogea Juliana Herman
30	6:00 PM	Katie Puckett Tom Johnson	Katie Puckett Tom Johnson	Sheila Meier	Sheila Meier	Linda Sjolund

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

OCTOBER COFFEE SERVERS: PROPERTY COMMITTEE



THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- **BEACON BY EMAIL** If anyone wants to receive their Beacon by email instead of snail-mail, please call the office at (906) 475-9161 & give us your email.request.
- **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 to inform us. We want to visit you!
- **RECYCLING** We do battery recycling here at Immanuel. **ALL BATERIES**, including phone, hearing aid, & any others. Drop them off in the Stewardship area, into the appropriate bin. 
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- **NORTHERN GREAT LAKES SYNOD** News - Visit: www.nglsynod.org
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WELCA ACTIVITIES

Fall 2023: “Holy places,” a three-session Bible study by the Rev. Dr. Meghan Johnston Aelabouni



Physical places often shape our identities, relationships, and faith. “Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it,” Paul writes. Part of what this means is that faith doesn’t just reside in our

thoughts or emotions. Faith resides in our whole bodies, and how our bodies “live and move and have our being” in the sacred places where God encounters us. In this Fall 2023 Gather Bible study, written by an ELCA missionary living in Jerusalem, we’ll explore what holy places mean, not only for the Holy Land of the Bible, but for each of us, wherever we may be.

September 2023

Holy places: Home

Home can be the place we lay our head and the people we call family. Home can be our community or homeland. Home is also found wherever we truly and fully belong. This month, we consider the complexity and the promise of “home” through the stories of Israel’s exile, the ministry of Jesus, and the promises of Revelation.

October 2023

Holy places: Sanctuary

For thousands of years, physical spaces have been set apart for individual prayer and community worship. “Sanctuary” is one word for such spaces. Throughout history, “sanctuary” has also referred to spaces of safety and refuge. If God is everywhere, what is the importance of sanctuary? What can Jesus’ teachings and Paul’s correspondence with the early church teach us about what sanctuary looks like today?

November 2023

Holy places: Pilgrimage

Pilgrimage, a journey to a sacred place, is a spiritual practice with a long history in Christianity (and many other religions). In the Bible, pilgrimage is not only about the destination, but also about the “holy place” of the journey itself. Considering the journey of the Magi, the walk to Emmaus, and Jesus’ arrival in Jerusalem, we’ll ponder how pilgrimage can inspire, challenge, and transform our faith and our lives.



QUILTING: During the fall/winter/spring months, quilting takes place on Thursday mornings at 10 am. Even if you don’t sew, there are other things that can be done to help prepare the quilts for Lutheran World Relief and other activities. All are welcome to come and join the group.

COMPANION CONGREGATION

In Galatians 5, St. Paul writes that the “fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.”

The companion synod ministry in our synod has been spirit led. We have seen the many fruits of God’s work in this companion synod relationship that has spanned now over 30 years. About 200 people from our synod have traveled to Tanzania to experience the faith of our brothers and sisters in the Eastern and Coastal Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania.

Why is this important? What difference does this companionship with people on the other side of the globe make on our faith lives?

The church in Tanzania is growing! The church is a place of hope where the study of scripture is central and valued. People openly talk about their relationship to the Lord Jesus. Their worship services are vibrant and full of joy. One traveler from our synod reported, when asked if the experience of traveling to Tanzania and immersing herself in their culture made a difference in her faith journey. The only response she could offer was, “how could it not!”

We at Immanuel have the opportunity to experience the church and people of Tanzania in 2024! Consider joining Bishop Emeritus Thomas and Luanne Skrenes on this journey. We will meet in September to set the dates of travel. Airline tickets will be purchased in January 2024.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Tom or Luanne.

Bwana Asifewe!
Praise the Lord!
Luanne Skrenes



WELCA’S CHRISTMAS MARKET AND SOUP LUNCHEON

THERE WILL BE A CHRISTMAS
MARKET & SOUP LUNCHEON
HOSTED BY WELCA ON
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9,
FROM 10 AM—2 PM.
MORE INFORMATION WILL BE
POSTED IN THE COMING MONTHS.



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Lifelong Faith Formation 2023
Registration Now Open for Fall Semester.
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<https://nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation/>
 Study the Bible. Explore church traditions. Talk about contemporary issues and so much more. Register for one or more of the fall offerings by Tuesday, September 12.

CHRIST'S KALEIDOSCOPE

Instructors: Samuel Brink, Fortune Lake Lutheran Bible Camp Intern, Pastor Bruce J. Thorsen, Faith, Okemos, Michigan
 Sundays for 5 weeks, September 24-October 22 4 -5 p.m.

WHO ARE THE EVANGELICALS? A FORMER EVANGELICAL PASTOR TURNS WHISTLEBLOWER (WITHOUT BEING MEAN).

Instructor: Dr. Lon Hider, Christ the King, Escanaba
 Mondays for 10 weeks, September 25-November 21 6:30-8 p.m.

A Book Study of EMBRACING GOD'S FUTURE WITHOUT FORGETTING THE PAST: A CONVERSATION ABOUT LOSS, GRIEF, AND NOSTALGIA IN CONGREGATIONAL LIFE by Michael Girlinghouse

Instructor: Bishop Katherine Finegan, Northern Great Lakes Synod
 Mondays for 4 weeks, October 2-October 23 6-7 p.m.

THE GOSPEL OF MARK: IT'S STORY AND MEANING

Instructor: Pastor Phil Johnson, Ascension, Minocqua
 Tuesdays for 6 weeks, September 19-October 24 7-8 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP OF ANIMALS

Instructor: Cindy Sjoquist, First, Gladstone
 Tuesdays for 3 weeks, October 3-17 6:30 – 8 p.m.

THAT'S NOT IN MY BIBLE: A SURVEY OF THE APOCRYPHA

Instructor: Pastor Tommy Richter, Zion, Manistique
 Wednesdays for 10 weeks, September 20 – November 22 7:00 p.m.

STEWARDS OF CHILDREN

Instructor: Pastor Kari Vadis, Trinity, Rhinelander
 Choose one of two sessions: Thursday, October 19, 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
 Or Thursday, October 19, 6 – 8:30 p.m.



This letter was to be sent out to all Immanuel Members

(I was on vacation at the time & did not know.)

I would like to give you a quick update on our Call of Pastor Breanne Kinnunen to Immanuel Lutheran Church and also take some time to give thanks. Pastor Bre officially started as our new full-time pastor on Tuesday, August 1, 2023. She began leading our worship on Sunday, August 6th. Pastor Bre's installation service will be on the afternoon of Sunday, September 24th, with Bishop Katherine Finegan presiding at that service. More information is to follow. Now is also the time to give thanks to God who is always faithful and to the various clergy and lay leaders that have kept Immanuel going strong over the past year. First, we wish to thank our staff: Alice Mutkala, secretary, Sharon Cottrell, secretary, Noreen Collins, Office Administrator, Tyler Taseris, custodian, Connie Scanlon, Organist, Connie Lindblom, Choir Director, Vicki Lempinen Choir Accompanist, Paulette Patron, Sunday School Superintendent, and various committee leaders and workers. Second, we give thanks to the various clergy and lay persons that have lead worship over the past year: Pastor Terry Cathcart, Pastor Rell Spickerman, Bishop Emeritus Thomas Skrenes, Pastor Bre Kinnunen, Pastor Chrys Levesque-Hendrick, Pastor David Van Kley, Assistant to the Bishop, Pastor Jim Duehring, Pastor Bruce Thorsen, Pastor Steve Weston, and Mr. Dave Blomquist. Third, thank YOU! Your input into the call process, your extra patience and understanding as we went through this past year together and stepping up to help out as needed all contributed to keeping Immanuel going. Putting all these thank-yous together gives a feeling that we really haven't missed too much and that Immanuel continues to go forward in faith, love, and hope into our next chapter. In my eyes, Immanuel has been blessed. We continue to take that blessing and pay it forward to be a blessing to others. I encourage you to take time to meet and welcome Pastor Bre, her husband Tom, and their daughters Maggie & Rory. God's Blessings!
 Respectfully, **Walter Scanlon**, Vice President Church Council

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KERYX FOR FALL 2023

The Fall Keryx at Marquette Branch Prison is still on hold at this time with COVID-19 restrictions. For now, *prayers are welcome for the spiritual health of the inmates there.* Thank you for your prayers.

Jim Hayward, Prison Ministry

THOSE IN NEED IN MARQUETTE COUNTY



The Warming Center

Three service agencies in Marquette that serve the most vulnerable in our community are Room at the Inn, the Women's Center, and Superior Connections Recovery Community Organization. Each of these organizations are in need of community support. Funding which was available during COVID has been cut leaving these agencies in need of supplies and funding. Room at the Inn, an emergency shelter, is able to house thirty homeless with a goal of helping them find more permanent shelter and employment. The Women's Center provides emergency shelter to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault. Superior Connections also provides shelter to the homeless in our community, housing about twenty guests who are unable to find a space at Room at the Inn because it is filled or exhibit behaviors from mental illness which makes it difficult to follow the behavior guidelines at Room at the Inn. These guests were housed in a couple of Marquette churches last winter and are currently housed in a local motel. / Some supplies needed by all three of these organizations are paper products such as paper towels, paper plates, napkins, toilet paper; feminine products, tampons and pads; snack foods; plastic spoons and forks; coffee, creamer, sugar. The Superior Connections Recovery group is also in need of dinner meals. If you are willing to provide a ready to eat meal to these guests, please call Kim Frost 906-458-1382. / Donations for these group can be made by depositing items in the tub labeled Room at the Inn by the Fellowship Hall in Immanuel. Donations can be in a bag labeled with one of the above agencies. Items not specified for a specific group will be divided to the agencies as needed. / Given the increasing cost of groceries, it is hard to add items to our given lists. The homeless and vulnerable in our towns are desperately in need of love and support. Thank you for reaching out to those in our community who need our help. *(This is part of our Social Ministry/ Parish Life Stewardship Area)*

PROJECT KEEP KIDS WARM 2023/2024, 14th Year of Serving Families in our Community.

Below is information that we received from Dick Derby, Wesley Methodist Church requesting assistance from Immanuel. Contact Linda Sjolund, 906-242-5020 if you would like to volunteer. We will also have PKKW boxes by the west entry for the collection of **NEW** boots, hats, scarves, and mittens.

One:

Shoppers: When the requests for winter outer-ware come from the schools, volunteers go shopping for the required items. (Or when requests are being filled and there are missing items at the PKKW Room.) This would be triggered by the PKKW staff, letting a volunteer or a group of volunteers know about the request forms. These would be picked up at the church and indicate boy/girl, age/size, items.

Wesley provides tax-exempt documents for area stores, and we are in the process of setting up a credit card. The purchased items are delivered to Wesley and our PKKW Room during normal business hours.

Two:

Fill Orders:

Volunteers would set up teams of two or three. They would select a day of the week that's convenient to go to Wesley to organize the requested clothing items. There could be a week where many teams and days are needed, other weeks where there may be only one. (Experience has shown that it is best for only one team to be filling orders at a time.)

Help us keep kids warm.



Congratulations to...

.... To **Morgan Carilli** for being selected the Negaunee Elks Lodge #1116 *Student of the Month* for May. She is the daughter of Linda and Daniel Carilli, was a senior at Negaunee High School, graduating in June of 2023. Some of her hobbies are writing and hiking. She received several awards and scholarships from Michigan Technological University where she plans to go to school this coming fall majoring in accounting. *Congratulations!*



.... To **Vince Tincknell, Max Frustaglio, Griffin Leece, Waylon Harvala**, and **all of the players** on Negaunee's Junior Little League Baseball Team for clinching its District 11 Championship on June 29th, defeating Marquette twice in 2 days.

.... To the following students graduating from Northern Michigan University this past May, 2023: **Michael Sundberg** (AB-Info Assurance/Cyber Defense), **Maci Aho** (BSN-Nursing), **Cassidy Orr** (BSN-Nursing). *Congratulations!*

PLEASE LET THE OFFICE SECRETARY KNOW OF ANY RECOGNITION THAT CAN BE INCLUDED IN OUR BEACON FOR THE MONTH. THANK YOU. You can call it in, email it in, send it in, just let me know to include it. Thanks.



THANKS A BUNCH! I appreciate the many Get Well and Birthday cards & prayers that were sent to me for my healing. This is for all of my Church Family, "Immanuel Lutheran Church".
Thank you. **Don Palomaki**

- Thank you to **Cathy Baldini, Millie Isaacson, John & Vicki Makinen**, and **Marlys Trudgeon** for helping with the July and August Beacon. Your help is really appreciated.
- Thank you to **all of the persons** that moved furniture in and out of the 2 offices in the church and painted **Noreen's** and **Pastor Bre's** office. The rooms look great!
- To **Marlys Trudgeon** and **Noreen Collins** for watering the flowers and keeping them looking beautiful.
- To **Marty Saari & all of the helpers** working on our elevator construction / conversion to the new lift.
- To **ALL OF THE ALTAR GUILD WORKERS** for setting up the communion trays, paraments & attending the altar area. Also, thank you to **all those who volunteer**.
- To **Andy Crow-Roberts, Judy Hallgren, Martha Hayward, Tom Johnson, Katie Ritzenhein, Kathy Sundine, Connie Scanlon** who are our Lay Eucharistic Ministers who deliver communion to our shut-ins each month; to **Fae Collins, Linda Dillman, Mike Frustaglio, Juliana Herman, Vicki Lempinen, Linda Ogea, Kerri Puckett**, and **Linda Sjolund**, for their dedication in counting the offering for the last 2 months; to **Connie Scanlon** for scheduling the Lecturers; **Terry Basolo** for scheduling the Communion Assistants, **Linda Dillman** for the Cradle Role.
- To all **July / August Lectors, Greeters / Ushers**, and **Tech Persons** who volunteered, some even though you were not scheduled. *Thank you!*





SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:

- *Carl Basto* on the loss of his son, **Brian Paul Basto**, on Thursday, August 10th. Also, condolences to all of the Basto Family.
- *Marlene (Reuven) Romback* on the loss of her brother, **Leslie Kujala**, on Monday, August 14th in Saint Albans, Vermont. Also, condolences to all of the Kujala / Romback Family.
- *Sue Cohan* on the loss of her former husband & friend, **Patrick Michael Cohan**, on Tuesday, August 1st. Also, condolences to step-sons: *Michael (Marilyn)*, *Kristopher (Stephanie)*, and *Timothy Kjellman*, and all of the Cohan Family.
- *Becky (Pat) DeWitt* on the loss of her father, **Cameron Luke**, on Friday, June 9th, and whose memorial service was held here at Immanuel on Thursday, August 10th. Also, condolences to Cameron's wife, *Elaine*, his grandchildren: *Luke & Taylor DeWitt*, *Matthew (Andrea) DeWitt*, and all of the Cameron Family.
- The Family of **Joyce Marilyn Peterson**, who died on July 31st, 2023, with her memorial service on Saturday, August 5th. Also, condolences to all of the Peterson Family.
- *James Vercoe & John Vercoe* on the loss of their uncle, **Charles S. 'Charlie' Stolnack**, on Wednesday, August 16th. Also condolences to all of the Stolnack/Vercoe Family.

BIRTH - CONGRATULATIONS & GOD'S BLESSINGS TO:

• *Mindy & Ross Aho*, on the birth of their child, **Marlie Rae Aho**, on June 30th. The big brother is *Jesse Alan Aho*. A mess-age from the mom, " . . . *Our little Jesse is adjust-ing pretty well into his new role as a big brother. Labor & delivery went well and fast - Mom is recovering well, only hardship is a broken tailbone endured during delivery. Otherwise we are a happy family of 4, navigating this growth and busier times!*"



• *Cody & Sarah Scanlon* on the birth of their daughter, **Claire Virginia Scanlon**, on Tuesday, August 1st. The proud grandparents are *Connie & Walter Scanlon* and proud great-grandparent is *Virginia Paulson*.



• *Phil & Jamie Lindblom* on the birth of their daughter, **Camille Susan Lindblom**, on Thursday, July 27th. The proud grandparents are *Connie & Dan Lindblom*. Her big brother is *Fitzgerald James Lindblom*.

• *Alexandra (Lexy) Lee (Johnson) Halverson* and *David Andrew Halverson* on the birth of their son, **Maverick Lee Halverson**, on July 26th, 2023. The proud grandparents are *Tanya & David Johnson*, and the proud great-grandparents are *Linda & Larry Dillman*.



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



SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

20 YEARS & OVER

9/02 - Byron & Wendy Koski - 23 years
 9/05 - Erik & Sherry Ulvila - 25 years
 9/07 - Tanya & David Johnson - 27 years
 9/16 - John & Sharon Wassberg - 23 years

10/13 - Mack & Mry Schlicht - 22 years
 10/27 - Kevin & Lorraine Laukka - 27 years

30 YEARS & OVER

9/14 - Daniel & Colleen LaJoie - 38 years
 9/17 - Luanne & Thomas Skrenes - 35 years
 9/23 - Kurt & Sandra Collins - 34 years

10/10 - Daniel & Lori Kill - 31 years
 10/12 - Walter & Connie Scanlon - 39 years
 10/12 - Carol & Dale Bayer - 39 years
 10/24 - Michael & Ami Klein - 31 years

40 YEARS & OVER

9/02 - James & Martha Hayward - 45 years
 9/11 - Connie & Stephen Kemper - 41 years
 9/22 - Danny & Heidi Hill - 44 years
 9/23 - Duane & Cindy Sirtola - 45 years
 9/27 - Jay & Merry Bengry - 43 years

10/23 - Ronette & Mick Coduti - 47 years

50 YEARS & OVER

9/09 - Roland & Barbara Koski - 51 years
 9/26 - Paul & Arlene Rosten - 59 years.
 9/26 - Daryl & Sharlene Hoiem - 53 years

ALTAR FLOWERS



- The Altar flowers on June 11th, were *In Honor of Christine & William Flis' 25th Wedding Anniversary*, from their Family. *Congratulations!*
- The Altar flowers on August 6th, were *In Honor of the Recent Wedding of Aaron and Kaylie Skrenes*.
- The Altar flowers on August 20th, were *In Memory of Leslie Kujala* who died on Monday, August 14th, in Saint Albans, Vermont, from *Reuven and Marlene Romback*.



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

SEPTEMBER

- September 1 - Julie Carlson, Jessica LaPine
- September 2 - Lydia Jarvi, Susan Tincknell
- September 3 - Pamela Anderson, Samantha Laukka, Stacy Whitley
- September 4 - Brian Frustaglio, Shane Miller, Virginia O'Brien, Renee Prusi
- September 5 - Carl Baldini, Rylee Hetrick
- September 6 - Lillian Rivers
- September 7 - Kathleen Partanen
- September 8 - Kristine Goupille, Thomas Skrenes
- September 9 - Shannon Finnila, Colin Perucco
- September 10 - Judith Howe, Charlene Kivisto, Barbara Koski, Linda Ogea, Haley Thomas
- September 11 - Nancy Mager
- September 12 - Quinn Burbach, Christopher Isaacson, Jennifer Poutanen
- September 13 - Sue Cohan, Sheila Meier
- September 14 - Watson Finnila, Mildred Isaacson, Alexandra Jarvi
- September 15 - Janice Anderson, Madison Frustaglio, Laura Jarvi, Andrew LaJoie, Paulette Patron
- September 16 - Max Frustaglio, Lucas Nerwuca
- September 17 - Annaliise Hayrynen, Chyrl Hemmila
- September 19 - Jin Hee Hayward, Ty Jacobson
- September 20 - David Alexander, Gina Debelak, Jacque Kurian
- September 21 - Donn Collins, Charles Crabb, Mia Koski, Kyle Roberts
- September 22 - Morgan Downey, Dylan Hendrickson, James Vercoe
- September 23 - Connie Lindblom, Dave Paananen, Arlene Rosten
- September 24 - Kristine Keranen
- September 25 - Jason Bell, Andy Crow-Roberts, Bradley Frustaglio, Sonny Garcia, Pamela Paananen
- September 26 - Cathy Baldini, Paul Collins, Christine Koski, Cross Lakenen
- September 28 - Brett Koski
- September 30 - Thomas Beckman, Ireland Villalobos

OCTOBER

- October 2 - Charlotte Koski
- October 3 - Cindy Sue Kendall
- October 4 - Dawn Annala, Eric LaPine
- October 5 - Michael Ecklid, December Roberts, Cheryl Ulvila
- October 6 - Anne Collins
- October 7 - Elizabeth King
- October 8 - Cindy Romback, Alice Zinsser
- October 9 - Jeffery Bouman, Daryl Hoiem, Paul Meier, Heather Sundberg

- October 10 - Henna DuMoulin, Steve Turri
- October 11 - Ross Aho, Megan Anderson, Mitchell Butorac, Tobias Smith
- October 12 - Adam Collins, Juliana Herman
- October 13 - Alexander Ault
- October 14 - William P. Kosonen, Daniel LaJoie, Keith Romback, Kathryn Sundine
- October 15 - Joshua Lambertson
- October 17 - Robert Sylvester
- October 18 - Kyle Tincknell
- October 19 - Megan Couture, Susan Wickstrom
- October 20 - Samantha Richards
- October 22 - Kristina Balzarini, Joshua Makela, Jason Makinen, Bridget Pancheri, Timothy Starrine
- October 23 - Anthony Newman
- October 24 - Jacob Espinoza, Steve Paulson, Marlys Trudgeon
- October 25 - Becky Jacobson, Allyson Tincknell
- October 26 - Ryan Collins
- October 29 - Corey Holcomb, Jordyn Robinson, William Zinsser
- October 30 - Christopher Nelson, Liisa Turri
- October 31 - John Benti, Derek McEachern

Happy Birthday to All of You!!

BAPTISM - WE WELCOMED
INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD:

* On Monday, July 10th, the baptism of **Blaze Bradley Maxon** took place at Immanuel Lutheran Church by *Pastor Chrys Levesque-Hendrick*. Blaze was born on December 11th, 2022. His parents are *Brandi Louise (Anderson) Maxon* and *Adam Duane Maxon*. His sponsors were *Brad & Laura Maxon*.



* On Sunday, August 6th was the baptism of **Iris Lily Williams**, daughter of *Lesli Ann (Hicks) Williams* and *Casey Matthew Williams*. The sponsors were *Derrick Wakefield, Carlos Colon, Andrea Edsall, and Rachel Edsall*. The proud grandparents are *Debbie & Pete Hicks*.



* On Sunday, August 27th was the baptism of **Adalyn Dawn Miller**, daughter of *Amanda Marlene (Carey) Miller & Matthew Ryan Miller*. Her sponsors were *Eric Miller & Heather Brochu*. Her grandmother is *Deb Carey*. She was baptized in Lake Superior by *Pastor Vicky Lovell & Pastor Bre Kinnunen*. Her sister is *Avery Miller* who was baptized in Lake Superior by *Pastor Steve Solberg*.



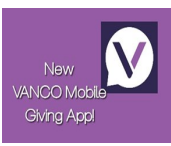
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Accompanist: Vicki Lempinen
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Lock Up: Virginia Paulson
Custodian: Tyler Taseris

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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.

Worship Schedule Fall / Winter Beginning September 10

Services
Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
Monday at 6:00 p.m.

Office Hours Beginning September 5th

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

Sunday School will be starting
on Sunday, September 10th @ 9:30 am.



FALL WORSHIP SCHEDULE REMAINS THE SAME - OFFICE HOURS CHANGE

On Sunday, September 3rd, our worship time is still at 9:30am. On Monday, September 4th, there will be NO 6 pm worship service, and the office will be closed for Labor Day. Then, on Tuesday, September 5th, the OFFICE hours change back to 8:00 am - 2:00 pm, Monday - Thursday. Monday worship services resume on Monday, September 11th at 6:00 pm. Come be a part of the Christian community known as Immanuel, praising the God who is with us! We welcome everyone! Blessings to All!

COME AND WORSHIP!



WE NEED YOU!



For Time & Talent, please consider volunteering for just an hour on occasional weeks. We are in need of **USHERS, GREETERS, and TECH TEAM HELP** for all of our services. The duties are minimal and easy. And, you are assigned very infrequently. Please give the office a call at 475-9161 if you can lend a hand. Thank you! If you did not fill out a Time & Talent for 2023, your volunteer choices from the past are used. If you do not want to continue being listed for a particular duty, please update a 2023 Time & Talent form to change your selections. IF YOU DO NOT FILL OUT A TIME & TALENT FORM, YOU WILL NOT BE INCLUDED ON THE 'WORKER'S PAGE' AS VOLUNTEERING.

Thank you for volunteering.