

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

520 US Hwy 41 E + Negaunee, MI 49866 (906) 475-9161 + FAX (906) 475-9403 Office@ImmanuelNegaunee.org + www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org Sunday, May 21, 9:30 am/Monday, May 22, 6:00 pm, 2023

7th Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE

Welcome to worship! Please complete a Connection Card and place the card in the offering plate when it is passed. Thank you!

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions. we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS TEMPLE TALK CALL TO WORSHIP Heaven's Gonna Be My Home CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace. **Amen.**

Luanne Skrenes

Senior Choir

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Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God, we confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, + forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG Blest Be the Tie That Binds GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: ACTS 1: 6-14

^bWhen [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." ¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 68: 1-10, 32-35

¹Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered; let those who hate God flee.

²As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away;

as the wax melts before the fire,

so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

³But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them also be merry and ioyful.

⁴Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who rides the clouds; I AM is that name, rejoice before God!

⁵In your holy habitation, O God, you are a father to orphans, defender of widows; ⁶you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom;

but the rebels shall live in desert places.

⁷O God, when you went forth before your people,

when you marched through the wilderness,

⁸the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain,

at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,

at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

⁹You sent a bountiful rain, O God; you restored your inheritance when it languished. ¹⁰Your people found their home in it;

in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

³²Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord.

³³You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens;

you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.

³⁴Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies.
 ³⁵How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel,

giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!

SECOND READING 1 PETER 4: 12-14, 5:6-11

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit..

Sing to God, who rides upon the clouds. (Ps. 68:4)

Our faith in Christ does not make us *immune from* the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others because we trust God's grace will strengthen and guide us.

^{5:6}Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God. **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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GOSPEL: JOHN 17: 1-11

The holy gospel according to... Glorv to vou. O Lord.

¹After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples], he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. ⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

... The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN OF THE DAY NICENE CREED

Pastor Tom Skrenes What A Friend We Have in Jesus

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

God of harmony, as you drew your son to your side, you draw us to you and unite us with the planet and one another. Weave your church together in a web of mutual love for the sake of the world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

As your Spirit hovered over the waters of creation, so your Spirit hovers over all that you have made. Bless the water that sustains the planet and grant wisdom to use it wisely. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You empower your people with the fire of your Spirit. Challenge activists and organizers, teachers and politicians, and all in leadership to speak a message of peace and justice. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You care for all your children. Show your steadfast love to those suffering isolation, especially exiles, refugees, or prisoners. Break the chains of all held fast by systemic oppression of any kind. Comfort all who are afraid or suffering from illness. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We give thanks that humankind serves as your body in the world, stewarding your abundant gifts. Guide this congregation's leaders as they seek your will. We pray for our staff and council. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

You raise your saints to new life in Christ. We give you thanks for Helena and all your saints who have given us glimpses of your redeeming love. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen. SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

Let the vine-yards

And also with you.

and fill to the brim our cup of



fruit-ful, Lord,

be

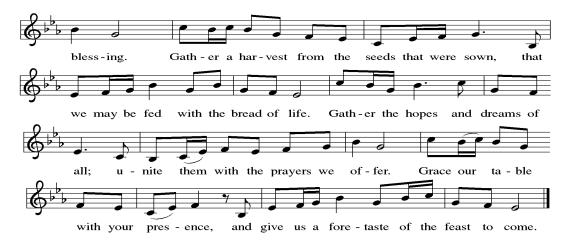
Renew our lives that we may welcome and care for one another and that we may live and serve within the areater community of Negaunee and the world, witnessing to others your abundant love, grace, and welcome.

All

baptized Christians who believe this true presence are welcome and encouraged to receive Holy Communion today. Parents. please assist *your child(ren)* if you wish them communed.

We believe that the true body and blood of Jesus Christ is in/with/under the bread and wine.



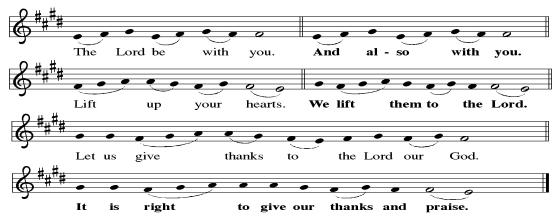


OFFERTORY PRAYER

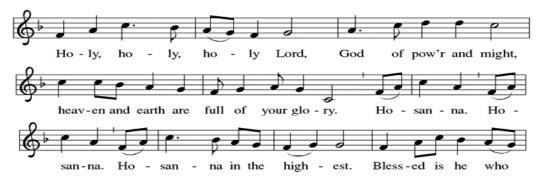
Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

God of our weary years ... For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, ... let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Send your Holy Spirit ... let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Join our prayers ... almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

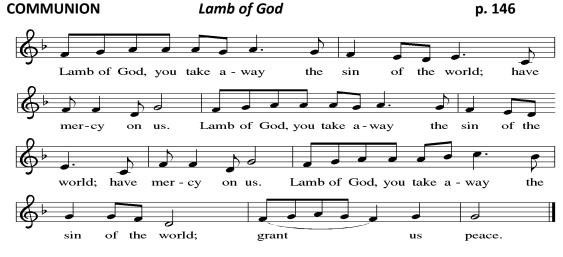
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ dwells with us here. All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.



COMMUNION HYMNS

Bind Us Together WOV#748

Refrain: Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord; bind us together in love.

Verse 1: There is only one God. There is only one King. There is only one Body; that is why we can sing. *Refrain.*

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Verse 2:You are the fam'ly of God. You are the promise divine,
You are God's chosen desire, you are the glorious wine.Refrain:Bind us together, Lord, bind us together
with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord;
bind us together in love.

I Come With Joy #482

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. Thanks be to God. POSTLUDE

Bring children 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 to be quiet. Even if you stand in the back swaying back and forth holding them. Even when it's hard. Even when your row 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, who are they going to learn them from?



The world will teach them it's not a priority. The world will teach them it's okay to lay out, not to pick up their Bibles. The world will direct them so far off course, confuse them, and misinform them that just being "good" is enough. The world won't teach them about Jesus. That's our job.

Bring them to church.

ANNOUNCMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF May 21- May 28, 2023

*BIRTHDAYS: Happy 80th Birthday to Ann Neiswander on May 26th.

*<u>CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GRADUATES FROM IMMANUEL</u> Today we recognize all of the persons on our file who will be graduating from high school and / or college. Those we recognize today graduating from high school are: *Morgan Lee Carilli, Cheyenne Elizabeth Holcomb, Gavin Bryant Jacobson, Mia Catherine Koski, Marina Ashley Pascoe, Drake Martin Spickerman, Hunter L. Swanson, Luke Isaac Syrjala, Jace Alan Turri, Jacob Alan Ulvila, Luke John Ulvila, Kaylen Jane Wallner.* Those graduating from college are: *Madison Elizabeth Pancheri* who will be graduating from Central Michigan University. *Congratulations to all of you on your accomplishments and Best of Luck and Success in your Future!!*

*<u>FELLOWSHIP HOUR</u>: Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! <u>Your Fellowship Hour</u> committee for May will be **THE STAFF**. Please step up to be responsible for the Sunday mornings in May: Virginia Paulson, Connie Scanlon, Vicki Lempinen, Connie Lindblom, Dan Lindblom, Tyler <u>Taseris, Noreen Collins, Tech Personnel. Thank you</u>. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for <u>Coffee hour</u>. Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact <u>The Church Office (906) 475-9161</u> with your date & any item you wish to bring.

* FORTUNE LAKE SUMMER CAMP Fortune Lake Registration is open for Summer Camp! Register now. Immanuel offers scholarships to campers of all ages. <u>Contact Stacy McEachern for scholarship</u> <u>details</u>! Call or text: (906) 361-9123 or stacymc6@gmail.com. *Hurry. Get registered*! IMMANUEL IS HAVING A DAY VISIT TO FORTUNE LAKE FOR ALL AGES! Everyone is invited to enjoy an intergenerational day at camp complete with Bible study, waterfront time, games, a picnic lunch, a visit to the canteen, camp songs, and loads of fun!

<u>When</u>: Tuesday June 27th from 10a - 2p CT. (9a - 1p ET) <u>Cost</u>: will be covered with Immanuel's Fortune Lake scholarship fund. <u>RSVP</u>: ASAP, with a <u>June 7th deadline</u> to Stacy McEachern Call/text or email: (906)361-9123 or stacymc6@gmail.com

*<u>SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CONVERSATION</u> Each Sunday morning at 11:00 am, a group is meeting for a discussion on the Bible lessons from the morning's worship service. They will be meeting in the Youth Room (downstairs) for 1 hour. A group has volunteered to lead this group. Today your leader is *Walter Scanlon*. On May 28th, *Martha Hayward* is the leader. The group will continue meeting after that date with leaders assigned at that time.

*VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) The <u>beginning date for Vacation Bible School</u> will be June 12th, 2023. Watch for more details. We will be in need of enrollment helpers. For more information, contact Paulette Patron @ (906) 475-4776 or Diana Hetrick @ (906) 235 -7110 or dianahetr@ gmail.com. NOTE: VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO MAKE THIS A

"GO!". OTHERWISE, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CANNOT BE HELD. PLEASE VOLUNTEER NOW! EITHER CALL PAULETTE OR DIANA. THEY WANT YOUR CALL! WE ALSO NEED KIDS, KIDS, KIDS!!! REGISTER NOW!!!

*<u>ATHLETIC SHOES ADDED</u> New to the Stewardship / Environmental Corner is a collection box for any / all athletic shoes, regardless of condition. These shoes will be sent for recycling. Please, NO cleated shoes. Thank you.

*<u>STAFF SUPPORT COMMITTEE</u> ... is looking for volunteers. It serves as a "people-building" group charged with making sure that the ministry goals of the congregation are carried out mutually by the Staff leadership &embers. The Committee has no decision-making authority but serves as an advocate for the Staff before the Church Council. If you are interested or need more info, please contact Christine Koski at 214-546-8179.









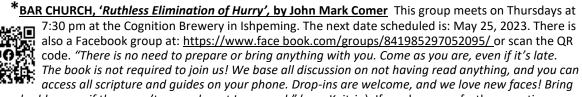












a buddy, even if they aren't a member at Immanuel." (says Kaitrin). If you have any further questions, please call or text Kaitrin Raymond at (540) 435-4915.



*COUNTERS We could use a couple more counters (regular and those that would be captains) to help with Tuesday morning counting. We usually have 2 persons at a time along with 1 captain. The counting occurs at 9 am on Tuesday mornings and takes about 1 - 2 hours, depending on the number of contributions envelopes that are accumulated each week. If you are interested, please call the office at 906-475-9161. Your help would be appreciated. Thank you.

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Mortgage Burning **Celebration!**

*FUTURE DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:

Congregational Meeting

- Burn the Mortgage Celebration
- Sunday June 4th, 10:30 am (after 9:30 worship service)
- Sunday, June 11th, 10:30 am (Bishop Katherine will be leading the worship and Ben Raymond & Dana Echelbarger will be manning the grills. Desserts are needed.)

NOTE: WE NEED A VOLUNTEER TO 'LOCK-UP' THE CHURCH @ 8 PM EVERY NIGHT AND 'OPEN-UP' THE CHURCH @ 8 AM, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, & SUNDAY. ARE U INTERESTED? PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE. 906-475-9161. THANK YOU!

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray For: Lori Bell, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Dan Hendrickson, Michael Holman,



Peggy Jackson, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Shirley Pizziola, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Tim Romback, Louise Spickerman, Debbie Thornberg, all COVID patients.

Our Shut-ins: Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Butch Pynnonen, Dolores Reichel, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.

Members in the Armed Service: Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.

<u>Worship Services</u>: Sunday @ 9:30 am / Monday @ 6:00 pm Office Hours: 8 am-2 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE

ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN: Sunday: Connie Scanlon / Monday: Judy Hallgren

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:

SERVING IN WORSHIP: Pastor Tom Skrenes

9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS

9:30 am COMM. ASST'S

9:30 am LECTOR

9:30 am Tech Team

- Mike Lempinen
- Vicki Lempinen
- Linda Derocher
- Jim & Linda Derocher 6 pm
- Heidi Hill
- Luanne Skrenes
- 6 pm Tom Johnson
 - Katie Ritzenhein
- 6 pm Kevin Crupi
 - pm Kevin Crupi

(Communion Set-up for May is Fae Collins)



MAY'S MONTHLY MISSION

IN MAY, our Monthly Mission is ELCA Missionary Support via Superior Central conference. Our Superior Central Conference 8 of the Northern Great Lakes Synod seeks financial help annually for support of Pastors Mark and Cynthia Rich in their ministry. Over 240 ELCA missionaries serve in more than 40 countries around the world, invited by global church partners to work together hand-in-hand. Some are doctors in rural areas. Others teach children where there are few opportunities to go to school, or work in seminaries that prepare pastors and future church I eaders. Others support, nurture and preach in some of the fastest growing Lutheran congregations in the world. And still others are young adults, engaging in a life-changing, year-long experience through the Young Adults in Global Mission.



No matter where or how they serve, every one of these missionaries needs your prayers, support and gifts to succeed in their work. Your gift connects you directly to these missionaries. You make their life-changing ministry happen.

Please join us in God's amazing work. Help grow the Lutheran church around the world. If you wish to give to Immanuel's ELCA Missionary Support via Superior Central Conference, use the *May Monthly Mission envelope* from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Thank you for giving \$ 1,021.00 in April to <u>ELCA World Hunger.</u> The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS May 21, 2023 - May 28, 2023

YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT... www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org

Sunday (Graduation Recognition Sunday - 7th Sunday of Easter 9:30 am - Worship Services 9:30 am - Sunday School (last one) 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship - Celebrate Graduates 11:00 am - Sunday Morning Bible Conversation (Today's leader is Walter Scanlon) 12-4 pm - Fellowship Hall Reservation 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
Monday	- 6:00 pm - Worship Service
Tuesday	- 5:30-6:30 pm - Stewardship Committee Meeting
Wednesda	 y - 10:00 am - Bible Study - 6:00 pm - <u>NO</u> Choir Practice (done for the year)
Thursday	 - 10:00 am - Quilting - 7:30 pm - 'Bar Church' (Meets at Cognition Brewery, Ishp)
Friday	OFFICE CLOSED - 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meets - 6:45 pm - Negaunee High School Graduation
Saturday	 12-4 pm - Fellowship Hall Reservation 5:30-9 pm - Fellowship Hall Reservation
Sunday	 Day of Pentecost / Companion Sunday 9:30 am - Worship Services 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 am - Sunday Morning Bible Conversation (Today's leader is Martha Hayward) 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)