



In Word & Deed

“God With Us”



Oct-Nov 2023

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Greetings in the name of Jesus!

I give thanks to God for all of you and the warm welcome that Jen and I have received here! We feel truly blessed by all of you and look forward to getting to know all of you better over the coming years!

As we begin this new leg of our journey together, I am reminded of the call of Samuel (I Samuel 3.1-10). In particular, I have been pondering about how Samuel’s first responses to the Lord’s call are to do what he knows and thinks is right—he goes to Eli. However, Eli is not the one calling the boy. Eventually, Eli wisely perceives that the Lord is calling the boy and instructs him to simply respond the next time: Speak, Lord, for you servant is listening.

I wonder how often we—as individuals and the church—when we hear the Lord’s call go about responding in the ways we know best, in the ways that we think are right. What if God is trying to get our attention? What if God is calling us in a way we haven’t heard before? What if we need to stop simply doing what we know how to do and just listen to God?

In this time that is for all of us a new beginning. There is a lot happening in our lives, our church, our community, and the world. It is easy for us to just fall back on what we know, what we are comfortable with and trudge forward. However, I feel that now in this time of transition that we need to take a “Samuel” moment and pause, reflect, and listen. God is speaking to us now in this time and place. God is calling out to us and leading us by God’s Holy Spirit. Therefore, my siblings in Christ, I invite you—all of us together—to pause, to pray, and listen. God, who is trustworthy, is calling. Who knows where the Spirit will lead?

Peace be with you as we listen for God’s call.

Pastor Dan



Confirmation & GLOW

God's Love on Wednesdays (GLOW) has begun!! September was of to a great start an October will be even **more fun & fulfilling!!** Come join in the learning, laughing and growing as a family of God...As always a free dinner is offered at 5:15 p.m., class at 6:00 p.m. and worship at 7:00-7:30 p.m. Parents are encouraged to stay with their children for any or all of the evening. For more information, contact the office at 563/547-2108. ***You can sign up to join at ANY TIME during the year!!***



NEW SAFETY MEASURES - ADDITIONAL HELP NEEDED!!

We are ALWAYS looking for adults to help with Kitchen help, Teaching in the classrooms or simply Support throughout the evening. BUT, We also need a special sort of help this year...we are looking for **ADULT assistance** to sit in on classrooms to simply be "present" for the teachers. You can bring a book to read, knit, crochet or simply "catch up on emails"... but we need an adult of the "opposite sex" in each of our GLOW and Confirmation classrooms as a Safety Measure we are implementing ... **so we NEED YOU!!!** Between 6-7 p.m. on any Wednesday would be appreciated! With enough volunteers, a rotating schedule will be created! ANY AGE adult would be perfect!!

Remember to bring in your **NOISY (LOUD) OFFERINGS!!**

Any change you find laying around makes a ton of fun dropping it into our cans during Wednesday night offering!! The Youth have decided to put this month toward programs designed to help other children in need. We used the summer noisy offering to buy playdough and other busy activities for the children staying at the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester! We hope they enjoy the items to take their minds off why they are there in the first place! The GLOW kids will

vote on and decide where they wish this school years noisy offering to go to! If you have ideas, please mention them to Adam when you see him next!





2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

including **MYLE** **the tAble**
Young Adult Gathering

JULY 16–20, 2024

What is the ELCA Youth Gathering?

Every three years, thousands of high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation and fellowship known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through inspiring speakers, conversations with partners, Bible study and being immersed in the host city, young people will be inspired, challenged and called to live out their faith in their daily lives.

ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Reach out to Adam Nelson!
763-486-5240 or
immanuel.yfm@gmail.com

Come Before His Presence with Thanksgiving

O come, let us sing unto the LORD;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving,
let us shout for joy unto Him with psalms.
For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods;
In whose hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are His also.
The sea is His, and He made it;
and His hands formed the dry land
O come, let us bow down and bend the knee;
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;
For He is our God,
and we are the people of His pasture,
and the flock of His hand.

Psalm 95



**Should I be
concerned? The
farmer just
unfriended me???**



Need to chat, get some one-on-one time with Pastor Dan?

**Tuesdays - 7-8 p.m. @ Ox n Wren
Wednesday - 9-10 a.m. @ Pastor Office
Thursdays - 1-2:00 p.m. @ Pastors Office**

Call the office (547-2108) to set up an appointment!



- 3 Oct - Mobile Food Pantry - 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. - Featherlite Bldg
- 5 Oct - 6:30 p.m. Board Meetings and 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting
- 8 Oct - Installation of Officers
- 11 Oct - Circle of Grace Mtg - 9:30 a.m. ~ Hosted by Gladys Sovereign
- 15 Oct - Vrieze Baptism ~ welcome Lindy Mae Vrieze
- 15 - 17 Oct ~ Pastor to Cedar Falls @ Fall Conference
- 22 Oct - Chicago Folk Service & Adult Bible Study Starts, 6 -7:00 p.m.
- 29 Oct - Affirmation of Baptism ~"Faithformation" of our Confirmands

**Jaxson Barnes, Mitchell Barnes, Austin Bina
Becca Kappes & Trenton Voyna**

- 2 Nov - Church Board and Council Meetings
- 5 Nov - Fall Dinner (Sign ups in entry lobby)
- Nov - Dec ~ ILC Holiday Silent Auction

(more details to come)

- 8 Nov - Circle of Grace Meeting ~ 9:30 a.m.
- 12 Nov - All Saints Day!
- 19 Nov - Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service with Pastor Dan
(Held at First Lutheran this year)
- 23 Nov - Thanksgiving Day!!



SUMMARY OF COUNCIL MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

TREASURER’S REPORT: The June Treasurer’s Report: General Fund Ending Balance \$21,169.50, Benevolence year to date sent to ELCA \$8,803.20, Capital Improvement \$29,073.90, Checking Account balance \$70,946.50, Savings Account \$103,653.12, ILC Miller Fund \$298,983.26, Property Sales CD \$19,049.58 and Alvin Sommer CD \$12,649.46.

Motion passed to put \$50,000.00 of the Savings Account money into a 9 month certificate of deposit at 5.01%.

PASTOR’S REPORT: Pastor Dan reported that he has met with people who are involved with worship and is making preparations for Worship on Wednesday and Confirmation (aka Faith Formation). He has made two visits to the hospital and three home visits. If there is an urgent need to contact him, send a text or make a telephone call. Otherwise send an email to pastorbaldwin16@gmail.com. His grandmother’s celebration of life services is this weekend and he requested that we keep him in our prayers.

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Adam announced he would not be able to attend GLOW this Wednesday night because he will be attending his final Foster Parenting Class. He and Pastor Dan have been discussing the youth program. They want to emphasize Faith Formation for the 7th and 8th graders and use the word *confirmation* less because it denotes graduation. They wish to emphasize knowledge about the Ten Commandments, Lord’s Prayer, Apostle’s Creed, Nicene Creed and the books of the Bible.

They have also been considering offering tutoring to students. Pastor Dan’s wife Jennifer Baldwin is willing to come in and tutor students who need help with math or science. Adam is willing to come in and help tutor if other ILC members are also willing to help tutor. English, Social Studies, Humanities, etc could be covered. The tutoring services will be available to all students in the community.

Registration for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans is now open. Youth who are in 7th through 12th grade this academic year are eligible.

NEW BUSINESS:

Preparations for the Fall Dinner have begun. Monday is Pastor Dan’s day off. Motion passed to change the meeting date of the Boards and Council to the first Thursday of the month.

The council discussed a proposed youth protection policy which would address the protection of those who are vulnerable, especially children and youth. It would also set forth protocol on how the congregation will handle people accused of misconduct. An example of a policy was provided to the council members. The *Youth Protection Policy* has been reviewed and approved by legal authorities and the ELCA, and complies with insurance coverage. The *Youth Protection Policy* covers definitions, transportation of youth, training of community members, screening of Adult Team Members, due process of allegations of misconduct, a Youth Activity Release Form and an Incident Report Form. It was decided to set up a committee from the Youth Ministry Board, the Christian Education Board and the executive. Malissa Kappes, Wendy Johnson, Pastor Dan and Scott Wiley volunteered to be on the committee, to write a policy and to present the proposal one week ahead of the October council meeting.

A new computer is needed. It would be used for teaching children songs that will be sung at WOW, for adult education and for anyone who wishes to move it to where WIFI is available in the church. Two quotes were received. Motion passed to purchase a new computer for \$475.00 from Johnson Accounting.

At the August 13th Semi-Annual Congregation Meeting the motion passed to purchase an Automated External Defibrillator and to place it in an easily accessible location in the church. An EMT coordinator was consulted by Alvin Voyna and he found one for \$1,300.00. It was the consensus of the council that Al should purchase it.

A committee will be organized to set a policy for the use of the church’s credit card.

September Minutes Continued

BOARD REPORTS:

Worship & Music – Plans are being made for the installation of Pastor Daniel Baldwin on September 24th. Pastor Steve Bracket of the Northeastern Iowa Synod will be present. Confirmation will be October 29th Reformation Sunday. The community wide ecumenical thanksgiving service will be at First Lutheran this year. All Saints Day will be celebrated on November 12th.

Church Properties – Al Voyna, Gary Ferrie, Bill Seele, and Justin Sovereign and his crew were thanked for their work constructing the new shed and removing the old shed.

Evangelism & Social Concerns – The board is updating its list of shut-ins and who should receive meals.

Christian Education – The availability of the Internet in the rooms, the condition of the furniture and an emergency device in the event of choking is being looked into. One more teacher is needed. Substitutes are needed. Helpers are needed.

Parish Fellowship – The board is planning the dedication ceremony for the Harold Hovey shed and a reception in honor of the installation of Pastor Dan.

Adult Ministry – Pastor Dan has volunteered to lead some Bible studies.

The next board and council meetings are Thursday October 5th starting at 6:30 p.m.
Marlene Michel, secretary

This is a summary of minutes of the September meeting.

Full minutes will be available after formal approval by council at the next meeting.



**MEETING
MINUTES**

Start Planning for the Upcoming Holidays!!

Rehearsals for the **Christmas Cantata**
will begin Wednesday, October 11th at 6:30 p.m.
Immanuel Lutheran Church



We encourage anyone to participate.
The performance will be “Angels of Christmas”!
(Last performed this in 2018)

The December Performance **Date yet to be Determined!!**



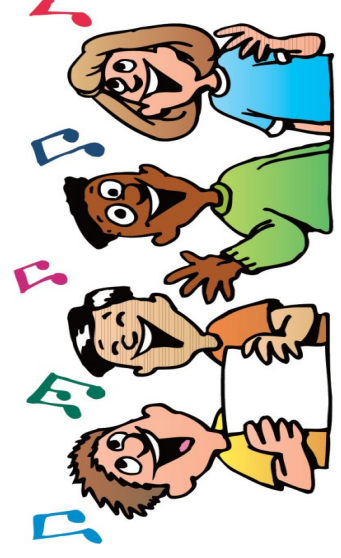
Please come join the community of singers for this
always anticipated annual event!

For more details, contact Rick at 563-379-4781

October 2023—Worship Assistants

| | GREETERS/USHERS | COMM. ASSISTS | WORSHIP LEADER | LECTOR | ACOLYTES | SOUND SYSTEM | PROJECTION |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|--|-------------------|
| October 1, 2023 Sunday | Lewie & Thea Perkins | Marlene Michel Kenny Lueschow | Cindy Yslas | Sharon Perry | Youth Attending Worship | Al Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | Jenny Matt |
| October 4, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | Al Voyna | Jenny Matt |
| October 8, 2023 Sunday | Rod & Nancy Bakken | Cindy & Mike Yslas | Scott Wiley | Rod Bakken | Youth Attending Worship | Al Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | Matt Gates |
| October 11, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | Al Voyna | Al Voyna |
| October 15, 2023 Sunday | Ken & Wendy Lueschow | Gary & Sharon Johnson | Cindy Yslas | Marlene Michel | Youth Attending Worship | Al Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | CJ Yslas |
| October 18, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | Al Voyna | Jenny Matt |
| October 22, 2023 Sunday | Dave & Jenny Matt | Rod & Nancy Bakken | Dale Vagts | Sharon Johnson | Youth Attending Worship | Al Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | Al Voyna |
| October 25, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | Al Voyna | Jenny Matt |
| October 29, 2023 Sunday | Leonard Zeller Bob Omar | Sonia Ollendieck Phyllis Barth | Cindy Yslas | Jenny Matt | Youth Attending Worship | Al Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | Kenny Lueschow |

We Need Voices and Musicians
 for the Wednesday Night Praise Band!!
 Looking for ANYONE of ANY AGE who might be inter-
 ested in SINGING, PLAYING an Instrument or simply BEATING
 a drum to keep beat!! We Need YOU!!
 Please let Sarah Holten know if you have ANY interest
 in being a part of this very fun team!!



November 2022—Worship Assistants

| | GREETERS/USHERS | COMM. ASSISTS | WORSHIP LEADER | LECTOR | ACOLYTES | SOUND SYSTEM | PROJECTION |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|--|---------------|
| Nov 1, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | AI Voyna | Jenny Matt |
| Nov 5, 2023 Sunday | Bill & Cheryl Seele | Matt Hemann Kat Zachary | Cindy Yslas | Tanya Fencil | Youth Attending Worship | AI Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | CJ Yslas |
| Nov 8, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | AI Voyna | AI Voyna |
| Nov 12, 2023 Sunday | Mike & Cindy Yslas | Sue Easler Judi Bina | Scott Wiley | Marlene Michel | Youth Attending Worship | AI Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | John Wiedeman |
| Nov 15, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | AI Voyna | Jenny Matt |
| Nov 19, 2023 Sunday | Richard & Florene Holten | Bill & Cheryl Seele | Cindy Yslas | Sonia Ollendieck | Youth Attending Worship | AI Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | Jenny Matt |
| Nov 22, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | AI Voyna | Jenny Matt |
| Nov 26, 2023 Sunday | Steve & Wendy Johnson | Dave & Jenny Matt | Dale Vagts | Wendy Johnson | Youth Attending Worship | AI Voyna, Arlyn Grube & Matt Gates | Matt Gates |
| Nov 29, 2023 Wednesday | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | CONFIRMANDS | AI Voyna | Jenny Matt |

October Calendar

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Treasurer's Report Summary

| GENERAL FUND | July | Year to Date | |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$22,423.72 | \$40,250.27 | General Fund |
| General Fund Income | \$10,850.00 | \$76,596.90 | Savings Account |
| Reimbursed Income | \$458.04 | \$3,423.04 | \$103,653.12 |
| Reimbursed Expenses | -\$228.42 | -\$1,812.11 | |
| Miscellaneous Income | \$111.35 | \$11,493.69 | Parsonage |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | -\$3,311.56 | -\$19,339.26 | Rent 2023 |
| Coffee Fellowship | \$111.00 | \$515.50 | \$4,800.00 |
| General Fund Expenses | -\$3,772.46 | -\$38,192.48 | |
| General Executive Committee Expenses (Payroll) | -\$6,702.82 | -\$53,131.70 | ILC Miller Fund |
| GENERAL FUND | \$19,938.85 | \$19,803.85 | Account Balance |
| Operating Loan | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$292,785.43 |
| Savings income | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 30-Jun-2023 |
| Savings expense | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Debt Reduction Income / Fall Dinner | \$0.00 | \$135.00 | Prop Sales CD |
| Debt Reduction Exp /Op Loan / Savings / Payment | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$19,049.58 |
| General Fund Ending Balance | \$19,938.85 | \$19,938.85 | |
| Men's Breakfast | | | A Sommer CD |
| Beginning Balance | \$342.05 | \$274.94 | \$12,649.46 |
| Men's Breakfast Income | \$132.00 | \$1,096.00 | |
| Men's Breakfast Expense | -\$140.00 | -\$1,036.89 | |
| Ending Balance | \$334.05 | \$334.05 | |
| Hands of the Master | | | |
| Beginning Balance | \$987.59 | \$987.59 | |
| Hands of the Master Income | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Hands of the Master Expense | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Ending Balance | \$987.59 | \$987.59 | |
| BENEVOLENCE FUND | | | Sent to the ELCA |
| Beginning Balance | \$2,931.33 | \$2,680.00 | July |
| Income | \$2,646.00 | \$14,560.44 | \$1,605.60 |
| Expenses | -\$1,776.00 | -\$13,439.11 | 2023 |
| Ending Balance | \$3,801.33 | \$3,801.33 | \$7,959.40 |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND | | | Pledged |
| Beginning Balance | \$28,498.90 | \$33,387.68 | \$15,500.00 |
| Income | \$160.00 | \$1,847.50 | |
| Expenses | \$0.00 | -\$6,576.28 | |
| Ending Balance | \$28,658.90 | \$28,658.90 | |
| Luther League Account | | | |
| Beginning Balance | \$15,283.13 | \$14,132.13 | |
| Youth Income | \$55.00 | \$1,206.00 | |
| Youth Expense | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Ending Balance | \$15,338.13 | \$15,338.13 | |
| Checking Account Balance | \$69,058.85 | \$69,058.85 | |

Treasurer's Report Summary

| GENERAL FUND | August | Year to Date | |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|---|
| Beginning Balance | \$19,938.85 | \$40,250.27 | General Fund |
| General Fund Income | \$17,882.00 | \$94,478.00 | Savings Account \$103,653.12 |
| Reimbursed Income | \$110.00 | \$3,533.04 | |
| Reimbursed Expenses | -\$337.42 | -\$2,149.53 | Parsonage Rent 2023 \$4,800.00 |
| Miscellaneous Income | \$1,134.79 | \$12,625.13 | |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | \$0.00 | -\$19,339.26 | |
| Coffee Fellowship | \$81.00 | \$596.50 | |
| General Fund Expenses | -\$6,970.65 | -\$45,163.13 | |
| General Executive Committee Expenses (Payroll) | -\$10,669.07 | -\$63,796.52 | ILC Miller Fund |
| GENERAL FUND | \$21,169.50 | \$21,034.50 | Account Balance |
| Operating Loan | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$298,983.26 |
| Savings income | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 31-Jul-2023 |
| Savings expense | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Debt Reduction Income / Fall Dinner | \$0.00 | \$135.00 | Prop Sales CD |
| Debt Reduction Exp /Op Loan / Savings / Payment | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$19,049.58 |
| General Fund Ending Balance | \$21,169.50 | \$21,169.50 | |
| Men's Breakfast | | | A Sommer CD |
| Beginning Balance | \$334.05 | \$274.94 | \$12,649.46 |
| Men's Breakfast Income | \$122.00 | \$1,218.00 | |
| Men's Breakfast Expense | \$0.00 | -\$1,036.89 | |
| Ending Balance | \$456.05 | \$456.05 | |
| Hands of the Master | | | |
| Beginning Balance | \$987.59 | \$987.59 | |
| Hands of the Master Income | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Hands of the Master Expense | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Ending Balance | \$987.59 | \$987.59 | |
| BENEVOLENCE FUND | | | Sent to the ELCA |
| Beginning Balance | \$3,801.33 | \$2,680.00 | August |
| Income | \$1,185.00 | \$15,745.44 | \$843.80 |
| Expenses | -\$1,065.00 | -\$14,504.11 | 2023 |
| Ending Balance | \$3,921.33 | \$3,921.33 | \$8,803.20 |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND | | | Pledged |
| Beginning Balance | \$28,658.90 | \$33,387.68 | \$15,500.00 |
| Income | \$415.00 | \$2,262.50 | |
| Expenses | \$0.00 | -\$6,576.28 | |
| Ending Balance | \$29,073.90 | \$29,073.90 | |
| Luther League Account | | | |
| Beginning Balance | \$15,338.13 | \$14,132.13 | |
| Youth Income | \$0.00 | \$1,206.00 | |
| Youth Expense | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| Ending Balance | \$15,338.13 | \$15,338.13 | |
| Checking Account Balance | \$70,946.50 | \$70,946.50 | |



Immanuel Lutheran Church 29th Annual Fall Festival Dinner

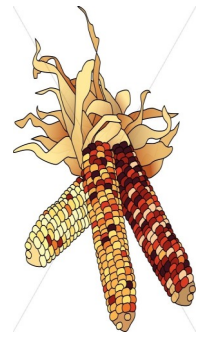
Sunday, November 5, 2023
10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.
Curbside Only

(We will deliver to your car)



Menu:

**Roast Pork, real mashed potatoes, gravy,
dressing, corn, cranberries, roll & slice of pie**



Pie Choices:

Apple, Pumpkin, Cherry

We encourage all to buy their tickets early as we
are selling **700** tickets only!!

Tickets are available at Ox & Wren, Angie's Beauty Shop
and the Immanuel Lutheran Church Office



Meal tickets: \$15.00



KIDZ KORNER

Fall Word Unscramble

- | | |
|--------------|-----------|
| 1. daehiyr | 1. _____ |
| 2. sruenwfol | 2. _____ |
| 3. rrqusile | 3. _____ |
| 4. seleva | 4. _____ |
| 5. kare | 5. _____ |
| 6. derci | 6. _____ |
| 7. nmutua | 7. _____ |
| 8. pape | 8. _____ |
| 9. rseebpmte | 9. _____ |
| 10. uipnkpm | 10. _____ |
| 11. nroca | 11. _____ |
| 12. ycilhl | 12. _____ |





Radio Broadcast Sponsorship!

October & November 2023

- Oct 1, 2023 In loving memory of her parents Melvin & Margaret Diercks. Sponsored by Jenny & Dave Matt and family.
- Oct 8, 2023 In loving memory of her parents Evelyn and Vernon Gronbach. Evelyn was born on May 30, 1922 and passed away in 1979 and Vernon was born in October 9, 1916 and passed away in 2000. Sponsored by Sue Easler and the entire family.
- Oct 15, 2023 celebration of the 60th Wedding anniversary of Manley & Linda Bigalk on 12 October 1963 With thankful hearts for Grace, Faith and Family through these many years and those to follow.
- Oct 23, 2023 In honor of our GLOW program and all its teachers, helpers, cooks and students for another successful year
- Oct 29, 2023 In memory of John & Esther Buhr, sponsored by Charles Buhr & Family and Kenneth & Dianne Buhr & Family. John and Esther's Anniversary would have been Nov 4th.
- Nov 5, 2023 In loving memory of Eugene Gunhus who was born April 7, 1939 and died November 8, 2007. Sponsored by his wife Mary Gunhus and family.
- Nov 12, 2023 In loving memory of his mother Rita Gamez. Rita was born on Sept 16, 1925 and passed away on Nov 11, 2021. Sponsored by Mick & Jolene Gamez and family.
- Nov 19, 2023 In memory of their parents, Melvin & Margaret Diercks and Don & Allene Matt. Sponsored by Dave & Jenny Matt and family.
- Nov 26, 2023 IMO Alan Burnikel who was born November 26, 1962 and died November 29, 2002 from Carol Burnikel and family.

“Making a Joyful Noise” is what the MAJN singers are all about: bringing special music to the congregation. We all feel choir is a way of enhancing God’s Word through song. Many of the members have been a part of choir for many years, committed to practice every Wednesday, September through May. Choir, under the direction of Rick Nance, is an hour of concentrated work and just plain fun...with a strong sense of friendship & family among the choir members. If even slightly curious, please come out and give us a try!!



YOUTH & WORSHIP BAND!!

We would LOVE to build back our YOUTH & WORSHIP MUSIC MINISTRY! If you, or someone you know would like to be a part of this, please let us know! Do you or a friend play an instrument of ANY KIND, do you or a friend sing EVEN A LITTLE?? Can you hum or keep a beat??? Let us know as we would love to build on our Wednesday night Youth Music program with many more talents from throughout Immanuel Lutheran and the Community!! Bring a friend along to make it fun & less intimidating!! All are welcome!!





Altar Guild: Volunteers are needed for children’s busy bags, filling alter candles, alter linens, and pew cards. Please see the office if you are interested in any of these opportunities! Thanks!



Adult Education News

The 7:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Adult Study group continues to meet for coffee, treats and great discussions. In October they will continue to watch and discuss episodes of “The Chosen”. You'll find them in the conference room (across from the office). All are welcome to attend at any time.



Sunday Evening Adult Bible Study

Pastor Dan will lead a bible study on Sunday nights starting on October 22nd from 6-7 p.m. each Sunday. More information will be in the bulletin as this date gets closer. All are invited!!

Prayers of Healing, Comfort and Guidance

Brad McCarroll, SueAnn Ferrie, Sammy Evenson, Stacey Anderson, Sarah Lienhard, Ron Herbison, Roger Rodden, Blake Stevenson, Kat Zachary, Sandra Peter, Pastor Allen Vik, Jan Vik, Dick Franks, Kenny Hebrink, Charlotte Hebrink, Chuck Curtis, Dennis Vobr, The Family of Mary Ann Gudlin, Audrey Grinhaug, Judy Schmauss & Lindy Mae Vrieze & family

Loved Ones Serving Our Country

For all our service men & women serving our Country (Families ... please let the office know of your family member who is currently serving to be listed here by name) Thanks!



Friends & Family in Assisted Living

JoAnne Kratz & Perry Blaser



Friends & Family in Care Centers or RSHHC

Everett Schacht, Judy Schmauss, Sandy Peter, Chuck Curtis, Dick Franks & Charlotte Hebrink

Joy Visits (Home Communion)

If you or someone you know would like a visit to your home or would like to receive *home communion*, please let the office know and we will add you to our **JOY VISIT** list.

If you would like to be a **JOY VISITOR**, please let us know!

The office is 563/547-2108

November Mid Month Communion

Looking for assistance to provide RIDES to our homebound folks to allow them to worship on the second Thursday of each month! If enough are interested in this “Mid Month” option, Pastor Dan will start this ministry up again! Please see office for more details!

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