



Sixth Sunday of Easter
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Welcome to Immanuel! We are glad that you have joined us for worship! Whether you are joining us for the first time or for the first time in a long time, we want you to know God's love in Jesus.

WE INVITE YOU TO WORSHIP WITH US EVERY WEEK:

Sundays 9:00 am

Mondays 6:30 pm

Saturday prior to 1st Sunday 4:00 pm

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AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX

ask an usher for assistance with any item

- Large Print Hymnals
- Hearing Loop System – can be used with a hearing aid to assist your worship
- A DVD of last week's worship service
- Forward in Christ

PARENT'S ROOM

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RESTROOMS

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**OUR MISSION IS TO SHARE THE
TIMELESS MESSAGE OF SALVATION
IN LOVE AND TO SHOW OUR FAITH
IN WORDS AND ACTIONS.**

Theme of the Day

Jesus' Business Is Love; Therefore, So Is Ours

The entirety of God's Word can be summed up in one word: love. God's Law is all about love. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart..." and "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37,39). The gospel is all about love: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son..." (John 3:16). From his compassion for the sick and broken, to his sacrificial death on the cross, to the peace he provided after his resurrection, Jesus was the perfect embodiment of love. Love is his business. Therefore, love is our business too. The resurrection reality is that with the same supernatural power by which God raised Jesus from the dead, God now enables us to live a new life—one marked by radically selfless love. The motivation and ability to do this comes from seeing the endless love Christ has for us. We love only because he first loved us.

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Today's Message: based on **John 15:9-17**

“You Are My Friends”

Pastor Kratz will be serving as guest preacher for services this weekend.

Order of Worship

Hymn:

This Is My Will

CW 728



1 This is my will, my one com - mand, that love should
2 No great - er love can be than this: to choose to
3 I call you now no long - er slaves; no slave knows
4 You chose not me, but I chose you, that you should
5 All that you ask my Fa - ther dear for my name's



dwel a - mong you all. This is my will, that you should
die to save one's friends. You are my friends if you o -
all his mas - ter does. I call you friends, for all I
go and bear much fruit. I chose you out that you in
sake you shall re - ceive. This is my will, my one com -



love as I have shown that I love you.
bey what I com - mand that you should do.
hear my Fa - ther say you hear from me.
me should bear much fruit that will a - bide.
mand, that love should dwell in each, in all.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and
actions.**

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 190

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



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Glory to God in the Highest

CW 191

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Glory to God in the Highest'. It consists of ten staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and a final double bar line at the end of the first staff. The lyrics are: 'Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus

Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to

God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,

and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

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The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, you are the giver of everything good. Inspire us, your humble servants, to long for what is right and, through your gracious guidance, accomplish it to your glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Acts 9:36–42

Because Tabitha loved Jesus, she was always helping the poor in the town of Joppa. Because Jesus loved the people of Joppa, he had Peter raise Tabitha from the dead.

³⁶ In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was always doing good deeds and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she became sick and died. After they had washed her, they laid her in an upstairs room. ³⁸ Since Lydda is near Joppa, when the disciples heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, who urged him, “Come to us without delay!”

³⁹ Peter got up and went with them. When he arrived, they led him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing him the robes and clothing that Dorcas made while she was still with them.

⁴⁰ After Peter sent them all outside, he got down on his knees and prayed. Then he turned toward the body and said, “Tabitha, get up!” She opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her stand up. After he called the saints and the widows, he presented her to them alive.

⁴² This became known all over Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day:

Love Enduring Evermore

Psalm 89C



1 Love will be our song for - ev - er, faith - ful love from
2 Heav'n and earth a - like af - firm it: LORD, you are mag -
3 Once, when Is - rael lacked a lead - er, Da - vid was the
4 Now, though, we have felt your an - ger; now we find dis -



a - ges past: love en - shrined with - in a prom - ise made by
nif - i - cent! E - vil pow'rs and hid - den forc - es you have
man you chose; an ex - alt - ed throne you gave him, and re -
as - ter near. Shame is ours in - stead of tri - umph; neigh - bors



you and sure to last; hu - man tongues and an - gel voic - es
ren - dered im - po - tent. At your throne of love and jus - tice
lief from all his foes; e - ven when your reb - el peo - ple
see our plight and sneer. How much long - er till you hear us?



join in rev - 'rence and de - light, prais - ing your un -
we ex - tol you, faith - ful King: blest are those who
scorned your ways and spurned your law, still your prom - ise
Life is short, so swift our days! Lord, re - new the



ri - valed splen - dor, lov - ing LORD, the God of might.
learn to trust you— they have am - ple cause to sing.
shaped the fu - ture: love en - dur - ing ev - er - more.
love you prom - ised— fill your peo - ple's hearts with praise.

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Second Reading

1 John 4:7–11,19–21

Friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

⁷ Dear friends, let us love one another, because love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸ The one who does not love has not known God, because God is love. ⁹ This is how God’s love for us was revealed: God has sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we may live through him. ¹⁰ This is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹ Dear friends, if God loved us so much, we also should love one another.

¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ If anyone says, “I love God,” but hates his brother, he is a liar. For how can anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, love God, whom he has not seen? ²¹ This then is the command we have from him: The one who loves God should also love his brother.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

1 Corinthians 13:13



Refrain



Tone



And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.



But the greatest of these is love.

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Gospel

John 15:9–17

The living Lord gives us this command. Remain in his love so that we might also love each other.

⁹“As the Father has loved me, so also I have loved you. Remain in my love. ¹⁰If you hold on to my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have held on to my Father’s commands and remain in his love. ¹¹I have told you these things so that my joy would continue to be in you and that your joy would be complete.

¹²“This is my command: Love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this: that someone lays down his life for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you continue to do the things I instruct you. ¹⁵I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know what his master is doing. But I have called you friends, because everything that I heard from my Father, I have made known to you. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will endure, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. ¹⁷These things I am instructing you, so that you love one another.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn of the Day:

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

CW 523



1 How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all
2 Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on his
3 I will not boast in an - y - thing: no gifts, no pow'r, no



mea - sure, that he should give his on - ly Son to
shoul - ders. A - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call
wis - dom. But I will boast in Je - sus Christ: his



make a wretch his trea - sure. How great the pain of sear - ing loss.
out a - mong the scof - fers. It was my sin that held him there
death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why should I gain from his re - ward?



The Fa - ther turns his face a - way as wounds which mar the
un - til it was ac - com - plished; his dy - ing breath has
I can - not give an an - swer. But this I know with



Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.
all my heart: his wounds have paid my ran - som.

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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

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.

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 in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Prayer of the Church

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever. **Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

Offering Collection

Please Stand and Sing CW 748 as the Offering is brought forward

Hymn

Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly

CW 748 st. 2



2 By his mer - cy, by his boun - ty, by the gift of Christ, his
Son, what great good - ness he has shown us, what high
mar - vels he has done! Let us to him prompt - ly,
free - ly, yield our bod - ies and our souls, thank - ful
that his love pro - tects us, that his wis - dom all con - trols.

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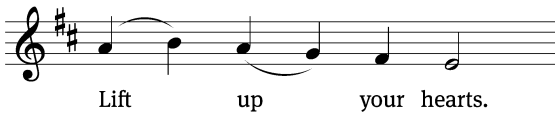
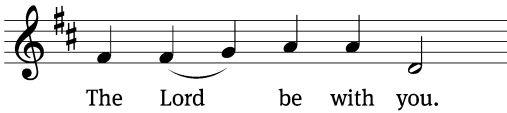
We rejoice that our guests have come to hear God's Word today with us. Through His Word the Lord speaks of Jesus forgiveness to us and his peace fills our heart. Today we also celebrate the Lord's Supper, which God also describes as a unified joint confession of faith in Jesus. Therefore we ask that only those who have confessed a unified faith with us through membership in a WELS or ELS congregation join us for communion. Thank you for respecting our beliefs based on God's Word.

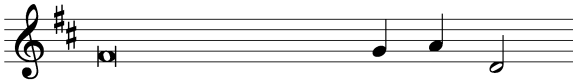
The Sacrament

Stand

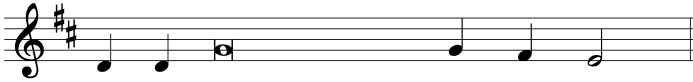
Preface

CW 199





Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who by his willing sacrifice on the cross took away the sins of the world and by his glorious resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 200



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts,



heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my ✠ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✠ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Lamb of God

CW 202

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us, grant us peace.

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Be seated

Distribution

Personal Prayer Before Communion

Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.

Distribution Hymn: Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

CW 557



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re - joice, with ex - ul - ta - tion
2 Fast bound in Sa - tan's chains I lay; death brood-ed dark - ly
3 My own good works a - vailed me naught, no mer - it they at -
4 But God be - held my wretch-ed state be - fore the world's foun -



spring-ing, and, with u - nit - ed heart and voice and ho - ly
o'er me. Sin was my tor - ment night and day; in sin my
tain - ing; my will a - gainst God's judg-ment fought, no hope for
da - tion, and, mind - ful of his mer - cies great, he planned for



rap - ture sing - ing, pro-claim the won - ders God has done, how
moth - er bore me. Yet deep and deep - er still I fell; life
me re - main - ing. My fears in-creased till sheer de - spair left
my sal - va - tion. A fa - ther's heart he turned to me, sought



his right arm the vic - t'ry won. How dear - ly it has cost him!
had be - come a liv - ing hell, so firm - ly sin pos - sessed me.
on - ly death to be my share and hell to be my sen - tence.
my re - demp-tion fer - vent - ly; he gave his dear - est trea - sure.

5 He spoke to his belovèd Son:

“It’s time to have compassion.

Then go, bright jewel of my crown,
and bring to all salvation.

From sin and sorrow set them free;
slay bitter death for them that they
may live with you forever.”

6 The Son obeyed his Father’s will,

was born of virgin mother,
and, God’s good pleasure to fulfill,
he came to be my brother.

No garb of pomp or pow'r he wore;
a servant's form like mine he bore
to lead the devil captive.

- 7 To me he spoke, "Hold fast to me,
I am your rock and castle.
Your ransom I myself will be;
for you I strive and wrestle.
For I am yours, your friend divine,
and evermore you shall be mine;
the foe shall not divide us.
- 8 "The foe will shed my precious blood,
me of my life bereaving;
all this I suffer for your good;
be steadfast and believing.
Life will from death the vict'ry win;
my innocence shall bear your sin,
and you are blest forever.
- 9 "Now to my Father I depart,
the Holy Spirit sending
and, heav'nly wisdom to impart,
my help to you extending.
He will a source of comfort be,
teach you to know and follow me,
and in all truth will guide you.
- 10 "What I on earth have lived and taught
be all your life and teaching;
so shall my kingdom's work be wrought
and honored in your preaching.
Take care that no one's man-made laws
should e'er destroy the gospel's cause;
this final word I leave you."

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Personal Prayer After Communion

Thank you, dear Savior, for nourishing my faith with the Sacrament of your body and blood. Lift my heart with your forgiveness, renew my confidence in your grace, empower my love for others, and lead me to long for the eternal banquet of heaven.

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

The Sunday School children will sing "A Blessing" in place of the closing hymn for the Sunday morning service.

Hymn:

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Saturday/Monday Only

CW 721



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a sol - ace there.

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The Sunday Service is **LIVESTREAMED** on our Facebook page and Website. Tune in at 9am to watch the service live or checkback anytime to watch the recording.

The weekly bulletin is available on our website under the Community Tab & then Bulletins. The Calendar can also be found there.

ATTENDANCE RECORDS We are kindly asking members to sign themselves in using the sign-up sheet located in the Narthex. You can also write who attended with your family on your offering envelope. Thank you!

MONTHLY ALMS COLLECTION Please remember our ALMS each month. This is our way of providing for various ministries that otherwise do not get direct support from our Congregational Mission Offering (CMO), which we provide for in our budget. The offering is part of the LORD's blessings to you, for alms is above and beyond your support of Immanuel. Thank you.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is studying "Families of the Bible." We meet Sundays at **8AM** in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to join us!

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY The Tuesday Morning Bible Study is meeting under the topic "The Kingdom of God." We meet Tuesdays at **9AM** in the Library. All are welcome to join us!

WEEKLY MONDAY NIGHT SERVICES are being held again at 6:30pm.

YouTube Videos of Immanuel's Worship Services and Sermons are now available on YouTube.

Search "Immanuel Kewaunee". Remember to LIKE and SUBSCRIBE.

MAY ALMS RECIPIENT **Military Services**

The WELS Military Services Committee provides spiritual services to WELS members and others who serve in the United States Armed Forces, including those in the National Guard and the Reserves.

The committee carries out its mission through a full-time civilian chaplain in Europe, and a national civilian chaplain and liaison to the military, and a network of WELS military contact pastors across the United States.

As WELS' national civilian chaplain and liaison to the military, Pastor Paul Horn maintains regular contact with many WELS troops and their families. He orients, trains, and mentors new WELS military contact pastors. Military Services offers military contact pastors online training resources at welscongregationalservices.net and regularly conducts training conferences for them. When WELS military families need Christian counseling, Pastor Horn provides a referral to WLCFS Christian Family Solutions, where therapists with understanding of military life provide video counseling. Several, if not all, of the therapy sessions are covered financially by Military Services Member Assistance Program, funded through a grant from Lutheran Military Support Group, an organization of WELS and ELS veterans.

One hundred twenty-two WELS pastors who live near military installations in the continental U.S. and select nations overseas stand ready to serve our military personnel and their families as part-time WELS civilian chaplains.

Send the names and addresses of those serving in the military or living in Europe via the **online referral form** or to the Commission on Special Ministries at N16W23377 Stone Ridge Drive, Waukesha, WI 53188.

Attendance:

April 28/29: 89/27

Received for Budget Last Week: \$3,505.00 or 68%

Needed Weekly for Budget: \$5,138.00

April ALMs Final (World Missions): 277.00

VOTERS MEETING MINUTES are available this weekend in the Narthex.

MEDITATIONS The next edition of Meditations is available this weekend in the Narthex and starts on June 2nd.



SUNDAY SCHOOL SHOWCASE The Sunday School students are excited to share some of their favorite Bible Stories after the 9am Sunday Church Service on **May 5th**. Following the service, the YPS will be providing a light brunch in the Fellowship Hall where the

1st-6th grade students will be presenting the dioramas they have been working on of their favorite Bible Stories. We hope to see you there!

SUNDAY BRUNCH Along with the presentation of the dioramas, the YPS group will be serving a brunch for the congregation on May 5th. 7 youth have plans to attend the WELS International Youth Rally in Colorado in June and funds raised from the brunch will offset their expenses to attend.

SCRIP Reminder for members to purchase SCRIP. The money made through scrip sales will go towards paying for youth activities. YPS members are trying to increase sales to help pay for the youth rally trip in June.

SPRING CLEAN UP DAY AT IMMANUEL The property board is announcing a spring clean-up day at Immanuel on Saturday, **May 11th** starting at 8am. Job duties will be posted at the back of church. You can clean as long as you like. There will be lots to do!

OWLS will meet on Tuesday, May 7th at 12:30pm, in the Immanuel Library. Please join us for a devotion, short business meeting and fellowship. Consider eating lunch at the Kewaunee Senior Meal Site located at the Community Congregational Church, 502 Center Street, Kewaunee at 11:30 before the meeting. Reservations need to be made 24 hours in advance by calling 1-877-416-7083. Everyone over 55 is welcome.

LADIES AID meets this week on Thursday, May 9th at 1pm in the Fellowship Hall.

MEN'S CLUB meets next week Tuesday, May 14th at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

CONFIRMATION RECOGNITION The Fellowship Committee will be hosting a Confirmation Recognition on **Wednesday, May 15, at 6:15pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Members of the congregation are invited to this fellowship event to honor this year's confirmands: Nathan Bowers, Natalie Miller, Jonah Payton, and Dane Harrell. A build your own taco meal will be served. **Reservations can be made with Mari Fager at 920-388-2841 or on the sign-up sheet posted on the Narthex bulletin board.** Confirmation will take place during the Worship Service on May 19th.

TROPHIES AND OTHER MEMENTOS We are going to clean out the trophy case in the school hallway. It's full of stuff from the Immanuel Panther days. Please feel free to take whatever you like. Remaining items will be disposed of by the end of May. Questions can be directed to Jason Belter or Austin Richard.

FREE PIANOS There are 3 pianos located in various classrooms that are being offered for free. Not sure if they would be good enough for playing, but perhaps that neat Pinterest project you've been eying up! Speak to Greg Hlinak if interested. Available until the end of May.

YOUTH VOLLEYBALL CAMP Immanuel is planning to host a youth volleyball camp again. This is open to students going into grades 1-6 next fall. Dates are August 13-16. Grades 1-3 will be 3:30-5:00; grades 4-6 will be 5:15-7:15. Forms are available in the FLC and in the church narthex. There will also be an online sign up available soon.



BREWER BUS “WELS Night at the Brewers” is **Friday, July 12** at 7:10pm against the Washington Nationals. Cost is \$55 for ticket, bus transportation, tailgate food and nonalcoholic beverages. The bus leaves Immanuel parking lot at 2:30. If you are interested in signing up or need more information, contact Scott Karnitz (920-255-3093). **ONLY 5 SEATS REMAIN!!!**

HWY 29 CLEAN UP Thank you to Gloria Habeck, Greg Hlinak, Jerry Kolmorgen, Mike Nelson and Scott Karnitz for helping to clean up the Immanuel segment of Highway 29 on Saturday. Watch for a fall clean up date as the time nears.

OWLS TRIP Join the Lakeshore OWLS group on a trip to Door County on **Tuesday, June 11th** for a day of Door County history. Door County Maritime Museum, lunch at Stone Harbor, History Village at Crossroads and a few other stops. The bus will leave Immanuel Church parking lot at 8:00 with a pick up at St. Paul's School in Algoma at 8:15. Cost is \$75. Sign up with Carol Krueger by calling 920-388-3509.



COLLECTION FOR VIP SPONSORED BY THE LADIES AID

The Violence Intervention Project, Inc. believes no one deserves to be beaten and/or emotionally or sexually abused. Therefore, our Mission is to provide confidentiality and safety planning for diverse individuals and families who have experienced domestic violence or sexual abuse. We provide peer supported services in an empowering environment and furnish survivors with advocacy and support so that they may make informed choices. We pledge to educate the community to recognize and change societal attitudes that condone oppression and fail to hold perpetrators accountable.

IMMEDIATE NEED REQUESTS

Gas Cards for local gas stations

Grocery store gift cards

Wal-Mart, Target, Costco gift cards

WPS and Algoma Utility gift certificates

Disinfecting Spray - Disinfecting Wipes

Diapers size 5&6

Women's Deodorant - Tooth Paste

Paper Towel - Liquid Hand Soap - Hand Sanitizer - Toilet Paper

OTHER NEEDS

Fabric Softener - Dryer Sheets - Laundry Soap - Bleach

Razors (men's & women's) - Shaving Cream (men's & women's)

Oven Cleaner - Toilet Bowl Cleaner - Glass Cleaner

All-purpose Cleaner

Shampoo/Conditioner - Men's Body Wash

Baby Shampoo/Lotion

Stamps - Reams of Paper

New Pillows - Bed Skirts (full & twin) - Mattress protectors (twin)

Shower Curtains & Liners - Bath Towels

A collection table will be set up in the Narthex until May 26th.

Your support is appreciated!

MLHS CALL NEWS

Last week we received the exciting news that Miss Abbie Bosin and Mr. Scott Loberger have returned their calls to Lakeside Lutheran and Salem in Milwaukee respectively. We are thankful they both will continue to serve MLHS next year, praise God! Our International Program Director, Mr. Nathan King is still holding a call to serve at Wisconsin Lutheran High School as their International Admissions Director. Please keep Nathan in your prayers as he considers where to use his gifts to serve.

APPRECIATION CELEBRATION JUNE 2

“Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful” (1 Corinthians 4:2).

Pastor Norv and Kathy Kock are retiring from full-time ministry this summer. First German will be thanking God for their faithful ministry at Manitowoc Lutheran High School and other previous ministries. A worship of thanksgiving at First German will be on Sunday, June 2nd, at 9:00 am. Also, a reception meal is scheduled at City Limits at 11:30 am on the same day. Tickets for the reception are available at the MLHS office and at the church for a suggested donation of \$12. Other honorees of the day will be: Mr. Peter Buege and Mr. Phil Miller (25 years in the ministry), Carrie Ungemach (accepting a Call to MLHS), and Miss Leah Wolfrath (getting married and moving to Appleton). You might also want to give them a card of appreciation and drop it off at the school office.

UPCOMING CONCERT

Prism Concert & Honors Art Show in the MLHS Gymnasium for fine student performances and displays.

5/11 | 4:00PM & 7:00PM

**The Next Saturday Service is
June 1st at 4pm**

BIRTHDAY'S THIS WEEK:

(6) Blake Christman; (7) Devin Vanness; (8) Dan Fager, Jamie Kinjerski.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:

(10) Fred & Tina Steffen.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

May

SA (4)	4:00pm	Worship Service w/Communion
S (5)	7:45am	Sunday School
	8:00am	Bible Class
	9:00am	Worship Service w/Communion
	10:15am	Sunday School Showcase w/Brunch served by Youth Group
M (6)	6:30pm	Worship Service w/Communion
T (7)	9:00am	Bible Class
W (8)	5:00pm	Confirmation Class
	6:30pm	Elders Meeting
TR (9)	1:00pm	Ladies Aid Meeting
SA (11)	8:00am	Immanuel Spring Clean Up Day
S (12)	7:45am	Sunday School
	8:00am	Bible Class
	9:00am	Worship Service

Greeters: May 5 Glenn & Annette Teske
 May 12 Jerry & Nancy Kolmorgen
 May 19 Sandy Hlinak & David Hlinak
 May 26 Greg & Gloria Habeck

Organist: Lacy Siegmund (SA/M)
 Tonya Fenendael (S)

May Altar Guild: Rachel Christian & Monica Graff

Secretary: Julie Siegmund: 304-0228
 juliesiegmund@outlook.com