

ANNOUNCEMENTS – MARCH 6, 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 9AM-1PM Goodhue Lions Spring Brunch
Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project
Tuesday: 8:00AM Men's Bible Breakfast
Wednesday: 5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:00PM Lenten Midweek Worship
7:45PM Choir
Thursday: 7:00PM Women's Bible Class
Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session
2:00PM LCMS Plaza Service
Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Lent
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship
11:00AM Confirmation Mentorship Event: Lunch and Cookie Making

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Rosie Kohn, Ruben & Megan DeLeon
Wednesday - Fred Stumpf
Thursday - Sarah McCarthy
Friday - Megan Bartel, Nathan Voth

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Melissa Barbey, Catherine Smith (recovering from surgery), Phillip Sorenson (dealing with chronic illness) and the family and friends of Colleen Kahn (as they mourn her passing).

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, March 13, 2016

8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920)

"It's Worth the Sacrifice"

God calls us to be the right people in the wrong place, for the sake of others.
(Philippians 3:8-14)

GOODHUE LIONS SPRING BRUNCH

Everyone is welcome to attend the Goodhue Lions Spring Brunch being held today (9:00 AM to 1:00 PM) at the Community Center in Goodhue. Adults pay \$8.50 and children ages 6-12 are \$5.50. Preschoolers are free. The menu features pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, gritwurst, and sweet rolls.

FRAN FITSCHEN OPEN HOUSE

Everyone is invited to attend an Open House to join in celebrating the 90th birthday of Fran (Dicke) Fitschen. The Open House will be held at the Frontenac Sportsman's Club between the hours of 1 and 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 12th. Please join us.

THANK YOU

Dear Immanuel Members,
Thank you for the many prayers and calls over the years. God bless you.
From the Dicke and Kahn families

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PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH – MARCH 20

New Horizons will be hosting a brunch following the worship service on March 20th. On the menu will be pancakes, egg casseroles, fresh fruit, muffins/sweet rolls/donuts and beverages.

New Horizons members are asked to check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for needed food items and areas where you can help.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Immanuel will again feature an Easter Egg hunt this year. It will be held on Holy Saturday, March 26th, at 10:00 AM. Children through 2nd grade are invited to participate. If weather doesn't cooperate, the hunt will be held inside the church building. Many thanks to Leslie Germann-Hutter and Nikki Scheele for coordinating this event!

YOUTH EVENT

On Saturday, March 19th, Pastor will lead a youth trip to the Tropics Waterpark in Shoreview. We will leave from church at 1:00 PM. The cost for the event is \$9 per person. If you would like to purchase concessions, that will require extra money. You are, however, welcome to bring a bag lunch and snacks. The Waterpark and an indoor play-land will be available for your use.

LIFE QUOTE

March 6 "While human history is in flux and certain seasons have yet to be fulfilled (e.g., Divine Judgment), in the life of the Church there is no season or hour in which Christ is not worshiped as Lord. The eternal penetrates the temporal. 'Pray without ceasing' (1 Thessalonians 5:17)." *James M. Kushiner, The Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org

CHURCH VANDALISM

Following Wednesday evening activities during the last week of February, it was discovered that the men's restroom at church had been vandalized. Someone used a ballpoint pen to etch "God is a lie" into the wall inside the stall of the men's room. This is an opportunity for all of us to have a discussion with our families about what constitutes respectful use of church property. Thankfully, the janitor was able to remove the marks, although not without the loss of a little paint. More seriously, the blasphemous statement shows that someone connected with our congregation is in desperate need of spiritual counsel and direction. If you know who is responsible for this vandalism or if you would like to get this burden off your chest, Pastor would welcome the opportunity to meet with you.

CATECHISM REVIEW

The Creed: The Third Article

Sanctification

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.