ANNOUNCEMENTS - August 7, 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 7:30PM Board of Elders

Thursday: 11:00AM Seminary Home Chapel

7:00PM Women's Bible Class

Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session

2:00PM Plaza Service

5:00PM Rehearsal for Augustin/Mattila Wedding

6:00PM Rehearsal Dinner

Saturday: 4:00PM Wedding of Luke Augustin and Stephanie Mattila

Next Sunday: 13th Sunday After Pentecost

9:30AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Pam Germann, Craig & Connie Duden

Tuesday - Sheila Boyer Wednesday - Dustin Stumpf Saturday - Joel Ofstie

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Melissa Barbey, Catherine Smith, Phillip Sorenson (dealing with chronic illness), Jean Peterson (dealing with cancer), Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome), Burnetta Dicke, Bob Langhans, the family and friends of Eunice Mock (mourning her passing) and Micah and Rosemary Dicke (for blessings upon their marriage).

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL TUITION FORMS

Families of the Immanuel congregation may apply for tuition scholarships to be used either at St. John's Lutheran School of Red Wing or St. John's Lutheran School of rural Goodhue. All applicants must be reviewed and approved by the Immanuel Board of Education before funds are disbursed. Forms are located in the narthex. This program is for K-8 education only, not for preschool.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

It's time to start planning for our 2016-2017 Sunday School program! If you would be willing to help out this year, please sign up on the bulletin board. Those teaching Sunday School should be members in good standing who are willing to set a good example by being regular in church attendance. Teachers working in rotation (either every other week or every other month) is perfectly acceptable. Team teaching is also encouraged.

BAPTISM NEWS

We rejoice in the baptism of Anders James Rortvedt, baptized this last week on Thursday, August 4th. Anders is the baby boy of Brad and Laurel Rortvedt. Serving as sponsors are Mark and Allison Dicke. We rejoice that Anders has received the new birth of water and of the Spirit (John 3:5).

NEW PIANO FOR THE SANCTUARY

Pastor found a beautiful Kawai piano on craigslist which will serve as our new sanctuary piano to replace the ailing Wurlitzer in the balcony. The piano is on display in the narthex at this time. Pastor and his dad went out to Apple Valley last weekend to pick it up for the church. The piano was free from a lady who purchased it brand new 16 years ago and can no longer use it. The piano is in excellent condition and should serve us well! It will be moved into the balcony and tuned very soon.

LOOKING FOR 2016-2017 CONFIRMATION MENTORS

We are preparing to embark on our second year of the confirmation mentorship experience. Year one was a great success and this is your chance to become involved! I would love to have a full slate of mentors lined up by August 1st so we can meet to discuss workable dates and monthly activities prior to the September kick-off. The plan is to include both 6th and 7th graders in the program this year as we have no 8th grade confirmation students. There will be a need for a minimum of 7 mentors or mentor couples; however, we can accommodate as many as are interested! Please see Bonnie Kassen or phone her at 923-4884 if you want to volunteer for this very important ministry effort at Immanuel Lutheran! Look for a full description of the Mentorship program in your mailbox within the next couple of weeks.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, August 14, 2016 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) "In Spite of Everything"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

"Archives August" continues, as Pastor Gregory Seltz preaches another classic sermon by Dr.

Oswald Hoffmann. (Romans 8:28)

LIFE QUOTE

August 7 "Will you, experienced believer in Christ, who have passed through a world of tribulation, lie down in despair, or give up your profession because you are at the present moment passing through some light affliction? Let your past preservation inspire you with courage, and constrain you to brave all storms for Jesus' sake. Courage for the present is strengthened by the memory of past deliverances." *C. H. Spurgeon, 19th century English preacher – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

THANK YOU FROM THE JANELL JANHSEN FAMILY

The family of Janell Janhsen wishes to thank all the members of Immanuel Lutheran and all of Janell's friends and relatives for your outpouring of love and support. Thanks to everyone for your prayers, cards, phone calls, hugs, and special thoughts.

The family expresses our thanks to Pastor Sorenson for the beautiful memorial service for Janell and to Sara for the beautiful music. Special thanks also to the brothers and sisters for the meal they provided after the service.

Our church family at Immanuel Lutheran Church is such a loving and caring group of Christian friends. May God be with you and keep you always. We are truly blessed.

VBS THANK YOU

Thank you, thank you to all the members of Immanuel who made last week's VBS possible. You paved a way for God's love to be shared with over 50 children and their families throughout the week. Also many thanks to Pastor and the ladies for coordinating and helping with Wednesday's lunch! We are grateful for all of your generous, kind hearts!

The members of St. Peter's, Belvidere

NURSE POSITION AT FIRST CHOICE CLINIC

Our friends at First Choice Clinic of Red Wing are looking to hire an FTE Nurse Manager. Applicants must hold a current Registered Nurse's License in good standing with the Minnesota State Board of Directors, and be an active Christian, able to uphold the Statement of Faith, Mission Statement, Policies and Procedures and Philosophy of FCC and parent organization, Total Life Care Options for Women. If you or someone you know holds the necessary credentials, this would be a wonderful way to serve and be an advocate for the unborn. First Choice Clinic offers a great deal of flexibility and competitive wages. For more information please visit their website http://firstchoiceclinicrw.com or call First Choice Clinic at 651.267.4357.

LCMS CONVENTION MATERIALS

Many thanks to Becky Kirtz for serving as the lay delegate from our circuit to the National Convention of Synod. If you would be interested in reviewing some of the materials from the convention, the following items may be found in the LCEF tote bag in the narthex:

- * Copies of the LCMS "Reporter"
- * Copies of "Christian News"
- * Copies of "Lutheran Clarion"
- * "Lutherans Engage the World"
- * "Upon This Rock" Daily Worship
- * 2 CDS from Lutheran Concerns Association
- * A Booklet entitled, "Lutheran Mission Matters"
- * Lutheran Hour Pasedena Float Material
- * "Theological and Hermeneutical Reflections" Booklet
- * "Upon This Rock" Convention Workbook
- * Biographical Synopses and Statements of Nominees
- * A Brochure from Concordia University St. Paul
- * Letters from Churches Around the World (Found in "Upon This Rock," Today's Business, Issue 2, Part 1, Sun., 7/10)

If you would like to look at this material, please do so prior to September 19th, at which time they will be removed. Thanks.

CATECHISM REVIEW

The Sacrament of the Altar

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.