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July 21, 2013

VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's spiritual blessing or to one's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all confirmed members of Immanuel and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about

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Life Quote

July 21 "Life has its question marks and scary moments that can cause us anxiety and make us feel insecure. However, we have a wonderful Shepherd who laid down His life for you, rose again, and lives to walk with you. He knows you and wants to hold you close in all circumstances. He promises that no one and nothing will snatch you from His nail-pierced, loving, strong hands." Rev. Steven Kramer, speaker on "The Christian Crusaders" radio program — A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

VBS Dinner

Pastor recently learned that our congregation will be responsible for the Vacation Bible School Dinner on Tuesday, July 30th at St. Peter's, Belvidere. A sign-up sheet has been posted for those who are able to bring food and/or serve. The dinners are at 5:30 to 6:00 each evening of VBS. The last night of the program (Thursday, August 1) will feature a potluck from all the congregations participating in this year's joint VBS (Concordia, Immanuel, St. Peter's, and Bethany).

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Monday: St. Mary Magdalene: Ruth 1:6-18;

2 Cor. 5:14-18; Jn. 20:1-2, 11-18

7:30PM Softball, Field 1

Monday-Thursday: Sara Sorenson at LCMS Synodical

Convention

Tuesday: 7:30PM Quarterly Voters' Meeting

Thursday: St. James the Elder: 1 Kings 19:9-18;

Rom. 8:28-39; Matt. 20:20-28

Thursday-Saturday: LWML Women's Retreat at Gustavus

Adolphus

Friday: 10:30AM KWNG Recording Session

Pastor and Sara in Concert for LWML

Women's Retreat

6:00PM Church Golfing Group at Gopher Hills

Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit

Next Sunday: The 10th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30AM Outdoor Worship

Acolyte: Kayla Stumpf

5:30-8:00PM Dinner and Joint Vacation Bible School

at Belvidere

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Monday - Brandon Augustin, Laurie Budensiek, Jeff Kitzmann

Tuesday - Ally Boyer, Todd & Kim Burns

Wednesday - Trevor & Lisa Dicke

Friday - Erika Schmitz & Jordan Beach

IN OUR PRAYERS

Melissa Barbey, Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Ken Buth, Cindy Redman, Hilbert Gerdes, Richard Diercks, Pastor Victor Meyr, Meghan Diercks, and Tammy Johnson (diagnosed with ovarian cancer).

Church Golfing Group

The golfing group will meet this Friday at 6:00 PM at Gopher Hills. Everyone is welcome! No experience necessary. Just come with a desire to have a little fun. If you have any questions, please speak with Jerry Kohn.

Outdoor Service

Weather permitting, we will have an outdoor service next Sunday. Brings your lawn chairs! Additional seating will also be provided. If it is too hot outside, we will be in the air-conditioned fellowship hall.

VBS: Tell It on the Mountain!

Get ready for a mountaintop experience. At this year's Vacation Bible School, children will gather their gear and set out on an expedition to learn about our one true God. Shout it from the peak's summit - with Him, it's possible to scale any mountain that's ahead! Our joint VBS will be held at St. Peter's - Belvidere on the evenings of July 28th (Sunday) through August 1st (Thursday). Each evening will begin with supper at 5:30 PM and then the program will be held between 6:00 and 8:00 PM. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board; please list the name and grade of each child to be enrolled. If your children are not able to attend all sessions, you are still welcome to bring them on the evenings that work for your family. If transportation is a problem, please speak with Pastor as he will be able to transport some students.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, July 28 8:30AM on KCUE-AM; 6:00PM on KDHL-Faribault (920) "The Rest of the Story"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Ken Klaus Jesus really rise from the dead? What's the rest of the story? (Colossians 2:6-8)

Quarterly Voters' Meeting

The July Voters' Meeting will be held this Tuesday night at 7:30 PM. All voting members of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

The agenda for the meeting will be as follows:

- 1) Opening Devotion
- 2) Attendance
- 3) Acceptance of Minutes
- 4) Reception of New Voting Members
- 5) Reports: Pastor/Elders, Treasurer, Trustees, Scrip Report, Cemetery Board, Other
- 6) Old Business: Church Painting
- 7) New Business: Teacherage Issues Concrete for Garage Approach, Tree Limb Removal, and Gutters
- 8) Weed Removal on Church Property
- 9) Adjournment
- 10) Closing Prayer

Missionary to Visit Hay Creek

Mark your calendars! Pastor Jonathan Muhly will visit Hay Creek on Thursday, August 29th at 7:00 PM. His family is currently being helped by the mission donations of our congregation. Pastor Muhly would love to share an update with you on his work on the Russian mission field. A very brief program will be shared in the fellowship hall.

Refreshments will be provided by the Ladies Aid.

Catechism Review Who helps us pray?

God the Holy Spirit prays with us and for us.

How does God answer prayer?

God hears the prayers of all Christians and answers in His own way and at His own time.

For whom should we pray?

We should pray for ourselves and for all other people, even for our enemies, but not for the souls of the dead.