

ANNOUNCEMENTS – AUGUST 2, 2015

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Thursday: 7:00PM Women's Bible Class
Next Sunday: The 11th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Monday - Tyson Augustin, Ruth Dankers, Gail Dicke, Wayne & Kathy Voth
Tuesday - Brad & Laurel Rortvedt
Wednesday - Pam Holst, Dianne Lee
Thursday - Kelly Langhans
Friday - Pam Germann, Craig & Connie Duden

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Leonard Dicke, Melissa Barbey, DaWayne Wichern (lung cancer), Jomar Dicke (lung cancer), Neil Stemmann (recovering from surgery), Colleen Kahn, he family and friends of Hermann von Knobelsdorff (as they mourn his passing), and Christians suffering persecution and death in the Middle East, Africa, and around the world.

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.

REVIEW: THE DOCTRINAL POSITION OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD

Of the Means of Grace (From "The Brief Statement")

Although God is present and operates everywhere throughout all creation and the whole earth is therefore full of the temporal bounties and blessings of God, Col. 1:17; Acts 17:28; 14:17, still we hold with Scripture that God offers and communicates to men the spiritual blessings purchased by Christ, namely, the forgiveness of sins and the treasures and gifts connected therewith, only through the external means of grace ordained by Him. These means of grace are the Word of the Gospel, in every form in which it is brought to man, and the Sacraments of Holy Baptism and of the Lord's Supper. The Word of the gospel promises and applies the grace of God, works faith and thus regenerates man, and gives the Holy Ghost, Acts 20:24; Rom. 10:17; 1 Pet. 1:23; Gal. 3:2. Baptism, too, is applied for the remission of sins and is therefore a washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost, Acts 2:38; 22:16; Titus 3:5. Likewise the object of the Lord's Supper, that is, of the ministration of the body and blood of Christ, is none other than the communication and sealing of the forgiveness of sins, as the words declare: "Given for you," and: "Shed for you for the remission of sins," Luke 22:19, 20; Matt. 26:28, and "This cup is the New Testament in My blood," 1 Cor. 11:23; Jer. 31:31-34 ("New Covenant").