

ANNOUNCEMENTS – NOVEMBER 17, 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Today: 4:00PM Mentorship Event
Monday: 1:00PM Ladies Mission Project
4:45PM Chime Choir
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30PM Choir
Thursday: 7:00PM Women's Bible Class
Saturday: 9:00AM Goodhue County Christmas Project Meeting
No Crafting or Projects this Month
Next Sunday: The Last Sunday in the Church Year
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday - Bob Augustin, Judy Kliwer
Tuesday - Sue Dicke, Denise Holm
Thursday - Dawn Laffey
Friday - Jan Langhans

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Bob Langhans, Pat Banitt, Phillip Sorenson, Dustin Stumpf, Heather Baune, Gerald Dicke, Craig Remus, and Burnetta Dicke.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH COLLECTION

The Sunday Morning High School Group is collecting items for the needy and downtrodden at this time. A box in the narthex will be used to gather items like toiletries and winter clothing. Toiletries should be new; clothing for winter may be new or in gently used condition. If you have questions about the collection, please speak with Nikki Scheele.

YOUTH ROLLERSKATING

The plan is for Pastor to take interested youth to Saints North for Rollerskating on Saturday, November 30th at 11:45 AM. The cost is \$6 plus \$2 dollars for skates. Also, please bring extra money if you want to purchase concessions. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board.

CARPET CLEANING THANK YOU

A warm and hearty thanks to all of those who contributed funds for the recent carpet cleaning at church. The vast majority of stains were removed. It's fresh and ready for more years of service with occasional steam cleanings with our non-commercial steam cleaning unit.

SARA SORENSON RECITAL CD

A recital CD of the Master's Recital that Sara Sorenson played at Concordia University, Mequon, is available if anyone would like to listen to her organ program. If you are interested, please speak with Sara Sorenson. Since there is only one copy for church, we may need to take turns if multiple people are interested.

GOODHUE COUNTY CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Immanuel will again help some needy local families with gifts and some other necessary items during the Christmas season. Look for a display soon to let us know what items are being requested. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE VOLUNTEERS/PARTICIPANTS

Immanuel Hay Creek will hold a Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, December 13, from noon until 6:00 PM. A sign-up sheet has been placed in the narthex for people willing to give blood and also for people who want to volunteer. We need volunteers for helping with setup (one hour before event) and clean up (for one hour after the event). We also need people to help greet donors and assist in the refreshment area. These volunteer times are in two-hour blocks. You may sign up for as many as you desire. Those wanting to give blood may register on paper here at church or register online at redcrossblood.org. To cut down on time, you may also go to RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass and fill out your pre-donation form. You don't need to have an appointment to walk in and give, but you will probably end up spending more time at church if you go that route.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 3RD QUARTER VOTERS' MEETING

- * Capital Building Fund Loan Balance Owed is \$4,200
- * Memorial List Approved
- * Use of Upright Grave Monuments Endorsed
- * Mold Remediation and Bathroom Repairs at Parsonage Approved
- * Wood Floor Refinishing for Parsonage Approved
- * Home/General Fund Balance \$3516
- * District/Togo Missions Fund Balance \$1735
- * Capital Building Fund Loan Balance Owed \$4200

Full minutes for the last meeting will be made available in the narthex for your consideration and review.

CATECHISM REVIEW

Holy Baptism

How can water do such great things?

Certainly not just water, but the Word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this Word of God in the water. For without God's Word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the Word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying." (Titus 3:5-8)

CHURCH HISTORY

The next few weeks we will have stories about the pioneer life of some of the members from Immanuel, not necessarily church history, but interesting history all the same.

After the 1904 land claim in North Dakota, the next census "Uncle Chris" (Immanuel's former organ pumper) appears on is the 1920 census in Mclean, North Dakota. That township recorded 8 people born in Romania, 4 in Iowa, 4 in Wisconsin, 3 in Norway, 2 in Finland, 1 in New York, 1 in Canada, 1 in Michigan, 3 in Illinois, several in North Dakota and Minnesota, and the remainders were all born in Russia.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, November 24, 2019

6:05AM on WCCO-AM (830), Minneapolis / 6:00PM on KDHL-AM (920), Faribault

"Loved and Sent: God Is Love"

Guest Speaker: Pastor Jeff Cloeter

Love can be a frustrating and confusing word. We use it to describe so many different things, many of which aren't really love, at all. Jeff had grown tired of hearing the word-until he learned that real love is "not that we had loved God, but that God loved us and sent His Son. (1 John 4:7-12)