

ANNOUNCEMENTS – October 23, 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 7:30PM Quarterly Voters' Meeting
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
5:30PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30PM Choir
Thursday: 7:00PM Women's Bible Class
Friday: St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles: Deut. 32:1-4; 1 Pet. 1:3-9;
Jn. 15:17-21
10:30AM KWNG Recording Session
Saturday: 9AM-5PM Stampin' with the Spirit
Next Sunday: Reformation Sunday
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class
9:45AM Fellowship Time
10:00AM Worship with Communion
After Service Chili Lunch
3:00-6:00PM Confirmation Mentorship Event: Pumpkin Carving and Bonfire at
Jim & Mary Jo Arndt's

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Today - Alan Dicke, Kaden Dicke, Lori Reding
Tuesday - Jamie Kohn
Thursday - Andrew Juergens
Friday - Andrew & Miranda McNamara
Saturday - Randall Rausch

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Melissa Barbey, Catherine Smith, Phillip Sorenson (dealing with chronic illness), Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome), Bob Langhans, Jack Vold (11 year-old being treated for leukemia), Chad Meyer (recovering from surgery this week), and the family and friends of the Rev. Dr. Richard Alms (Marge Augustin's brother) as they mourn his passing.

11 DAY LANDS OF LUTHER TOUR

An itinerary of the 2017 Luther Lands Tour has been put in your church boxes. We have selected July 10th for the departure date. There is still time to sign-up if you are interested in visiting Germany in recognition of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. If you have specific questions or concerns, please speak with Pastor Sorenson.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Dan and Bev Kerns who have submitted their paperwork to join Immanuel, Hay Creek! Dan is a retired technical specialist who also worked in the FBI. Bev teaches piano and voice lessons and loves to quilt. Both Bev and Dan have already been active in Bible study groups at Hay Creek. Bev has also joined the choir. We are blessed to have Dan and Bev among us!

LIFE QUOTE

October 23 "Every day in this country such confusion and fear leads to nearly 3,000 babies being brutally destroyed through abortion. These are babies created by God, babies for whom Jesus died, and babies God wants to call into an eternal relationship with Him ... How can we possibly label these [issues] 'political' and withhold the only thing that can speak to such matters of the heart? The Gospel is designed to speak to hearts: your heart, my heart, all hearts. The Gospel calls us to repentance. The Gospel cleanses our hearts and forgives the sins that flow from our hearts." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •*
www.lutheransforlife.org

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LUTHERAN VOTER GUIDE

A Voter Guide prepared by the LCMS Public Policy Advisory Committee of the Minnesota North and South Districts has been put into your church boxes. This material offers help sorting out which political issues are important from a Lutheran perspective. This guide does not endorse specific candidates, but will help you to think critically about their positions. An MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Considered for Life) Voters' Guide has also been placed in the narthex. This guide includes information about our local candidates on the issue of abortion.

CONFIRMATION PHOTOS

Many thanks to Sue (Dicke) Benish, daughter of Earl Dicke, for her work in scanning all of our confirmation photos, with the help of her sister, Teresa, a member of St. Peter's - Belvidere. We have all the confirmation photos on disk now and will be able to display them on the church website. Pastor will also try to get these records onto a flash drive. Sue has also done a beautiful grid for the West Side of the Cemetery and has plans to do more work for us in the future. Sue and Teresa love to research ancestry and have been delighted to help us out while learning more about their family. If anyone would like a personal copy of the disk, please let Pastor Sorenson know about your interest.

MISSION PRESENTATION AND BRUNCH

On Sunday, November 13th, missionaries Martin and Marie Dicke will visit Immanuel - Hay Creek. Martin's grandfather Edward was confirmed at Immanuel and served the early part of his ministry as a missionary in Brazil. Martin's father served as a missionary in Papua New Guinea for 20 years, along with his sister Elinor. Martin has served in the US as a church musician for over 30 years, but now is following in his parent's footsteps and returning to serve in Papua New Guinea where he was born. They are traveling the country building a Support Network before they head overseas. During the Bible Class Hour they will offer a presentation entitled "Back to Papua New Guinea." A brunch will also be provided for all who attend. For more information on Martin and Marie Dicke's missionary work or to support them directly, visit www.lcms.org/dicke. To follow their travels and mission work, please "Like" their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/dickesbacktopng.

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY - PROJECT #3

Pastor has submitted a 54 page project to his advisors at the University of Dubuque. The project is entitled: "Ecclesiology and Worship: Luther's *Deutsche Messe* as an Affirmation of Sound Ecclesiology and Resource for Lutheran Worship in the 21st Century." This project will help Pastor build towards the dissertation he will complete over the course of the next twelve months. A copy of Project #3 has been placed in the narthex for your perusal. If you would like a personal copy, Pastor is more than happy to print one for you!

2016 "KETCH-UP" CAMPAIGN

As of September, 2016, our home fund is currently running a deficit of \$25,000. We still have not caught up from the painting project in the summer of 2015. Don't worry! We've been in this spot before, but God is good and in thanksgiving for all his blessings we can "ketch-up." We will be having a special "Ketch-Up" (Catch-Up!) Campaign until the end of December, 2016. You will notice a poster in the narthex with a picture of a ketchup bottle. That bottle will be used to mark our progress in paying down the deficit. By December 31st, it would be great to see that bottle full! Please prayerfully consider what you can sacrificially give for the benefit of your congregation and its ministry in this place. As an additional part of this campaign, a blessing basket has been placed in the narthex under the poster. What special blessings are you celebrating this time of year? Take an envelope, record your blessing on the line, and put a special offering in the envelope and place it in the blessing basket. With all of us working together, we can "ketch-up" and begin January, 2017 with a positive balance.

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, October 30, 2016

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

"The Best Bequest"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus

A legacy of faith is the best bequest, giving the gift of Jesus to those who come after you.

(Luke 12:19-21)