

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – SEPTEMBER 9, 2018**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK**

Today: 11:00AM Confirmation with M. Kitzmann  
Tuesday: 7:30PM Board of Elders  
Wednesday: 4:30PM 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
5:30PM 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
7:30PM Choir  
Thursday: 7:00PM Women's Bible Study  
Friday: Holy Cross Day: Num. 21:4-9; 1 Cor. 1:18-25; Jn. 12:20-33  
10:30AM Saint Crispin's Chapel  
2:00PM Plaza Service  
Next Sunday: The 17th Sunday After Pentecost  
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class  
9:45AM Fellowship Time  
10:00AM Worship with Holy Communion  
11:00AM Confirmation with M. Kitzmann

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

Today - Bev Kerns  
Wednesday - Adam & Melissa Dicke, Jerry & Denise Holm  
Thursday - Annie Stumpf, Kathy Voth  
Friday - Adam Dicke, Tim & Vicki Hattemer, Fred & Cindy Stumpf  
Saturday - Lisa Dicke, Ben Domagala, Emme Hattemer, Brian & Tara Goranson

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Jeanette Falkner, Melissa Barbey, Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome), Bob Langhans, Walter Banitt, Joel Kassen (recovering from a fall and broken ribs), and Kandi Kirchner (recovering from a ligament fracture).

### **CONFIRMATION TO BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 12TH**

Confirmation will kick off on Wednesday, September 12th, with a party in both classes. 5th and 6th grades will meet at 4:30 PM. This class will meet every other week throughout the school year. The 7th and 8th grade class will meet at 5:30 PM. This class will meet every week throughout the school year. For the first night, we will talk about what we did this summer, play games, and enjoy treats. All students are invited to bring a snack to share. Pastor will send home a sheet detailing the class expectations for the year. New 5th grade students will also be taught how to serve as an acolyte.

### **CHOIR TO BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 12TH**

The Immanuel Church Choir will begin rehearsing at 7:30 PM this Wednesday! We have so many people in this congregation who would make great additions to the choir! Won't you consider joining us? It's a time of music, fun, and fellowship! Many choir members have spoken of how it helps them keep a Christian focus during the week. Great voices are not a requirement, just a humble spirit willing to learn and grow. Confirmation and high school students are also welcome to join the choir.

### **A CHIME CHOIR FOR CHILDREN?**

Sara Sorenson has access to some chimes that could be used to start a chime choir. Would any youth of our congregation like to commit to a weekly rehearsal for learning and playing hand chimes? We would then play our music for worship in church. If you are interested, a sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. Once we get a list of interested youth, we can talk about potential days for rehearsal. If you have questions, please speak with Sara Sorenson.

## **E-MAIL ADDRESSES AND CELL PHONE NUMBERS**

In an effort to strengthen communication within our congregation, we are building a database of cell phone numbers and e-mail addresses. Please place the postcard in the collection plate. Thank You.

## **FIRST CHOICE CLINIC ANNUAL BANQUET**

NEED A GOOD LAUGH? Don't forget to RSVP for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual First Choice Clinic Annual Banquet. Come to learn more about the life saving work of this local pregnancy center and be entertained by nationally recognized Christian Comedian, Mike Williams! Reservations to attend are due Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. There is NO COST to attend, but reservations are required and you are encouraged to do so soon, as seating is limited. Please visit the website or call 651-267-4357 for more information. This event will take place on Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at Cornerstone Community Church in Red Wing. The same program is being offered twice; doors opening at 11:30 AM for the lunch program and at 6:00 PM for the dinner program. This is an annual event you don't want to miss! A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who would like to attend.

## **CATECHISM REVIEW**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Second Petition: "Thy kingdom come."**

***What does this mean?***

The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

***How does God's kingdom come?***

God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

## **SERVICE OF DEDICATION/PLACING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS**

In thanksgiving to God for all His blessings, a special service of dedication for our new educational facilities will be held on Sunday, September 23 during the regular hour of worship. We will also place our Sunday School teachers into office for the year during that worship time. Everyone is invited to stay for a congregational potluck following the service. Bring a dish to share!

## **MENTORSHIP KICK-OFF/CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCK**

The mentorship kick-off and congregational potluck will be held on Sunday, September 23rd, directly following the worship service. Everyone is invited to attend as we celebrate the new educational facilities of our congregation and as the mentorship program begins for this new school year. Parents of mentees are also asked to attend.

## **CHURCH HISTORY**

In 1874, a schoolhouse and a two story teacher's dwelling were built. It was decided that the school building should be 50 feet by 26 feet and 12 feet high. It should be divided into an entryway, a school room, and a confirmation classroom. Pledges of \$1,545 were collected. The cost of the school and teacher's house would be about \$1,700.

The salaries reported for both the teacher and pastor fluctuated up and down by 5%-40% within a ten year span. Around 1884, Pastor W. Lange was here and also engaged in missionary activity. Every few weeks, with team and buggy, he made a trip of eighteen miles to Bear Valley, Wabasha County, to serve a group of Lutherans there. Pastor Lange said he had received the sum of \$43 from Bear Valley for 1888, along with 33 sacks of grain. In 1889, the Bear Valley congregation gave Pastor Lange \$64, 24 sacks of oats, and 15 sacks of corn.