

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS –May 8, 2016**

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

Monday: MN Pastoral Conference - Brainerd  
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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  
Thursday: 7:00PM Women's Bible Class  
Friday: 2:00PM LCMS Plaza Service  
Saturday: Pentecost Eve: Ex. 19:1-9; Rom. 8:12-27; Jn. 14:8-21  
Next Sunday: Day of Pentecost  
9:00AM Sunday School and Bible Class  
9:45AM Fellowship Time  
10:00AM Worship with Public Examination of Confirmands  
No Communion

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK**

Tuesday - Ronnie Stumpf, Todd Stumpf  
Thursday - William Dicke, Brian & Nikki Scheele

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Willard Holst, Jeanette Falkner, Bill Langhans, Melissa Barbey, Catherine Smith, Phillip Sorenson (dealing with chronic illness), Jean Peterson (dealing with cancer), Kris Haley, Pat Banitt (struggling with Disembarkment Syndrome), and the family and friends of Roger Diercks (as they mourn his passing).

### **LAWN MOWING**

The grass is growing! The trustees are looking for individuals who would be willing to mow the church grounds. This would include the church property, minus the cemetery. If interested, please speak to Randy Meyer, Kevin Ballman, or Jerry Kohn. Thank you.

### **NEW MEMBERS**

We are pleased to welcome into our fellowship three new people who have completed a full course in Lutheran instruction: Randy and Connie Rausch and Ashley Kassen. Randy serves as a supervisor at BIC. His wife Connie is retired. Ashley serves as a Special Education Paraprofessional in Goodhue. Randy and Connie live in Red Wing, while Ryan and Ashley will soon move out of the teacherage and take up residence in Goodhue. Please take the opportunity to welcome our new members and also thank God for sending them to us!

### **HOME FUND DEFICIT**

It was reported at our last Voters' Meeting that the Church Home Fund is operating with a deficit of \$13,558.71 as of March 31st of this year. Last year at this time we had a positive balance of \$23,173.71. Much of this change is due to the total cost of the church painting project (\$23,964.81) completed last year. Mission funds remain stable, so please continue to give towards those projects. All members are asked to assess what they are giving to support the mission and ministry of Immanuel Lutheran Church: "To know Christ and to make Him known." What a joy and blessing it is to give of our time, talents, and our treasures for God's Kingdom.

1 Corinthians 16:2: "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income..."

2 Corinthians 9:7: "God loves a cheerful giver."

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## **SPRING CLEANING "THANK YOU"**

A hearty "thank you" to everyone who shared of their time and energy this last week for Spring Cleaning. The Church looks great! Your efforts are appreciated!

## **CONFIRMATION DINNER**

The 2016 Confirmation Dinner will be held on Friday, May 20th, at 6:30 PM. Since we have more students than in recent years and since confirmation mentors will also be involved, please plan on enough food for roughly 70 people. We have five confirmands this year: Tyler Ballman, Cody Callstrom, Dylan Frazier, Andy Germann-Hutter, and Brandon Schmitz. We would like to provide a nice meal for the students and their families. If you are willing to bring food and/or serve for the Confirmation Dinner, a sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. Thanks so much!

## **CONFIRMATION DINNER**

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## **IMPORTANT CONFIRMATION EVENTS COMING UP IN MAY!**

- May 15: 10:00 AM Public Examination of Confirmation Students
- May 20: 5:45 PM Confirmation Pictures
- 6:30 PM Confirmation Dinner (in Fellowship Hall)
- May 22: 10:00 AM Service of Confirmation

## **"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" – Sunday, May 15, 2016**

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

### **"Jesus Gives Us the Help We Need"**

Jesus doesn't want you to be in the dark about how much He loves you. (John 14:23-31)

## **LIFE QUOTE**

**May 8 (Mother's Day)** "We have been among the living from our first moments inside our mothers. God's holy angels and many wonderful people worked very hard to keep it that way. Because they did, we have fulfilling lives in Jesus Christ. And there is hope for others through us as we live for Him. We owe a great debt. Let us pay it forward as guardians of life and hope."

*Jason Nelson, [www.timeofgrace.org](http://www.timeofgrace.org) – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •*

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