

IMMANUEL NEWSLETTER

July 15, 2010

YOUTH NEWS

Summertime Groups for Youth

Need something to do this summer? We have something special for all kids in Grades 6-8.

Cooking

Mondays – 10:00-11:00 AM
Instructor: Rick Ruby

Board Games

Mondays – 12:00-1:00 AM
Instructor: Ashley Miu

Sailing

Thursday, 7/29,
Mondays, 8/16, 8/23 and 8/30 – 1:00-2:00 PM
Instructor: Pastor Mark

Running

Wednesdays – 1:00-2:00 PM
Instructor: Ashley Miu

Floor Hockey

Thursdays – 11:00 AM – Noon
Instructors: Dave, Jeremy and Justin Nelson

New Young Adult Group!

If you are between the **ages of 18-29**, you're invited to be a part of our new college-age & "Twenty Something Group. We meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm at Caribou Coffee. Join us as we look with fresh eyes at what the Word has to say to us at this stage in our lives, and to hang out. Together we will figure out what faith, has to do with real life, network with other young adults, make sense of our place in the world, and use our lives to make a difference! Please contact Ashley Miu at the church, 262-248-4211, or at her email address, miual02@uww.edu.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Vacation Bible Camp

The 2010 Vacation Bible Camp will be held at Immanuel on Sunday, July 25th through

Thursday, July 29, from 5:00 – 8:15 PM. The theme is "High Seas Expedition: Exploring the Mighty Love of God!" There is absolutely NO cost to participate in our Bible Camp!

We need lots of volunteers, as last year we had 200 kids! Helpers are needed to assist with crafts, games, registration, Bible Study, Food Preparation for Dinner every night, as well as Preschool and Elementary Leaders. Please sign up on the Worship Card if you want to help. Bible Camp Registration Forms are available in the church office and Sunday bulletins. We also need **help setting up at noon on Sunday, July 25th**. Pizza lunch will be provided!

Vacation Bible Camp Singers

Our Vacation Bible Camp kids will be singing on **Sunday, July 25th at all three services.**

Please have your children here by 8:50 AM to sing at the end of the first service. The children will sing right at the start of the 2nd and 3rd services – so families can attend the service of their preference. We always look forward to hearing our children praise God in worship!

Shower for Our New Nursery Space!

Our Strategic Planning, "Maximizing our Current Facilities Ministry Team," began their work to give our Nursery and Children's area a *complete makeover* on July 5th. Many thanks to all who are helping with the remodeling! As part of the plan to create a clean and safe space, we need some new toys and storage containers to organize the space. Our Children's Ministry Director has created a Gift Registry at Target where needed items are listed. If you want to help, you can either visit any Target Store, or shop online! **The gift registry is under: First Name: Immanuel, Last Name: Nursery.**

Moms and Tots

Moms and Tots are all invited to a fantastic day at the beach. Join us **Tuesday, July 20th at 5:00 PM at the Rivera beach.** Bring a snack if you'd like. All are welcome!

Rally Day

Fall will be here before you know it!! The kick off for the new Sunday School year will be celebrated on **September 12th**. Stay tuned for details!

Back to School Clothes and Supplies for Kids

All families are welcome to our Second Annual "Back to School Clothes and Supplies" at church on **Saturday, Aug. 21 from 9:00AM - Noon**. Come and shop for gently used, clean children's clothing for 25 cents an item! Please bring a laundry basket to take home your purchases.

All proceeds will benefit Side by Side – which is another wonderful way to stand with families going through difficult economic times.

You can help by donating new clothing, or clean, gently used clothes. We also need lots of school supplies and backpacks. We will be sorting the donated items on August 20th from 9:00 – 11:00 AM and 4:00 – 6:00 PM. **Please bring items any time after August 1st!**
Thanks!

Nursery Makeover

While our Nursery and Children's areas are being remodeled, the temporary nursery will be in the small room on the left side of the top floor of the church. It is accessible by the back entrance of the church. Take the back stairs or the elevator to the 2nd floor to reach our temporary space.

NEW MINISTRY TEAMS

Mission Outreach Team: Haiti

If you are interested in exploring a possible Mission Trip for adults to Haiti – either this fall or early winter – join us for a meeting on **Tuesday, August 17th at 7 PM**. Please let Pastor Mary Ann know if you are interested in attending.

Discipleship Team

Our new "Discipleship Team" will meet **Thursday, August 19th at 7:00 PM** at the church to choose our congregational small group Bible study resources for the fall. Come be part of the conversation!

Youth and Family Team

The new "Youth and Family Team" meets **Tuesday, August 17th at 6:00 PM** at the

church. Come join us as we plan to launch exciting new ministries for families and youth!

WORSHIP NEWS

Vibrant Voices

Will be **taking a break** for the rest of the summer, due to all of our hectic summer schedules. Stay tuned for the fall startup date!! Please contact John if you are interested in providing special music at the early service.

Praise Team

The **Praise Team rehearses at 7:30 PM on Wednesday nights**. If you enjoy contemporary Christian music, and want to sing or play an instrument, you're invited! Call Director John Ivan at 262 620-2349 for information.

Please note that Praise Team will not meet on Wednesday, July 21st due to Vacation Bible Camp using the entire building.

Music Ministry E-Newsletter

Are you receiving Immanuel's Music Ministry E-newsletter? If you are interested in more detailed Immanuel music news be sure you add yourself to our list. You can e-mail John Ivan @ johndavidivan@yahoo.com with your name and e-mail address information, or fill out the form supplied in the bulletin.

DISCIPLESHIP NEWS

Saturday Morning Men's Breakfast and Bible Study

The next date for men to gather for Saturday Breakfast and Bible Study is **July 31 at 7:30 AM** at church. Bring along some food to share and an appetite for God's word. All are welcome!

Saturday Morning Women's Bible Study

The Saturday Morning Women's Bible Study that was scheduled for **July 10th at 10:00 AM** as been moved to **July 17th** at Odella Nelson's,

126 Bonito St. in Walworth. For directions, call her at 262 374-2108. All are welcome!

Walk in Faith Bible Study for Women

The Walk in Faith Women's Bible Study will **not** meet this summer. They will resume after Labor Day.

Women of Faith Conference

Women of Faith is coming to Milwaukee on **October 1st and 2nd at the Bradley Center.** This year's line-up includes Mandisa, Steven and Mary Beth Curtis Chapman, Patsy Clairmont, Sandi Patty, Marilyn Meberg, Anita Renfroe, Lisa Whelchel, Nicole Johnson and many more. Check out www.womenoffaith.com for more information. We hope to bring a large group of women from Immanuel to this spectacular event! To sign-up go to <http://gps.womenoffaith.com> and look for the Lake Geneva Women of Faith group. If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Hibbard at (262) 248-1782.

Small Group Bible Studies!

We will launch a new church-wide Small Group Bible Study in the Fall. Several Small Groups are continuing for the summer, or for a couple more weeks. We apologize if we missed any. Let us know!

Sundays, 9:30 AM – Our Adult Sunday School Class continues to meet each week in Pastor Mary Ann's office. Come join their stimulating discussion of Lee Strobel's book, The Case for Christ.

Mondays, 4:30 PM at the Judy Huemann home, 245 Elmwood Ave. in Lake Geneva, 262 248-7572. Facilitator: Ashley Miu - 325-4443. The group is watching and discussing Nooma Videos. All are welcome.

Tuesday, 9:00 AM at Simple Restaurant on August 10th. Facilitators: Carolee Barnet and Kathy Culp. 348-9376. All are welcome.

Wednesday at 9:30 AM at the home of Joan Anderson, 1164 Rolling Lane, Lake Geneva. 248-7741. Facilitator: Bobbi Gutman, 245-1848. Women's Group. **GROUP IS FULL.**

3rd Friday of the Month, 9:30 AM – July 16th, and August 20th at church. Facilitator is Mickey Tolar. The group is studying "Dangerous Surrender!" All are welcome.

Shepherds for Christ will meet **Tuesday, July 13th at 7:00 PM** at the Tonn's, 500 S. Edwards Blvd., #34, Lake Geneva. Call 262-348-0737 for more information.

LOCAL MISSION

A Day In Time Needs You!

This new ministry is looking for caring individuals who want the reward of truly making a difference in the life of adults experiencing Alzheimer's Disease and related memory loss. Volunteers can spend up to a half/full day at the program sharing in the activities, food, games, and cognitive enrichment programs. They also need volunteers to help with lunch and snack preparation, as well as assisting in the daily activities that raise participant's self-esteem. Volunteers will receive free Alzheimer's and Activity Training by the lead Program Directors. Volunteers 18 or older are encouraged to apply, by calling Cindy Lester at 262 210-9783, or emailing her at cllester14@hotmail.com.

Free Community Breakfast

Immanuel is hosting a free Community Breakfast every **Tuesday and Thursday** throughout the summer, from **7:27 to 9:29 AM!** Bergen Quaerna, a Badger High School Senior, is helping this ministry as her Senior Project! Please let your neighbors, and especially their children, know of this nourishing breakfast. If you want to help, please sign up on the Worship Card. Donations are welcome – both cash and food.

Geneva Manor Worship

We lead worship at Geneva Manor Nursing Home on **Thursday, August 19th at 2:30 PM.** Let Pastor Mark know if you can help with music or serving Holy Communion to residents.

Arbor Village Worship

Immanuel is also leading an informal worship gathering at Arbor Village on **Friday, August 20th at 11:00 AM.** If you would like to help out, contact the church office.

Side by Side Distribution

The next **date for screenings** at Side by Side is Tues., **August 17 at 6:30 PM** at the UCC/Congregational Church in Lake Geneva. Side by Side provides a modest financial gift to help with utilities, rent or prescription medications.

Alanon

Immanuel is the site for Alanon meetings at **6:30 PM on Mondays**. Alanon is a 12 Step Group that provides mutual support to those living with someone who suffers from an addiction. It is totally anonymous and life giving.

AA Meetings

AA meets **Sundays at 3:45 PM, and 8:00 PM on Mondays and Wednesdays**. All meetings are held in the Junker Lounge. AA supports those living with an addiction in learning how to achieve sobriety one day at a time.

Angel Food Ministries

The **distribution date** for July is **Saturday, July 31st, from 9:30-11:00 AM**. We so appreciate all who have helped with distribution, and always welcome others to our team. If you have questions, contact Beth at 248-6244.

Local Food Pantries

++ The Lake Geneva Food Pantry is open Monday-Wednesday-Friday, from 9:00-11:30 AM at the First Congregational Church. Contact Bev (248-2533) for information or if you want to volunteer.

++ The WC Food Pantry, located at Hwy. H and NN, is open Wednesday and Saturday from 2:00-6:00 PM. Contact Frank (312-656-6178) if you need help or want to help.

Daily Bread Meals

Our Daily Bread ministry coordinators are Kathy Huevelman and Susan Krinn. If you are willing to make a meal for an individual or family going through an emergency, please sign up on the Worship Card in the bulletin, or call the church office. Kathy and Susan has a list of those who have offered to help, and will call them on a

rotating basis. The gift of a hot dinner is such a gift when you are too ill or overwhelmed to make one. If you know someone who would benefit from meals, please call one of the pastors.

Building

The building team will meet **Saturday, August 7th at 7:30 AM** at Simple Restaurant.

Milwaukee Soup Kitchen

Immanuel will serve at the Milwaukee Soup Kitchen on **Sunday, August 15th**. Meet at church at 4:00 PM to carpool to the site. We will feed between 200-350 children, women and men their dinner. Sign up on the Worship Card on Sunday if you can help!

Fundraiser for Diabetes

The Lake Women's Association presents "Diabetes Outreach Challenge" on Sunday, **August 22**, on the Lady of the Lake. Enjoy food, friends, and fireworks while raising money for a good cause. Contact Carol Morem for more information (325-5119).

INTERNATIONAL MISSION

Buttons for the Sireno's

A button has always been used to attach one piece of fabric to another to become a whole. Even the most beautiful fabric doesn't work properly if it's missing buttons that fasten it together. While Tim is serving in Afghanistan, Ashley and Bella are missing their button. So we're taking up a donation of buttons until the day Ashley and Bella are reunited with their button. So please, if you could, take time to find a button (new or old), put it in an envelope and send it to them. A note of encouragement to accompany your button would be very much appreciated as well. Ashley and Bella will put one of the buttons you have given them into a jar for every night their family is missing their button. We ask that you try and send them a button whenever you think of them and to keep their family in your prayers. A soldier is overseas striving for our freedom. That soldier has a wife that loves him dearly and a daughter

that misses her daddy. They need the love, support and encouragement from us all.

Ashley and Bella Sireno
1167 Chinook Circle
Clarksville, TN 37042

FELLOWSHIP

Annual Church Picnic Scheduled

Be sure to reserve the date of **Sunday, August 22**, for the church picnic. We are thrilled to be able to return to Abbey Springs as the site for food, fun, and fellowship. Plan to join your Immanuel friends **from 1 pm to 4 pm**. Hot dogs, burgers, corn and drinks will be provided; we'll bring a dish to pass. If you would like to be on a team to plan the picnic, come to our first meeting on Monday, June 21st, at 6:00 pm.

Book Club

The Book Club meets Wednesday, **July 28th** at the Aspenson's located at 1500 Conant Street. Join them at **1:30 PM** to discuss the book "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett.

Childcare Needed

Kate and Kyle Ketterhagen need someone (part-time) to help care for Levi in their home. Contact them at 203-2770

NEW ADDRESS

Pam and Pete Juergens
133 Darwin Street
Lake Geneva, WI 53147

Ida Lavin
Pinecrest of Lake Geneva
N3367 County Trunk NN
Lake Geneva, WI 53147

PRAYERS

+ **Nyda Fogarty**, recovering from a stroke

+ **Craig Tripp**, for healing from injuries received in a serious motorcycle accident

+ **Jack Stotko**, recently diagnosed with kidney cancer

+ For my mother **Muriel**; pains, muscle weakness, for improved health. JM

+ **Tim Harbeck**, for healing from the cancer that is spreading

+ **Jeannie Willhite**, undergoing tests at the Mayo Clinic

+ **Mary DeBoer**, for successful back surgery

+ Continued prayers for healing: **Craig Cook, Nick McClellan, Dennis Mellien, Joan Mellien, Ruth Hinzpeter, Trisha Walls, Pastor Eric Jelinek, Shirley Winkley, George Bielawa, Karen Baumgartner, Rich Howes, VJ Johnson, Madgel Schluga, Clay Wahlstedt, Sara Wahlstedt, Gary Allenstein, Tom Mol, Bernie Hackbarth, Sandy Tonn, Carrie Novak, Art Hinzpeter, Steve Deering, Pastor Paul Peterson, Earl Vorpapel, Bobbi Gutman, Jonathan Hibbard, Pat Parsons, Gert Walstad, Elaine Vorpapel**

+ **Ruth Kloppstein**, recovering at home following a long hospitalization

+ **Evelyn Pahl**, for a full recovery following knee replacement surgery

+ **Charlene McKaig**, to carry her twins to full term

+ **Sherry Gordon's** father, as he prepares to receive a pacemaker

+ **Ray Mellien**, difficulty breathing

+ **Lorraine Hanneman, mother of Mark Hanneman**, recovering from a fall that broke numerous bones.

THANKS

Many thanks to our "Vibrant Voices" Choral Ensemble for the gift of their music at the early service on July 11th!

"Thank you for the kind thoughts and prayers at the loss of my mother, Florence Netzel. **Grace Shepstone**"

"Dear Pastors Mark and Mary Ann, Thank you so much to Immanuel Lutheran Church and both of you for your guidance, support, and beautiful marriage service of Betsy and Nick. We are all truly blessed. Warm regards, **Rick and Sarah DeLazzer**"

"Dear Quilters of Immanuel, Thank you for the quilt you made for me for graduation. It will be coming with me to college this fall. I love this church and the quilt will be a reminder of faith while I'm away. Sincerely, **Emily Schulz**"

"Thank you for the prayers and cookies for **Frank Faul**. He is doing great. Thank you, the Faul Family"

"Dear Friends of Immanuel, I want to thank everyone who have been so wonderful to us during my 2 year bout with cancer. Your prayers, cards, flowers, phone calls, visits, and food have been so supportive. A special thank you to Pastors Mary Ann and Mark. Immanuel Lutheran Church does have a heart to care for all of us. Love to all, **Spud and Ruth Hinzpeter**"

"Please accept this small token for your church and apply it to the Youth Program. I think **Ashley Miu** is a great person and I know she will do well as your Youth Director. In God's name, trust, and love, S.A. Welch

"To the most generous giver at Immanuel, Thank you so much for the greatly appreciated groceries, and also for the Angel Food that was provided to us. We have been so blessed, and continue to grow in faith with our church family. Love and hugs to all, **Kathy and Craig Middleton**

"Kent and I would like to extend to you and members of Immanuel a very special thank you, for everyone's prayers, cards, and gifts that were sent to Krista and Kevin Mejia (our daughter and son-in-law) while serving in Iraq. It made a difficult and long stay more comforting knowing that people from home were with them in heart and spirit. They have recently returned to the states to live and are expecting their first child. (Baby Lily Ann Mejia was born on July 13, weighing 5 lbs. 10 oz. and is 17 ½ inches long.

Mother and child are doing well.) Needless to say, we are extremely excited to be grandparents, as this is our first. Our blessings to all! Thanks again so very much, **Kent and Joan Sutkay**"

SYMPATHY

+ The family of **Brian Kelly**, whose memorial service was held at Immanuel on July 17th.

+ The family of **Ted Peterson**, whose memorial service was held Steinke Funeral Home on July 17th.

+ **Maria Ruby** and family, as they buried her father **Carl Edquist** on July 18th.

+ **Andy Larkin and the entire Larkin family**, at the recent loss of his precious wife, Norma – who died to the Lord at such a young age of esophageal cancer. Norma leaves behind an 18 month old daughter.

