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Uniting families *in* Christ
to reach new generations
for Christ.

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**THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE.
LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT!**


GITTER DONE... PLEASE!! You still have time to take our CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY online. To submit your opinions/suggestions simply go to the following website:

<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22AGRNT2KUN>

You have until May 12 to submit your answers. Computers will be available here at church Saturday & Sunday. If you have a survey to hand in, you may place it in the basket on the welcome desk. Please make sure that you complete this. Your input is crucial. Thank You!

 **FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are placed to the glory of God by Joan and Kevin Minard in celebration of their 29th wedding anniversary. May God continue to bless them in the years ahead.

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS for next week are: Psalm 133; Acts 1:12-26; Revelation 22:1-20; and John 17:20-26. 

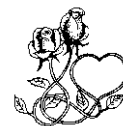
 **SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP** is hosted today by our *Stewardship Ministry*. Join us after the 8:00 service and enjoy some coffee and treats. (Next week Fellowship Time will be hosted by our *Youth Ministry*.)

KID'S KINGDOM – This week's lesson is about the Lord's Prayer (*Luke 11:1-13*). The children learned that our heavenly Father invites us to pray and promises to hear our prayer for the sake of His Son, Jesus. What things have you prayed for? How has God answered your prayers? Review what the catechism has to say about the Lord's Prayer.

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS! Please RSVP to Pastor Auringer (jauringer@ilcsw.net) by **Wednesday, May 12**, regarding your attendance at the New Member BBQ. When he receives your email, he will then send you directions to his home. Thank You!



Happy Mother's Day



TITHING & ATTENDANCE

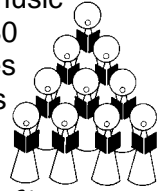
May 1 & 2	Actual	Needed	Attendance	Communicants
Church Contributions	\$21,667	\$12,692	447	354
3Cs Contributions	\$ 5,374	\$ 5,433		

FUNDRAISER BAKE SALE . . . The 8th graders of Immanuel Lutheran School are having a fundraising **BAKE SALE** on **MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 9**, after both services, to raise funds for their upcoming CLASS TRIP to Kansas City. Your support at their last Bake Sale was **OUTSTANDING**, and they're hoping to repeat it one more time. They'll have flowers and sweet treats for that special someone in your life! Thank you, again, for your support!

ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS will meet **Monday, May 10**, at **7:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please call Doris Haake (327-6919).

SINGLE WOMEN FELLOWSHIP will meet for lunch at **11:30 a.m.** at the Wentzville Olive Garden **Wednesday, May 12**. If you need a ride or have questions, please call Darlene, 327-8551.

CONCERT @ IMMANUEL! Please join the choral and handbell music groups from Immanuel and Holy Cross, O'Fallon, **HERE** at 3:30 p.m., **next Sunday, May 16**, in the Sanctuary. After joining forces for the Dedication service last August, these music groups decided they enjoyed performing together and would like to share their talents with you in another venue! The concert is **FREE OF CHARGE**. Please, just come and enjoy an afternoon of sacred and secular music! *Christa Stec, Director of Music*



LADIES AID TO TIE QUILTS: All ladies of the congregation are welcome to help tie quilts for missions **Monday, May 17, at 10 a.m.** We meet in the Ladies Aid room upstairs. No experience is needed; just bring your favorite pair of scissors! See you there!

VOTERS MEETING has been called for **Monday, May 17, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Major points of discussion will be the budget for the next fiscal year, an update on the call process, and the plans for the next building.

THE FIRST CAMPING FELLOWSHIP of the year is scheduled for the weekend of **May 21**. Sites have been reserved at Mark Twain State Park. For more information on the park see <http://www.mostateparks.com/twainpark.htm>. We hope to see a good turnout of previous campers as well as some new faces. You don't need a camper to attend; tents are welcome! If you are interested in joining us or would just like more information, contact Susan Craven (314-608-6622 or secraven@charter.net) or Kim Theilmann (462-2638 or theilmann77@centurytel.net).



A FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON will be held after the late service **May 23**. The menu is a sub-way luncheon with deli meats from Mannino's to make sandwiches, chips and a drink. Cost for an adult's meal is \$4 and a child's meal \$3. The *Alleluia Ringers* will be joining us. Take some time and get to know these talented musicians! Please **RSVP** (bcstille@centurytel.net or 697-8183) by **Wednesday, May 19**. Thanks, *Becky Stille*

VBS – Immanuel is preparing to be invaded by pirates and we need your help! This year our annual Vacation Bible School will be **August 2-6** from 6:15-8:15 p.m. We are looking for adults and youth to lead stations, serve as crew leaders, etc. For more information about how you can be a part of this awesome week of outreach and children's ministry, please talk to Carla Wiese (332-1858) or Dan Stec.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT – Sunday Coffee Fellowship donations for the next 6 months (through October) will go toward new Playground Equipment for the school. Matching funds have been requested from Thrivent Financial. Checks should be made payable to *Immanuel Lutheran Church*. Many groups make this Fellowship possible. Please support this effort.

VBS – We will be taking pirates age 3 to entering 5th grade for crews beginning soon. The cost will be \$15 for the first child, \$10 for each additional child. If you need financial assistance, please contact Dan Stec. We want **all** children to attend. Watch your Pulse and Eagle Weekly for more information.

CONFIRMATION UPDATE! To make sure that we connect those of confirmation age with what is going on, we ask that current 6th and 7th graders please send an e-mail to msell@ilcsw.net or dstec@ilcsw.net. This way we can keep the students and their parents up-to-date on what is going on with confirmation class this coming year.

TRASH BAGS ARE HERE! If you ordered trash bags from the FoSLE group, please stop by the back table in the Fellowship Hall to pick up your order. Forgot to get your order in? No worries... we have extras! The Friends of Secondary Lutheran Education appreciate your support!

LAY READERS WANTED! If you would like to participate in the worship services by being a Lay Reader, contact the church office by **May 24**. Please indicate your service preference and include your email address and phone number. Thanks to all of you who are Readers now. If I don't hear from you, I'll put you back on the schedule for your same service preference. The new schedule starts the first Sunday in June. Thanks, *Sue*

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A GREETER, please let me know within the next two weeks. A new schedule comes out in July. Also, if there is any Greeter who did not get my email this past week, let me know so that I can make sure you are on my list. Thanks a bunch, *Becky Stille*, bcstille@centurytel.net or 697-8183.

2nd ANNUAL CF WEEK AT ILS!! We want to raise awareness, pray for a cure, and raise money to find that cure. Two of our very own students, Hannah (4th) and Kayla (6th), fight Cystic Fibrosis each and every day. We also support this cause in memory of a student's father who lost his battle with CF last year. "CURE CYSTIC FIBROSIS" bracelets are available in the school office for \$1! We celebrated with a rally on Friday, blew bubbles, and we all wore PURPLE (the official color of CF). The kids made banners and cars honked for a cure! Chapel offerings from May 5 and 12 will go to CURE CF through the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. If you would like to make a donation, you may drop it off in the school office. For more information, visit www.cff.org – "Adding tomorrows everyday"

A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER: Thank You, heavenly Father, for the life You give and the comfort You bring through mothers. Thank You for Christian mothers who nourish us in life and nurture us in faith. Bless all mothers and uphold them in this loving and sometimes daunting vocation. Be with the childless and those who mourn the loss of a child that they may find comfort in Your merciful goodness. Hold all mothers and all Your people in Your comforting arms assuring us that everything will be okay. In Jesus' name, Amen.

INTERESTED IN DEACONESS MINISTRY? All ladies are invited to an LWML luncheon at Breeze Park Friday, May 21, at 10:30 a.m. The speaker will be from the Lutheran Deaconess Association in Valparaiso, IN. Contact Karen Pitkin, Deaconess at Breeze Park, for more information (939-5223).

JOIN TEAM IMMANUEL!! Everyone is invited to join *Team Immanuel* as they participate in the Susan G. Komen St. Louis Race for the Cure June 12. You can register online at www.komenstlouis.org. You can also email Paula Lowery (paula_lowery@hotmail.com) or Shirlee Nolting (snolting@ilcsw.net) for more information. Flyers are in the Fellowship Hall.

KID'S KINGDOM – We are in need of summer teachers. We are looking for adults who could teach one, two or more Sundays this summer. Please prayerfully consider helping out with this important ministry.

AUDIO ENGINEERS are needed for the Saturday night and Sunday morning services. If interested, or for more information, contact Larry at admin@ilcsw.net. Thanks!

OUR NEXT HABITAT WORKDAY will be Saturday, **May 29**. We will need 12 people to help. We'd like to encourage new helpers to join us, as we know that is Memorial Day weekend and some people may be out of town. Please sign up or call Cynthia Menscher at 639-5188 if you have questions.

SERVING AT WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK: Worship Assistants – Saturday-Doug Dotson (Captain); 8:00-Ray Ungemach (Captain), Dave Goebel, Marvin Maag, Ron Mottola, Eric Pitman, and Orville Weber; 10:45-Lowell Mattox (Captain), Rob Cevasco, Bill Crets, David Freise, Kevin Hartley, and Anthony Westcott. **Lay Readers** – Saturday-Rick Wiese; 8:00-Ray Ungemach; 10:45-Kim Kisling. **Acolytes** – Saturday-Will Wiese; 8:00-Michelle Peters; 10:45-Hannah Lowery. **Greeters** – Saturday-Lois Schubert; 8:00-Marvin & Susan Maag; 10:45-Kathy & Terry Hannon. **May Ushers** – Saturday-Dennis Moellering (Captain), Herman Bauer, Gary Fischer, Don Giessmann, Todd Greiwe and Brian Menscher; 8:00-Marty Galucia (Captain), Jeff Bryan, Dave Demien, Jim Pitman, John Wightman, Ralph Wolfram; 10:45-Dan Koenig (Captain), Mike Fridley, Bill Launer, Ed Lovelace, Hal McClurkin, Mario McClurkin, and Kris Schuldt.

FoSLE GARAGE SALE COMING JUNE 11 AND 12! As you are doing any spring cleaning, please save any unwanted items for the Friends of Secondary Lutheran Education garage sale. We would especially appreciate donations of furniture and household items. Items may be dropped off in the CAC anytime after May 28. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Norman, Cee Cee Liefer, or Donna Peters.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS!!!



IMMANUEL PICNIC, September 12, held at Highway N to celebrate and welcome everyone to one campus! Hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks will be provided by the Fellowship Ministry. Attendees will bring side dishes and desserts to share along with their own table service. There will be entertainment in the afternoon. Mark your calendar. More information is coming!

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY – Family photos will be taken October 8 and 9, October 12-16, and October 19. Families photographed will receive a FREE 8x10 photo and a new directory. Do NOT need to be a member to be photographed, so this is a great time for the whole family and extended family to have a picture. It's VERY IMPORTANT for your picture to be in the directory so PLEASE mark your calendar. Watch for more information.



FOCUS ON ESTATE CONSERVATION – A free educational workshop, will be offered at the Boardwalk Corporate Center in O'Fallon **May 12 at 7:00 p.m.**, and Zion Lutheran Church **May 14 at 1:30 p.m.** Participants will gain a better understanding of how they can take steps to protect their assets from loss before and after they're gone, and how to transfer their estate smoothly to help reduce family stress. The workshop will be presented by representatives Kelly Brickner and John Priesmeyer, along with guest speakers, Tim Lohmar and Erin Burlison, Attorneys at Law with Lohmar Staebell and Burlison LLC. To register, e-mail Kelly.brickner@thrivent.com or call 695-4110.

ARE YOU ENGAGED OR NEWLY MARRIED? If you are, the Thrivent West St. Charles-Warren County Chapter would like to invite you to attend an upcoming workshop called ***From Me to We***. The workshop will be held at Holy Cross, O'Fallon, **Sunday, May 16**, from 12:00-1:00 p.m. and includes a complimentary lunch. The presenters are Thrivent Financial for Lutherans representatives David Sampl, Jr. and Brian Wegener. This is an educational experience. No financial products will be sold. To reserve a seat for yourself, or for yourself and a guest, please RSVP with Camille Marolf (493-9220) or online at camille.marolf@thrivent.com.

BIRTHRIGHT OF WENTZVILLE is in need of the following items: disposable diapers (any size), baby wipes, baby clothes, and maternity clothes. You may bring your donations to church and place them on the table in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to give a cash donation, you may give it to Molissa Harms (Immanuel's contact). She will take the money, along with the above requested donations. They are also in need of volunteers. If you would be interested, call Birthright Of Wentzville (327-8170).

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE "LIFE THOUGHTS" – "What is the world coming to?" we ask when we observe so much evil, so much perversion of the truth, and so many atrocities of nation against nation and man against man. Our hope in the midst of all of this is that Jesus came into this world. He overcame the root cause of it all – sin (*John 16:33*). In the victory of the resurrected Christ we find peace and the strength to endure and bring our influence to bear in this world as His people.

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS and turn off your cell phones/pagers before you enter church.

PLEASE SIGN the greeting cards for those on the prayer list. You'll brighten someone's day! The cards are in the narthex.

TWB/SCRIP CARDS are sold after the 8:00 Sunday service and they are always available at the school office on Pearce. These cards make great gift ideas or use them for your weekly shopping. All profits benefit Immanuel Lutheran Church and School. If you have any questions, contact Cee Cee Liefer in the school office (639-9887).

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS & WHITE GRAPE JUICE are available for those who have sensitivities. The grape juice is in the center of the communion tray. Please let Pastor know before service if you need the gluten-free wafer.

+ THE WEEK AHEAD AT IMMANUEL +
May 9-May 16, 2010

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| THIS | - 8:00 a.m. – Divine Service | WED | - 5:30 p.m. – Preschool Closing Program |
| SUN | - 9:30 a.m. – Adult Bible Class | | - 7:00 p.m. – Preschool Closing Program |
| | - 9:30 a.m. – Kid's Kingdom | | - 7:00 p.m. – <i>Adult Instruction Class</i> |
| | - 9:30 a.m. – Kingdom Beginnings | THURS | - 4:30 p.m. – <i>Laudate Ringers</i> |
| | - 9:30 a.m. – JH & HS Bible Classes | | - 6:00 p.m. – Festival Choir |
| | - 10:45 a.m. – <i>The Connection Service</i> | | - 8:00 p.m. – <i>Connection Rehearsal</i> |
| | <i>8th Grade Bake Sale</i> | SAT | - 4:00 p.m. – New Member BBQ |
| | <i>Following Both Services</i> | | - 5:00 p.m. – Divine Service |
| | - 5:00 p.m. – <i>JH Thingy</i> | NEXT | - 8:00 a.m. – Divine Service |
| | - 7:00 p.m. – HS Night | SUN | - 9:30 a.m. – Adult Bible Class |
| MON | - 7:00 p.m. – Board of Education Mtg. | | - 9:30 a.m. – Kid's Kingdom |
| | - 7:00 p.m. – Altar Guild Meeting | | - 9:30 a.m. – Kingdom Beginnings |
| TUES | - 6:00 a.m. – Men's Bible Study | | - 9:30 a.m. – JH & HS Bible Classes |
| | - 9:30 a.m. – Women of the Word | | - 10:45 a.m. – <i>The Connection Service</i> |
| | - 5:30 p.m. – Preschool Closing Program | | |
| | - 7:00 p.m. – Preschool Closing Program | | |
| | - 7:00 p.m. – Board of Directors Meeting | | |
| | - 7:00 p.m. – Cub Scout Meeting | | |
| WED | - 8:30 a.m. – ILS Chapel (P) | | |
| | - 11:30 a.m. – Single Women Fellowship | | |
| | <i>(Meet at Olive Garden)</i> | | |

Handbell & Vocal Choir Concert
with Holy Cross, O'Fallon,
in the Sanctuary at 3:30 p.m.

(P) – Event held at Pearce Campus