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# **LEAVES** OF LIFE



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#### Immanuel Lutheran

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2015

In summer 2003, I received news that my 95-year-old grandmother, a faithful follower of Jesus, had died. Right afterward, my husband and I took our two young girls outside to catch our breath only to find a special symbol

of new life waiting for us. On the porch railing sat a strange-looking, wriggling lump. Upon closer investigation, we saw a tiger swallowtail emerging from its cocoon — body still plump and wings still wet. Before the huge butterfly tried out its wings and flew away, we had a few moments to take photos of it with our daughters. We still marvel at the timing. We had named our baby after Grandma, but they hadn't yet met. A stunning creature, sent just when we needed it, reminded us that "baby Carrie" would meet Grandma Carrie someday in heaven, where we'll all

be made new.

-Stephanie Martin

# Tree of Life Worship Schedule

#### SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

#### Holy Trinity Branch

**Immanuel Branch** 

825 Forest Ave
Jamestown NY 14701
(716)488-4235

556 East Second Street Jamestown, NY 14701 (716) 664-7104

#### **SERVICES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY are at Immanuel**

# NOTE THRU AUGUST: WE ARE ON SUMMER SCHEDULE

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

**JULY 2015 AT IMMANUEL (Sanctuary)** 

9:30 AM HOLY COMMUNION WORSHIP



# **Holy Trinity AUGUST**

9:30 outdoor chapel Communion: 1st & 3rd Sun.

#### **OCTOBER**

SS, 9:30 & W, 10:30

#### **DECEMBER**

SS, 9:30 & W, 10:30 Christmas Schedule TBA



#### <u>Immanuel</u>



**SEPTEMBER** SS, 9:30 & W, 10:30

**NOVEMEBER** 

SS, 9:30 & W, 10:30

#### **Tree of Life News**

#### **IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES**

#### **IMMANUEL STAFF & CONTACTS**

A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Pastor Bob Kasting 664-7104 (640-1580) Church Office 664-7104

Rosemary DiDomenico, Parish Secretary

Beryl Emley, Financial Manager Roberto Castellano, Custodian

Diane K. Kling, Organist; Choir 484-0266
Paul Hagelin, Council President 450-3347
Ian Eastman, Shared Lutheran Youth Minister (SLYM) 720-8584

Nursery room is available if some feels the need to leave with small child

Church office hours: mornings, Monday—Friday Pastor in office: Monday & Wednesday mornings

Website: www.ilcjamestown.com

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BERYL:berylemley@windstream.net

IAN: <a href="mailto:ifeastman@gmail.com">ifeastman@gmail.com</a> DIANE: <a href="mailto:dkling@netsync.net">dkling@netsync.net</a>

#### **HOLY TRINITY STAFF & CONTACTS**

Pastor Bob Kasting 640-1580 revbobk2001@yahoo.com

• Gail Espinoza, Organist 488-0422

 Judy Whittaker, Secretary
 488-4235
 office hrs 9am-3pm T-F secretary.ht@gmail.com

Jan Coleson, Financial Secretary

Jan Coleson, Bookkeeper
 bookkeeper.ht@gmail.com

Stephanie Thompson, Custodian

Office Hours: Tuesday thru Friday 9am-3pm

IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES



After a busy summer day, relax in the shade with this cool drink.



#### What you need:

- 3 Tablespoons water
- 3 Tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon coconut extract
- 3 drops blue food coloring
- 24 oz. (2 cans) lemon-lime soda
- Clear cup or glass
- Ice
- Swedish Fish candy

#### What you do:

- 1. In a small microwave-safe bowl, combine the water and sugar. Heat for 1 minute. Stir until sugar is dissolved.
- 2. Pour the mixture into a pitcher. Add coconut extract, food coloring and soda. Stir.
- 3. Pour into cup. Add ice and fish. Enjoy!

# HOLY TRINITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

#### **Personnel Committee**

Sandra Stewart

#### **Visitation Committee**

Paula Hofgren,

#### **Christian Ed**

Sandy Stewart, Marcy Palermo, John Taylor

#### TREE OF LIFE COMMITTEES

#### **Worship Committee**

HT: Gail Espinoza,

Ashley Muscarella

ILC: Diane Kling, Lisa Gustafson

#### **Vision Team**

HT: Merle Nollinger,

Chris Radack,

Mike Espinoza

ILC: Steve Sandberg,

Tom Priester,

Karen Okerlund

#### **Fellowship**

HT: Dennis Palermo,

Norm Owen,

Dianne Dillingham,

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Dodie Erickson

**ILC:** Carol Sorg

Deb Morlock

#### **Tree of Life Councils**

# Holy Trinity's Church Council Alive in Christ! – Sharing the Joy!

Darcy Whitney, President	664-2771
Sandra Stewart, Vice President	484-5535
Ashley Muscarella, co-Secretary	969-7071
Emily Whitney, co-Secretary	664-2771
Dorie Deyo , Treasurer	763-0588
Dennis Palermo	483-8111
Richard Seaholm	
Mike Espinoza (1yr)	488-0422
Cindy Swan	763-0096
Chris Radack	484-6981

See last 2 pages for more contact info & committees

#### **Immanuel Council**

#### **Terms Expiring 2015**

Carol Sorg Lisa Gustafson Rob Lind



#### **Terms Expiring 2016**

Jan Bechmann Paul Hagelin

#### **Terms Expiring 2017**

Chris Ahlstrom Kevin Swanson

#### Officers

President: Paul Hagelin Vice President: Rob Lind Acting Secretary: Carol S Treasurer: Carol Sorg

#### **2015 AUDITORS**:

Kim Hagelin Gary Swanson

#### Team chairs:

Property team: Paul H
Worship & Music: Lisa G
Outreach: Jan B
Hospitality: Carol S
CE, Family and Youth: Chris A
Personnel: Wolf-Dieter K
Stewardship: tba
Finance: Rob L

#### **2015 NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Wolf-Dieter Krahn/Judy Lind

#### **Vision Team:**

HT: Chris Radack, Merle Nollinger, Mike Epspinoza

ILC: Steve Sandberg, Tom Priester, Karyn

Okerlund

#### **IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES**

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! DO YOU HAVE COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS OR IDEAS CONCERNING TREE OF LIFE?

There is now a comment/suggestion box located in the Narthex. Place your comments in the box and the Council will review them. Please remember the Council is comprised of volunteers like yourself and we ask that you keep your comments constructive.



If you would like to present something at a Council Meeting, please contact your church council president first so it can be added to the agenda. *Thank You!* 

#### "Leaves of Life " DEADLINE

FOR August NEWS Is Sunday July 19th
Work Party to Assemble



MON July 27th for Immanuel TUES July 28th for Holy Trinity

Join us at Vacation Bible School this summer as we travel to Mount Everest the week of August 3-7, 9 am – 12 pm!



August 3-7, 9 am – 12 pm!

VBS will be held at Holy Trinity
this year, with Holy Trinity, Bethel,
First and Immanuel Lutheran
churches all participating.

REGISTRATION FORM ON P 29



Shared Lutheran Vacation Bible
School with:

Bethel, First, Holy Trinity

August 3-7, 9:00 am- noon
Children entering pre-k thru grade 6
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

825 Forest Street, Jamestown **(716) 488-4235** 

Child's name (one child per form please!)
Grade completed BirthdayAge
Parents' names
Home address
Home phoneAlternate phone
Emergency contact person
Relationship to student
Home phoneAlternate phone
Food allergies? Y N (List:)
Medical concerns? Y N (Explain:)
Family doctor Doctor's phone
Siblings attending VBS (names and ages)
Church membership/affiliation
People who will pick up the child

#### **IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES**

#### HOLY TRINITY MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

The first recipient of the Holy Trinity Music Scholarship is Zachary Ricker. Zac is a senior at Jamestown High School. His extra curricular activities include JHS Marching Band, JHS Concert Band, JHS A Cappella Choir, JHS All-School Musical, Astronomy Club, and Key Club International. He has taken AP classes and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Zac's activities at Holy Trinity include confirmation, Vacation Bible School, and providing special music.

In addition to school and church activities, Zac has been involved in community events such as Breast Cancer Walks and What's New Fairs. His work experiences include Chautauqua Chamber Singers since 2013 and substitute organist at various churches since 2009.

After high school, Zac will attend Baldwin Wallace. He will use this scholarship to continue his study of piano throughout his college years. While in college, Zac plans to "continue playing in the church and aiding people in their worship."

Zac has touched many lives with his music, and Holy Trinity, with this scholarship, hopes to help him continue to do this throughout his life.

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO THE HOLY TRINITY MUSIC

SCHOLARSHIP FUND. WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS TO BUILD UP THIS FUND SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO HELP THOSE PURSUING CAREERS IN MUSIC.

If you choose to donate to this fund please clearly mark your donation

" Holy Trinity Music Scholarship Donation"



#### **Tree of Life News**

#### **IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES**

#### Immanuel ..Jamestown.. Report for May 2015

#### Note: totals are rounded off

account	Beg. bal.	Receipts	disbursements	Transfers/ J E's	End bal.
Expansion	585	1,959	1,936	0	608
General	924	11,610	11,125	0	1,408
Memorial	51,586	17	0	0	51,603
total	<u>\$53,096</u>	<u>\$13,586</u>	<u>\$13,061</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$53.620</u>

#### **HOLY TRINITY OPERATING FUND REPORT FOR MAY 2015**

	MONTH OF	YEAR TO DATE	YEAR TO DATE
	MAY 2015	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
INCOME	\$8,282	\$44,953	\$52,854
EXPENSE	\$10,018	\$48,858	\$52,309
BALANCE	\$ 1,736	\$3,905	\$ 544

HT: RACHEL CIRCLE WILL NOT BE MEETING IN JUNE, JULY OR AUGUST.



**SENIOR MEN'S GROUP** meets every first and third Wednesday <u>at Immanuel</u> @ 9am for projects & fellowship. All men are invited to join them!

IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES



At the end of my internship and the beginning of my senior year of seminary, we had a class/families retreat to the beach, for what was call, ready for it, Intern-

ship Retreat. On this retreat we would discuss the past year on retreat. What were our highs? What were our lows? What was most challenging?

Dr. Mays, our Contextual Ed. Professor, led us the discussions, and then led us in the most interesting assignment during that weekend. He explained to us as we formed a circle, those of us who felt like we really belonged were to stand in the inner most circle. As the circles progressed outward we were to stand depending how much we felt we belonged to the class. Slowly, we each moved to a spot. I placed myself not in the center, but about half way to the edge. I was close to some of my classmates but not all. I watched other classmates of mine move toward the center and others further and further out. There on the outside stood Dr. Mays, I was shocked, why did he feel he needed to be on the fringe.

Have you ever felt on the fridge? Felt as though you were not in the loop of things,, as though you do not belong. How easily it is to get lost in the shuffle, and especially in a large of people. For instance, if we were to draw a group of concentric circles here at Tree of Life, and then I asked you to place yourself in the center if you **really** thought you belonged; or in the next if you **sort** of felt that closeness; and then on out to the outer circle in which you **didn't** feel close at all. Where would you be?

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IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES



Dear friends in Christ,

What an incredible year it's been! With your help, our first comprehensive campaign, *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*, is off to a great start, and we are so thankful for your participation, generosity and support in this effort.

So far, nearly \$45 million has been raised, representing 23 percent of the five-year, \$198 million Jan. 31, 2019, goal. In addition, the campaign has received another \$3.4 million in current gift commitments and \$10.8 million in planned gifts commitments to the priorities of the campaign. In the 2014 Campaign Report and video, you will get a glimpse at the incredible work these gifts have made possible.

As we enter the second year of this five-year campaign, we give thanks to God for the excellent foundation of gifts already given and look forward to increasing those gifts so we are able to do more together in Christ's name. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

In Christ,

The Rev. Ronald T. Glusenkamp Director, *The Campaign for the ELCA* 

Rev. Romel T. Shumbing

# Camp Nurses still needed Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center

#### **LCLC still needs Summer Camp Nurses for the following** weeks:

- Week #2: July 5-11 (Mini Camp, Sailing I, RATS, and Emmaus)
- Week #4: July 19-24 (Classic Camp, Sailing II, Model Rocketry)

Camp Nurses (RN's or LPN's) are residential volunteers who are housed in our very comfortable Health Center. To see how comfortable, please take the following virtual tour of the Health Center. As a "thank you" Nurses also receive one full campership to be applied to a child of their choice.

For more information, please contact Lee Lindeman at lee@lclcenter.org or 716-386-4125.

#### **Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center**

5013 Rt. 430 Bemus Point, NY 14712 716-386-4125 contact@lclcenter.org







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Looking at the what has been happening over the past months in our country and world and even yes here at Tree of Life, there is a divide among people. Why? Why do we exclude people from sometimes being in the outer circles and not inviting them into our circles?

It is my goal and my desire that each of you fell the warmth and closeness of this Christian community in this place. Come in close. Get to know someone new, or invite someone into your circle.

Your brother in Christ

Pastor Bob

A Big Thank You to all who helped raise funds for our youth to attend the Gathering in Detroit by buying tickets and attending the dinner in June. We had a great turnout! Some folks even bought tickets but could not attend and just donated their money. The youth really appreciated all those whose efforts made it possible.

#### IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES

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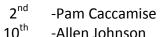
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days

9<sup>th</sup>

12<sup>th</sup>

#### **IMMANUEL** JULY birthdays



13<sup>th</sup> -Paul Arnone

-Sally Brooks

14<sup>th</sup> -Shirley Fletcher

15<sup>th</sup> -Justin Bailey

19<sup>th</sup> -Sue Priester

20<sup>th</sup> -Dennis Anderson

25<sup>th</sup> -Helen Bagnall

-Erin Kling

26<sup>th</sup> -Howard Holroyd

-Ryan Scott Burnett



#### 07/27/1974

-Ken & Gayle Lyon

07/28/2012

-Brittany & Thomas Kilbury

07/31/1971

-Steve & Pat Sandberg

#### **HOLY TRINTIY**

-Isabella Palermo 8<sup>th</sup>

-Lilly Camarata

-Donald Anderson

-William Bogdan

-Jeffrey Owen

-Benjamin Whitney

13<sup>th</sup> -Brooke Raffa

-Miranda Hopkins

14<sup>th</sup> - Kristen Rodgers

-Cynthia Swan

-Gregory Stanford

16<sup>th</sup> -Elizabeth Slagle

17<sup>th</sup> -Mary Kulig

-Joshua Gibson

19<sup>th</sup> -Pat Hopkins

22<sup>nd</sup> -Alllie Withers

-Leslie Carlson

26<sup>th</sup> -Austin Jessey

27<sup>th</sup> -Sharon Carlson

28<sup>th</sup> -Robert Hofgren

29<sup>th</sup> -Donna Shagla

30<sup>th</sup> -Kyle Bowman



# God's Blessings to you!

NOTE: IF ANYONE SEES A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY ON LIST THAT SHOULD NO LONGER BE INCLUDED FOR ANY REASON, PLEASE LET THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW!

**Youth Ministry Contact:** lan Eastman, M.A.

716-720-8584

Email: ifeastman@gmail.com

Web: younglutherans.blogspot.com

The Shared Lutheran Youth Ministry has some exciting opportunities coming up this month for youth to serve, worship, and have some fun together.

Check out the SLYM Facebook Page or

www.younglutherans.blogspot.com for details.

The Shared Lutheran Youth Ministry provides faith formation, fun and ministry opportunities for youth in grades 5-12. It is a

cooperative effort of Bethel, First Lutheran, Holy Trinity and

Immanuel Lutheran Churches

#### WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SLYMFORYOUTH

THE ELCA YOUTH GATHERING THIS YEAR WILL BE HELD JULY 15-19 IN DETROIT, MICHIGAN. ATTENDING FROM IMMANUEL WILL BE EMILY & KIRSTEN MAGNUSON AND FROM HOLY TRINITY WILL BE EMILY WHITNEY.





FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 9:30AM AT HOLY TRINITY



#### Please note:

If your memorial is not listed, it will be in next issue

IN MEM, OF

**Miner Swanson** 

By Lois Grout

The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money

than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he was an-



noyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute. The substitute wanted to know what to play.

"Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently. "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the an-

nouncement about the finances."

During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up." At that moment, the substitute organist played "The Star Spangled Banner."

And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!

When you carry the Bible, Satan gets a headache.....
When you open it, he collapses..... When he sees you reading it, he faints..... When he sees that you are living what you read, he flees.....

#### Tree of Life News

**IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES** 

## IN THE MAIL

THANK YOU to the members of IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH from the Upstate New York Synod of the ELCA in grateful appreciation for giving \$6,000 for Mission Support beyond the congregation for synodical and churchwide ministries of the ELCA... John S. Macholz, Synod Bishop ELCA & Elizabeth A. Eaton, Presiding Bishop ELCA

THANK you to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for your recent gift of \$144 to support the mission and ministry of the ELCA through the ELCA Good Gifts. With your help, the ELCA is sharing the Gospel, starting new congregations, preparing leaders, working t overcome malaria, fighting hunger and so much more. Your gift's are

transforming lives....
Christina Jackson-Skelton
Executive Director, Mission Advancement ELCA

Thank You to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for your recent gift of \$285.60 to Nepal Area Earthquake. Gifts like yours make it possible for our church to continue it's effective and efficient response to disasters. Your support helps families and communities get back on their feet again after they have been harmed. Your gifts also provide resources for preparedness and risk reduction programs. . . . . . .

The Rev. Daniel Rift

Director, ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

#### **AVERAGE ATTENDANCE**

Combined services <u>at</u>

<u>Immanuel</u> for the month
of May averaged 118:

5/3: 126

5/10: 113

5/17: 128

5/24: 105

5/31: 118

#### **Attendance**

Joint Service at **HT** 

6/7 - 101

6/14-107

6/21 - 110



**ILC MEMORIALS** 

# **Grads!!**

# Kaleigh Dwyer Kaleigh graduat

Kaleigh graduated from JCC in December 2014 and started a semester at Houghton College. She received her diploma from JCC at the May 2015 graduation ceremony and is returning to Houghton to major in Special Education. Kaleigh is also one of the recipients of Immanuel Partners Scholarship which will be given out on Sunday, July 12th at 9:30 worship at Immanuel.

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#### **Zachary Gustafson**

Zachary graduated from JCC and will be attending Fredonia State College in the fall for Criminal Justice.

Zachary is one of the recipients of Immanuel Partners Scholarship.



#### **Emily Magnuson**

Emily graduated from Frewsburg Central School and will be attending Jamestown Business College in the fall for Hospitality & Marketing



#### Kirsten Magnuson

Kirsten graduated from Frewsburg Central School and will be attending JCC in the Fall to further her Health career.

#### **Patrick Mogenhan**

Pat is graduating from Southwestern High School and will be attending University at Buffalo, majoring in Biomedical Engineering.



Zach is graduating from Jamestown High School and will attend Baldwin Wallace University; double majoring in Honors Mathematics and Piano Performance. Zach is also the recipient of the Holy Trinity Music Scholarship



# EMBARK ON AN ICY MOUNTAIN ADVENTURE AT EVEREST!

#### Join us at Vacation Bible School this summer as we travel to Mount Everest the week of August 3-7, 9 am — 12 pm!

VBS will be held at Holy Trinity this year, with Holy Trinity, Bethel, First and Immanuel Lutheran churches all participating.

Kids ages 3 through grade 6 will join Climbing Crews at Everest VBS, where they will sing songs at Base Camp and Summit Celebration, be creative at Imagination Station, get active at Glacier Games, fill their bellies at Mountaintop Treats, keep faith center-stage at KidVid Cinema and trek through the Bible at Bible Expeditions!

We will learn we can overcome obstacles with God's awesome power and become anchored in rock-solid Bible truths – ready to face life's challenges.

## Please check out the donation board at Immanuel for the month of July.

We could also use any of the following for props: Lanterns, ropes, small pop-up tents, climbing gear, mountain boots, etc.

Please see Darcy Whitney with any questions or to volunteer!!



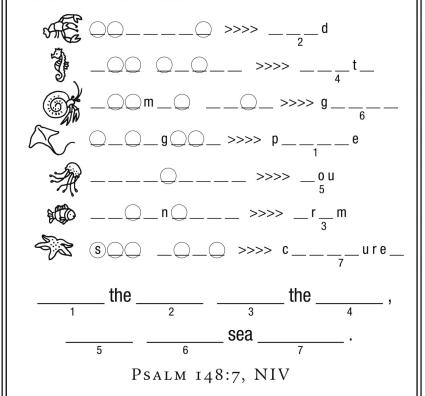
## See page 29 for registration form



This summer, consider God's marvelous creation under the sea.



Directions: Write the animal names on the blanks. Then use the circled letters (they may not be in the right order) to create a new word from Psalm 148:7, NIV. Finally, match the words to their numbered blanks below.



Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures. Psalm 148:7, NIV

Answers: lobster > Lord, sea horse > earth, hermit crab > great, stingray > praise, jellyfish > you, clownfish > from, sea star > creatures

#### **Tree of Life News**

**IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES** 

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The family of Miner Swanson.. Miner, 87, passed away Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at his home.

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The family of Linda Pearson.. Linda, 73, passed away Fri. June 12, 2015 at WCA Hospital.

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Marilyn N. Moreen-Tane, 81, of Lakewood, passed away Saturday, June 13, 2015, at UPMC Hamot in Erie, Pa.



I know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we make. Their love leaves an indelible imprint in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared their love. Leo Buscaglia

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#### LECTOR SCHEDULE

Please familiarize yourself with the lectern in both churches so if and when you should be the lector at "the other" church you know what you need to do.

#### Note:

SCHEDULES were mailed out to each person. They are also posted each week in the bulletin and they are posted on the bulletin board at the lower entrance at ILC & for HT in their Narthex.

#### **REMINDER:** July services are at IMMANUEL at 9:30 (SANCTUARY)

#### **ASSISTING MINISTER**

07/05: Lisa Gustafson 07/12: Darcy Whitney 07/19: Gary Carvella 07/26: Ashley Muscarella

#### **COMMUNION ASSISTANT**

07/05: Carol Sorg 07/12: Chris Radack 07/19: SueEllen Bates 07/26: John Taylor

#### **LECTORS**

07/05: Darcy Whitney 07/12: Judy DuBois 07/19: Emily Whitney 07/26: Janet Thom

#### **ACOLYTE**

07/05: Isabella Palermo 07/12: Stephanie Engle 07/19: Zach Gustafson 07/26: Quinn Taylor

#### **GREETERS**

07/05: Marian Leathers; 07/12: Gayle Lyon, Dodie Erickson

07/19: Janis Nelson,

Hal & Marlene Hanson

07/26: Karyn Okerlund,

George & Eileen Hitchcock

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#### **WORSHIP TECH** AS AVAILABLE

#### **USHER Group # & Captain**

07/05: Group 1-Dennis Bechmann 07/12: Group 2-Mike Flynn 07/19: Group 3-Al Johnson

07/26: Group 4-Gary Swanson

#### WORSHIP ENVIROMENT

Cindy Joslyn, Deb Morlock, Sue Priester

#### **COUNTERS**

7/5: Chris A, Carol S

If you are unable to serve on your Sunday, you are responsible for finding a replacement and calling to let the office know who is serving for you.

#### **Detroit Youth Gathering**

Is your congregation sending any youth to Detroit for the youth gathering July 15-19? There will be 30,000 ELCA youth and adults there as part of the experience. Here are some tidbits:

Each day, youth, volunteers and their Adult Leaders will gather in Ford Field to hear the day's Scripture text articulated by engaging speakers and Christian musicians, as well as stimulating video and interpretive dance. Speakers challenge youth to think differently and to practice their faith with a living, daring confidence in God's grace. The music of the Gathering sets the tone of the day and lifts the spirits of youth and their adult leaders.

Daily programs are the heart of the Gathering. Through these activities, youth and their adult leaders are inspired to grow in their faith through various activities. During the middle of the day, congregational groups will participate in a three-day activity rotation that includes a day of service in the Detroit metropolitan area (Proclaim Justice Day), a day of exploratory learning with other groups from their synod (Proclaim Story Day), and a day of interactive learning in the Convention Center (Proclaim Community Day). Community Life takes place in varied venues throughout the Gathering and is an opportunity for youth to connect with one another and just have fun. From game rooms to karaoke to prayer stations and dance marathons, there is something for everyone! The Gathering concludes with Eucharist on Sunday morning, at which Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton will preach.

Youth and adults who attend the ELCA Youth Gathering will know the opening line of Mark's Gospel: "The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God" (Mark 1:1) And, they will know that they are the ones who carry the good news of Jesus into the world.

We are church together for the sake of the world. God's Work. Our Hands. ...... Marcía Brown, Mission Interpreter

## Current mo. ELCA LECTIONARY

July 5 — 6th Sun. aft. Pentecost

Ezekiel 2:1-5 Psalm 123 (2) 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13

#### July 12 — 7th Sun. aft. Pentecost

Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29

#### July 19 — 8th Sun. aft. Pentecost :

Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 23 (1) Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

#### <u>July 26 — 9th Sun. aft. Pentecost</u>

2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm 145:10-18 (16) Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21



#### **HOSPITALIZATIONS**

The church office no longer receives calls from the hospital when a member is hospitalized. It would be appreciated if someone from the family would call the church office when a hospitalization occurs. In addition to calls no longer being made to the office by hospital volunteers, the computer used by the clergy at the hospital to locate hospitalized members has been removed. Thank you for your assistance.

#### **Essential prayer**

Prayer is as natural an expression of faith as breathing is of life; and to say a man lives a life of faith and yet lives a prayerless life is every whit as inconsistent and incredible as to say that a man lives without breathing. He that lives a prayerless life lives without God in the world

How can you expect to dwell with God forever if you so neglect and forsake him here? —Jonathan Edwards

The second Sunday of the month Immanuel will continue to be Food collection and will benefit Holy Trinity's food pantry. Any food will be welcome.



#### **Tree of Life News**

**IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES** 





#### LABOR OF LOVE UPDATE

In 2015 the following quilts were lovingly made, blessed and donated to these charities:

- **15 Baby quilts** were given to the TEAM Mothers Group
- **28 lap robes** are being distributed to local nursing homes
- 26 full size quilts will go to local missions groups
- **4 quilts** are available to Tree of Life High School graduates.

Labor of Love is a ministry that meets at Holy Trinity on Monday mornings, 9am—12. All ladies are invited to attend even if you have no quilting experience. They have stopped meeting now but will probably pick up again around October. Look for announcements in bulletins and Leaves calendars

Note: IF YOU WOULD LIKE NAME REMOVED FROM OUR MAILING LIST, PLEASE LET THE CHURCH OFFICE KNOW.

ILC: 716 664-7104/ ilc@windstream.net

HT: 716 488-4235/ secretary.ht@gmail.com



ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES: Fall is the perfect time to fall in love with your spouse all over again! That is what couples overwhelmingly report is the result of attending a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend. Now is the time to sign up for one of the fall

Weekends to be sure you get the one of your choice. The fall Weekends are:

- <u>September 18-20, 2015</u> at Spruce Lake Retreat Center, Canadensis, PA, a new, hotel-style facility on Spruce Lake in the heart of the Pocono Mountains an hour north of Allentown.
- October 16-18, 2015 in Lancaster, PA, at the all newly-renovated Heritage Hotel Lancaster, home of the unique treehouse-inspired restaurant, "Loxley's."

Weekends run from Friday at 8 PM to Sunday around 4 PM and are designed to help you make your marriage a more intimate, loving, Christian union. Currently, the registration fee is \$45 per couple; however, starting September 1, the registration fee will be going up to \$100 per couple, so register now to qualify for the lower registration fee.

Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included with your registration fee, plus toward the end of the weekend you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish toward the continuation of the program. Registrations are limited, so sign up today by going to the website: <a href="https://www.GodLovesMarriage.org">www.GodLovesMarriage.org</a> and pay the \$45 registration with your credit card, or mark the option to mail a check.

For questions, or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact Pennsylvania Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at fjschamber@comcast.net or 724-325-3166.



Tree of Life has Two informal outdoor services scheduled....

Sat. July 18 @ 5:30pm Wed. July 29 @ 6:30pm At Holy Trinity's Outdoor Chapel

(These services are in addition to our usual Sunday services)

Music will be provided by Ashley Muscarella, Derreck Ames and Brett Muscarella. Pastor Kasting will lead us in worship.

Bring your own lawn chair if you wish.

Come Join the Fellowship in Worshipping our Lord in this beautiful Outdoor setting!

If weather does not cooperate we will bring it indoors

### Food Cupboard Report

We served 41 households and provided 990 meals in the month

of May. We continue to need 1lb packages of pasta, including elbow macaroni and spaghetti. We could also use jars of spaghetti sauce.. We thank you to all who contribute to this ministry.

We still remain true to the faith of our fathers who estab-



lished religious liberty when the nation began. We must remember, too, that our forebears in every generation, and whereverthey established their homes, made prompt and generous provision for the institutions of religion. We must continue their steadfast reliance upon the provi-

dence of God. No greater blessing could come to our land today than a revival of the spirit of religion. I doubt if there is any problem in the world today — social, political or economic — that would not find happy solution if approached in the spirit of the Sermon on the Mount.

-Franklin D. Roosevelt

# Tell Me Your Story: Experiencing Peer Ministry



Saturday, September 19, 2015

at

#### **First House**

Corner of Center & Chandler Streets

Guest Speaker

#### Tara Eastman

Pastoral Assistant/Director of Youth and Family Ministry

**REGISTRATION: 9:30 AM** 

**COST: \$5.00** 

**BRUNCH: 10:00 AM** 

~ Ingathering for GA Family Services: Arts & Crafts Items

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 $(oil\ \&\ watercolor\ paints,\ markers,\ painting\ canvas,\ crayons)$ 

RSVP DEADLINE: Monday, September 14, 2015

Call Stephanie Buccola: 665-4221

\* A Thankoffering will be received \*

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