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# **LEAVES** OF LIFE



# Holy Trinity Lutheran

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



#### Immanuel Lutheran

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



#### **AUGUST 2015**

Leaders aspire to look like small boys in August. If you raise children or grandchildren, you know that by the end of August, they've been running around all summer in their shorts, sneakers and Tshirts. You also know that their knees and their elbows are always skinned, their shins always black and blue and that they have the marks of the summer's fracases on their faces. A 6year-old boy at the end of August is my picture of a leader.

I got that picture from David Hubbard, president of Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena. Many years ago he told me that leaders need to learn not to inflict pain but to bear pain. It seems to me that if you're bearing pain properly as a leader, whether you're a preacher, a college professor, a parent or a teacher, you ought to have the marks of the struggle. One ought to have bruised shins and skinned knees.

—Max DePree, Leadership Jazz

# 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

**AUGUST 2015** AT HOLY TRINITY (Outdoor Chapel)

9:30 AM WORSHIP; COMMUNION, 2ND & 23RD



# Holy Trinity AUGUST

9:30 outdoor chapel Communion: 1st & 4th Sun.

OCTOBER

SS, 9:30 & W, 10:30

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



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

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

SS, 9:30 & W, 10:30

Christmas Schedule TBA

#### TREE OF LIFE LUTHERAN COMMUNITY

## **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

PASTOR BOB: revbobk2001@yahoo.com ROSEMARY/office: ilc@windstream.net

BERYL:berylemley@windstream.net

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#### **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



• "If you lack knowledge, go to school. If you lack wisdom, get on your knees! Knowledge is not wisdom. Wisdom is the proper use of knowledge."

—Vance Havner



#### **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

Merle Nollinger, HT:

Chris Radack,

Mike Espinoza

ILC: Steve Sandberg,

Tom Priester.

Karen Okerlund

#### **Fellowship**

Dennis Palermo, HT:

Norm Owen,

Dianne Dillingham,

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Dodie Erickson

Deb Morlock

ILC: Carol Sorg

> Carol Sorg Treasurer:

# 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

#### **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 Espinoza

ILC: Steve Sandberg, Tom Priester, Karyn

IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES

#### SENIOR MEN ANNUAL PICNIC:::::

For many years Ben & Molly Griffith hosted an annual steak fry for Immanuel's Senior Men. We are continuing this time of fellowship and good food!

WHEN: Wednesday, August 19, 2015

**TIME:** Beginning at noon ---time of fellowship; Eat at 12:30



WHERE: Immanuel Lutheran Church

**COST:** There is **NO** cost!

**ALL SENIOR MEN ARE INVITED!** 

Look for addition details in Sunday bulletins

CHURCH COUNCIL will not meet in August– Next meeting is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 8th</u>, 6:30pm @Immanuel.



Shared Lutheran Vacation Bible
School with:

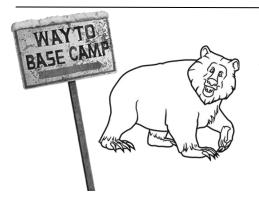
Bethel, First, Holy Trinity

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** 

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Grade completed	BirthdayAge
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**IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES** 



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.

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



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#### "Leaves of Life " DEADLINE

FOR September NEWS Is Sunday, Aug.16th Work Party to Assemble



Aug. 20th or 27th (Thurs.) for Immanuel (helpers—we will start on 20th. if we don't finish, mailing will be on 27th

**TUES Aug. 25 for Holy Trinity** 



**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







# **Upstate New York Synod**

**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America** God's work. Our hands.

July 2, 2015

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As you know the Supreme Court last week ruled on same sex marriage, making it legal in all fifty states. Portions of the decision are listed below.

"The right of same-sex couples to marry that is part of the liberty promised by the Fourteenth Amendment is derived, too, from that Amendment's guarantee of the equal protection of the laws."

"It is now clear that the challenged laws burden the liberty of same-sex couples, and it must be further acknowledged that they abridge central precepts of equality."

"Finally, it must be emphasized that religions, and those who adhere to religious doctrines, may continue to advo-cate with utmost, sincere conviction that, by divine pre-cepts, same-sex marriage should not be condoned. The First Amendment ensures that religious organizations and persons are given proper protection as they seek to teach the principles that are so fulfilling and so central to their lives and faiths, and to their own deep aspirations to continue the family structure they have long

# **Tree of Life News**

IMMANUEL AND HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN BRANCHES

# Some Christian Humor...



Well, Moses, that's how your website may look, but nothing is written in stone you know

AFTER CALMING DOWN, MOSES WISHED HE HAD BACKED UP HIS DATA



WIRELESS COMMUNICATION IS NOTHING NEV I'VE BEEN PRAYING FOR OVER 75 YEARS



IT WAS ONLY AFTER NOAH
HAD FINISHED HIS ARK
PROTOTYPE THAT HE FINALLY
ADMITTED HE DIDN'T HAVE A
CLUE WHAT A CUBIT REALLY
WAS!

#### **ELCA LECTIONARY**

#### Aug. 2 — 10th Sun. aft. Pentecost

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 Psalm 78:23-29 (24, 25) Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6:24-35

#### Aug. 9 — 11th Sun. aft. Pentecost

1 Kings 19:4-8 Psalm 34:1-8 Ephesians 4:25—5:2 John 6:35, 41-51

#### Aug. 16 — 12th Sun. aft. Pentecost

Proverbs 9:1-6 Psalm 34:9-14 (10) Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58

#### Aug. 23 — 13th Sun. aft. Pentecost

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 Psalm 34:15-22 (15) Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:56-69

#### Aug. 30 — 14th Sun. aft. Pentecost

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 Psalm 15 (1) James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

#### **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.



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.



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revered. The same is true of those who oppose same-sex marriage for other reasons. In turn, those who believe allowing same-sex marriage is proper or indeed essential, whether as a matter of religious conviction or secular belief, may engage those who disagree with their view in an open and search-ing debate. The Constitution, however, does not permit the State to bar same-sex couples from marriage on the same terms as accorded to couples of the opposite sex."

For many this decision brings great joy and hope for greater equality in this country. For others it creates challenges and burdens and brings more sorrow than joy. As Elizabeth Eaton has said, "We are the church together" and moving forward we need to continue to find ways to respect the views of one another and continue to celebrate those spaces where we find common ground and hope in Christ Jesus our Lord.

In 2009 the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America adopted a social statement entitled "Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust." This statement continues to direct our conversations and life together as the church and may be worth reviewing. It can be found on at www.ELCA.org. Please note there is also a study guide available on the web site.

The Supreme Court decision legalizes marriage in all fifty states but doesn't require that pastors preside at same gender or even different gender marriages when the pastor can't, in good conscience, preside at the marriage rite. The decision to marry resides in the hands of the pastor and this decision, as with all others, should be made respectfully and carefully. Making use of the same thoughtful process for weddings that has been in place in congregations would make sense moving forward. And, of course, it would be important to have a conversation with leaders in the congregation around this issue as well before proceeding. We are the church together.

If I can be of any help along the way don't hesitate to be in touch. In the meantime let us give thanks for the opportunity to continue conversations around difficult issues as we find our way forward and rejoice that God calls us to be the church and involved in the lives of people that come from so many different backgrounds, perspectives and realities. Together we are the Body of Christ.

In His Grace and Peace,

Je S. Madoly

John S. Macholz, Bishop



Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things"

(1 Corinthians 13:7).

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Grace and peace to you in the name of the crucified and risen Christ.

Last week the U.S. Supreme Court rendered its decision announcing the right of same-gender couples to have equal access to marriage. For many members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, this decision is a welcome sign of hope and a time for celebration. Other members of this church do not agree with the court's decision and remain deeply concerned because of their understanding of Scripture.

This decision affects each of us, some profoundly, and we are



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.

#### Watch for details..

Dinner with a presentation from Wolf–Dieter Krahn on upcoming event in October:

He plans to contrast the Berlin of 1979 with the wall to what Berlin has turned into since the fall of the wall.

If time permits, he will digress and talk/show Heidelberg, Salzburg and the Austrian Alps.

# IN THE MAIL

■ I appreciate all the visits and Communion with the Communion Visitor Groups. It means a great deal to me. Karin & Mike brought me the directory and the daily prayer booklet. I look forward to look through the directory. Quite a change—Bless the whole Congregation ... and thanks you Pastor Bob for the visit and Communion. .... Bev Thorstenson

■ Labor of Love,

A very special thank you for your generous gift. Thank you very much for the quilt. I honestly love it, the gift means a lot to me. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. .... *Patrick Mogenhan* 

■ My Dear Quilters,

Thank you so much for the beautiful lap robes! They will be put to use immediately. Often even in the summer months when the air-conditioning is on, our residents get chilly. The quilts will be wonderful to tuck around our folks to wrap with love and warmth .... Suellen Carlson, director community life—

**Lutheran Campus** 

■ Thank you so much for all the cards and kind words. I'm doing okay. .... Judy Lind

#### **Expectant waiting**

When we shoot an arrow, we look to the fall of it; when we send a ship to sea, we look for the return of it; and when we sow seed, we look for a harvest; and so, when we sow our prayers into God's bosom, shall we not look for an answer? ... A sincere Christian will pray and wait and strengthen his heart with promises out of the word, and never leave till God [gives] him a gracious answer.

-Richard Sibbes

not of one mind. Let us continue to accompany one another with prayer, love and mutual respect as we reflect on this new reality and remember Paul's words in 1 Corinthians about the enduring power of God's love. The ELCA social statement "Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust" (2009) neither endorses nor forbids samegender marriages and recognizes that we have differing understandings and convictions on this matter. In its decision, the court stated that "the First Amendment ensures that religious organizations and persons are given proper protection as they seek to teach the principles that are so fulfilling and so central to their lives and faiths."

According to this church's social statement on human sexuality, all decisions about recognizing, supporting and holding publicly accountable same-gender relationships are entrusted to congregations. Recognizing that the church is not of one mind on this subject, our 2009 actions provide that congregations and clergy should discern together whether to recognize such relationships and to what degree.

Pastors are to engage in conversation, discernment and partnership with the congregations who have called them prior to solemnizing or presiding over a same-gender marriage. On the other hand, no pastor is obligated to solemnize the marriage of any couple, same-gender or different-gender, whom the pastor cannot in good conscience marry.

As Lutheran Christians, we continue to be a church that engages in conversation and discernment in all aspects of our faith and life. Creating space for respectful conversation and dialogue continues to be an important part of our life together. A helpful resource for engaging in difficult conversations is "Talking Together as Christians about Tough Social Issues." In addition, the ELCA Ministry to and with Same-Gender Couples and their Families Working Group remains in the process of completing its work. A report of the group's findings and possible recommendations will

be presented to the ELCA Church Council at its November meeting.

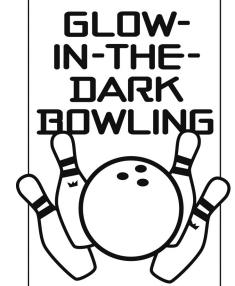
We seek to see our differences as a gift to be celebrated as we live out that which unites us: the mercy and grace of Jesus Christ who leads us into mission and ministry in the world. In the midst of this change, we are first and foremost church – a church that proclaims the good news of Jesus Christ. May God bless, guide and strengthen you each day as you go in peace and serve the Lord.

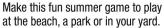
Your Sister in Christ., The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton Presiding Bishop, ELCA

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God of our life there are days when the burdens we carry chafe our shoulders and weigh us down; when the road seems dreary and endless, the skies gray and threatening; when our lives have no music in them, and our hearts are lonely. and our souls have lost their courage. Flood the path with light, turn our eyes to where ! the skies are full of promise; tune our hearts to brave music; give us the sense of comradeship with heroes and saints of every age; and so quicken our spirits that we may be able to encourage the souls of all who journey with us on the road of life, to your honor and glory. —St. Augustine





#### What you need:

- 10 empty plastic bottles (same size)
- 10 or more glow sticks
- Water (optional)
- Star stickers (optional)
- Hamster ball (or regular ball)
- Tape

#### What you do:

- 1. Place one or two activated glow sticks in each bottle. Fill bottles with water and decorate with star stickers. if desired. Screw on lids.
- 2. Put some glow sticks inside the hamster ball. Screw the halves together, and secure sides and lid with tape.
- 3. Challenge someone to a game of bowling. For the best glowing effect, play after dark.



# Heavenly Humor

A Sunday School teacher asked her little children, as they were on the way to church service.

"And why is it necessary to be quiet in church? One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."



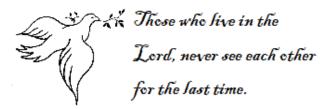


Answer: The LORD Almighty

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everyone who helped the Sunday School children raise money for the ELCA Good Gifts Project. .We ended up having enough money to buy 10 pigs and 12 baby chicks. So thank you, thank you, thank you.



Esther Circle Picnic on August 12 will be at Dorie Deyo's house @ 5:30pm. Husbands are included and bring a dish to pass.

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

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Combined Service at **HT** 

June 28th—112

Combined Service at ILC

July 5th -84

July 12th—101

July 19th—80

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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: August services are at HOLY TRINITY (OUTDOOR CHAPEL, weather permitting) at 9:30

#### **ASSISTING MINISTER**

08/02: Carol Sorg 08/09: Wolf-Dieter Krahn 08/16: Sue Priester

08/23: Susan Bailey 08/30: Emily Whitney

#### **COMMUNION ASSISTANT**

08/02: Dennis Palermo 08/23: Norm Owen

#### **LECTORS**

08/02: Steve Muscarella 08/09: Tom Priester 08/16: Donna Johnson 08/23: Dodie Erickson 08/30: Karin Flynn

#### **GREETERS**

08/02: Chris & Eleanor Ahlstrom, Bruce & Donna Johnson

08/09: Dennis & Jan Bechmann,

Sonya Rosdahl, Ashley Muscarella

08/16: Ev & Norm Owen, Sally Brooks

08/23: Donna Edstrom, Cindy Swan,

Sean Swan-Leuze 08/30: Clair & Shirley Fletcher.

John & Shelly Taylor

#### ACOLYTE

(none)

#### USHERS From HT

#### **ALTAR CARE**

Joyce Atkinson Carole Dean

#### **ILC COUNTERS**

8/2: Kevin S/ Carol S
8/9: Rob L/Jan B
8/16: Chris A/Lisa G
8/23: Kevin S/Rob L
8/30: Rob L/Carol S
9/6: Jan B/Paul H

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.

# Fill 'Em Up!

Tree of Life Community would
Like to bless the children who
attend the "Y" summer camp
at Immanuel Lutheran
Church with backpacks
filled with school supplies!

PLEASE BRING
ALL SCHOOL
SUPPLY
DONATIONS TO:
IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN
CHURCH BY
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#### 3RD GRADE

1 box 32-64 crayons
24 #2 pencils
pencil cap erasers
1 pink, yellow or green highlighter
1-2 glue sticks
2 boxes tissues
3 spiral notebooks
5- 2 pocket folders

head phones (dollar store type)

#### 4th GRADE

pencil pouch

24 #2 pencils
eraser caps for pencils
2 packs colored pencils
1 COMPOSITION NOTEBOOK
3 SINGLE SUBJECT SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS
pencil pouch

hand held pencil sharpener head phones (dollar store)

2 boxes tissues 1-2 glue sticks red pencolored markers

Mark ""Backpack Donation" in the memo line.

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2 boxes tissues
head phones (dollar store type)
1 box pencils # 2
12-24 crayons1-2 glue sticks

pencil cap erasers
small pencil/pen pouch; 1 highlighter
1 COMPOSITION NOTEBOOK (NO SPIRAL)

#### 2ND GRADE

24 Crayons; 12-24 pencils; pencil cap erasers
3-4 glue sticks; 24 colored pencils
1 pen (any color)
2 folders with pockets on both sides
pouch for pencils/pen
2 boxes tissue; colored markers
head phones; safety scissor

Wish to donate money? Make checks payable to:
Immanuel Lutheran Church
556 East Second Street Jamestown, NY 14701

If you have any questions contact Tom Priester 484-9495



Attention Married Couples: Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends are an opportunity for people to rediscover the person they fell in love with and to fall back in love with that person. They are something that every

couple deserves! So have you scheduled your Weekend? **Time is running out to plan to attend one of** the fall Weekends which run from Friday at 8 PM to Sunday around 4 PM. The fall Pennsylvania Lutheran Marriage Encounter 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."

So go to <a href="www.GodLovesMarriage.org">www.GodLovesMarriage.org</a> today, and choose which Weekend works for you. The \$45 registration fee is in effect until September 1 at which time it will increase, so make your choice now. Additionally, at the end of the weekend, there will be an opportunity to make a confidential donation of whatever amount you wish toward the continuation of the program. For questions contact PA Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber at <a href="mailto:fischamber@comcast.net">fischamber@comcast.net</a> or 724-325-3166.

## **Tree of Life News**

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

#### Immanuel ..Jamestown.. Report for June 2015

#### Note: totals are rounded off

account	Beg. bal.	Receipts	disbursements	Transfers/ J E's	End bal.
Expansion	608	1,518	1,936	0	189
General	1,408	7,157	12,766	0	(4,199)
Memorial	51,603	16	0	0	51,620
total	<u>\$53,620</u>	<u>\$8,692</u>	<u>\$14,702</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$47,609</u>

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

	MONTH OF	YEAR TO DATE	YEAR TO DATE
	JUNE 2015	<u>ACTUAL</u>	BUDGET
INCOME	\$ 8,068	\$ 53,021	\$ 63,425
EXPENSE	\$ 8,054	\$ 56,193	\$ 62,574
BALANCE	\$ 13	- \$ 3,892	\$ 850

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

# Immanuel

#### **AUGUST** birthdays

- 1st -Janet Thom,
  - -Emily Magnuson,
  - -Kirsten Magnuson
- 2nd -Carrie Magnuson.
  - -Tom Priester
- 3rd -Karyn Okerlund
- 5th -David Eaker
- Mike Gustafson
- 12<sup>th</sup> -Earl Carpenter
- 14<sup>th</sup> -Mary Bailey
- 19th -Riley D Bennett
- 22nd -Stephanie Engle
- 23rd -Wolf-Dieter Krahn
- 26th -Craig Ridgway

#### **AUGUST** anniversaries

08/04/1984

-Michael & Becky Darroch

08/04/2013

-Bethany & Chris Lightfield

08/11/2012 -Kelly & Bruce Myers

08/16/1975 -Craig & Kathy Ridgway

08/18/973 -Gary & Sallie Swanson

-Lindsey & Jonathan Mayr

-Richard & Janet Thom 08/21/1971

08/21/1978 -Bruce & Rhonda Main

08/23/2003-Scott & Terra Devereaux

## Holy Trinity

- 1<sup>st</sup>
- -Anne Buffone
- -Christopher Carlson
- 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Shelly Davis
- -Esther Gustafson
- -Alice Nelson
- -Dennis Palermo
- -Linda Smith
- -Sophia White
- -Adam Woodruff

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#### -David Lawson -Patrick Mogenhan 18<sup>th</sup> -Victoria Yahner -Michele Vance

19<sup>th</sup> -Rebecca Bogdan

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-Gloria Nelson

-Shelly Taylor

-David Gibson -James Schauman

-Barbara Rasmusson

-Nathan Mogenhan

-Madeline Rasmusson

Robert V. Carlson

-Brett Muscarella

-John Taylor

-Jake Sinatra

-Ryan Sinatra

-Betty Larson

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- -Robert Winterburn 21<sup>st</sup> -Debra Radack
- -Samantha Ventura
- 23<sup>rd</sup> -Elizabeth Secor 25<sup>th</sup>
  - -Paula Hofgren -Heather Stanford
- 26<sup>th</sup> -Donald Stewart
- 27<sup>th</sup> -Brent Agett
  - -Madison Albright
- 28<sup>th</sup> -Kristen Stoeltzing 29<sup>th</sup> -Paul Hopkins
- -Margaret Whittington
- 30<sup>th</sup> -Allison Cramer
  - -Kelsev Hoefler
  - -Steven Kulig
- 31<sup>st</sup> -Robert Alm -Jennifer Swan-Leuze

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!** 

#### -Beverly Carlson - Kristen Anderson -Peter Casado



Experiencing Peer Ministry SATURDAY, SEPT. 19

FIRST HOUSE Corner of Center & Chandler Streets

Guest Speaker; Tara Eastman

Tell Me Your Story:

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 ~ (oil & watercolor paints, markers, painting canvas, crayons)



RSVP DEADLINE: Monday, September 14.2015

Call Stephanie Buccola: 665-4221

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"

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"God's work. Our hands." Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.



For the past two years, thousands of members from across this church have dedicated one day to serve communities in ways that share the love of God with all people. The date that Tree of Life will participate in 2015 is **Sunday, Sept 20.** 

# anyone having a suggestion on what they can do as a church to contact:

Ashley Muscarella, Sandy Stewart or the Pastor.

Whether it's gathering food items to fill shelves at a local food pantry, cleaning up a public park or volunteering at a homeless shelter, your service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: That all of life in Jesus Christ — every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life — flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

"We worked side by side sharing in a common goal: To be the hands of God here in Whittier. On Sunday, when we delivered food to those in need throughout our community, we had the chance to see the face of God over and over again. Many were inspired to work in the days and weeks ahead to serve in this way on a consistent and more frequent basis." — Terri Roberston, youth and family minister at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Whittier, Calif.

You work hard to help make your community a better place. Now let's do this work together!

#### HT MEMORIALS

<u>In Memory of</u> <u>Marilyn Moreen-Tane</u>

Pr. Chuck & Esther Gustafson Joyce Atkinson

Norm & Evelyn Owen Gaughn's Drug Store

Melinda Nunn

Donna Johnson

**Dodie Erickson** 

Gail Espinoza

Marie Carlson

Linda Smith

In Honor of Allie Withers

The anonymous donation given in honor of Allie Withers is being put in the memorial fund in memory of Nels John & Alberta Nelson

Please note:

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



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2 10th Sun. aft. Pentecost 9:30 Holy Communion Worship at HT (OUTDOORS)	3 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van HT OFFICE CLOSED/VBS @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am @ILC Sr Center Bingo,11:30  @ILC: NA 7pm	NAR-ANON, 7 H. Library	5 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van ILC, Sr Men, 9 @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am HT, VBS, 9-noon, Food Cupboard 10-2;	6 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van VBS, 9-noon HT @ILC Sr Center Exercise,10	7 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van VBS, 9-noon HT @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am @ILC: NA 7pm	8 @ILC NA 11an
9 11th Sun. aft. Pentecost 9:30 Worship at HT (OUTDOORS) CHRISTIAN NURTURE TEAM	10 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van HT OFFICE CLOSED @ILC H Bones, 9; @ILC Sr Center Bingo,11:30 NO COUNCIL THIS MONTH @ILC: NA 7pm	11 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van  @ILC Sr Center Exercise,10  NAR-ANON, 7 H. Library	12 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am HT, Food Cupboard 10-2 Esther Circle Picnic, 5:30 @ Dorie Deyo's	13 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van @ILC Sr Center Exercise,10 @ILC: NA 7pm	14 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van  @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am  HT, Food Cupboard 10-2  @ILC: NA 7pm	@ILC NA 11an
		PASTOR VACATION 8/11 THRU 8/18				
9:30 Worship at HT (OUTDOORS) Guest Preacher: Ian Eastman Parish Newsletter DEADLINE	17 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van HT OFFICE CLOSED @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am  @ILC Sr Center Bingo,11:30 @ILC: NA 7pm R VACATION 11-18	18 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van @ILC Sr Center Exercise,10 NAR-ANON, 7 H. Library	19 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van ILC, Sr Men, 9 @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am SR MEN PICNIC HT, Food Cupboard 10-2	20 *Y Camp & UB Dental Van ILC N/L HELPERS, 9 @ILC Sr Center Exercise, 10 ILC Jmst Y Cancer support group, 6 @ILC: NA 7pm	& UB Dental Van @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am	22 @ILC NA 11an
23 13th Sun. aft. Pentecost 9:30 Holy Communion Worship at HT (OUTDOORS)	24 UB Dental Van HT OFFICE CLOSED @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am @ILC Sr Center Bingo,11:30 @ILC: NA 7pm	25 UB Dental Van HT n/l mailing, 9 @ILC Sr Center Exercise,10 NAR-ANON, 7 H. Library	26 *UB Dental Van @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am SR CENTER TRIP HT, Food 10-2	27 UB Dental Van ILC N/L HELPERS, IF NEED @ILC Sr Center Exercise,10	<b>28 UB Dental Van</b> @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am	@ILC NA 11an
30 14th Sun. aft. Pentecost 9:30 Worship at HT (OUTDOORS) @ILC NA Area Leaders.noon	31 *UB Dental Van HT OFFICE CLOSED @ILC Healthy Bones, 9am @ILC Sr Center Bingo,11:30 @ILC: NA 7pm	"I always wondered thing. Then I realized	why somebody doesn'd I am somebody."—L	t do some-	@ILC: NA 7pm  BINED VBS at Holy Trinity of AUGUST 3-7; 9AM-12	