



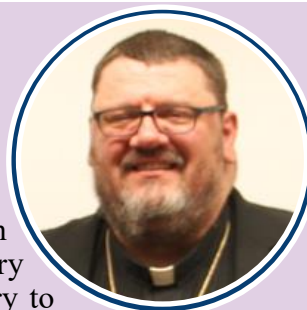
The  November 2017

Grapevine

Immanuel Lutheran Church Caring For Our Community Through Christ

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

For 120 years, Immanuel Lutheran Church has had the wonderful call to proclaim the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to her family, friends, and neighbors in Preston and the surrounding areas. She has taken up that call boldly, faithfully confessing Christ's love for the world in times of both joy and sorrow. And God has richly blessed her, sending fourteen faithful pastors to be the shepherd in His stead and by His command, to a flock of hungry sheep, His people: hungry for God's Word, hungry for God's Holy Sacraments, and hungry to care for the community through Christ. Immanuel's hunger has led her again and again to the cross, the font, and the altar where she continues to be strengthened and renewed, confidently and energetically to run the race that is before her.



This month, we celebrate Immanuel's faithfulness to her Lord. In doing so, we will have a 120th anniversary celebration on November 19. On that date we lovingly welcome back friends and family who have been away — including our former pastor, the Rev. Tom Becker, who will be preaching God's Word to us. We will also be honoring our Women in God's Service (WinGS) group for their many years of service to our Lord, His Church, and to the community. After service we will come together for a time of food and fellowship as we enjoy a film of the building of church. We'd love for you to come and be a part of our 120th anniversary celebration.

Also, this month, we invite you to join us on Thursday November 23 at 10:00 a.m. for our Thanksgiving Day service. It will be a wonderful time to lift our voices in song and praises of thanksgiving for all the many blessings He has bestowed upon us this year.

The theme for our contemporary service this month will simply be "pork chop." I encourage you to come on Sunday, November 12 and find out more (Hint: Pastor will not be giving hints on this one!). If you are unable to attend our normal traditional service at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings, our adult Bible class or Sunday school that starts at

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Thanksgiving Service

**Everyone is invited to the
Thanksgiving Day service
on Thursday, November 23
at 10:00 a.m.
Happy Thanksgiving!**



**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
1897-2017**

Please join us for our special 120th anniversary celebration on Sunday, November 19 at 10:30 a.m. The Rev. Thomas Becker (pictured), Immanuel's pastor from 2009 to 2015, will be our guest preacher. As part of the proceedings, we will also recognize WinGS for all their faithful years of service to our church and the community. A pot-luck meal will follow, during which historical artifacts will be on display.





IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Caring For Our Community Through Christ

REV. DAVID CASEY-MOTLEY, PASTOR

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PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
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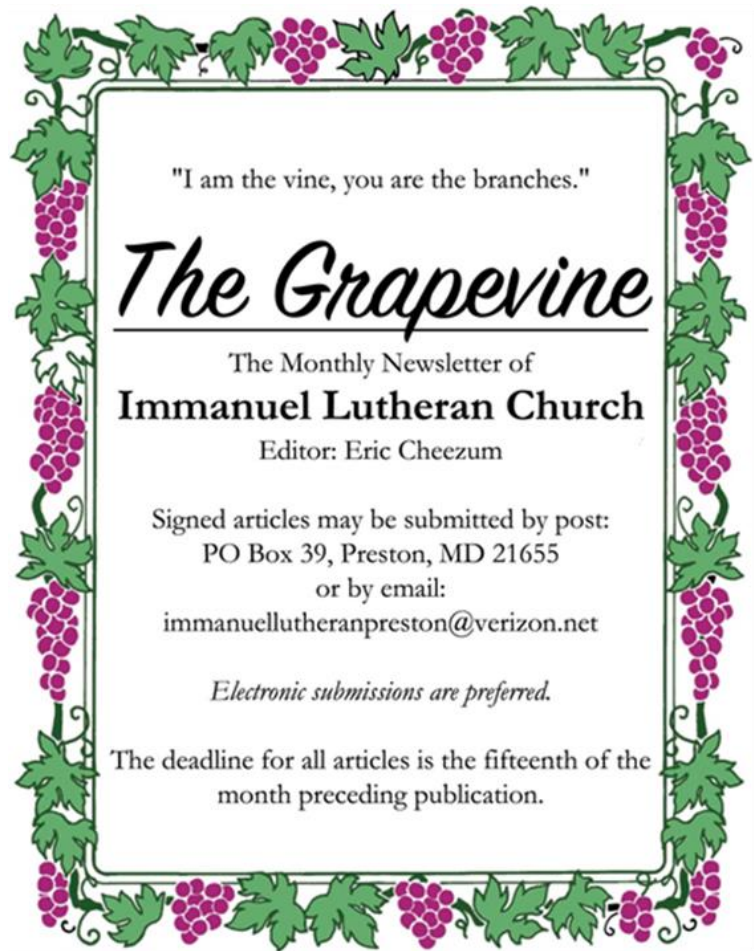
BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

The office is normally open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
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away from the office running errands during this time.

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9:00 a.m., if you aren't sure yet if church is for you or what your place in church could be, or if you aren't as familiar with our traditional service, then we invite you to come join us at 5:00 p.m. on the second Sunday of every month to our contemporary service as we worship and praise God for all His blessings to us in a less formal atmosphere.

It is a wonderful time in the life of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Preston, Maryland. May our Lord continue richly to bless us now and in the years to come.

With a Pastor's heart,
Pastor David





Our Father in heaven has claimed us as His own. By the shedding of His Son's blood, by the His death for our sins and His resurrection for our justification, God the Father has received us back into His family. By water combined with His Word, promise, and name, the Holy Spirit has taken up residence in us. We belong to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He is in us, and we are in Him. And being in Him, all things are ours. In Him, we are richly and abundantly blessed.

Our true treasure and wealth is that we belong to the most holy Trinity and everything that is His belongs also to us: righteousness, peace, eternal life. Even our temporal treasures are gifts from His fatherly divine goodness and mercy.

We receive our treasures from Him, and thus, as (good stewards of

His varied grace,) (1 Peter 4:10) we manage them in such a way that they may be returned to Him. We bring them to Him, hallowed through prayers of thanksgiving and God's holy Word, as an offering. Thus, all our possessions, as gifts from God, are also offerings to Him, from which we eat to nourish our bodies, share with our family, neighbors, and fellow Christians, with the poor and even our enemies, as holy things given by the holy God. His temporal gifts are blessings to and for us, and bring blessing upon us even as they are pressed into His service for His kingdom and the souls that receive them.

Thus we place all that we have into God's hands, and He never fails to remember us and pours out the fullness of His promises upon us. We give thanks for all that He has done, is doing, and will continue to do. We give thanks by not taking for ourselves, but giving to all even as our heavenly Father has given to us.

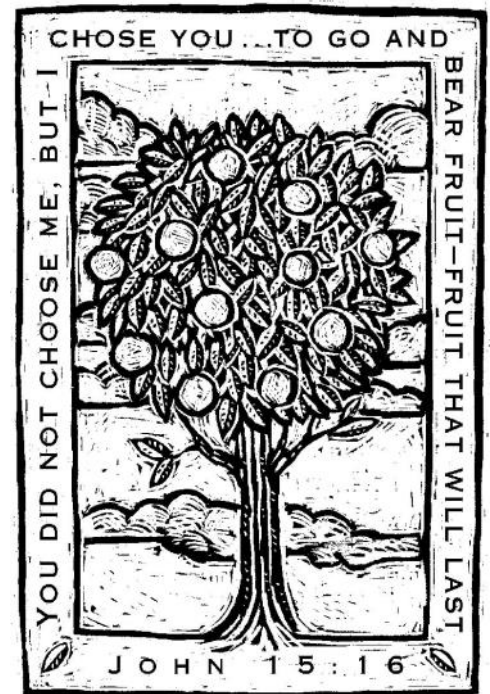
As we prepare for the celebrations of Thanksgiving, may we all

give thanks continually for all that we are and all that we have because of God's providential care. And may we be all the more diligent in bringing everything that we have received from God to Him, so that He may bless it and employ it for the good of all — even for us. "For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance" (Matthew 13:12).

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BEARING FRUIT FOR JESUS

For the last couple months, we have been learning about being good stewards, bearing fruit for Jesus. November 12 is **Pledge Sunday**, when our pledge cards will be presented at the altar. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge.



STOP!

Don't forget: next month's newsletter is a double issue for December and January. Plan submissions accordingly.

MISSION GIVING

The Lutheran Mission Society in Cambridge thanks all at Immanuel who generously support us with donations of time, talents, and gifts. Without your generous support we would not be able to serve others throughout the Eastern Shore and beyond.

LMS is in short supply of lightly used coats and clothing for infants, toddlers and children.

The Christmas Shop will open on Wednesday, November 1! Please come check us out. We have many, many Christmas items at great prices. And it is not too late to donate any of your gently used holiday articles that you no longer use.

The food items LMS is requesting for November include canned cranberry sauce, canned yams and instant mashed potatoes. These will be included in the food baskets that are prepared for Christmas.

Food donations can be left in the designated basket in the narthex while other contributions can be dropped off in the hallway at Geiger Hall. If you have any questions or would like to make a monetary donation, please call Irene Wheatley: 410-310-2571.

"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." Hebrews 13:16 ESV

Irene Wheatley

SPECIAL MISSION OFFERINGS

Remember that on the first Sunday of EVERY month, there will be an additional and special offering to underwrite the work that our congregation does through the Southeastern District and the Missouri Synod. Please join in the special work.



We have been so busy this month with tons of exciting activities! Our 3's have been learning letters C & D and we are about to begin letter E. They have been learning numbers 3 & 4. We have been working on memorizing bible verses. This month's have been Ephesians 6:1, Psalms 34:14, and Proverbs 20:11. Our 4's have been finishing up

learning their vowels and words associated with them. We have been making oceans for the letter O, ice cream cones for the letter I, and many more crafts. We have been working on our numbers and have learned how to spell our first and last names.



We had such a great time with fire prevention week. We spent each day learning about ways to prevent fires and recognizing objects that are dangerous or hot and cold. The highlight of the week was the fire department picking us up in the fire truck! We rode to the fire department and toured the trucks! We cannot thank PVFC enough for allowing us this opportunity. We have also been on a field trip to Bartenfelder Farms in Preston. We had such a wonderful day with everyone's families. We took a hayride, picked and painted pumpkins, and enjoyed playing together.



We are finishing this month with our harvest party where we will put on a classroom Trunk or Treat! We cannot wait to see what November will hold for our class! We always love having guests come in and read to our class! So if you are interested in coming in to read please get in touch.

Sarah Durham

The contemporary worship committee is spearheading a free community meal night at Immanuel. We will implement this idea on the second Sunday of each month at 4:00 p.m. As you can see, this is one hour prior to our contemporary

service. While some individuals stay for our primary meal to open our hearts to people in our community and provide a meal. We



Community Meal

We hope to reach people in need, not only for food, but for fellowship, friendship, and Christian love. Members of Immanuel are also encouraged to come and join in the meal to help our church in our mission of "Caring for our Community through Christ." Your participation, ideas, and suggestions are welcome.

Contemporary Worship Committee

VOTERS' MEETING SET FOR NOV. 5

A Voters' Meeting will take place November 5, 2017 after church services, at which time the New Budget Approval/Vote and Election of Officers will take place. The Officers up for election are: President of the Church Council, Financial Secretary, Chairman of the Board of Elders, Chairman of the Board of Education, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

SPECIAL FUNDS

Memorial Fund

Frances Shull

Building Fund — In Memory of

Alan Nichols

James B. Nichols

Troy & Janet Harrison

Mary June Schmick Jones

Shirley Short

Compassion Fund — In Memory of Alan Nichols

Richard & Irene Wheatley

Compassion Fund — In Honor of Pastor David Casey-Motley's Ordination

Richard & Irene Wheatley



Rev. Dr. Robert Mordhorst lectures on the importance of Martin Luther on Sunday, October 1. The lecture was jointly sponsored by Immanuel and Bethesda UMC in celebration of 500 years of the Reformation.

CELEBRATING TWO VERAS!



Vera Worm (left) and Vera Rieck pose together October 8, after receiving special recognition for their long service to Immanuel. Worm retired from Immanuel's Senior Choir this fall, after fifty years of service; a founding member of Immanuel's Bell Choir, Rieck retired after serving over ten years with the group.

WINGS' FALL BAZAAR

This year's Fall Bazaar will take place Saturday, November 11, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We appreciate all of the help members and friends have provided over the years to put on a successful annual bazaar, and we once again hope that you can contribute time or talents to help in this fundraising endeavor. As always, we can use donations for the silent auction, crafts, produce, canned goods, baked goods, books, and more. We also treasure your time in helping with food preparation on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, November 8, 9, and 10, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Contact Carol Frase if you have any questions, or can volunteer on those days. Due to local health department regulations, we can no longer accept certain types of homemade baked goods for sale at the bazaar, including cream and meringue pies, such as pumpkin, sweet potato, and coconut pies, and any refrigerated dessert, like cheesecake. That gives you the opportunity to focus on your favorite fruit pies, cakes, breads, etc., which

we always welcome as a donation. WinGS will once again use our kitchen to make those pies and desserts. Look for these "approved" desserts for sale at the bazaar, made in our own church kitchen!

Trunk-or-Treat



CHILDREN'S COAT DRIVE

for the Lutheran Mission Society.

Drop off gently used children's coats at Katie Mae's Restaurant **November 20-26** and get a 10% off coupon to the restaurant!

YOUNG ADULTS & YOUNG COUPLES

We had so much fun at our last event we are doing it again! Yay! Saturday, November 18, at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room in Geiger Hall! Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving dish! Hope to see you then! If you have any questions please don't be afraid to contact me!

Desiree Casey-Motley

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ADVENT & CHRISTMAS EVENTS

3rd Annual Christmas Caroling Wagon Ride

Friday, December 8, at 6:00 p.m. Wagon departs at 6:00 pm from Immanuel Lutheran Church parking lot. Dress warm and bring a blanket to sit on. Flashlight, bells, and hot chocolate will be provided. Contact Earleen (Sam) Lozen if you have any questions: 443-225-9986 or printscharming@comcast.net.

Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 17, at 3:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 24, at 7:00 p.m.

NOTE OF THANKS

I would like to thank the congregation for your generous donations toward establishing our food pantry here at Immanuel. We have helped some folks already. As winter approaches, please keep our little pantry in mind. I am quite sure others will need our help as well.

Kim Rosebrock

REMEMBERING THE FUCHS & SCHMICK FAMILIES

In celebration of the immigration 250 years ago of Germans from the Palatinate and Hessen regions to the Volga region of Russia, Gary Fuchs has done a genealogical history of John Conrad Fuchs and John W. Schmick and their related families. His research is entitled *The Great-Grandparents of Yagodnaya Polyana, Russia*. Based on a recently translated 1857 Census of Yagodnaya Polyana, Gary has been able to connect the Fuchs and Schmick families back to the original German colonists who founded this village in 1767. It is the story of the emigration of John Schmick and George Fuchs from Yagodnaya Polyana, Russia, to Kansas, and their eventual move to Maryland at the end of the nineteenth century, and of John Conrad Fuchs's immigration to Maryland at the beginning of the twentieth century.

The document includes a brief history explaining why the German families emigrated to Russia in 1776, the early history of Yagodnaya Polyana, daily life in the Volga region, and why many chose to emigrate to the United States and other countries at the end of the nineteenth century. It also includes a section on what happened to those residents of Yagodnaya Polyana and other Volga Germans who remained in Russia and subsequently were deported to east of the Ural Mountains in 1941.

Gary has worked with a number of family members to update the Schmick family history that is contained in William Schmick's *From the Steppes to the Land of Pleasant Living, 1987, a History of the John W. Schmick Family* (Preston, MD: 1987). Gary would like to verify information that he has compiled and has asked for early photos of the children of John Schmick and George and John Fuchs. He is particularly interested in any information on the children of George Fuchs (1841-1912) and Elisabeth Holstein (1851-1917).

Gary indicated that the information he has compiled on the George Fuchs and Elisabeth Holstein family is based on the Preston Immanuel Lutheran Church membership roster on file at the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia in Lincoln, NE. He has also used information from immigration and census records and William G. Schmick's *From the Steppes to the Land of Pleasant Living*, which provided a summary of the children, spouses, and their dates of marriage. Photos that identified family members also provided additional information. Based on his research, the following abstract identifies the children of George Fuchs and Elisabeth Holstein:

Elisabeth Fuchs, B: 19 March 1871 in Yagodnaya Polyana, Russia; D: 14 April 1940; M: 1891 in Yagodnaya Polyana, Conrad Schmick (B: 9 January 1871; D: 14 November 1944 in Frederica, Kent County, Delaware). Elisabeth and Conrad Schmick arrived in the U.S. in 1892. Conrad Schmick is the son of Johannes Schmick, born in 1850 and Catherine Elizabeth,

maiden last name unknown. Conrad is the second cousin once removed of John W. Schmick.

John Fuchs, B: 19 December 1873 in Yagodnaya Polyana; D: 1945 in Preston, Maryland.

Marilis "Mollie", B: 12 May 1876 in Yagodnaya Polyana; D: unknown; M: John J. Seeger.

Maria C. Fuchs, B: 14 August 1879 in Yagodnaya Polyana; D: 4 December 1947 in Preston, Maryland; M: 28 December 1899 in Maryland, Gustav Plutschak (B: 22 January 1872 in Bremen, Stadt Bremen, Germany; D: 28 October 1933). Gustav Plutschak is the son of Gottlieb Plutschak (1838-1921) and Wilhelmina "Minnie" Wagner (1842-1921). The Plutchaks immigrated to the United States in 1887.

George W. Fuchs, B: 5 June 1881 in Yagodnaya Polyana; D: 30 June 1949 in Preston, Maryland; M: February 1920, Minna E. Rieck (B: 6 March 1897 in Preston, Maryland; D: 25 December 1995 in Easton, Maryland). Minna Rieck is the daughter of William F. Rieck (1864-1940) and Amelia Schulke (1856-1933).

Sophia C. Fuchs, B: August 1885 in Yagodnaya Polyana; D: 12 January 1907 in Preston, Maryland.

Catharina "Caddie" Fuchs, B: April 1888; D: unknown.

Katherilis "Katherine" Fuchs, B: October 1890 in Yagodnaya Polyana; D: 6 March 1958.

Eva Fuchs, B: 14 February 1892 in Yagodnaya Polyana; D: 10 February 1989 in Denton, Maryland.

Marie Fuchs, B: 10 December 1895 in Baltimore, Maryland; D: 6 March 1958 in Preston, Maryland; M: 26 December 1928, John Nepert (B: 11 April 1900 in Yagodnaya Polyana; D: 8 August 1968 in Hurlock, Dorchester County, Maryland). John Nepert is the son of Peter Nepert (1871-1949) and Elisabeth Schneidmiller (1881-1952). Elisabeth Schneidmiller is the daughter of Katherine Fuchs (1858-1940).

Martha Fuchs, B: 31 August 1898 in Preston, Maryland; D: 25 August 1980; M: February 1920 in Preston, Maryland, Frank August Gadow (B: 5 June 1898 in Preston, Maryland; D: 4 May 1983 in Easton, Maryland). Frank Gadow is the son of Christian Ferdinand Gadow (1858-1918) and Anne "Annie" Regina Christine Beitz (1857-1938). Christian Ferdinand Gadow was born 9 January 1858 in Werben, Schöningen, Pomerania, Germany. The family arrived to the United States in 1887. He died 6 July 1918 in Talbot County, Maryland. His father is Christian Friedrich Gadow (1823) and mother is Hanna Friedrich Wilhelmine Hammermeister (1829-1903), grandmother of Lena Marie Gadow, who is the mother of John August Fuchs.

There are some discrepancies in information about the children of George Fuchs family. Some Ancestry.com records indicate Katherine married a Georg Peter Burgdorf (1886-1964) from the Volga area of Russia and lived in Fresno, California. The 1910 census also lists a



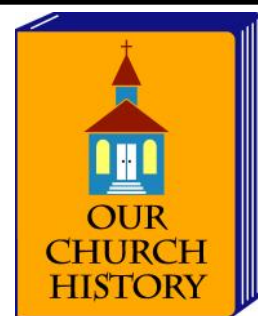
Above: Fuchs and Schmick Fourth of July picnic, Preston, Maryland, circa 1909. Names based on information on the caption recorded in family records and likely identification based on dates of birth and other historical data. Back row, left to right: Molly Fuchs, Hudla Plutschak, Alice Fuchs, Eva Fuchs, George Fuchs Jr., Mrs. Gus. Plutschak (Marie Fuchs) (likely holding Albert Robert Plutschak), John Conrad Fuchs, Marie Schmick (Conrad Schmick's daughter), person not identified, John Ward Schmick, Marie Fuchs, Gustav Julius Plutschak (likely holding William Emiel Plutschak), person not identified, Katie Schmick (Conrad Schmick's daughter), Mary Catherine Schmick (John W. Schmick's daughter). Front row, left to right: Rosa "Rose" Marie Plutschak, Martha Fuchs, Elisabeth Holstein Fuchs, Marie Elisabeth Pfaffenroth Fuchs, Marie Catherine Scheuerman Schmick holding Rudolph Ferdinand, person and child not identified. Seated: girls not identified, twin boys Herman Gustav Schmick and Theodore Frederick Schmick. SOURCE: Bonnie Brown, from Amelia Fuchs Brown's family photos.



This photo is believed to be of the children of George and Elisabeth Fuchs. Can you help identify anyone in it? If so, drop Gary a line!

Caddie born in 1888. This is likely the Catharina listed in the church records. Also, a photo (see below) from a July picnic, circa 1909, includes an Alice, which is likely a nickname for one of the daughters. A Mollie M. Fuchs is listed as the "nearest relative" on George Fuchs, Jr.'s, World War I Draft Registration Card. Additionally, the Preston Church roster includes a daughter named Marilis. Other information on Ancestry.com lists a Mollie Fuchs who married John Seeger and remained in Baltimore. From the dates of birth, it is likely that the Marilis Fuchs listed in the church records is likely Mollie. However, as William Schmick indicated in his research, he was not able to definitively confirm information on Mollie or Katie or other family members.

Gary would appreciate any historical documents that can help to verify the identity of the middle daughters of George Fuchs and Elizabeth Holstein. He has sent a hard copy of his paper to the church office and it is available for review there. He also can send an electronic version to interested persons. Just send him an email at gfuchs@austin.rr.com and he will send you a copy of his final draft of the *The Great-Grandparents of Yagodnaya Polyana, Russia*. In addition, any help identifying and confirming the names of the "persons not identified" in the photo below is greatly appreciated.



Editor's Note: Many thanks to everyone who provided materials for the "scrapbook" printed in the next four pages: Barbara Wright, Irene Wheatley, the family of Carl Koerber, Mary Lou Frase, Buster Lord, Melva Jean Glessner, and Vera Rieck.

A Lutheran Family Scrapbook — Celebrating 120 Years



**Rev. George O.
Thomas**
(1896-1897)



**Rev. Frederick
P. Wilhelm**
(1897-1899)



**Rev. Rudolph
W. Huebsch**
(1899-1909)



**Rev. Jacob J.D.
Koerber**
(1909-1916)



**Rev. Louis P.
Geiger**
(1917-1955)



Left: Immanuel's first church building, 1933; right: a shot of the interior of that building, from a postcard published ca. 1908.



Above: 1908 class picture from Immanuel's parochial school.

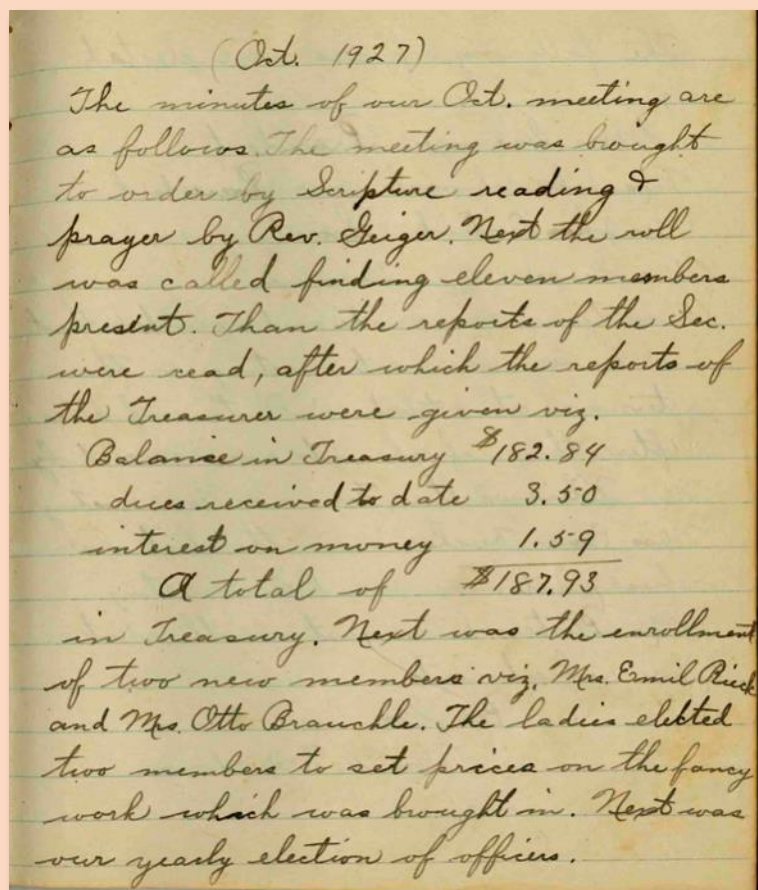


*Above: wedding picture of Rev. and Mrs.
Koerber.*

Years of Caring for our Community through Christ!



Above: a confirmation class led by Rev. Geiger (left).



Above: page one of the October 1927 minutes of the Ladies' Aid.

Lutherans Celebrate Anniversaries Sunday

News & Farmer, March 22, 1962

Members of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Preston will celebrate the 65th anniversary of the congregation and the 10th anniversary of the dedication of their new church building in two services Sunday, March 25. In the morning service at 11 a.m. the Rev. Louis Geiger, pastor emeritus of the congregation, will deliver the sermon. A congregational fellowship covered-dish supper for members of the congregation and their friends will be held in the Undercroft of the church at 6 p.m. Following this meal, Mr. Harry H. Rieck, Sr., chairman of the new church building committee and president of the congregation at the time the building was erected, will show motion pictures and speak on the various phases of the actual building of the church.

The evening will end with a vesper service conducted by the Rev. Carl Koerber of Baltimore, a son of the congregation and a son of a former pastor of Immanuel. Pastor Koerber is presently the assistant executive chaplain of the Lutheran Mission Society of Maryland. An interesting sidelight to the day's celebration is the fact that the date is the 90th birthday of Theodore Schulke of Preston, the only living charter voting member of the congregation.

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Above: a shot of Immanuel's second church, 1961.



Rev. Carl A.
Schuette
(1955-1966)



Rev. Floyd P.
Duff
(1967-1971)



Rev. Clarence
E. Budke
(1972-1978)



Rev. Robert C.
Klemm
(1979-1981)



Rev. Donald H.
Krompart
(1982-1995)



Rev. Walter R. Steele
(1995-1997)



Rev. Neal E. Anderson
(1997-2005)



Rev. Edwin Thress
(2006-2009)
Interim



Rev. Thomas E. Becker
(2009-2015)



Rev. David Casey-Motley
(2017)



Installation of Rev. Schuette, October 2, 1955.

April 1, 1899.

On April 23, 1899 the Rev. R.W. Huebsch of Conover, N.C. was installed as Immanuel's third pastor. During his pastorate Immanuel erected its own church building, and later, a Christian day school. In the fall of 1909 Pastor Huebsch accepted a call to Allegheny, N.Y., and the congregation was without a pastor until Jan. 20, 1910, when the Rev. Jacob Koerber of Johnsburg, Penn., was installed. Pastor Koerber's sudden death Nov. 8, 1916, again left Immanuel without a pastor.

On May 28, 1917, the Rev. Louis Geiger of Delray, Fla., was installed in the Preston congregation. He served as Immanuel's pastor until his retirement in 1955, when he was succeeded by the present pastor, the Rev. Carl A. Schuette, of Hop Bottom, Penna.

During Pastor Geiger's pastorate, Immanuel experienced its greatest growth and the present church was erected. The Sunday School was begun Oct. 27, 1918. The Young Peoples' Society (now the Walther League) was started Oct. 12, 1920. The Ladies' Aid was organized Oct. 8, 1925, and the Fellowship Club in the fall of 1949. Other organizations in



Nursery School Class of 1983, group photo.

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Immanuel Lutheran Church was organized March 11, 1897. The first resident pastor to serve the congregation was the Rev. George Thomas, who conducted his first service in Preston July 26, 1896. In April 1897, shortly after the formal organization of the congregation, Pastor Thomas had to resign because of his health. He was succeeded by the Rev. E.P. Wilhelm on Aug. 22, 1897. Pastor Wilhelm accepted a call to Cleveland

Rev. Krompart Installation



¹⁹⁸² Immanuel Lutheran Church will install the Reverend Donald H. Krompart as their Pastor on Sunday, July 11th at 4 p.m. in a special Installation Service. Pastor Edwin Thress, Bethany Lutheran Church, Salisbury, will be the guest preacher. Pastor Donald Morthole, assisted by clergy of the Delmar Circuit will conduct the Installation rite. Members and friends of Immanuel are invited to attend.

The Reverend Donald Krompart was born in Buffalo, New York, in 1930. He was graduated from Concordia Seminary, Springfield, Illinois, in 1964. He has most recently served as Pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church, North Tonawanda, New York. Pastor Krompart has also been active in radio ministry for the past 19 years.

Pastor Krompart is married to the former Nancy Wolf of Tonawanda, New York. The Kromparts have five children: Kevin and Sue, who are married; Linda, who is a student at Bryant and Stratton Business Institute in Buffalo, New York; Kristen who will be entering Salisbury State College in the Fall; and Aaron, who is in the tenth grade of High School.

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Congregation is honored for its parish history 1986

PRESTON — The Immanuel Lutheran Church congregation was given an Award of Commendation for its parish history by the Concordia Historical Institute in St. Louis, Missouri on Thursday, Nov. 20. The award was presented during the Institute's Board of Governors Awards Banquet. Bill Schmick of the congregation attended the banquet.

The Institute's Awards Program is an annual event used to recognize and honor individuals, congregations and publications for their contributions to the better understanding of our common past as Lutherans, Schmick writes in the church newsletter.

The Institute bestows two types of awards: the Distinguished Service award and the Award of Commendation. The Distinguished Service award is for "contributions to the cause of Lutheran archives and history." Only nine of these awards have been conferred in 12 years, Schmick said.



Left: Bill Schmick receives a commendation for Immanuel's 1986 church history. Above: Bill and his wife Betty, 1990.



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sonage on the site of the former Friends' Church. In 1958, the congregation began its Christian kindergarten. Mrs. Myers Nagel, of Federalsburg, served as its teacher for the first year, and since then Mrs. Herman Sander, of Cordova, has filled the position.

In January of this year, Immanuel Church began preaching services and a branch Sunday School in Cambridge. Including the Cambridge membership (Cambridge is still a branch of the Preston congregation), Immanuel's membership is in excess of 575. Its membership comes from points as distant as Easton, Vienna, Eldorado, and Denton.

Friends and former members of Immanuel are invited to join with Immanuel's members in these anniversary celebrations.



Photos: top right, Rev. Steele is ordained and installed at Immanuel, 1995; middle, one of the last gatherings of the Ladies' Aid Society, May 4, 2000; bottom right, Pastor David and wife Desi dress as Dr. and Mrs. Martin Luther for Reformation day 2017.



Pray For Us Calendar

Congregations and individuals are invited to copy these pages for newsletters or other distribution. Download at lcms.org/prayforus or call 888-843-5267 to request a copy.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER — NOVEMBER 1-13 This month, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) gives thanks for God's abundant grace we have received through Jesus Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection. In all things we give thanks for His love and mercy.

Give thanks as you pray:

- 1.** Give thanks for the saints who have gone before us. Ask Him to empower Christians to follow their example of faith and good works.
- 2.** Give thanks for the saints on earth. Pray that His Church might continue in the true faith and proclaim the saving Good News of salvation.
- 3.** Thank God that He is our heavenly Father. Rejoice that God invites us to believe that He is our true Father and we are His true children.

- 4.** Thank God that His name is holy. Rejoice that all can trust in the Lord, for His Word is truth.
- 5.** Thank God for His Kingdom. Pray that the Lord of the Harvest would provide workers for the harvest field.
- 6.** Thank God for His will. Pray that His will is done. Not ours.
- 7.** Thank God that His will is done on earth as it is in heaven. Pray that God would keep us firm in His Word and faith until we die.

- 8.** Thank God for daily bread. Pray for all those who are hungry today.
- 9.** Thank God for forgiveness. Repent. Rejoice that yours sins are forgiven by Christ.
- 10.** Thank God for forgiveness. Pray for the strength to forgive those who have sinned against you.
- 11.** Thank God that He leads us out of temptation. Ask God to lead you in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
- 12.** Thank God that He delivers us from evil. Rejoice that Jesus has won the victory over sin, death and the power of the devil.
- 13.** Thank God that He hears our prayers for Jesus' sake. Rejoice that God promises to hear our prayers as a loving Father.

As Margaret Mann loads her laundry into the washing machine, volunteers Joyce Bauer and Elma Richmond (rear) from St. Paul Lutheran Church, San Antonio, Texas, assist during the Laundry Love event at the E-Z Wash laundromat in San Antonio. The monthly ministry event is supported by a grant through the "Stand With Your Community" program, which was made possible by a partnership between the LCMS, Thrivent Financial and Lutheran Church Extension Fund.



Moses Lochul Rutale reads his evening devotion in his dormitory bunk bed at the U-Dom ELCK (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya) Project 24 site in Chepaveitia, Kenya.



INVOLVEMENT IDEAS

- Visit eyesoflife.org to watch a music video and read about how others value life as a gift from God.
- Learn more about the work of the LCMS throughout the world: engage.lcms.org.
- Did you know that LCMS Disaster Response offers a variety of free resources in both English and Spanish? Visit lcms.org/disaster to download Bible studies, essays and other resources.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER — NOVEMBER 14-30 This month, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) gives thanks for God's abundant grace we have received through Jesus Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection. In all things we give thanks for His love and mercy.

Give thanks as you pray:

- 14.** Thank God that He is the God who saves. Pray that all might fear, love and trust in Him alone.
- 15.** Thank God that His name is trustworthy. Call upon Him in every trouble, pray, praise and give thanks.
- 16.** Thank God for Sabbath rest. Hold His Word sacred. Gladly hear and learn it.
- 17.** Thank God for your parents. Thank Him for all those in authority. Pray for the strength to obey.
- 18.** Thank God for your neighbor, that you might help in any need.
- 19.** Thank God for Christian marriage. May all learn to love as Christ loves His Church.
- 20.** Thank God for what He has provided for you. May all learn the secret of being content.
- 21.** Thank God for the people in your life. May we speak well of them and explain everything in the kindest way.
- 22.** Thank God for your home. Rejoice and be content in what He has provided for you.
- 23.** Thank God for the people God has provided in your life.



Angie Schlenker (center), her daughter Samantha and other volunteers join the Rev. Cory Aker, pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, SD., as they serve lunch at the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House homeless shelter in Sioux Falls. The meals are provided by a grant through the "Stand With Your Community" program, which was made possible by a partnership between the LCMS, Thrivent Financial and Lutheran Church Extension Fund.

- 24.** Thank God for the Ten Commandments. Pray for strength to rejoice in His will and to walk in His ways to the glory of His holy name.
- 25.** Thank God for creation.
- 26.** Thank God for His Son Jesus Christ.
- 27.** Thank God for the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ. Rejoice that Christ's death has purchased and won you from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil.
- 28.** Thank God for the promise of Christ's return. The Church prays, Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- 29.** Thank God for the Holy Spirit, who calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.
- 30.** Thank God for St. Andrew, apostle. St. Andrew, Peter's brother, heard John's cry to "Behold the Lamb of God" and followed Jesus.

MISSIONARY & PERSONNEL BIRTHDAYS

Download the other cards of missionaries and other personnel from lcms.org/prayercards.

- Nov. 1** Rebecca Krey, Latin America and the Caribbean
- Nov. 6** James Neuendorf, Latin America and the Caribbean
- Nov. 11** Jillian Burfeind, Toledo, Ohio
- Nov. 20** Kristin Lange, Germany; Michael Paul, Taiwan
- Nov. 22** Shelee Warner, Spain
- Nov. 23** Charles Corright, Eurasia; Edward Naumann, South Asia; Stefanie Rabe, Ethiopia
- Nov. 24** Freeman Rohlfing, Czech Republic
- Nov. 26** Daniel Jastram, Japan; Monica Naumann, South Asia
- Nov. 29** Sean Harlow, Asia
- Nov. 30** Jana Inglehart, Latin America and the Caribbean

MILITARY CHAPLAINS WITH BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER:

Chaplain Mark Bowditch, Robins AFB, Ga.; Chaplain Mark Sedwick, Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Chaplain Christopher Sutton, Kingsville, Texas; Chaplain William Schneider, Lawton, Okla.; Chaplain Robert Kraft, South Korea.



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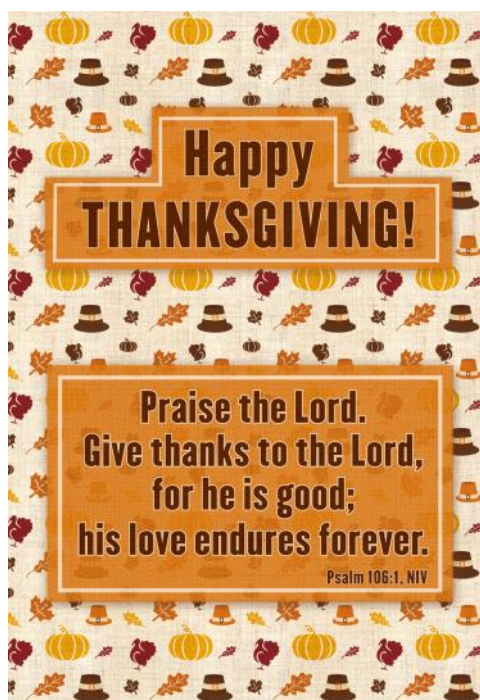
Date	Usher	Lay Reader	Greeter	Assisting Elder	Kids' Worship	Acolytes	Head Teller / Counter
November 5, 2017	Windsor Meyer Glen Plutschak David Schmidt	Ruth Thomas	Kenny & Michelle Wheatley	Richard Wheatley	TBA	Joey Parmer	Janice Isenberg Shelly Kapitan John Crampton
November 12, 2017	Windsor Meyer Glen Plutschak David Schmidt	Chrissy Frase	Earlene Lozen	Glen Plutschak	TBA	Catie Casey-Motley	Kimberly Jantz Karen Lyons Olga MacDonald
November 19, 2017	Windsor Meyer Glen Plutschak David Schmidt	Arlene Stevens	Todd & Darlena Butler	Dale Kenton	TBA	Jacob Parmer	Dee Lambert Glen Plutschak Mary Lou Plutschak
November 26, 2017	Windsor Meyer Glen Plutschak David Schmidt	Richard Wheatley	Roger Schmick	Mark Frase	TBA	Catie Casey-Motley	David Schmidt Kathy Schmidt



Margaret Bolyard	11/2
Gail Karge	11/3
R. Daniel Mitchell	11/3
Ann Schmick	11/3
Gail Crampton	11/4
Avery Ostermann	11/4
Byron Mead	11/5
Allen Coppage	11/8
Juliana Garcia	11/8
Michael Lyons	11/9
Danielle Youells	11/11
Gaby Schmick	11/13
Leonard Slyter	11/13
Jennifer Stevens	11/14
Steffanie Keefe	11/17
E. Kenneth Miller	11/18
Danielle Scudder	11/21
Dolores Slyter	11/22
Samantha Greenage	11/25
James Rieck	11/26
Ben Braband	11/27
Iris Rieck	11/27
Leonard Rieck	11/27
Wanda North	11/28
Gary Beauchamp	11/30



Edwin & Sabrina Schanken Jr.	11/19
David & Kari Edwards	11/22
Frederick & Jeanette Schmick	11/22
Roger & Ann Schmick	11/25



On Veterans Day, we honor men and women who've served and sacrificed in one of America's armed services.

On November 11, 1918, America and her allies signed a truce with German leaders, ending World War I. In 1919, President Wilson decided the United States should remember with gratitude the end of that war and honor military members by marking Armistice Day, or "truce" day. In 1954, Congress changed the name to Veterans Day, honoring veterans of every era.

Veterans Day highlights our country's quest for peace, justice and freedom throughout the world. Followers of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, pray for unity among all nations and for the day when "nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore" (Isaiah 2:4, NIV).

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2017–2018 FAMILY DEVOTIONS GUIDE

Use this chart to guide your family devotions during the school year. Hymn suggestions for each week contain the Lutheran Service Book (LSB) hymn number and My First Hymnal (MFH) page numbers. The suggested Scripture readings align with the three-year lectionary.

<i>Date & Hymn</i>	<i>LSB #</i>	<i>MFH #</i>	<i>Scripture Readings</i>
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Children of the Heavenly Father	725	p. 122	Rev. 7:(2–8) 9–17 1 John 3:1–3 Matt. 5:1
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WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12

The King of Love My Shepherd Is	709	p. 86-87	Amos 5:18–24 1 Thess. 4:13–18 Matt.
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Now Thank We All Our God	895	p. 104-105	Zeph. 1:7–16 1 Thess. 5:1–11 Matt.
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Have No Fear, Little Flock	735	p. 96	Ezek. 34:11–16, 20–24 1 Cor. 15:20–28
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