



Immanuel-Trinity Lutheran Church

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“I tell you the truth,” Jesus said, “this poor widow has given more than all the rest of them. For they have given a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she has.” Luke 21: 3-4

**Dear Partners in the Gospel,
Pastor Sue and I read a devotional every morning, Cheri Fuller’s “Praying the Promises of God”. I’d like to share one of her recent daily offerings.**

Jesus saw numerous displays of wealth as the pillars and leaders of the community dropped their offerings— many of them with great fanfare— into the treasury chests that sat in the Temple’s outer courtyard. Jesus didn’t dismiss the gifts of the wealthy, but he did call attention to the widow’s gift. In a setting where many were hoping to be noticed and admired, the widow quietly gave her gift, assuming it to be so paltry that it would not make any difference. She was not giving out of a desire to be admired but out of love and obedience. That’s what set her gift apart. That’s what gave her gift its heft.

The value of our monetary gifts to the Kingdom is that they are a measure of our hearts. The most important gift given that day was the smallest gift of all, given extravagantly. The amount of money we give to support Kingdom causes really doesn’t matter. God can multiply small gifts and use them to accomplish big results. If the wealthiest people on earth were to give all they have to the work of the Kingdom, it would be a small amount. God values a gargantuan sum no more than he does the widow’s gift. What matters is what your financial gifts to the Kingdom say about your priorities. God knows how easily we can come to love money and let it dictate our lives, influence our decisions, determine our emotional states. Money can become an idol faster than almost anything you can name. That’s why God wants us to remember that it is all his. Why do you think God chooses to finance God’s work and meet the needs of God’s children through the financial gifts of God’s people? I think God allows God’s people to give because their obedience releases his abundance. Father, everything I have is yours. Use it as you will.

Why we give to God is the first step to understand what we give to God. Time, Talent, Treasure. Gifts that we give with Joy, God uses to bless. Tending God’s blessings is our greatest Joy as Christians.

God doesn’t need us to give Him our money. He owns everything. Tithing is God’s way to grow Christians. —ADRIAN ROGERS (1931– 2005), American pastor and author

**Blessings on your Summer,
Pastor Tom**



What is Pentecost? The Birthday of the Church

Many folks wear their Packer, Brewers or Bucks gear to support the Wisconsin sports teams. So on Pentecost Sunday, June 5 let us as Lutherans (and other) Christians trade in their gear for the color of **RED**.

Why is it customary to wear red on Pentecost?

Wearing red represents the tongues of flame that rested upon the disciples as the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the first followers of Jesus. Together, we will celebrate that the Holy Spirit continues to breathe life into the church, and we continue to proclaim the mighty acts of God to all the world!

Here are a few other interesting tidbits to help you move deeper into the story of Pentecost:

- **Pentecost means “50” in Greek** – the Day of Pentecost is celebrated 50 days after Easter.
- **Jews have Pentecost too** – it is the Greek name for the Festival of Shavuot or “Weeks” (7 weeks after Passover). It celebrates the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai.
- **Pentecost is often called the “Birthday of the Church”** – because the Holy Spirit empowers the church to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ in the world.
- **It was windy** – a great wind blew through the assembly. In the original biblical languages, one word – “ruach” in Hebrew and “pneuma” in Greek – is translated as both “wind” and “spirit” in English.
- **Everyone understood** – the Pentecost story reports that people from many countries and regions were present at the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and all heard the telling of God’s deeds of power in their own languages. This is different than the spiritual practice of “speaking in tongues” when otherwise indiscernible utterings must be interpreted by a believer with the gift of interpretation. This was a miraculous translation, likely intended to indicate the global reach of the Good News.



Loaves and Fishes

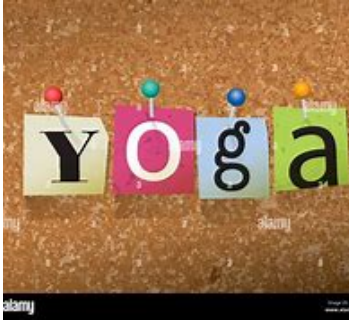
Monday, June 27

Please join us at Church of Peace,
158 S Military Rd. FDL by 4:00 pm if
you would like to volunteer to help
serve. Come join us, all are
welcome!



Looking Ahead...
Faith in Action Brat Fry
Saturday, August 6
10am - 5pm
Festival Foods

Yoga In Person at Immanuel Trinity!



Taught by Kristi Haak, OTR/L, RYT. Classes begin Thursday, June 9 at 2:30pm (chair) or 3:45pm (mat). For more information or registration, email Kristi, KristiHaak@gmail.com

LITTLE DRESSES FOR AFRICA

Little girls love to receive a new dress for a special occasion. I remember how excited I would be when Easter morning came and I got to put on my new Easter dress. Just think how wonderful it would be to gift a new dress for a little girl somewhere in the world. Someone you didn't even know.

Immanuel-Trinity takes part in a ministry for just that purpose. A few ladies in our congregation sew dresses for girls around the globe through an organization called "Little Dresses For Africa". These dresses are simple to make utilizing a new or gently used pillowcase and a simple pattern. There is currently a display in the library with the pattern and items needed to create a dress. If you are interested in this ministry, please look at this display and see what you can create. When you have your dresses completed, just bring them back to church and drop them off in the library.

We are very fortunate to have an outlet to get the dresses shipped once we have created them. Nancy's Notions in Beaver Dam accepts the dresses we create and they take care of getting them boxed and shipped so we don't have that expense.

It is a fun way to use your creativity and make a dress from a simple pillowcase that will make a difference in the life of a girl in a country that we probably won't ever visit.

If you have any questions about this ministry, please talk with me or email me at bobgreenwood@att.net.
Audrey Greenwood



Congratulations to the Class of 2022!
God has a great plan for you. Jeremiah 29:11

Best wishes as you continue to grow and use the gifts and talents God's given you.

Congratulations and God bless you on this wonderful achievement from Immanuel-Trinity!

2022 Graduating Seniors are Erica Belling, John deMontmollin, Katelyn Dilling, Olivia Diling, Ashley Hall, Colin Hamburg, David Hurtgen, Katie Jurgensmier, Adrienne Moser, Evelyn Nery, Kathryn Roltgen and Daniel Sing

Graduate recognition will be Saturday, June 4 & Sunday June 5th.



In Memory of Dorothy Hoff
Given by:
Bob and Audrey Greenwood
Janice Klimke
Ruth Auchtung
Mary Heisler
Dorothy Bird
Tim Hoff
R.P. Schumacher
Marion Blakely
Susan Brennan
Beth Krause

In Memory of Mike Kulaga
Given by:
Bob and Audrey Greenwood



Do you have a Graduate at Home?

Please send pictures of your graduate and your family with the graduate to admin@immanueltrinity.org
We'd love to share them in the upcoming newsletters.

June Birthdays



June 1: Bradley Greenwood, Debra Hansen

June 11: Tom Miller, Becky Veasey

June 19: Madelyn Wagner, Delaney Wendt

June 3: Samantha Brost, Jeffrey Dilling, Roger Jones

June 12: Paul Hahm, Christine Lefeber, Emalie Seager, Kenneth Wendt

June 20: Mark Ellingen

June 4: Stephanie Cuellar, Aiden Kehrmeier, Steven Veith

June 14: Lori Dilling, Jenna King, Bruno Metallo

June 21: Mitchell Moser, Conner Schuette

June 6: Edward Blatz, Lilian Christian

June 15: Audrey Greenwood

June 22: Carly Schuette, Ray Schwartz

June 7: Linda Kopf, Debra McAndrew

June 16: Debra Mallas, Stacy Wilbee

June 23: Nancy Hackbarth, Leslie Moser

June 8: Colton Amundson

June 17: Katie Roltgen

June 24: Abby Hansen, Porter Mathys, Logan Naker

June 9: Sue Brennan, Barbara Hurtgen, Nicole Vergeront

June 18: Sarah Hurtgen, Natalie Myers, Christine Payne, Carla Wifler

June 26: Nicole Schroeder

June 27: Erin Belling

Sign up online today to volunteer for Lector and Communion Assistants or providing a musical offering.
www.immanueltrinity.org

You Can Help!
Immanuel-Trinity will be collecting thru the summer the following items to help with the Brown Bag Lunch Program:

**Cheese & Crackers, Granola Bars, Fruit and
Pudding Cups, Applesauce (No Jell-O please).**



2022 BROWN BAG LUNCH PROGRAM

FREE LUNCHES ARE AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES EVERY TUESDAY
AND THURSDAY JUNE 14-AUGUST 25 AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

**The corner of Hawthorne Drive and Martin Avenue
near Maplewood Commons: 11:00-11:15 am**

Church of Peace, 401 S. Military Rd. (Parking Lot): 11:00-11:15 am

St. Vincent de Paul, 330 N. Peters Ave. (Parking Lot): 11:00-11:15 am

The Salvation Army, 237 N. Macy St.: 11:30-12:15 pm

Nutritional sack lunch includes peanut butter or meat sandwich, chips/snack,
vegetable/fruit, dessert item & beverage.

Children may pick up their own lunch. There must be an adult for any family
wanting more than one lunch. For more information
call 920-923-8220.

Have Joy in Giving



~ June 2022 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 1p Deborah Circle 6:30p Prayer Group	2	3	4 5:30p Worship w/ Communion Baptism rescheduled
5 9:30a Worship w/Communion 10:30a Adult Ed	6 6p Facility Action Meets	7 7p Boy Scouts	8 6:30p Prayer Group	9 2:30p Yoga 3:30p Baccalaureate Service	10	11 5:30p Worship w/communion
12 9:30a Worship w/ Communion 10:30a Adult Ed	13	14 6:30p Council 7p Boy Scouts	15 Newsletter Deadline 8:30a Dorcas Quilting 6:30p Prayer Group	16 2:30p Yoga	17	18 5:30p Worship w/ Communion
19 9:30a Worship w/Communion 10:30a Adult Ed	20	21 7p Boy Scouts	22 6:30p Prayer Group	23 2:30p Yoga	24	25 5:30p Worship
26 9:30a Worship 10:30a Adult Ed	27 4p Loaves & Fishes	28 7p Boy Scouts	29 6:30p Prayer Group	30	Notes:	

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