

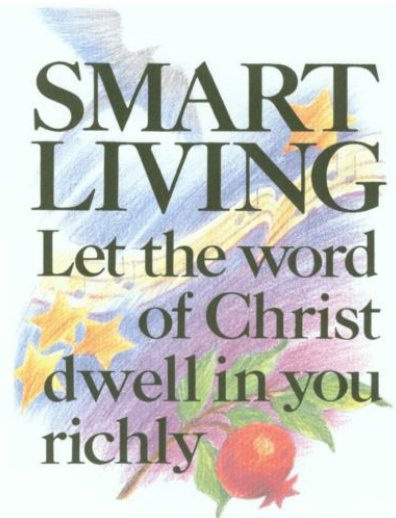


Immanuel-Trinity Lutheran Church

The Beacon October 2022

Dear Partners in Discipleship

I want to share a true story with you..... Kyle chauffeured his grandma in her '54 Mercury Monterey down the dusty, gravel road on the way to see the old homestead and reminisce a bit with her. She was glad for the company. Ahead, a flurry of fuzz swept across the road and tumbled into the high grass. "I'm going to stop and see what that was," said he. "Skunks," said she, "we don't need to be stopping for skunks just today." "I wonder . . ." said he. He stopped and got out. "Now you're embarrassing me. What are the neighbors going to think if we stop to chase skunks? If you get sprayed, you're walking back to town." Kittens. Seven of them. Scrawny, bordering on emaciated. No mother in sight. Then it just happened, before he even thought of how it would look to the old woman born on the prairie in the 1800s. He started to meow like an idiot in broad daylight. "Now, there's no need to do any of that," said she. "They probably have fleas anyway. Don't you dare bring them into my car." But he continued. Calling. Calling. As mother-cat-like as he could. Four came; three escaped. Four lived to be reunited with the worried mama cat and her boy at the farmhouse almost a mile away. Three almost certainly perished. Almost two thousand years earlier . . . Another time. Another call. This one from the cross, and then from the open tomb. A call as loving and recognizable as he could make it, though some watched him and mocked. The call echoed through many centuries of time. Some mocked. Some came. Some escaped. The call is clear to this day. A call to faith in the Savior who alone is the way, the truth, and the life. Some mock, some come, some escape. But to those who come, who answer the call, he is not content to greet them from afar. He draws them close. Closer. And why not? He gave his life for them, so is it any wonder that he wants to give them his very heart, a noble heart for living with the highest of principles? They live principled lives when they can, when they notice that they have a choice. But for the most part they are happy just to have enough resources to get through the day. Live smarter? Live by divine principles? A luxury most days, they say. "A luxury, indeed," the Savior says, "and I want your lives to be luxurious with the richness of my Spirit . . . so for today, for now, let my word dwell in you richly, and I will show you the riches of a good life, a smart life, a principled life. A life that is marked by caring for others, a life of commitment in the sharing of the gifts I have first given you, the gift of your self, the gift of time each day of your life, the gift of all that you have and call your own. I gave my life for you, what will you give back in return?"



Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. (Colossians 3:16a)

Blessings and Peace, Pastor Tom

Christian Education is underway!

Wednesday, September 14 began our 2022-2023 Christian Education school year with 15 students joining Miss Sarah, Miss Barb and Pastor Tom for their first night of classes. September 12 after Sunday's 9:30am service, 4 Littles' Spark kiddos joined Miss Nicole for their first class. At the same time, 3 children and their moms



Along with learning the Sparkhouse Curriculum, students have been polishing their catechetical skills. Spark students are working hard to memorize the Ten Commandments! Connect students have been working on naming all of the books of the Old Testament. 10 confirmation students arching 7th - 10th grade are catching up on their catechetical skills as well. We will be confirming 3 young people on the weekend of October 30-31. Please pray for us.



ATTENTION ALL PARENTS OF CHRISTIAN ED STUDENTS!

**WE NEED YOUR HELP TO KEEP OUR PROGRAM RUNNING!
TEACHERS AND ASSISTANTS DESPERATELY NEEDED!
LESSONS WILL BE PROVIDED!**

Please talk to Barb Hurtgen at class or services to see how you can help!

OUR CHILDREN NEED YOU!

Hmmm... It sounds like it's time for a challenge...

Spark & Connect students:

Challenge your parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles to a battle of bible memorization: who can name the most Commandments or books of the OT in order?!
Share your results with your class next Wednesday.

More challenges are ahead!

Since that first week we are happy to say that we have had more students register for all classes!

***Still haven't registered?
No worries! It's not too late!***

Just click on the button below to get your child started on their Christian Education journey.

**Christian Ed
Registration**



Loaves and Fishes Mon, Oct 10

Please arrive at Church of Peace by 4pm to volunteer. We will continue drive up services until further notice. Pans will be out in the narthex as time gets closer. Bake casseroles before dropping off at Church of Peace by 4 pm or Immanuel-Trinity before 12 noon on Mon, Oct 10. We will continue to follow the current guidelines received from the local

loaves & fishes directors. Any questions contact Ray & Tess at tessschwartz@charter.net or call 922-3218.



WELCA Chili to Go Sale

Our annual WELCA fundraiser is to help in our own community with any proceeds we earn. You will find order envelopes in the the Narthex and at the south entrance

near Julie's office next to the big chili pots. The **deadline to order is Sunday, October 2nd** to give us time to get the supplies.

This year there are only 2 choices for chili: with beans or without beans

Pasta will be made and placed in a separate baggie. There is a place on the order envelope for you to choose to get pasta to go at no extra cost. The quarts of chili are \$10.00 this year and you will be able to pick them up after church on Saturday the 15th or Sunday the 16th.

We will be making chili on Friday, October 14th in the kitchen and we could use your help. We start at 9am chopping, measuring, cooking and mixing. Signup sheets to help will be up in the Narthex the weekend of October 1 & 2. Please consider joining us. We could use your help Friday to make chili, or Saturday or Sunday to help with chili pick up.

We thank you for your support!

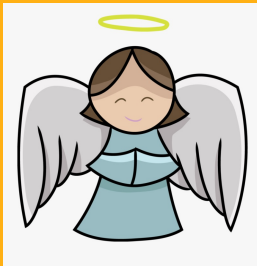
Your WELCA Board - Marion Blakely, Audrey Greenwood, Martie Schmalz, Caryl Thielman



Reformation Festival and Confirmation Weekend

October 29 and 31

Remember to wear RED to church.



Angel Tree Ministry

Each year the Salvation Army asks volunteers from the community to help with making Christmas a little brighter for children in need. Immanuel-Trinity members have been a part of this ministry for the past several years and we are asking for your help again this year.

In November, we will be given name tags for the children and their wish lists. The name tags will be displayed on a tree in the Narthex and you will pick one or two of the tags and then go shopping for gifts for that child. You will then bring the unwrapped items back to church.

Together we can help to give the children in our community a gift from our hearts. If you have any questions, please contact Audrey Greenwood at 920-923-2246 or email, bobgreenwood@att.net.

Listening

Learn how to listen. Listen with your heart. How many times when someone is talking to you are really listening to what they are saying or are you thinking about what you want to say when they are done talking. The definition of a leader is one who listens to ones he is leading. President Woodrow



Wilson once said, "The ear of a leader must ring with the voices of the people." Train yourself to listen for people's feelings not just their ideas. All you have to do is listen "between the lines" for cues that will tell you how others feel. Focus on the individual not just the ideas being expressed. What most people really want is to be listened to. Being full of yourself leaves little room for input from others. That is why God gave you two ears and only one mouth so we can listen more than talk. I sometimes think with lots of problems in world today, God is saying "Are you listening? I'm still in control." In Mark 6:31 Jesus says, "Come with me by yourself to a quiet place and get some rest." So while you are resting, listen to what's happening in the world and think of what you can do to make this a better world to live in.

FAITH in ACTION Calendar 2022 - 2023

Each month FAITH in ACTION features a community agency that needs our assistance. Here is a copy of our yearly giving agenda. If you have any questions or would like to join this committee, please contact Becky Bast-Skorik at 920.397.6505 or talk to her at the church service.

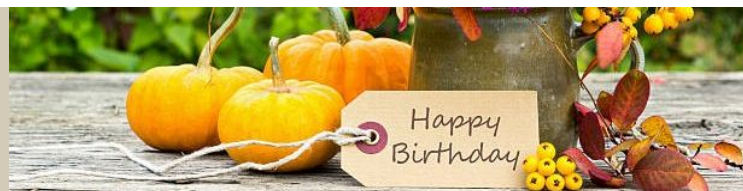


- 1 Jan – Salvation Army Warming Shelter fill needs
2. Feb – Red Bag for Food Pantry
3. March – 3 Lenten Crosses – Food 4 Thought, New Beginnings and Personal Hygiene for Centers
4. April – Loaves N Fishes Month
5. May – Peanut Butter Push
6. June – Break (Brat Fry)
7. July – School Supplies
8. August - Food Pantry/Salvation Army Food & Food for Thought
9. September – Cleaning Supply Push (No Bleach)
10. October - Shelter Collection and Outerwear collection
11. November – Thanksgiving Meal, "TRIPLE S" (sweatshirt, sweatpants and socks)
12. December – 3 Trees (Solution Ctr/St. Katharine Drexel Shelter, Food 4 Thought and Food Pantry) and Nancy sends Christmas Cards



In Honor of Norm Thielman's September Birthday
Given by: Bruce & Connie Hall

October Birthdays



October 1

Maureen Baumhardt
Lori Dobbs
Joan Solamita

October 2

Lucas Roltgen
Barbara Steinbrecher
Luella Miller

October 3

October 12

Shirley Kimpel
Joclyn Stobb

October 13

Deanna Kahl
Fritz Boda

October 14

Ernst Bunde
Marguerite Sing

October 23

Veronica Thrall
Jane Von Rotz

October 24

Lori Mickelson

October 26

Adrienne Moser

October 27

June Bahr
Cena Ohlrich

October 16
Grace Mauthe

Karen Kopf
Kali Rosenthal
Kendal Rosenthal

October 5
Mitchell Roltgen

October 19
Stephen McAndrew
Stacy Wright

October 28
Christine Rottman

October 6
Jim Ruch

October 29
Mabel Huseman

October 7
Shirley Ives

October 20
Susan Schmidt

October 30
David Hurtgen

October 8
Amy Meyer-Bremer
Grace Reehl

October 21
Cheri Strook

October 31
Marilyn Petrich

October 9
Russ Raube

October 22
Christopher Hurtgen

- October 2022 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 5:30pm Worship w/ Communion Blessing of the Quilts
2 9:30am Worship w/ Communion Blessing of the Quilts 10:30am Adult Ed 10:30a Littles" Spark	3 6:00p FAITH in Action Meeting	4 8:45a, 10a & 11:15a Stay Strong 6:30pm Council Meeting 7pm Boy Scouts	5 6:30p Prayer Group 6:30p Spark, Connect, Confirmation	6 8:45a, 10a & 11:15a Stay Strong 1p Deborah Circle	7	8 5:30pm Worship
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