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*A Member Congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

**Nineth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 7, 2022**



**LISTENING DEVICES** and **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available, please speak with an elder to assist you. (St. John's)

**PRIOR TO SERVICE:** Please be respectful of those who would like to meditate and pray before the worship service by keeping conversational voices low. Thank you for your consideration and love in Christ.

**ATTENDANCE CARDS:** Please fill them out and put them in the offering plate. (St. John's)

**OUR WORSHIP BEGINS WITH PRAYERFUL MEDITATION**

**AS WE GATHER:** Today's Epistle is from Hebrews 11, the "by faith" chapter. It lists heroes of faith, people who trusted in God's promises, assured of what they hoped for (the definition of faith). The Reading from Genesis singles out Abram believing God, for which God counted it to him as righteousness. Now we can look back, knowing that in one descendant of Abraham, Jesus, all God's promises were kept. His calming words in the Gospel give us the assurance we need to rely on God's care and concern when we don't have all we think we need. "Seek [God's] kingdom, and these things will be added to you," He promises (Luke 12:31). Our faith-filled response echoes today's Psalm: "Let Your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in You" (Psalm 33:22).

**WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP IN PRAYER:** Almighty and merciful God, You promised great blessings to the faith-filled people who have gone before us. Grant that we confidently trust that we have joined them to receive the gracious inheritance because of Your Son's fulfilling all Your promises in His death and resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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**WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS & MINDS FOR HOLY COMMUNION**

St. Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians, bids us to examine ourselves before taking Holy Communion. Therefore, to faithfully prepare to receive our Lord's TRUE body and blood, we

- ▶ **CONFESS** that we are sinful people- unwilling and unable to be righteous according to God's just Law.
- ▶ **BELIEVE** that Jesus shed His Blood for us on the cross for the forgiveness of our sin;
- ▶ **BELIEVE** that, in the Supper, Jesus gives us His true body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine – that is, the bread and wine are NOT merely symbols of the body and blood of Jesus, but truly are united to the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, as He said, "*Take eat; this is My BODY... Take, drink; this is My Blood.*"
- ▶ **INTEND**, by the power of the Holy Spirit, repent of our sinful lives and strive to walk according to God's will.

In joyful obedience to the teaching of Holy Scripture, we ask that only those who share unity with us in our confession of doctrine and faith join us at the altar. Guests who are members in good standing in fellow congregations of the Missouri Synod are invited to join us in the Holy Supper. If you have questions or would like to have information about joining our fellowship, please visit with an elder or the pastor. Thank you.

TOGETHER IN WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD AND STEWARDSHIP ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH July 31, 2022			
Adult Bible Study	0	Offering	\$ 0.00
Worship Attendance	48	Offering	\$ 1,866.00
Total for Orphanages (as of 7-10-22 \$1,845.00)		Needed for goal	\$ \$560.00/mo.
		Monthly Average	\$ 263.57
Budget for 2022	\$167,648.00	(needed per week: \$3,224.00)	
Total Giving to Budget in 2022	\$ 71,230.75	(31 week avg: \$2,297.77)	

TOGETHER IN WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD AND STEWARDSHIP IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH July 31, 2022			
Worship Attendance	33	Offering	\$ 455.00
		Mission	\$ 20.00
Budget for 2022	\$ 64,531.19	(needed per week: \$ 1,240.98)	
Total Giving to Budget in 2022	\$ 37,161.75	(31 week avg. \$ 1,198.77)	

# This week's Birthdays & Anniversaries

Hannah Carnagey.....	7 <sup>th</sup>
Duane Kuhl.....	8 <sup>th</sup>
Peggy Borrenpohl, <b>Sharon Williams</b> .....	9 <sup>th</sup>
Christian Frerichs, <b>Emma Thies</b> .....	10 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Patty Harms</b> .....	11 <sup>th</sup>
Lillianna Redmond.....	13 <sup>th</sup>

## Worship Assistants

**Greeters Today:** .....Dwayne & Janene Bartels (St. John's)  
..... Rick & Joyce Thies (Immanuel)

Greeters Next Sunday: ..... Rich Bane Family (St. John's)  
..... Jim Williams (Immanuel)

**Today's Acolytes:** ..... Jackson Haughton & Caden McDonald (St. John's)  
..... Emma Thies & Sierra Goracke (Immanuel)

Next Sunday: ..... (St. John's)  
..... Emma Thies & Sierra Goracke (Immanuel)

**August Elder:** ..... Kirk Bartels (402) 921-0774 (St. John's)  
..... Jim Williams (402) 866-4586 (Immanuel)  
September Elder: ..... Kevin McKinney (402) 335-8271 (St. John's)  
..... Galen Bartels (402) 866-1057 (Immanuel)

**August Trustee:** ..... Marcus Griess (402) 209-2283 (St. John's)  
..... (Immanuel)

September Trustee: ..... Aaron Kinney (402) 335-0751 (St. John's)  
..... (Immanuel)

**August Altar Guild:** ..... Jennifer Brinkman (St. John's)  
September Altar Guild: ..... Lois Ann & Cheryl Bartels (St. John's)

**August Flower Committee:** ..... Kathy Buehler & Sarah Dean (Immanuel)  
September Flower Committee: ..... Cassie Pfeiffer & Patty Harms (Immanuel)

**Transportation:** ..... Ron Rathe (402) 335-2208 (St. John's)

**Organist Today:** ..... Loretta Kerchal (St. John's)  
..... Laura Heiden (Immanuel)

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**Needing Urgent prayers:** Josephina Schlabach, David Bane, Jennifer Steele (*cancer – Duane & Betty Krause’s niece*), Rick Thies (*recovery-heart procedure*), Betty Krause (*back surgery*), Tony Lintz (*fractured leg/recovery*), Haleigh McDonald (*health issues*), Shirley Frey (*Cindy Lierman’s sister – cancer*), Lavern Bartels (*health issues*), Sophie Carnegie (*cancer – Dave’s mother*), and Shawn Othmer (*pancreatic & stomach cancer*) in your prayers this week. May God grant each of them His protection and peace and bless them with good health.

†**Those needing our sustaining prayers:** Beth Crabtree, LeRoy Bueth, Darlene Dinse, Robert Dinse (*Heart Issues*), Jim Borrenpohl, Katherine Miller (*surgery – recovery*), Cliff Lacey, Kurt Christensen (*Dwayne & Janene Bartels son-in law- recovery/heart surgery*), Rod DeBur (*surgery-recovery*), Rev. Dale Kaster (*cancer*), Mary Jo Foetisch (*Alzheimer’s*), Lois Ann Bartels (*health issues*), Rev. Donald Cooper, Brianna Podtburg (*cancer & leg amputation*), Arlo Miesbach (*cancer*), Josh Wilkins (*spinal cancer – Dave & Paula Carnegie’s former foster child*), Karen McCoy (*Cancer*), Addy Kohlmeyer (*Cancer*), Arlene Bohling (*mother of Lisa Bartels*), Deb Lance (*cancer – Katie Griess’s mother*), Mindy Johnston (*kidney issues -Shirly Hestermann’s great niece*), Eldon Bartels (*health issues*), Shari Boudle (*cancer – Lisa Bartels’ sister*), Ron Rathe (*cancer*), Dwayne Bartels, Ray Bartels, Suzanne Hughes (*niece of Dwayne and Laverne Bartels – cancer*), Loren Bartels (*brother of Dwayne and Lavern Bartels – muscle disease*) and all others who look to God in their time of need.

†**We pray for the family and friends of Harry Bartels** (brother of Laverne and Dwayne Bartels), as they mourn his passing last week. May God’s peace be with them all as they remember our Lord’s resurrection and look to the future, of a heavenly reunion to come.

†**We pray for God’s loving and gracious care for those homebound, assisted living and nursing home** including: Sherri Sapp-Stutheit, Eldon Bartels, Gary Wilhelm, LeRoy & Evelyn Bueth, Vicki Mandery, (*Darla Gottula and Don Cooper*).

†**We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces** including: Bailey Bohling (currently serving in Poland) (Kirk & Lisa Bartels nephew).

†**We lift up all missionaries**, including: Pastor Dale & Suzanne Kaster, Andrew & Noel Schaff and all other church workers. And for those served by our adopted orphans – Smiltene & Togliatti #5.

† **We give God thanks for the gift of Baptism**, as we celebrate **Brock Saathoff, Miles Laver, Victoria Juilfs, Sharon Williams and Marcus Griess** who celebrates their baptismal birthdays (this week). May God continue to bless them and all of us- with complete joy and confidence, through the promises He bestowed on us through His Sacrament of the Water and the Word!



## Joint Announcements

**Reminder:** please let pastor know when you are in hospital so he can visit you.

**Pastoral Care:** While Pastor is on vacation from August 8<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, and if you need emergency pastoral care please call Pastor Cornelius (402) 335-2686 or (402)921-8090. You can also call one of the Elders. **St. John's Elders:** Kirk Bartels (402) 921-0774, Dave Borrenpohl (402) 429-5463, Kevin McKinney (402) 335-8271; **Immanuel Elders:** Jim Williams (402)866-4586, Jon Rathe (402) 866-2142, Galen Bartels (402) 866-1057.

**Johnson County Parade:** Workday for assembling the float will be August 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at Ken Brinkman's farm. If you are planning on walking or riding in the parade, please be at the north side of the square by 5:00 pm. If you have not ordered a shirt yet, please call Amy (office 402-335-3816 or cell phone (402-335-0111).

**Ice Cream Social:** St. John's Lutheran Church in Sterling will be having an Ice Cream Social on today from 4:00 – 7:00pm. They will be serving University of Nebraska Dairy Store ice cream and homemade cakes and drinks. Proceeds will be used to repair tombstones at their cemetery.

## Immanuel's Announcements

**A SPECIAL WELCOME:** We welcome Nick, Anita, Grace, Jonah, Claire, Marie and Evelyn Lovell as new members of Immanuel Lutheran Church. We pray the Lord's blessing upon them as they join our family of faith.

**Woman of Immanuel:** Will be seeking donations for school supplies from July 31-August 21. A box will be available in the annex for donated items.

## St. John's Announcements

**Orphan Grain Train:** The Stewardship Board will be collecting items for Hygiene kits for OGT from July 10<sup>th</sup> thru August 31<sup>st</sup>. Items needed: bath towel, wash cloth, bar soap, toothbrush, soap box holder, comb, band-aids, small package of facial tissues and a nail clipper. The list for the Hygiene kits is on the back table.

**Playground Workday:** We will be having a workday for the playground on August 13<sup>th</sup>. Start time will be 8:00 am. Please bring a shovel, rake and gloves. Water and lunch will be provided.

**Thrivent Shirts:** There are Thrivent shirts in the narthex, if you would like to have some, please take them. The ones leftover will be given out during the parade on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

## **This Week With God**

### **Pastor & family on vacation August 8<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>**

#### **Sunday, August 7** (*Nineth Sunday after Pentecost*)

- ✠ Divine Service w/ Communion (Immanuel).....8:30 am
- ✠ Adult Bible Study (St. John's).....9:30 am
- ✠ Divine Service w/ Communion (St. John's).....10:30 am

#### **Monday, August 8**

- ★ No Activities.....

#### **Tuesday, August 9**

- ★ Quilting (St. John's) .....9:00 am – 3:00 pm

#### **Wednesday, August 10**

- ★ No Activities.....

#### **Thursday, August 11**

- ★ Orphan Grain Train Volunteering (Lincoln).....1:00 – 3:30 pm
- ★ Praise Team Practice (St. John's) .....7:00 pm

#### **Friday, August 12**

- ★ No Activities.....

#### **Saturday, August 13**

- ★ Playground Workday (St. John's).....8:00 am

#### **Sunday, August 14** (*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost*)

- ✠ Divine Service w/o Communion (Immanuel).....8:30 am
- ✠ Adult Bible Study (St. John's).....9:30 am
- ✠ Contemporary Service (St. John's) .....10:30 am

# FAMILY WORSHIP REFLECTION

WHERE THE FAMILY SAVORS GOD'S WEEKLY FEAST

Bring Church  
Home

REVIEW What was this week's sermon about? What grabbed your attention the most?  
What is something new I learned from the sermon?

LAW How was the Law presented in the sermon? How does the Law that was  
presented in the sermon, apply to me?

GOSPEL How was the Gospel presented in the sermon? How did the sermon deepen my  
understanding of Christ & the Gospel?

RESPOND What does this mean as I live out my life as a disciple of Christ? How can I put  
this into practice in my life during this coming week?

Share Stories  
and  
Testimonies

SEE How did you see God at work in your life this past week?

SEEK What has God been teaching you in His Word?

SHARE With whom did you share something about God this week?

Encourage

SERVE Is there something we can do for someone this week?

PRAY How can we pray for you this week?