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52 Great Hymns

September's weekly hymn stanzas ó

September 11 –

Children of the Heavenly Father *ELW* 781 stanza 3

September 18 –

Beloved, God's Chosen *ELW* 648 stanza 1

September 25 –

When Peace like a River *ELW* 785 stanza 3



WORSHIP SERVICES
Sundays – 8:15 and 11:00AM
9:30AM
Beginning September 11th

The Immanuel Lutheran Church holds worship services on Sunday mornings at 8:15 and 11:00AM beginning September 11th.

Please mark your calendars and tell your friends... worship at Immanuel is at 8:15 and 11:00AM on Sunday. Sunday Church School begins on September 11th at 9:30AM.

SEPTEMBER 11th Worship

September 11, 2011, is the tenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks on our country. Many people were victims of these attacks in New York City, Washington, DC, and Shanksville, PA. We will remember them and their families in our prayers on this Sunday

We will also recognize and give thanks to God for those who are ðfirst respondersö ó serving as police officers, fire fighters, ambulance personnel and others. If you are a ðfirst responderö we ask that you wear your uniform to worship on September 11.



The annual Car Wash is on Rally Day, September 11, 2011. Our youth from grades 6th through 12th will wash your cars. Youth, please come dressed to get wet and adults please keep your cars dirty. The car wash is free. Any donations received will be sent to our sister church, ELC Zambia. We look forward to seeing you then.



Acolytes

TRAINING SCHEDULED Acolytes & Crucifers

The youth of Immanuel serve in various worship roles. The most popular tasks for our youth are serving as acolytes and crucifers. Acolytes and Crucifers are children in 4th grade or older. A Training Session is planned for 10:00 AM, Saturday, September 10.

Youth are asked to consider helping in the worship services of the congregation. The congregation values your presence and participation!

GENESEE FINGER LAKES CONFERENCE FALL ASSEMBLY

The Genesee Finger Lakes Conference Fall Assembly is Monday, September 12, 6:30-9 PM, at the Lutheran Church of the Atonement, Brighton.

DEACONS MEETING Thursday, September 15th

The Deacons and Pastor Paul meet 7:00 PM, Thursday, September 15th.



Men's Breakfast

The Men of Immanuel will gather at 7:00AM for breakfast on September 14th at the Nutcracker Restaurant (2159 Empire Blvd., near Gravel Rd.). This is an opportunity for conservation and fellowship. There is no agenda other than a time to talk and have breakfast together (Dutch treat).



Quilters on Fridays

An energetic group of quilters will begin meeting again every Friday morning from 9 to 11:30 on September 9th to tie quilts for the Veterans Outreach Center in Rochester. The quilt tops are made by members of the congregation (a plastic bin holding precut squares is on the hat rack in the lower hallway - if you feel inclined to sew, take a pack home, make a quilt top, and put it back in the bin!!) and then tied to batting and backing. The actual tying is quite simple and we have a good time talking while we work!! You are welcome to come any Friday and join us!!

Introducing...
Singing the Songs of Faith:
52 Great Hymn Stanzas

For the past year we have worked together to memorize, learn, discuss and digest a different Bible verse each week ó 52 Great Verses of the Bible.ö This was another way for us to take hold of some of the notable passages of Scripture ó letting them guide and support us. This effort concluded at the end of August. What a year it has been! We have read. We have memorized. And, we have had the Scriptures permeate our lives. Thank you for joining me in this endeavor.

As we begin a new program and ministry year in September we move on to another way that helps our faith grow and strengthen ó **Singing the Songs of Faith: 52 Great Hymn Stanzas**. I worked with our most recent Organist/Director of Music Thatcher Lyman, Izzie Davis and Jeremy Shoop (Organist/Director of Music Ministries at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Herndon, VA) to identify **52 Great Hymn Stanzas**. Beginning in September we highlight a different hymn stanza each week. And, we will encourage you to memorize the stanza the same way we memorized the Bible verses of this past year.

Music so often will penetrate into our lives in very special ways ó communicating God's care and love, reassuring us in troubling times, conveying thanksgiving and joy, and even expressing our deepest feelings or thoughts. These hymns are born from faith and grounded in the scripture's witness to God's interaction with God's people and all creation.

During the coming year, the stanzas will vary. Some will be old favorites. Some will be new or different. Each of them was selected to witness to the faith we are given and help us grow in our appreciation for the diversity and depth of God's love. Each month they will be noted in the Open Door and on our website (www.immanuelwebster.org). They will also be listed in the weekly bulletin.

Thank you for intentionally committing this past year to learning more of the Scriptures, our first language of faith. And, join in the effort to continue the growing and deepening of that faith.

To the Grieving
Family and Friends of:

Joanne Tarbey
Rick Nelson
Jeanette Valone
Jim White



**FROM THE
PASTOR**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

It has been a busy summer here at Immanuel ó Confirmation Camp, Vacation Bible School, Adult Vacation Bible School, Sunday morning worship, Wellness-on-Wednesdays, Music Camp and countless other ministries ó both formal and informal. It is a time of learning, growing and serving for all of us ó children, young adults and adults. Our ministry is to live God's love.

Our fall ministries and schedules are ready to go. This month's newsletter gives an overview of many of them. There are many opportunities before us. I invite and encourage you to join in these activities and ministries as we serve our Lord and our neighbors.

In Christ,

Pastor Paul E. Shoop



**New Bible
Study Series**

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES

Starting in September

öGreat Stories of the New Testamentö is the theme for the Monday and Thursday Bible Studies. We read and discuss the wonderful stories of the New Testament. We talk about how God has come to God's people - sometimes in blessing; other times to correct and call to repentance.

The Monday Evening Bible Study meets on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7:00 PM. The Thursday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:30 AM on the first and third Thursdays. Both Bible Studies meet at Immanuel ó and they are user-friendly!

Here is the schedule for September and October ó

September 15 & 19 ó The birth and ministry of John the Baptist ó (Luke 1, 3, Mark 1)
October 4 & 6 ó The birth of Jesus (Matthew 1-2, Luke 1-2)
October 17 & 20 ó The temptations of Jesus (Matthew 4, Luke 4)



Rally Day

Come help us kick off the 2011-2012 Sunday school year on Sunday September 11, 2011 @ 9:30AM. You will have a chance to meet your teacher, visit your class room, play some games & enjoy some refreshments.

Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Grades 6-12 will also be doing their annual car wash so wear old clothes because you might get wet!

I look forward to seeing you all in September for another faith filled journey of growing and learning. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

In Christ,

Heather Immesoete



New Orleans 2011

We returned Saturday, July 30th at 11:11pm, on Flight 1111. Interesting, isn't it.

Work Camp We all came back with 10 fingers and 10 toes. I hope we also came back with a sense of how lucky we are to live in Monroe and Wayne counties free from hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods. It has been six years since Katrina and there is still work to be done. As we traveled around, we noticed that there are still abandoned homes and foundations without homes on them. In the 9th Ward, we saw the green houses the Brad Pitt had constructed.

We met many people who thanked us for spending our summer vacation in NOLA and helping with the rebuilding. All the stories we heard from the people we met were different. Some were back in their homes and other still waiting for their home to be worked on. At the end of each of their stories, we were thanked for helping.

I would like to thank Sally Altobello, a new friend of mine, who arranged the trip for us. Sally took care of our airlines reservation, transportation and our stay at the Olive Tree. If anyone interest in future trips to NOLA, please contact Linda Belmont at cbelmon1@rochester.rr.com or 585-748-1663. Sally plans several trips during the year and would be happy to have new people join the rebuild.

Thanks to the Congregation for the support of the work camp!

NOLA 2011 Work Camp Group

Josh & Scott Baranello, Linda Belmont, Corrin & Natalli Bogart, Larry & Eric Bovenzi, Amy & Susan Hughes, Tina Huehn, Jess Riggi and Stephanie Volpe



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Thank You!

The 2011 Vacation Bible School for Children at Immanuel Lutheran Church was super in many ways! Thirty-four children registered and participated in Immanuel's week long Vacation Bible School, July 25-29. Thank you to all who helped in this learning about God's love in Jesus! A special thanks to Linda Jenkins and Karen Holroyd who served as this year's Children's Vacation Bible School Directors.

The third Adult Vacation Bible School was a great success as well! Twenty-five people were registered and participated in the evening series the week of August 1-4. Thank you to Dave Ekimoff, Immanuel's Associate for Congregational Ministries, for organizing and arranging this learning and growing opportunity. The evening began with a delicious meal and then was followed by a time of learning and sharing. Thank you to Tom and Chris Lombardo and Leslie and Ken Schwartz for arranging the dinners.

Thank you all involved. With their commitment and dedication we were able to present quality Vacation Bible School ministries for the children and adults of Immanuel and the surrounding community. This is an important part of our congregation's ministry and outreach into the community.



The Sunday School Needs Your Help!

Have you ever considered share your faith story with our children? Have you ever considered being a role model, a grandparent, an aunt, an uncle, a friend or a substitute teacher to our children in Sunday School?

We need your help! You can help by becoming a teaching assistant or by being a substitute teacher. Helping with our children is a rewarding experience for both you and them. Currently our substitute teacher list is EMPTY!

The lesson plans are well detailed and give you lots of different options to work with. Don't miss this opportunity to help our teachers and help our children grow in faith.

Please contact Heather Immesoete at 315-589-5109 or at himmesoete@rochester.rr.com.





Now forming - Milestone Ministry Committee

We would like to grow our Milestone Ministry. There are many opportunities to celebrate Milestones in our lives, no matter what your age is. We currently celebrate: entering Sunday School for 3 and 4 year olds Story Bible given, presentation of Bibles to 2nd graders, 1st year of Confirmation Students, Anniversary of Baptism, High School Graduation.

The other Milestone celebrations are endless. With you help we can continue to grow this Ministry. Please contact Linda Belmont at 585-748-1663 or at cbelmon1@rochester.rr.com.



WELLNESS ON WEDNESDAYS – WOW!

Join us for Wellness on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM! Come and enjoy fun, food and friendship, with a program, chair exercise, blood pressure check and a delicious lunch.

The program schedule ó

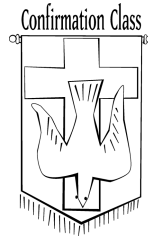
Sept. 7 – Alzheimer's Communication Strategies ó Patricia Thompson will address the numerous facets of this often misunderstood topic.

Sept. 14 ó History of the Rochester Public Market ó Nancy Rosen's presentation will highlight one of Rochester's unique and popular places.

Sept. 21 – Remarkable Plants in Your Backyard ó Jack Kowiak's slides will illustrate what amazing things are very close at hand, right in our backyards.

Sept. 28 – Witches of Salem ó See and hear the interesting facts about this topic from Vern Squire in his informative PowerPoint presentation.

Come and join the fun ó and bring a friend to share it with! Transportation is available by calling the church office (872-5180) by Tuesday at 10:00AM. A \$2 donation for lunch is requested. We look forward to seeing you!



CONFIRMATION CLASSES Begin in September

Confirmation Classes begin in September for both 7th and 8th grade youth. Classes are on Tuesday evenings, 6:30 ó 8:00 PM. We start with a meal at 6:00 PM. Those youth returning for their second year meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month beginning September 20th. Pastor Paul teaches this second year class. Youth who are beginning their confirmation experience (normally 7th grade) will meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays beginning September 13th. Immanuel's Associate for Congregational Ministry, Dave Ekimoff, teaches this first year class.

What is Confirmation Class? Confirmation Class is a two-year program held twice a month that helps a baptized child of God build upon and learn more about their Christian faith. It teaches the basic and foundational aspects of faith so the young person with the goal that the person affirms the gift of love that God gave in baptism. It is an important time as the young person learns more about the amazing and free love that God gives to the world in Jesus's death and resurrection.

In addition to the Tuesday evening Confirmation Classes youth attend Sunday School (9:30-10:45 AM). Because confirmation is more than classes, youth also attend worship and participate in activities of Immanuel's Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO). Parents have an important role in seeing that the youth attend all aspects of Confirmation Ministry. Their continuing and ongoing support is important and greatly appreciated.

We will hold a meeting for the new students and their families at the end of August or the beginning of September. This meeting will provide an overview of the program and review the expectations of the confirmands and their families. We will also schedule an individual meeting for each family at that time to discuss any concerns or questions about this ministry.

Pastor Paul and Dave are looking forward to another year of growth and study in the Word of God and its meaning for life!



Backpacks Make A Difference

Last spring Immanuel began a backpack program in partnership with the Webster School District. The goal of the program is to send a backpack of food home with children who may be in need of additional resources. We partner with one elementary school and hope that other churches in the Webster area will make similar connections with other elementary schools. At the end of the school year we met with members of the school and they told us that we do make a difference in the lives of these children and their families.

Throughout the year you will be asked to bring in an item of the week. We store the items at church and send the proper amount to fill the backpacks. We try to vary what we send from week to week. We try to send kid friendly foods with nutritional value. Our goal is to supplement the food in the household - not to supply complete meals. So we send peanut butter and jelly (in unbreakable containers) and the families supply the bread. A list with the suggested item of the week will be sent home with the Sunday School classes and published in the bulletin and newsletter. This outreach project is separate from the food cart items which goes to the Webster Food Cupboard.

Thank you for your support of this ministry. Know that there is hunger in Webster! Know that this program does make a difference in the lives of others. If you have questions about the program contact Deb Huehn 585-265-2266 or debbie@zacharybear.com

Dear Immanuel Family,

After twelve years in Rochester I finally finished my education at Eastman and made the big move. I graduated with the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in May and moved at the end of June to take up the position of Director of Music/Organist at Christ Lutheran Church, Baltimore, MD. It is a wonderful congregation in the Inner Harbor district with a beautiful organ and enthusiastic hymn singing. If you ever find yourself in this corner of the world I hope you will stop in and visit!

I can't thank you enough for the many ways that you encouraged and formed me as a church musician. Your support played a major part in bringing me to where I am now and I will be forever grateful. My years at Immanuel will always hold a cherished place in my heart.

Soli Deo Gloria!

Daniel Aune



Dear Fellow Members of Immanuel,

There have been several times over the past few years that we have been asked to share moments in our lives that we felt God at work. I had one of those moments that lasted for an entire week in July!

I often consider myself a phantom member of Immanuel. I work 12 hour nightshifts that frequently happen on weekends so I can at times go several weeks without attending church on Sundays. As a result, I sometimes feel like I'm on the outside looking in. To combat that feeling, I began praying for ideas regarding ways to get more involved here at church. One of the answers I received was the opportunity to get really involved with Vacation Bible School this summer. I've volunteered to help with snacks and arts and crafts in the past but this year I jumped in with both feet and agreed to teach the preschool class for 5 mornings in a row!

I had the absolute joy of teaching 9 of the youngest members of our community in what for a few of them was their first experience with Christian Education. My own children prayed with me before VBS each morning, and helped me prepare for the preschool tasks for the day. Our family says Grace sometimes, and when the kids were little we prayed at bedtime but we've even gotten out of that routine. Because actually teaching VBS felt like a huge responsibility to me, it forced me to look a little closer at what was going on at home. I felt like each morning that I spent with these little preschoolers was a gift from God directly to me!

I feel blessed to have had this opportunity and am looking for that next opportunity with much anticipation!

Kim Cawley



Outreach Thanks

Thank you to everyone who helped distribute water, pens, FROG wrist bands and worship schedules. Thank you to Wegmans Holt Road for providing funds used toward the purchase of the water. It was fun to talk to the community about our church. It was fun to have such a wide variety of people helping. It was a great intergenerational event with older and younger people working together as well as newer members working with long-time members. Thanks again to all who helped. We hear great feedback from the community thanking us for providing water as well as opening our doors to use the rest room facilities. We look forward to next year and welcome all who would like to help next year.

Forward in Faith,
Ed Huehn

September Worship Assistant Schedule

	September 4	September 11		September 18		September 25	
	9:30 AM	8:15 AM	11:00 AM	8:15 AM	11:00 AM	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
Assisting Ministers	Tom Lombardo	Deacon Karen Sue Ross	Kathy Bannon	Deacon Dave Reville	Bruce Kulp	Deacon Ed Huehn	Bernie Russell
Reader	Marguerite Manning	Kendall Baller	Jim Guderian	Tamie Miller	Frank Riggi	Carol Galskoy	Ian Russell
Comm. Assistant	Marian Kachmaryk	Toni Baller	Karen Holroyd	Kevin Cawley	Kelly Tressler	Kris Maier	Lori Russell
Acolyte	Jacob Kachmaryk	Jacob Baller	Aideen Foster	Patrick Miller	Matthew Geckle	Jessica Hewlett	Jared Russell
Crucifer	Rebecca Barnes	Mitchell Baller	Emily Ruffell	Michael Cawley	Josh Riggi	Alyssa Wicks	Gary Immesoete
Greeters	Jon & Priscilla Anderson	Eloise Hultquist, Karen Keymel	Lisa & Meghann Foster	Don & Jean Gardner	Jay & Arline Taber	Jan & Judy Brederson	The Boyatzies Family
Ushers	Ed & Nancy Behrens, Don O'Mara, Fran Mooney	Nan Nesbitt, Martha Styles, Charlie & Sherry Klauck	Bill, Judi & Corrin Bogart, Janice Durand	Andrew & Paul Miller, Barb Stam, Cheryl Davies	Sarah & Mark Geckle, Amy & Raechel Crosby	Ilene Roeger, Lori, Dave & Benjamin Derleth	Garry Cannon, Wendy Pryor, Helmut Gunkle, Jeanne Ludwig
Nursery	Heather Sponable	Dena Fedkew	Marcie Diegert	Sharon Diring		Carol Dittberner	Heidi Smith
Altar Guild	Cheryl Davies	Cheryl Davies	Nancy Witmer	Cheryl Davies	Nancy Witmer	Cheryl Davies	Nancy Witmer
Counters							

If you are unable to assist at the time for which you are scheduled, please make the necessary arrangements to switch with someone else on the schedule. After making the change, please inform the church by calling 872-5180 as soon as possible so that the correct information is listed in Sunday's bulletin. If you would like to fill an opening, please contact the church by phone (872-5180) or by email (immanev@frontiernet.net). **Thank you very much for sharing your time and talents to serve the Lord!**



~ September 2011 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 9a-10a Office Help	3
4 8:45a-9:25a Summer Gathering Choir Rehearsal 9:30a-10:30a Worship with Holy Communion	5 Labor Day 8p-9p AA, Al-Anon, Alateen Office Closed for Labor Day	6 Articles for The Open Door are due 6:30p-7:30p Property Committee 6:30p-7:30p ImmanuBells Rehearsal	7 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays	8 11:15a-2:15p MS Group 7p-9p Toastmaster's 7p-8p Stewardship Meeting 7p-8p Worship and Music Meeting	9 9a-10a Office Help 9a Quilting Group	10 10a Acolyte & Crucifer Training 1p-2p Fellowship Group
11 Rally Day! 8:15a & 11:00am Worship with Holy Communion 9:30a-10:45a Rally Day and LYO Car Wash	12 7p-8p Church Council Meeting 8p-9p AA, Al-Anon, Alateen	13 6p-8p 1st Year Confirmation Dinner & Class 6:30p-7:30p ImmanuBells Rehearsal	14 7:00a Men's Breakfast at the Nutcracker Restaurant 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays	15 10:30a Bible Study 7p Deacons Meeting	16 9a-10a Office Help 9a Quilting Group 10a-4p Xerox Singles Group 4p-10p Shower	17 9am-5pm Shower
18 7:30a-8:30a Gathering Choir 8:15a & 11:00am Worship with Holy Communion 1p-3p In Stitches	19 7p-8p Bible Study 8p-9p AA, Al-Anon, Alateen	20 6p-8p 2nd Year Confirmation Dinner & Class 6:30p-7:30p ImmanuBells Rehearsal	21 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays 6:30p-7:30p Sunday School Meeting 7p-8p Outreach Meeting	22 11:15a-2:15p MS Group 7p-9:30p Toastmaster's 7p-8p Book Club	23 9a-10a Office Help 9a Open Door folding 9a Quilting Group 5p-6p Wedding Rehearsal	24 2p Wedding at Immanuel
25 8:15a & 11:00am Worship with Holy Communion	26 6:30p-7:30p Christian Education Meeting 7p-8p Social Ministry Meeting 8p-9p AA, Al-Anon, Alateen	27 6p-8p 1st Year Confirmation Dinner & Class 6:30p-7:30p ImmanuBells Rehearsal	28 10a-12:30p Wellness on Wednesdays	29	30 9a-10a Office Help 9a Quilting Group	



A Deacon's Trip to Hartwick

This summer I traveled alone to Oneota, NY for the annual Hartwick Summer Theological Institute for deacons, pastors and anyone else interested in learning fascinating religious stuff while Gar stayed home to do ðgrampa stuffö. I took our camper van and parked in the lot close to the dorm assigned to participants, intending to ðdry-campö, i.e., camping without electricity, etal. I tell you this to describe the caring community of the folks who attend the institute. Within hours practically everyone knew where I was and what I was doing and throughout the week asked continually how I was and if I needed any help. THATðs what I call ðcommunityö and, let me tell you, if you decide to join us next year, you will be cared for with just as much love and concern!!

I had a variety of classes, chosen for WHO was teaching and WHAT was being taught. There were professors from Valparaiso, Gettysburg and Philadelphia Seminaries, from Niagara, Foothills and Central New York Conferences plus a Canadian Lutheran pastor, Roman priest and a rabbi. And so a day began - - -

Matins began at 7:30, followed by breakfast and my first class of the day - **“A Practicum for Worship Leaders in the Eucharistic Liturgy of the Church.”** Sound daunting? There was lots of laughter, good ideas, laughter, reminder of reverent attitude, laughter, practice in reading and singing, laughter - and this was not designed just for deacons but for anyone who performs the role of Worship Assistant. It was eye-opening!

Next was a class on Augustine by a professor from Valparaiso who I *really* like - poor Augustine - he was one really messed up guy before he finally admitted that, not only was there a god, but he truly needed the redemptive God of us all. He fought a good fight but God won in the end - doesn't He always!?!

I dropped into a class on the Dead Sea Scrolls - I think I could take a lot of classes on them since it is so fascinating. Thereðs another in Buffalo, I think, in November, weðll see. . . .

There were 2 classes taught by a Roman priest and I took them both. One dealt with the difference between the Roman and Lutheran Eucharistic rites and one about Lutherðs Heidelberg Disputation of 1518. The seminar about the Eucharist was quite interesting but, I gotta tell you, the class on Luther was WAY to esoteric for me! I tried - honestly, I did - but . . .

There were several other classes and seminars I dropped in on throughout the week - itðs a perfectly okay thing to

do and Iðve never met a professor/teacher/facilitator that wasn't welcoming to ðjust one moreö participant - - ðcept maybe the class on ðforgivenessö. I think they were working on some pretty personal stuff. The day ended with Vespers, a lovely way to send us to our beds. The Wednesday evening Eucharist is a traditionally stunningly moving service and I was privileged to participate as deacon this year. This was a far-more formal service than we're used to so I had a crash-course in assisting. Did I make mistakes? Okay, sure. But I can assure you that all the words were there, even if the notes may have wandered about and we were all worshipful!

Hartwick is a wonderful experience, whether you come for a day, a few days or the week. There are places for you - and you don't have to be a deacon or pastor! Come with me next year, you will be richer for it!!!

Blessings - Karen Sue

Hartwick

This year Karen Sue Ross and I attended the *Hartwick Seminary Summer Institute of Theology* at Hartwick College. What this long title comes down to is adult summer camp with Bible study and worship opportunities. One of the programs that was offered is the basic courses for becoming a deacon. (Talk to Pastor Paul if you have ever thought about becoming a deacon.) Far more is offered than just the deacon program. Anyone is welcome to attend for enrichment classes and seminars. You can come for the whole week like I did or for part of the week like Karen Sue. In addition to deacons and deacon candidates there are Sunday School teachers, church council members and even clergy from other religions who attend. Talking with other people about their churches and their programs is just as much fun as the classes. Many people were interested to hear about our backpack program and WOW. One of my favorite classes was on the book of James. If you are interested in attending mark the dates now July 29 to August 3, 2012. Talk to Karen Sue, Dave Reville, Pastor Paul or myself and we will make sure that you get a schedule when they come out next spring.

Forward in Faith,
Ed Huehn





Debbie Ast	9/1
Heather Belmont	9/1
Lyn Reville	9/1
Abigail Goodison	9/2
Whitney Lill	9/2
Leslie Schwartz	9/2
Bonnie Slack	9/2
Anna Hewlett	9/3
Lisa Riggi	9/3
Chris Ekimoff	9/5
Logan Hawkins	9/5
Sarah Rowland	9/8
Dylan Bellefontaine	9/9
Eric Bovenzi	9/9
Larry Bovenzi	9/9
Don Gardner	9/9
Tori Coutant	9/11
Emily Ruffell	9/11
Maggie Phillips	9/12
Delaney Spring	9/12
Riley Conklin	9/13
Andrew Jenkins	9/13
Joyce Mackin	9/13
Janet VanBell	9/14
Lynne Brunner	9/14
Hilda Horeth	9/14
John Phillips	9/14
Barry Kachmaryk	9/15
Jan Brederson	9/17
Dick Washburn	9/18
Cynthia Nohe	9/19
Matthew Geckle	9/22
Robyn Reafler	9/22
Erik Stephany	9/24
Malissa Kachmaryk	9/25
Grace Lukash	9/25
Joe Rieger	9/27
Catherine Kuhn	9/28
Samantha Wilson	9/28
Kim Cawley	9/29
Jeff Kachmaryk	9/29
Jake Thorpe	9/30
Betty Tisa	9/30

Celebrating

An Anniversary This Month

	Date	Years
Kristen & Ryan Lipscomb	9/5	2
Mike & Gail Connor	9/6	25
Jim & Sandy Colbert	9/10	51
Neal & Kathy Elli	9/11	29
Charlie & Sherry Klauck	9/12	41
Larry & Marj Bovenzi	9/19	24
Martha & Chuck Styles	9/19	47
Jim & Rachel Collins	9/22	10
Tom & Kris Lombardo	9/24	23
Bob & Robin Gabriel	9/25	35
Fran Cirafisi & Ed Haussenauer	9/27	3
André & Heidi Bellefontaine	9/30	6

Is the Open Door missing your anniversary or birthday? If so, please contact Barb at the office (872-5180). Thanks!



Mr. & Mrs. Eric Baller
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Webster, NY 14580
585/502-8799

If you have moved, changed your phone number or email address, please contact the office at 872-5180 or email immanev@frontiernet.net. We would also like email address changes. Thanks!



SEPTEMBER WEDDING

The members of Immanuel extend their congratulations to Sara Wyant and Marshall Eggleston who will join in marriage on September 24. Let us pray for this couple as they make their commitment to one another and begin life as husband and wife.



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Interesting Idiosyncrasies of the Church

Submitted by Ron Nohe

- ◇ Sitting in the 3rd thru 7th rows of pews allows you to hear the sound system speakers best.
- ◇ In the summer sitting on the pulpit side of the church, with the sun shining, is a bit warmer than on the lectern side.
- ◇ In the winter sitting on the pulpit side is a bit warmer if the sun is shining.
- ◇ If you have hearing aids that can be tuned to the church loop, turning your head may improve your reception. Also, the back of the church is not a good location for using the loop.
- ◇ In the summer, sitting directly under one of the ceiling A/C vents will be cooler via öwind chillö.



SCHOOL KIT TIME AGAIN!

School has just stopped but pretty soon the stores will be featuring back-to-school supplies sales!! The Social Ministry Committee will pack up school kits to send to Lutheran World Relief again this fall, and we need your help in gathering supplies. Included in each school kit are:

- 6 pencils
- a 12-inch ruler with centimeter markings
- pencil sharpener
- 2-inch eraser
- childö scissors
- 12 sheets of colored construction paper
- 24-pack of crayons
- 150-200 page lined notebook

Many stores have great deals on these items long before September rolls around. Check out the sales, buy some items, and bring them to church and place them in the box in the lower hallway across from the elevator. And if anyone would like to sew bags for the school kits to be packed in, speak to Debbie Huehn or Marguerite Manning. We have packed around 100 bags in the past few years!!!!



Book Club News

The Book Club is always looking for fellow readers to join in a light-hearted evening of discussion, fellowship and laughter. It is a great opportunity to get to know each other better and share thoughts about books and life in general. Finishing the book is not even a requirement! The next meeting will be on Thursday, September 22nd at 7 pm. We will read Nathaniel Hawthornö The Scarlet Letter at Kris Lombardoö house. Please contact Carol Galskoy or Lyn Reville for more details if you would like to join us!

(If you want to get a head start on reading for October and November, we will discuss The Red Thread by Ann Hood and State of Wonder by Ann Patchett.)

Happy reading!

September Be-Attitude

Blessed are those who join a committee, for they shall meet more members of their Immanuel family, learn more names and make new friends.

I learned many years ago that church activities are the best way to meet more people and make more friends. We are blessed by God to be a blessing to others. Please consider sharing your blessings. Need help finding a committee? You can call the church office, talk to a member of church council or find me in the lounge or kitchen area during coffee hour.

Deacon Ed Huehn



Webster Support Group

The Multiple Sclerosis Society is a nonprofit organization that provides information, education, referrals, and support for people living with MS. The Upstate New York Chapter covers a 50 county region across the state and our chapter headquarters is here in Monroe County. We offer several support groups in Monroe County, one of which is in Webster. For 25+ years the Womenö Club of Webster has volunteered to provide this group with lunch twice per month when we meet. Group members enjoy a meal along with socialization, support and friendship with others who can truly relate to what it is like to live with MS.

Our next meetings are September 8th & 22nd from noon-2:00 at Immanuel Lutheran Church. For more information, please call either Debbie or Dee at 585-271-0801, option #2.



Immanuel's Sunday morning services are broadcast at 12 Noon each Sunday on Webster Cable Channel 12. This has been an outreach to our community for many, many years.

For homebound members of Immanuel who do not have access to Webster Cable television we can provide you with a video cassette or DVD copy of the service for viewing at home. If you would like a video copy of the Sunday Services, please contact the Church Office (872-5180) and arrangements will be made so you receive them on a regular basis. If you would like to receive the bulletin each week to follow along with the service, please contact the church office.



The Shepherd of the month
for September is:
Leslie Schwartz

Please give her a call at 265-9229 if you know of someone in our church family who has had a baby, recently been hospitalized or ill, surgery, death in the family, or could just use a helping hand. The shepherd can provide a simple meal, a warm thought, or locate a volunteer to help.



IMMANUEL PRAYS...

Prayer is a central part of Christian life. Through prayer we connect with God and raise up joys and celebrations, concerns and sorrows. Through prayer we listen to God and open ourselves to God's will in life. As Christians we pray not only for ourselves, we also pray for others and for the mission of the church. We all know the comfort that comes when we know someone has lifted us in prayer. When we lift up others, it brings us closer to each other and to God.

At Immanuel we have two prayer chains ó one is via email; the other by telephone. If you would like to be a part of **Immanuel Prays...**, please contact the church office with either your email address or telephone number. We will add you to the prayer chain.

If you have a need or a joy to share, you can email the church (immanevan@frontiernet.net) or call 585-872-5180 and this will be shared with those on the prayer chain.



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- Assoc. for Congregational Ministries. Dave Ekimoff
- Pastor Emeritus John F. Beeg
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- Director of Music
- Handbell Choir Director Marguerite Manning
- Deacons. Ed Huehn, Karen Sue Ross
- Dave Reville
- Superintendent Heather Immesoete
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- A. Altar Guild & Flowers. . . Sheri Williams
- B. Video John Fedkew

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

**Articles for the October Open Door
are due on September 6!**

**Open Door folding is
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 Sunday Church School for All Ages
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**The Mission of Immanuel Evangelical
 Lutheran Church**

Celebrate the excitement of God's influence in life
 by being visible witnesses of Christ; and,
Minister to the spiritual and physical needs
 of our community and the world,
 through our God given talents.

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We are a resurrection people who
 Pray First, Walk Together, and Change Lives.
www.upstatenysynod.org

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 we are claimed, gathered and sent
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