



Immanuel Lutheran Church

Quarter 2, 2018

10 a.m. Sunday Services

7:00 p.m. Monday Night starting June 4



Message by Pastor Eugene DeVries



Bible Study:

8p Mondays

10a Thursdays -

Starting May 17, 2018

11:15a Sundays

Confirmation:

Starting in the Fall of 2018

Choir:

Off for the Summer Months

Director: Kim Schmeling

Feeling Unloved

Kylie screamed at her mother, "You don't care! You don't even love me! All you care about is him!" Six months earlier Kylie's 9 year old brother Toby had been diagnosed with leukemia. Since then her parents had spent every waking moment thinking about Toby's treatment and every dime trying to pay for it. In all the turmoil they had forgotten Kylie's birthday. And now her parents had just broken the news that summer camp was out of the question. Kylie stomped off to her room and slammed the door.

No doubt her parents winced as they realized the truth behind Kylie's hurtful words. They had been directing more of their time and attention toward their son rather than their daughter. That didn't excuse Kylie's tirade. But it did mean mom and dad would have to confess their own failure before they confronted Kylie about hers.

We, for the most part, have moved beyond the turbulent emotions of youth. But there remain times when we feel the same way Kylie did: neglected, abandoned, and unloved. And instead of blaming our parents, we feel tempted to aim our anger at the Lord.

But our Father in heaven has not been too busy with his other children to notice us. He was not so focused on wars in distant lands that he failed to notice the battle we were going through. Rather, as a loving and all-knowing and all-powerful Father he was giving us exactly the care and attention we

needed to achieve his purposes. Our Savior God is running and timing all of history to make sure that every one of his people makes it safely to eternal life.

Trouble is, we don't know what's going on behind the scenes. We cannot fathom all the plans and knowledge of God. We only have the things that are right here in front of us. When those things are problems, pains, and sorrows we quickly start to feel as if God has stopped loving us.

Two things help us to fight and overcome that feeling: We remember the promises God has made to protect and provide for us. We remember how God kept those promises to others. This is why we gather on Sunday to worship together. This treasured time allows us to set aside the turmoil of daily life and find rest in the grace of our Savior. Word and Sacrament remind us that Jesus loves us. The encouragement and love of our fellow believers remind us that we are not in this alone. Even though we might feel neglected, abandoned, or unloved, Sunday worship shows us that none of those things are true. We have love from God that can never fail.

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:37-39

Pastor DeVries

Sunday School

Teachers:

Eileen Prieve

Deb Plamann

Cindy Wendorff

Helpers:

Patrick Schlueter

Natasha Tews

Opening Devotion:

Chrissy Forcier

Sunday School is at

9 a.m. Sunday mornings.

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

Last Day of Sunday School is

Sunday, May 27.



2018 Church Board Officers:

Chairman: Rodney Schmeling
Vice-Chair: Harold Plath
Secretary: Mike Brekke
Treasurer: Bruce Trick
Financial Secretary: Brian Gauer
Delegate: Carl Nass
Trustees: Brad Duesterhoeft
Chris Wersal
Matt Forcier
Elders: Justin Black
Kori Leske
Kurt Leske
Finance Committee:
Ron Kohls
David Rusch
Matt Dahl
Cemetery Board:
Willard Wendorff
Steve Wendorff
Chuck Nisse

The **Quarterly Voter's meeting/ Congregation meeting** met on April 17, 2018. Current membership is 247 members and 213 communicant members.

The **Trustees** reported that the lights in the church proper have been replaced with LED bulbs. Along with the electrical panel on the south side of the stage in the basement has been replaced with circuit breakers rather than the fuses.

The new sound system has been installed in church. There is a noticeable difference with these 2 upgrades.

The **School Board** reported that four 8th grades will graduate. The closing service will be May 23 at 7 p.m. followed with the annual award presentation. Last day of school is May 25th. The 2018-2019 school budget was presented and approved.

The upstairs of the church as cleaned on April 21st with an Outdoor clean up day for the church grounds on May 19 starting

at 9 a.m. Please contact a Trustee with any questions.

The memorial from Arlys Davis has been designated for redoing the steeple lighting.

With the upcoming 100th Anniversary celebration of our school, there are several projects to complete which include replacing the blinds in the upstairs rooms, redo the floor in the basement classroom and the possibility of a new or updated outdoor sign for the school.

Next Voter's/Congregational meeting is July 17, 2018 at 7 p.m.

The church has undergone some major upgrades (sound system, lighting, electrical panel) as well as some major maintenance (furnace and the sewer lift pump in the bathrooms) along with the additional expenditures for the snow removal due to the April 14/15 storm. With these expenses, please consider your offerings to help offset the expenses. *Thank you.*

Ladies Aid

2018 Officers

President: Wendy Hellwig
VP/Secretary: Donna Telecky
Treasurer: Betty Henke

Next Meeting:
September 5th at 7 p.m.

During the second quarter of this year, the Ladies Aid organized an outing to the Cosmos Theater Company on March 10th which was attended by 10 members of our congregation. The evening started out with a supper, which was tasty and then the play which was enjoyed by all.

During the month of March we ran a food shelf collection for McLeod County, collecting 80lbs of food. During the month of March the amount collected is matched, so it really ends up to be 160lbs of food.

Our group hosted the Easter breakfast again this year, serving 80 plus people. The proceeds from this event were donated to our church for the support of the new sound system, the grand total

was \$300.00. Thanks to each of you that attended the breakfast.

Our May meeting was our annual hymn sing and salad buffet, which is a wonderful time to sing your favorite hymn and try the variety of salads. A special thanks to Marion Rick for accompanying us in our singing.

Next month we will not be holding a meeting but touring the Bonnie Mohr Studio. This event is open to the congregation, please attend this event if this is of interest to you. After the tour we will be having supper at Neisen's Bar in Biscay, for all who would like to have a bite to eat.

The months of July and August we will not be holding meetings but will resume in September.

VBS — Outdoor Service

July 9 to July 13
9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Outdoor Service

Sunday, July 15 at

10:30

Hosted by Grace
At the Fairgrounds

VBS will be held at Grace Lutheran Church July 9-13 from 9:00 to 11:30 AM.

All activities will be geared for children ages 3-12. Come enjoy some crafts, snacks, games, and songs while learning about God's love and forgiveness for you.

Pre-register your child by calling Barbara DeVries (320)587-6138. Adults please watch for

sign up sheets to volunteer your leadership skills.

Outdoor Joint Worship (Grace, Zion, St. Peter's and Immanuel) will be held July 15 at the McLeod County Fairgrounds at 10:30 AM.

If the new pavilion has not been built by then, we may be holding our outdoor worship service inside one of the buildings. Please watch for the definite location in the church bulletin.

Fellowship Committee

Next Meeting:

Sunday, May 20 at 2 p.m.

Everyone welcome to attend.

Chair: Pastor DeVries

Secretary: Barb DeVries

Treasurer: Julie Thompson

Bylaws were developed and will be presented to the Council/Voter's meeting in July.

On Sunday, September 9, 2018 an Ice Cream Social is planned in conjunction with "Show off your Wheels" We will encourage members to bring their antique cars and tractors. The Committee will be also asking for pies. Watch for the sign up sheets closer to the date.

A gift of a wall cross has been purchased and given to the confirmands on behalf of the congregation.

A gift has also been given to the new babies of the congregation.

Birthday cake will be served after worship on May 20 for the April, May, and June birthdays.

Thrivent Policy Members

Thrivent Coordinator:

Julie Thompson

Register on line:

www.Thrivent.com

Do you have a Thrivent Policy?

If so, are you aware of the programs at no cost to you that could benefit the church and/or the school?

"Choice Dollars" can be designated to the church or school at no cost to you. In 2017, \$2,348 were designated by Thrivent members to the church and school. Can we meet or exceed that number for 2018?

"Action Teams" when approved, provides \$250 of seed money to be use towards an event, again at no cost to you.

Upcoming events that Actions Teams will be applied for:

- Vacation Bible School
- Water Carnival Parade Float
- Ice Cream Social & Show Off Your Wheels

Building Committee for the School

Members:

Chair: Brian Lokensgard

Vice-Chair: Ryan Bushman

Secretary: Matt/Chrissy Forcier

Steve Wendorff

Brian Gephart

Bruce Trick

The next Building Committee meeting is scheduled for June 13 at 6:15.

A few items that the committee feels need attention in the near future include:

- New blinds in the upstairs classrooms.
- Redoing the epoxy floor in the basement.

• Updating our outdoor signage for the school.

• Schedule clean-up dates for the summer before the Anniversary Celebration.

Ladies Executive Board

2018 Officers:

President: Deb Plamann

VP: Janel Radunz

Secretary/Treasurer: Wanda Gauer

Directors: LuAnn Yerks, Donna Telecky, JoAnn Kallemeyn

Semi-Annual Meeting:

July 18, 2018 at 7 p.m.

The next meeting is July 18. We encourage all to attend.

Thank you to those that helped with the Spring cleaning on April 21, 2018.

Monies collected from the free will offerings during Lent were designated towards the school's 100th anniversary.

A check for \$1,000 was presented to the Anniversary Committee.

Thank you to all who donated and to all who helped with the meals.

A Thrivent Action team was also applied for and approved to provide a catered meal during one of the Lenten meals.

Committee Members:

- Pastor DeVries
- Barb DeVries
- Chrissy Forcier
- Jon Hoff
- Brian Gephart
- Deb Plamann
- Eileen Prieve
- Teresa Ross from Grace
- Julie Thompson

Next Scheduled Meeting:

May 23, 2018 at 7 p.m.



Saturday, August 25

2 p.m. Carnival Games and activities. School will be open all day and memorability display in the church.

ILS Children can bring in their school supplies and find their desks

2 p.m. The Lion's Club from Hutchinson will provide a Food Truck to purchase a variety of foods.

(All proceeds will go to the school.)

4 p.m. All School Photo

5 p.m. Concert by "The Divers" - *Bring your Lawn Chairs*
(A Christian band from Bethany Lutheran)



7 p.m. Evening - Bonfire at the fire pit at the Teacherage

Sunday, August 26

10:30 Joint Service with Immanuel, Grace, Zion and St. Peter's in the church

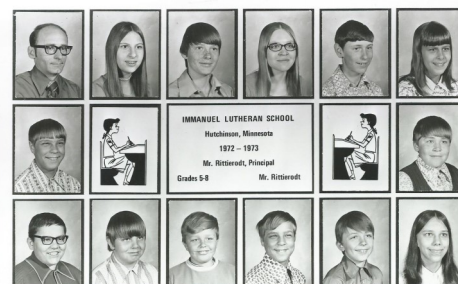
Catered Meal (by Chef Craig) to be served after the service.

For the meal, tickets will be on sale the end of June. Please **RSVP with payment by August 10, 2018.** Checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran School. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor DeVries.

\$10 - Adults

\$5 - Children 6-10

\$0 - Children 0-5



Officers:

President: Jeremy Prieve
VP: Jon Hoff
Secretary: Barb DeVries
Treasurer: Eileen Prieve

Meetings:

Second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.

A picnic lunch will be served to the school families on the **last day of school**, Friday, May 25. PTF will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks. Parents will provide side dishes and desserts.

Orange Spectacular will be held July 27-29 at the McLeod County Fair-

grounds. Please watch for sign up sheets to volunteer to work a shift in the diner. All workers will receive one complimentary meal at the diner for each shift they work. Proceeds earned will go toward the 100th Anniversary Celebration of Immanuel Lutheran School.

Cash Wise Brat Stand fundraiser is scheduled for **August 2, 3, 4**. Please watch for a sign up sheet to volunteer at the brat stand.

The proceeds will go towards the school's anniversary.

Thank you for your support!

Immanuel Lutheran School and Children of Grace Preschool



Immanuel Lutheran School and Children of Grace Preschool
20917 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350

Upcoming Events:

School Registration is June 13th-15th. Parents need to sign up for the time slot from 6-8pm.

May 16th, grades 4th – 8th **softball tournament @ Gaylord** 12:30pm; we'll leave approx. 11:30am

May 18th, kindergarten – 8th grade have a **track meet at the Hutch High School**.

May 21st, **Field Trip Day!** Preschool – 3rd grade will be going to the Arboretum and 4th – 8th grade will be touring the Wabasha Cave and watching a St. Paul Saints game.

May 24th, **End of the school year closing service** at

7 p.m., followed by awards night for preschool – 8th grade; all at Immanuel Church.

May 25th, **Last Day of School!** A picnic lunch will start at 11:30 a.m. Students' families are invited to come! The PTF will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, & lemonade. Families with last names beginning with A – L are asked to bring a dessert & last names M – Z are asked to bring a side dish. Students will be dismissed after lunch.

Principal: Brian Gephart
Grades 4 to 7
16 students

Teacher: Kristi Utsch
Grades K– 3
12 students

Teacher: Mallory Eckstrand
Pre-School
12 students

School Board Officers:

Jack Draper, Kyle Podratz
Jeremiah Clark,
Jeremy Prieve
Outreach: Ryan Bushman

Confirmation

Confirmation: Sunday, May 6

Mark DeVries, Son of Pastor and Barb DeVries

Nolan Hoff, son of Jon and Anna Hoff

Andy Prieve, son of Jeremy Prieve and Jennifer VanZee

God's blessings to these young men.



Graduation Sunday

2018 Graduates


Do you have a son or daughter (and/or yourself) graduating this year from college, vocational school, high school or Kindergarten? If so, we would like to include them on the "Board of Honor" and recognized on Graduation Sunday. Please contact Julie Thompson (with the following information: Picture, School Graduation from & Future Plans.

Graduation Sunday is June 3



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 Sunday Services are broadcasted on
Mondays at 10 a.m. and Sundays at 9 p.m.
NuTelecom—Channel 10 or Mediacom—Channel 107.3

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- Altar Guild:** May: Sharon Smith & Wendy Hellwig
June: Elaine Prieve
July: Marilyn Rusch
- Ushers:** May: Bruce Trick, Kyler Adams, Tessa Adams, Dawn Nass, Don Dettman, Andy Weber, Brad Weber, Dylan Weber, Travis Gauer, Jon Hoff and Nolan Hoff
June: Kori Leske, Joyce Leske, Jay Mackedanz, Dawn Nass, Cindy and Steve Wendorff, Mike Yerks, Craig Kohls, Carl Horrmann
July: Brad Duesterhoeft, Justin Black, Katlin Davis, Danielle Olson, Tyler Olson, Dawn Nass, Lucas Plamann, Tom Schlueter, John Schlueter, Chuck Nisse, Patrick Schlueter

G.I.L.L.

Leaders: Pastor DeVries, Pastor Tobison, Teresa Ross, Jean Horrmann, Brian Gephart

Meetings: 2nd Sunday of the month at 5:30 at Grace with Supper Served.

GILL stands for "**Grace & Immanuel Luther League**". We serve the youth of our two congregations through Bible Study and fellowship activities. Our activity in May will be a trip an escape room in St. Cloud. An escape room is a cooperative puzzle game. Your group gets locked in the room and hears the story behind the room. The room contains various puzzles, clues, and riddles related to the story. The goal is to find the combination to the door lock and escape from the room. You only have an hour so your group has to think fast to put the facts together and figure out the solution. We will visit the **escape room on May 20th** and go to Pizza Ranch afterwards.

Address Changes

And if anyone has an update to their address and/or phone, please let Julie Thompson know at juliethompson@mchsi.com or Church Box #75.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Ryan and Becca (Plamann) Jopp on the birth of their baby boy.

Derek was born April 15, 2018.

Derek is the grandson of Steve and Deb Plamann

*Congratulations to Dylan Weber and Ashley Grabau regarding their upcoming
Wedding on June 2, 2018.*