



Immanuel Lutheran Church

Quarter 3, 2023

9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Sunday Services



Message by Pastor Eugene DeVries



Confirmation:

Wednesdays at 4:15
Starting September 6

Monday Night

services: 7:00p

Bible Study:

7:00p Mondays



It's exciting, isn't it? We've been preparing and working a long time to finally see the walls of the new school being built. It's also a little bit terrifying. This is a big step for us. We have lots of changes happening all at once. Big changes make us wonder: will it still feel the same? When everything looks different, will I still feel like I belong here?

Inside the whirlwind of change, we must remember what stays the same. Hebrews 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." Jesus doesn't change his nature from day to day. He remains our loving and faithful Savior. He hasn't forgotten the awful load of sin he carried for us. He hasn't forgotten what it was like to go down into the grave. Not that he holds it against us. Rather, since he paid such a price to win our salvation, Jesus will not fail to watch over us.

Likewise, Jesus does not change his opinion about us. He has always known our sins and failings. Nothing is secret from him. Nothing can shock him into turning away from us. Nothing can stop him from loving his saints with an everlasting love.

Besides all this, Jesus still wants the same things from us. He still wants us to live holy lives that glorify his name. He still wants us to bring the gospel to all nations. Yet Jesus gives us wide latitude in how we accomplish these things. Out of all the options and choices and opportunities available to us, we have put our energy and attention into Christian education. This is not the only way to glorify God or spread his word. We are working together as a body of believers to serve Christ.

Whether you give a donation, say a prayer, or swing a hammer on a hot day, you are part of this work. The Lord will bless us as we labor together for his kingdom. Because no matter what else may change around us, Christ remains the same.

Pastor Eugene DeVries

pastor@eugenedevries.com

Sunday School—9 a.m. Sunday Mornings

Teachers:

Pre-School & Kindergarten:

Amanda Weber

Grades 1-3:

Deb Plamann

Grades 4-8:

Barb DeVries



Sunday School will start on Sunday, **September 17th at 9 a.m.**

Please have your children there by 8:45.

Children Preschool through eighth grade are welcome.

Looking forward to seeing all of you!

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

2023 Church Board Officers:

- Chairman: Brad Duesterhoeft
- Vice-Chair: Bruce Trick
- Secretary: Mike Brekke
- Treasurer: Mike Heine
- Financial Secretary: Brian Gauer
- Delegate: Harold Plath
- Trustees: Matt Forcier
Steve Wendorff
Tyler Schmeling
- Elders: Justin Black
Steve Plamann
Jason Horrmann
- Finance Committee:
Michael Thompson
Ron Kohls
David Rusch
- Cemetery Board: Willard Wendorff
Jeff Hoff
Craig Kohls
- School Board: Jay Mackedanz
Jon Hoff
Andy Weber

The **Quarterly Voter's/ Congregational Meeting** was Tuesday, July 18, 2023.

Pastor's Report: Ministrations consisted of: On June 11, Deklyn Patrick Telecky is the son of Josh and Felicia was baptized, 16 private communions and one funeral at Zion. We had two requests for change in membership: Jaci Potter along with Brian Gephart and his daughter, Hailey. Pastor will be on vacation starting July 30 until August 13th. While on vacation he will be attending the synod conference in Saginaw, Michigan.

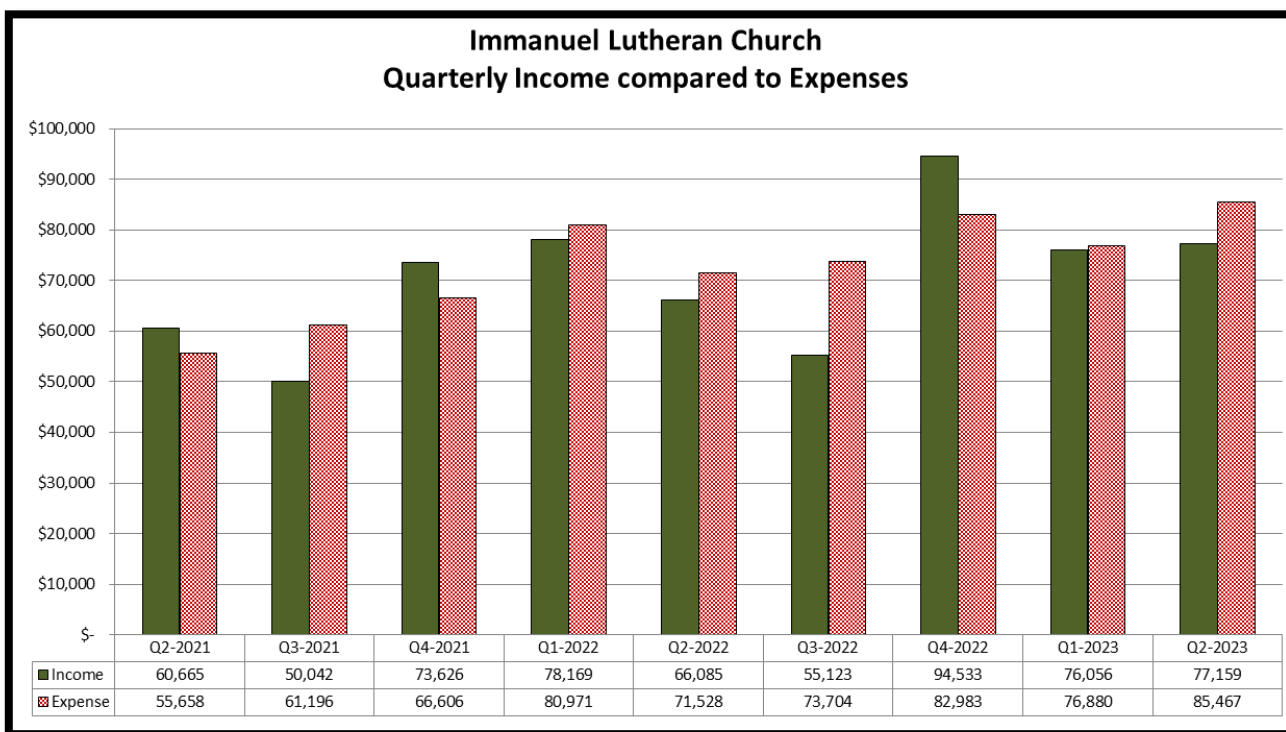
Trustee's Report: A "Clean-up" has been placed on hold for now. If any questions, please contact one of the Trustees. The Parsonage AC and attic insulation are now completed.

Cemetery's Report: Nothing to report.

The School Board Report: Orientation Night and meet our teachers is scheduled for August 2 at 6p. Back to School Night is Sunday, August 27 at 4:30. Bring your supplies. Supper will be served. First Day of School is Monday, August 28th.

New Business: Heating Season is upon us, if you are able to assist with additional giving to help defray the costs, it would be greatly appreciated.

Next Voter's/Congregational Meeting is Tuesday, October 17 at 7 p.m. Everyone Welcome!



2023 Officers:

President: Barbara DeVries

VP/Secretary: Donna Telecky

Treasurer: Karen Kohls

Next Meeting

Tuesday, September 6 at 7p

Tuesday, October 4 at 7p

On June 7, we enjoyed the informational tour at Equul Access and a meal at Squeaky's.

July 18, we had the pleasure of the beautiful garden tour at Marv Seller's and a meal at MSSB.

August 2, Peace Lutheran Summer Concert and luncheon....music by the BASICS (Brothers and Sisters in Christ).

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, December 2, 3pm, The Looney Lutherans Christmas Play at the Ames Center.

Ladies Executive Board

2023 Officers:

President: Deb Boelter

VP: Dori Duesterhoeft

Secretary/Treasurer: Wanda Gauer

Directors: Sharon Smith, Kim Schmeling, Cindy Wendorff

The free will offerings from the 2023 Lenten Suppers will be designated towards the new school's kitchen. Church Fall cleaning is scheduled **October 14** and we will be cleaning the basement.

Collections for Bingo and Christmas gifts for Belle Plaine will be in October. Elections will be in January for VP and a Director.

The next meeting is scheduled for **January 17, 2024 at 7 p.m.**



LWMS Fall Rally will be at St. Paul's, Litchfield
Watch for the date



MCL Auxiliary Day is either October 7 or October 14.

Choir



Choir Coordinator
Chrissy Forcier

Choir will take the month of August off for practice.

We will start up again, on Monday, September 11 at 6:30.

We will not meet the first Mondays of the month. Practices are just 30 minutes so it's not too much of a time commitment. We are not professionals, but we are happy to sing God's praises and to help jazz up our church services. Watch for dates when starting up again.

G.I.L.L. - Grace and Immanuel Luther League

Leaders: Pastor DeVries, Pastor Tobison, Jennifer and Chad Koenen

G.I.L.L. stand for "Grace and Immanuel Luther League". We serve the youth (4th to 12th grade) of our two congregations through Bible Study and fellowship activities.

Watch the bulletin for upcoming meetings.



McLeod County Fair
August 17 to 20

If you are able to help cover a shift, please contact Teresa Ross at 320-305-9662

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.

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

Applied for and approved:

VBS

Outdoor Service

Kingdom Workers – Snacks/Water

Kingdom Workers – Paper Products



LWMS



The 60th Annual LWMS Convention has come and gone, but the excitement still lingers. For 282 first-time attendees, it was an especially exciting and, perhaps at times, overwhelming experience. A total of more than 1,200 women and men were in attendance.

*At convention \$93,376.49 got split between Home and World Mission projects chosen by the membership. This is 25% of what our circuits collect over the year.

*That means roughly \$380,000 is given to a variety of other Home and World Mission projects that the circuits themselves choose and send in.

*\$39,781.38 was collected in kids c.a.r.e. offerings and is distributed to a project chosen by the Board and promoted throughout the year. This goes back and forth between Home and World every other year.

*\$65,522.16 was collected onsite during the two convention worship services. (More was sent in with online donations as well.)

*Roughly \$12,000.00 will be given to the World Mission project that has a pressing need (Home Mission next year) from the Endowment Fund.

Now, I don't know what your perception of LWMS is. I like to think that if you know, you know. But if you don't, is almost \$500,000 a year what you picture? And friends, that's just the money part. That's the measureable. It's really so much more!"

Almost half a million for non-budgeted WELS Mission needs! (\$478,821.50) That's only one aspect of support that LWMS does for missions and it's been going on for 60 years!!

Join us to support missions and make plans to come to the convention next year in Sioux Falls, SD! Meet the missionaries and hear their stories! Worship services with in the high hundreds to thousands all together at the same time - it is a little taste of what it will be like praising God in heaven. You won't want to miss it.

2023 Fall Rally
in
September
is at
St. Paul's,
Litchfield

Watch for
date/times

Next Meeting:

Pending
at 2p
Everyone Welcome!

Chair: Pastor DeVries

Secretary: Barb DeVries

Treasurer: Julie Thompson

We had 189 people in attendance at the Outdoor Service. And during the service **Amanda Lokensgard** and **Rebecca Ungemach** were installed as our new teachers. Followed by a great pot-luck lunch!

Anyone is welcome to join the Fellowship Committee to help plan various activities for our congregation.

If any questions, please feel free to contact one of the officers.



Justin and Heidi Groth and Family

Vacation Bible School

"Keepers of the Kingdom" VBS was held at Grace Lutheran Church July 10-14, 2023. Fifty-nine children registered and enjoyed learning God's Word, games, music, crafts, and snacks. A picnic lunch was served on Friday to the children and some of their family members. Thank you to all the leaders, helpers, and volunteers who came and made VBS a week to remember.



School Board Officers:

Ryan Bushman
Tim Utsch
Jon Hoff
Andy Weber
Jay Mackedanz

School Building Committee:

Jay Mackedanz
Bruce Trick
Steve Wendorff
Brian Lokensgard
Jon Hoff
Lance Hartkopf



Check out the front page article in the Hutch Leader (8/2/23) written by Mary-Anne Olmsted-Kohls!



*Thank you to the men and women who have given their time and talents assisting with building our school.
We are truly blessed to have them with us.*



Elwood + Connie Heldt
- Project Manager
Butterfield, MN
7/11 - 10/14



Dan Oetzman
Assistant Project Manager
Hillsboro, WI
7/11 - 10/14



Brian SaatKamp
Assistant Project Manager
Rockford, MI
7/11 - 9/30



Dave Matthiak
Retonda West, FL
7/11 - 8/5



Dan Brocklehurst
Lansing, MI
7/11 - 7/21



Jim Bollnow
South Haven, MI
7/11 - 7/22



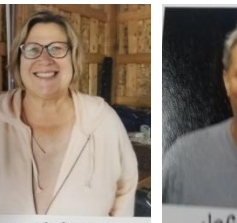
Pastor DeVries
Immanuel, Hutchinson, MN
7/11 - 7/29



Lillian DeVries
Hutchinson, MN
7/11 - 7/29



Jeff Beilke
New Ulm, MN
7/11 - 10/14



Mona Kaiser
Owatonna, MN
7/11 - 9/30



Jeff Pinski
Arlington, MN
7/18 - 7/19



Tom Hegler
Uxbridge, MA
7/18 - 8/19



Al + Marlene Kleuss
Manitowoc, WI
7/18 - 8/10



Steve Sodeman
St. James, MN
7/19



Koelyn Barta
Lonsdale, MN
7/12 - 9/2



Jim Bublitz
Reeseville, WI
7/27 - 7/29



Leah and Bill Rittmeyer
Greenville, TN
8/1 - 8/30

Thank You!

*Thank you to who have given to provide snacks, water, meals and monetarily.
But most of all for your continued prayers.*

There are collection boxes in the church entryway to **Provide snacks and/or water** for the volunteers.
Snacks --- Nuts -- Chips --- Crackers
Granola bars --- Breakfast items
Gatorade --- Water bottles

Monetary Donations for Snacks and water or Meals.
Please contact Brittany Clark or Julie T.

Monetary Donations for the construction of the new school.
Information is on the school's website
<https://www.hutchinsonlutherschool.com/donate-online>

Volunteer to help on site with the construction.
One day or several days.
No construction experience is necessary and there are many opportunities to serve.
Contact Elwood Heldt at 507-327-3313 for more information.



Serve Lunch (and dessert) for approximately 12-15 people.
AUGUST SCHEDULE is full, watch for the September Schedule.
Plates, napkins, silverware and drinks are all provide. All you would have to do is bring by 11:45 a.m. to the Teacherage.
There will be a volunteer to help serve and clean up with you.

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Tim Utsch
Jon Hoff
Jeremiah Clark
Jay Mackedanz

School Building Committee:

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Steve Wendorff
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Jon Hoff
Lance Hartkopf

LATCHKEY HELPERS

We are seeking help for our Latchkey program for the 23/24 school year. If you love working with kids come join our amazing team! Please contact the school at 320-587-4858 or ilschool@hutchtel.net if you are interested.

HEAD COACHES

We are looking for head Soccer coaches for the fall season. If you love sports and kids this is the perfect opportunity for you! Please contact the school at 320-587-4858 or ilschool@hutchtel.net if you are interested.

We will be looking for the Basketball season as well.

2023-2024 School Children

Preschool

Odin Berg
Wihelmina Dolezal
Hannah Duesterhoeft
Jason Forcier
Delilah Gutormson
Brynlee Heinrichs
William Heine
Levi Hollatz
Connor Johnson
Bryker Koehnen
Isabella Krajca
Cassie Lueck
Hazel Mackedanz
Maverick Nowak
Lillian Ulrich
Angel Yates

Kindergarten

Britta Koehnen
Delilah Palmer
Breah Smith
Vanessa Smith
Oliver Ulrich
Mason Wersal
Adler Witte

1st Grade

Harper Clark
Berkley Heinrichs
Matthew Kiecker
Rayna Markworth
Easton Podratz
Brecken Suess
Calix Vanoverbeke

2nd Grade

Lacey Chance
Hazel Erickson
Sydney-Kay Fundingsland
David Lyle
Lily Mackedanz
Callum Rosenow
Wyatt Schaefer
Aria Suess

3rd Grade

Logan Bourdeaux
Angelyn Chance
Audie Plocher
Eliza Ulrich
Gavin Wersal

4th Grade

Broden Koehnen
Caitlyn Kruse
Briecyn Kurth
Aubree Mackedanz
Brynlie Podratz
Grace Schaefer

5th Grade

Carson Dragt
Everett Erickson
Lilly Henschke
Charlotte Lyle
Evelyn Ulrich
Edwin VonBerge

6th Grade

Estelle Clark
Brynlee Koehnen
Bennett Kohls
Lily Plocher
Ellie Podratz

7th Grade

Logan Dragt
Emma Hoff
Evan Kruse
Wyatt Kruse
Dylan Smith

8th Grade

Samantha Eckstrand
Kylee Henschke
Livia Kurth
Alexandra Lyle
Everleigh Plombon
Braeden Trapp
Morgan Washburn

School Starts

**Monday,
August
28**



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

hutchinsonlutheranschool.com

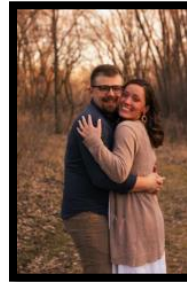
Meet our New Teachers!



PRESCHOOL - Amanda Lokensgard. This past year I've been a preschool teacher and toddler teacher at Our Saviors Lutheran Early Learning Center in Hutchinson. From 2012-2022 I was a preschool and toddler teacher at Little Lambs Christian Center. I was able to get my degree in Early Childhood while I was teaching at Little Lambs.

Before I entered the teacher world, I first went to school for Architectural Drafting. After graduating from drafting school, I had a job in that field for about a year. Shortly after I realized that wasn't the place for me. An aide position became available at Immanuel School and I worked there from 2008-2012. That's when I discovered my love for teaching. My love for children keeps growing and I'm excited to take on the role as the new Preschool Teacher.

I grew up and was raised here in Hutchinson with my family. My brother, sister and I all went to Immanuel Lutheran School. I am a member at Grace Lutheran Church where I was baptized and confirmed. In my free time I love to travel. This summer I went to Glacier National Park in Montana. I also love to spend time with my family and friends. I'm excited for this new chapter and adventure.



2nd - 4th Grade - Rebecca (Becky) Ungemach. I am grateful for this opportunity to serve and excited to teach and grow with the students!

I grew up in Jackson, Wisconsin, where my dad serves as pastor at David's Star Lutheran. I attended grade school there and Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School. I have 9 siblings (8 older and 1 younger) and out of those 9, 1 is a teacher, and 3 are pastors. The called worker family life and my love for children are what led me to attend Martin Luther College. I graduated on May 13, 2023 with a bachelor of science degree in Elementary Education.

Outside of teaching, I enjoy going to coffee shops, singing, playing piano/organ, and outdoor activities with family and friends. On July 2, 2023, I married Noah Ungemach. He is attending Martin Luther College for a double major in elementary and vocal music. He will complete his student teaching during the 2023-2024 school year while I begin my teaching.



5th - 8th Grade - Joel Holz, and I am so excited to be at Immanuel next year! I grew up in Clarksville, Tennessee, where my dad has been a pastor for the last 16 years. I attended public school until high school, where I went to Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, Wisconsin. After graduation, I attended Austin Peay State University working towards a degree in microbiology. One year into the program, I decided to transfer to Martin Luther College and work on a degree in Secondary Social Studies Education.

I have two brothers and a sister, who are currently scattered from Nevada to Milwaukee to Tennessee. My older brother is a Vicar, my younger brother installs cabinets, and my sister is attending WLC for marketing. I married my high school sweetheart Grace in August of last year. She graduated from Bethany Lutheran College and currently works as a Pharmacy Technician at Mayo Clinic in Mankato. Together we love to spend time hiking, growing gardens, fishing, exploring, and trying new foods. We are both very excited to be moving to Hutchinson!



Teacher: Mr. Joel Holz
Grades 5 to 8

Teacher: Mrs. Rebecca Ungemach
Grades 2-4

Teacher: Mrs. Mallory Eckstrand
Kindergarten and 1st Grade

Teacher: Miss Amanda Lokensgard
Preschool

Serving as Principal:
Pastor Tobison and
Pastor DeVries

School Board Officers:
Ryan Bushman
Tim Utsch
Jon Hoff
Andy Weber
Jay Mackedanz

BoxTops – This is digital. For us to get credit, you will need to download the Box tops for Education App on your smart phone, search Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson and scan your receipt.



Cash Wise More Rewards - Sign up at <https://www.morerewards.com/>. Designate Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson MN . You can also download the app, MORE Rewards on your smart phone.

Ink cartridges - Empty cartridges from computer printers; can be sent in anytime, no shipping charges!

Loaves4Learning – UPC’s found on Country Hearth and Village Hearth products. (Breads).



AmazonSmile – is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization, Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson MN.



CocaCola Gives – Go to www.cocacola.com/give go to donate to school, search for Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson MN, sign up, and enter codes. Codes are found on Coke product bottle tops and inside cartons/boxes. You can also bring the codes to school and we can enter them! Checks are distributed to the school quarterly.

Scrip (now Raising Right) – Purchase gift cards from participating retailers. (A percent of the gift card goes to the school) To order scrip gift cards, contact Karen Kohls (Immanuel) kohls@hutchtel.net 320-444-0170 or Teresa Ross (Grace) taross316@gmail.com 320-305-9262.

Kwik Trip has a new promotion going on for in store purchases. There is a new “GROCERY” card and by using this card, 15% is donated to the school. (*excludes: fuel, tobacco, alcohol, lottery or stamps*) The regular Kwik Trip cards are still available for fuel and instore purchases, and will donate 5% to the school.

PTF

Thank You for helping support our school!

Officers:
 President: Brittany Clark
 VP: Amy Smith
 Secretary: Rebecca Plocher
 Treasurer: Eileen Prieve
 Teacher Appreciation:
 Sarah Henschke
 Fundraising Chair:
 Beth Podratz
 Social Chair: April VonBerge

Meetings:
 Second Monday of
 the month at
 6:30 p.m.

Building of the new school building is underway!! It is very fun to see the progress being made. If you are not aware, we have created a fundraising committee for the new school building to try and raise more funds. There have been some unexpected costs that have surfaced since we started building this summer and it has increased the urgency for us to try and secure more donations.

Our next step for the fundraising committee is to begin reaching out to businesses and/or people in our surrounding communities to inquire about donating to our school building.

I am asking for your help with creating a list of businesses/people that we can reach out too, who may be interested in donating to our new school building. Please click the link below and send us all your suggestions. I greatly appreciate your help! <https://forms.gle/BJw4YzeaB3vSc2p17>

If you would like to serve on the fundraising committee, please reach out to me (Patti Schaefer). The more help we have, the more successful we can be!

Warm Regards, Patti Schaefer
 320-221-0381 Rusch_33@hotmail.com



PTF will be doing the Fall mums fundraiser again this year. The site will open on August 7 and orders will be accepted through August 28. Delivery is Friday September 15. If any questions, please contact Beth Podratz at epodratz@gmail.com

To access the site and place an order for your fundraiser group: www.gertensfundraising.com

Enter the Store ID code of **591** into the text field and click 'Enter ID to Continue'. (Store ID code for **IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL PTF: 591**)

pampered|chef.

Great
Christmas
Gifts!

Fundraiser for the new school

The fundraiser runs from August 1st to August 28th

Place your orders via either:

1. <https://www.pamperedchef.com/party/ischoolfundraiser>
2. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ischoolfundraiser/>

Also, check out this page for information on products, recipes, and prizes!

3. Fill out the order form from a catalog located on the table in the church entry way and give to Julie Thompson with payment.



Fundraiser Party Sales:

between \$200 and \$649.99 - 20% donation to the school

\$650 or more - 30% donation to the school

If any questions, contact Julie Thompson (583-6007) or Joyce Leske (320-469-2223) as she is our Pampered Chef Consultant.





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20882 Walden Ave.

Find us on the Web: www.immanuelhutch.com

Monthly Calendar (under Church/calendar)
Weekly Bulletins (under Church/service)



<https://www.facebook.com/immanuelhutch>

Services are streamed live on Sundays at 10 a.m.

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Church Secretary: Julie Thompson
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Nuvera

Sunday Services are broadcasted

Mondays at 10 a.m. and Sundays at 9 p.m.

NuTelecom—Channel 10 or Mediacom—Channel 107.3



Altar Guild:

August: Wendy Hellwig
September: Marilyn Rusch
October: Wanda Gauer

Ushers:

August: Bruce Trick, Jon Hoff, Don Dettman, Andy Weber, Dylan Weber, Travis Gauer, Nolan Hoff, Justin Black
September: Kori Leske, Jay Mackedan, Steve Wendorff, Mike Yerks, Craig Kohls, Carl Horrmann, Tom Schlueter, Lucas Plamann
October: Jeremy Prieve, Mike Thompson, Alex Prieve, Andy Prieve, Kyle Podratz, Chuck Nisse, Brad Duesterhoeft

Email, Phone and/or Address Changes

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

Congratulations to those celebrating!

Gary and Fern Hoff - 55th Wedding Anniversary on August 10
Brad and Kellsie Weber – 5th Wedding Anniversary on September 8
Glenn and MaryAnn Dettman – 50th Wedding Anniversary on September 22
Larry and Joan Karg – 55th Wedding Anniversary on October 12
Hugo and Lois Rusch – 65th Wedding Anniversary on October 12



Please check your church mailbox

Some of the items that are placed in your mailbox monthly are the Church Council minutes and Church Calendar.

Also sent out on a monthly basis: calendar, Birthday/Anniversary listings along with other misc. announcements via email, if you would like to receive these items via email too, please let me know. juliethompson@mchsi.com

