

BUILDING~FAITH~FOUNDATIONS

Celebration Sunday

Every soul, man, woman and child is cordially invited to attend our upcoming Celebration Sunday.
We encourage everyone to attend.

Sunday, May 16 at 10 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church

Treats will be provided after the service.



Please remember to return your **“Promise Sheet”**.

The Emphasis Committee would like them
returned by May 16

A box by the church library is available to place your sheet.
Thank you.

Thank you to those if you have returned your sheet.

The goal of the **BUILDING~FAITH~FOUNDATIONS** Appeal is \$700,000. To generate funds of that size everyone will need to help out, and it could never happen without the Lord's blessing. And we did see God's Blessing at work with an **initial commitment of \$302,000** from several members. **A new updated total is \$433,000. Thanks be to God!** The apostle Paul reminds us of how this goal can be accomplished when he writes, “...so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom but on God's power.”

Over the past weeks members have been invited to participate in a Group Presentation where information about the Appeal has been shared. We are asking all of our members to sit down with the Lord in prayer, asking Him for guidance on how you can support his kingdom at this time. Give the process some time and continue to pray for His will. Blessings always follow a process of that nature.

With the Lord's guidance, the Emphasis Committee fully believes great things can happen for His kingdom. We encourage you to continue praying for the Lord to lead you on how best to serve Him during this time.

PROMISE GIFTS

One of the primary ways being used to determine the will of God is the promise gift. Every member has been given a promise sheet to use in recording his or her giving intentions. These promise sheets are helpful in two ways. First, they help our leaders in projecting the amount of funds that will become available, by God's grace, for the school building.

Our God uses promises to give us encouragement and hope. He is perfect and always fulfills them! We strive with our promises to imitate His. Even though some may not be enabled to meet their promises for one reason or another, we can be confident that God is fully capable of making our collective plans succeed.

HOW WILL THE BUILDING ~ FAITH ~ FOUNDATIONS CAMPAIGN GIFTS BE USED?

All received gifts will be deposited into the Immanuel Lutheran School building fund designated for the new school. Immanuel Lutheran School and Children of Grace Preschool are a major ministry of our churches and has been a very effective means of assisting parents in nurturing the faith of their children. In addition, the school helps us to connect with the community. Many families have partnered with Immanuel and Grace churches because of their connection with the school. We pray that God will continue to bless our efforts through this ministry!

WHAT IS A SCHOOL BUILDING?

Some may be wondering why we are seeking to build a new school. How does our school support ministry work and be a blessing for others? For over 100 years the Lord has allowed Immanuel Lutheran School to flourish by reaching out and teaching God's Word to hundreds of children. We are teaching more and more students each year. The increase in student the population has created space challenges. Using God's Word to build up the faith of our children has always been the primary focus.

Yes, we have seen the blessings of supporting a Lutheran school that has a focus of increasing the faith of children. Buildings are nothing more than tools. We use these tools to do ministry work and to share the Gospel within their walls.



Commit to the Lord whatever you do and your plans will succeed. Proverbs 16:3