



# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, Oct. 15, 2023, 9:30 am, Monday, Oct. 16, 2023, 6:00 pm Services

## 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to  
worship! Please  
complete a  
Connection Card  
and place the  
card in the offer-  
ing plate. Thank  
you!

In Isaiah we are  
given a vision of  
the great feast to  
come, when God  
will wipe away  
death forever. In  
Jesus' parable  
about a great  
banquet, those  
invited do not  
come, so the invi-  
tation is extended  
to others. In our  
liturgy God  
spreads a table  
before us. Even  
amid anxiety and  
hardship we  
rejoice in the  
peace of God  
which surpasses  
all understand-  
ing. With great  
joy we feast at  
the table of the  
Lord, and we go  
forth to share the  
wonderful  
invitation with  
others hungering  
and thirsting for  
the abundant life  
of God.

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

### INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY PRAYERS

As we anticipate the fullness of the presence of Christ, we join with other churches in praying for our Indigenous brothers and sisters.

*A brief moment of silence*

For the children, who were frightened, taken away from their families, and forced into boarding schools. **Have mercy, O' God and Heal our Nations.**

For the children, who had their bodies abused, violated and their hair cut away, their language stolen from them, and their Traditional Spiritual practices demonized, and made punishable by law. **Have mercy, O' God and Heal our Nations.**

For the children, who were killed and left buried in unmarked graves throughout North America. **Have mercy, O' God and Heal our Nations.**

For the adults, who survived during their time in the boarding schools yet still suffer from PTSD and are struggling with how to cope. **Have mercy, O' God and Heal our Nations.**

For the Church, to take responsibility for its role, regardless of denomination, in this deep wound, to seek Your Holy guidance, and by listening to our Indigenous neighbors in finding ways to make amends.

**Amen.**

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Trusting in God's forgiveness, let us in silence confess our failings and acknowledge our part in the pain of the world.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to turning away from God in the ways I wound my life, the lives of others and the life of the world.

**May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.**

Amen.

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**Amen.**

### OPENING HYMN

*Let Us Go Now to the Banquet*

#523

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*After a hymn of praise acknowledging God as a shelter for the poor, the prophet portrays a wonderful victory banquet at which death—which in ancient Canaan was depicted as a monster swallowing up everyone—will be swallowed up forever. The prophet urges celebration of this victory of salvation.*

*You prepare a table before me, and my cup is running over.*  
(Ps. 23:5)

*Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord of the feast, **you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*This Do in Remembrance of Me*

Senior Choir

## WORD

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:1-9

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. <sup>2</sup>For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. <sup>3</sup>Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. <sup>4</sup>For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, <sup>5</sup>the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. <sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. <sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; <sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. <sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM: Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

### SECOND READING: Philippians 4:1-9

<sup>1</sup>My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. <sup>2</sup>I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. <sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any

excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-14

The holy gospel according to...

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: <sup>2</sup>“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. <sup>3</sup>He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup>Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ <sup>5</sup>But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ <sup>10</sup>Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. <sup>11</sup>“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, <sup>12</sup>and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated.)*

**SERMON (Sunday)**

**SERMON (Monday)**

**Pastor Terry Cathcart**

**Pastor David VanKley**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly**

**#461**

**APOSTLE’S CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

*Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God’s kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.*

*Renew our lives  
that we may  
welcome and  
care for one  
another and  
that we may  
live and serve  
within the  
greater com-  
munity of  
Negaunee and  
the world,  
witnessing to  
others your  
abundant love,  
grace, and  
welcome.*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

For the church of Jesus Christ in this and every land, that all followers of Christ share the mind of Christ and strive to live together in peace, staying firm in the Lord. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For green pastures and still waters and all the beauty of the natural world, that creation flourishes and humankind lives in right relationship with all you have made. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations of the world and all who hold positions of authority, that they govern in accordance with God's vision of justice, providing shelter and refuge to all in need, striving toward the goal of peace and prosperity for all. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For all experiencing valleys of illness and grief, that they be healed and comforted and find rest in the presence of the Good Shepherd who walks beside them. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For this community of believers, that wherever there is conflict or discord, the love of Christ may keep us united and make us mindful of all that is true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, commendable, and excellent. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered*

In thanksgiving for the beloved saints who now rest in your mercy especially Teresa of Avila, teacher, renewer of the church, that their faithful witness guides your church until the day we join them at your heavenly feast. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(Please be seated.)*

## MEAL

## OFFERING

*(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

## OFFERING SONG

### *Give Thanks*

**TFF#292**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich,"  
because of what the Lord has done for us.**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich,"  
because of what the Lord has done for us.**

**Give thanks!**

## OFFERING PRAYER

God of power, God of plenty, **all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table,  
that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior.**  
**Amen.**



# GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-  
 san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*We believe that the true body and blood of Jesus Christ is in/with/ under the bread and wine.*

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

*All are welcome and encouraged to receive Holy Communion today. Parents, please assist your child(ren) if you wish them communed*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

### COMMUNION

### Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



## BENEDICTION

May the peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your heart and mind in the knowledge and love of God, and of + Jesus Christ our Savior: and the blessing of Almighty God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### SENDING

*(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON + QUILTS + KIT'S BLESSING

*Day's Pastor*

**LEADER:** God, our neighbors around the world are in need of hope. Your Spirit is a mighty force, your whispers of hope bring light into the world. Open our hearts and hands to see your presence in our neighborhoods and across the world.

**CONGREGATION:** **Jesus, help us speak words of hope to our neighbors.**

**LEADER:** God, we give you thanks for the pieces of fabric, thread, sewing machines, and the items collected for the kits. May their presence be a sign of hope, may these quilts wrap our neighbors in unending love, and may these kits offer dignity and healing.

**CONGREGATION:** **Jesus, help us reach out in hope to our neighbors.**

**LEADER:** God, we give thanks for all the hands that fashioned hope into a quilt, for the hands that collected and sorted, for the hands that continually open wider so that no one feels left out.

**CONGREGATION:** **Jesus, help us see hope in our neighbors.**

**LEADER:** God, we ask you to guide the staff and partners at LWR. May their voices and hands be a beacon of hope. Keep them safe. Keep them filled with your strength and perseverance.

**CONGREGATION:** **Jesus, help us share a taste of hope with our neighbors.**

**LEADER:** God, be with our neighbors who will receive these gifts. May they be wrapped in love, may they taste your goodness, may they touch signs of your hope. Whether or not we know their names or where they live, they are our neighbors, our brothers and sisters in Christ. We pray all this in the name of Jesus, the One who is our hope.

**CONGREGATION:** **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

Recognizing God's abundant hope, go and be a sign of hope to our neighbors near and far: offering hands to hold, sweet scents of justice, and a feast of God's goodness.

**Jesus, help us be signs of hope to our neighbors.**

**Amen.**

## POSTLUDE

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF October 15—22, 2023

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**\*SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:**

- The Family of **Lowell William Miller**, who died on Sunday, October 8th. His funeral is on Thursday, October 12th, at Koskey Funeral Home with Rev. Bre Kinnunen officiating.
- Haylee Lenten & Delanee Lenten for the loss of their grandfather, **Richard C. "Bugs" Bergman III**, on Thursday, October 5th. Also, condolences to all of the Bergman Family.

**\*UPLIF t** Watch for news about our new Sunday Youth Group **UPLIF t** beginning November 5th, at 5 pm



\***BIRTHDAYS:** Happy 84th Birthday to **Bob Sylvester** October 17th.

\***FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour committee for October is PROPERTY COMMITTEE. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for **Coffee hour.** Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact **Dana Echelbarger (563-299-2624) or Marty Saari (906-250-9601)** with your date and any item you wish to bring. Right now we have the following who have volunteered for the particular Sundays: **TODAY:** *Doug & Kathy Palomaki's* (anyone else?); **October 22nd:** *D. Keranen's* (anyone else?); **October 29th:** to be assigned. Also, help in the kitchen is greatly appreciated. If **YOU** would like to share with the *Palomaki's* or the *Keranen's*, please let them know. *Thank you for your help!*



\***YOUTH RETREAT** There will be a Youth Retreat for Grades 3-6 **this Friday and Saturday, October 20 & 21** at Fortune Lake. For more information, call 906-214-2267 or email [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org).

\***SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CONVERSATION** Each Sunday morning at 11:00 am, a group meets for a discussion on the Bible lessons from the morning's worship service. They will be meeting in the Youth Room (downstairs) for 1 hour. A group has volunteered to lead this group. Today the leader is **Jim Hayward** On **October 22nd:** *Kaitrin Raymond*; **October 29th:** *Hayley Smith*. This group continues meeting each Sunday until further notice.



\***THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY RESUMES** All are welcome to come to our "Burritos n' Bible" study on Thursdays from 7:30-9:00 pm at Border Grill in Negaunee. We welcome you to drop-in as your schedule allows. Each week's discussion will be structured as a stand-alone study. Bring your questions, confusions, and doubts! This week, **Thursday, October 19th**, we are digging into this story: **Jacob fears Esau (Genesis 23, 25:1, 8-10, 19-34; 27:1-45, 29:16-30).**

\***LOCK-UP UPDATES** As of October 1, the church building will be open **Monday - Thursday, 8 am to 2 pm, Sundays, 8 am to noon and Mondays, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.** Until the new keyless, automatic door system is fully functional, outside of these set hours for special meetings /functions etc., please use the front 41 entrance doors OR the east side building doors by the alley. The west side doors on Baldwin Ave **will not be open** (unless special arrangements have been made) during these times. For special meetings or other church functions scheduled after these hours, meeting leaders and/or committee workers will be assigned an individual access card by contacting Noreen at 475-9161. Some members will be asked to do a little bit extra when using the building. We are in a transition period to make sure our building is open when needed and secure when not needed. Please have a little patience in the interim. Thank you! *Noreen Collins*, Parish Admin/Bookkeeper



\***CROP HUNGER WALK** *Thank you to all of you* who donated to the CROP Walk that was held on Sunday, October 1st. Immanuel donated a total of **\$725.00** for the cause. *Excellent!! Thank You!!! Kay Korpi*



\***STEWARDSHIP 2023-2024** It begins next week! Our Stewardship Emphasis this year is **"MI Immanuel."** In this four-week program we will see that our congregation **"Prays, Serves, Gives and Loves."** Over the next month we will hear temple talks from four of our congregation members who share the story of God's grace working through the congregation and people of Immanuel. You are invited to bring your completed *Time and Talent Forms* and *Estimates of Financial Giving* for **2024** to worship on **November 12-13**. A Celebration Brunch follows our worship service on November 12. Come and be a part of the congregational ministries of **"MI Immanuel."**



\***ELEVATOR 'OUT-OF-COMMISSION':** The elevator **WILL NOT BE USEABLE** for another 3-4 weeks. Work is being done to replace the elevator with a new lift. Thank you for your patience.







**\*INSTALLATION OF REVEREND TIMOTHY JOHNSTON, BETHEL LUTHERAN, ISHPEMING**

You are cordially invited to a Holy Communion service with installation for Reverend Timothy Johnston on Sunday, October 22nd, 3:00 pm, with dinner to follow, at Bethel Lutheran Church in Ishpeming. Pastor Tim comes to us after having served congregations in Wisconsin, the Keweenaw Peninsula, & Florida. He began his journey with the people of Bethel on June 19, 2023. He, along with his wife and 2 children reside in Ishpeming. The color of the day is red for all rostered and licensed lay leaders who would like to process. Please come to celebrate with Bethel. If you cannot attend, please remember Bethel & Pastor Tim in your prayers.

**\*PROJECT KEEP KIDS WARM 2023/2024 – 14<sup>th</sup> Year of Serving Families in**

Help us keep kids warm.



**our Community.** We have **PKKW** (Project Keep Kids Warm) boxes by the west entry of the church for the collection of NEW boots, hats, scarves, and mittens. If you would like to donate any of these items, PKKW would greatly appreciate your donations. This particular Project will run until January 31st, 2024. Thank you for your donation. If you could not make the Training on September 28th, please contact *Linda*

*Sjolund* (906-242-5020). Another training can be set up if you would like to volunteer.



**\*SUNDAY SCHOOL BAPTISM AND PRAYER PROJECT**

These several weeks, the Sunday School students have been learning about Baptism and Prayer. In Baptism we are adopted into God's family. All of you in the congregation are all their big brothers and big sisters in God's family! Prayer is talking and listening to God. It is good to talk to God about our family. Here are the ways you can help with this Project:



- (1) Select a dove (or several) with children's names and photos from a bulletin board in the entry way. Please take it home and pray for the child.
- (2) There are shell cutouts with the bulletins. Please put your name (and names of anyone else for whom you would like the children to pray) one per shell. Put your shells in the offering basket.

May we all experience God's renewing power as we pray for each other!

*Paulette Patron, Sunday School Superintendent*



**\*"GOT SNEAKERS??"**

We are collecting used ATHLETIC SNEAKERS which are then sent to a company that reuses those that are still usable and recycles those that aren't. There is currently a bag in the Stewardship corner where they can be deposited. Thank you for your donation.



**\*COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

The Wesley United Methodist Church, 801 Hemlock Street in Ishpeming is hosting a *Community Fellowship Dinner* from 5 pm to 6:30 pm on the following Thursdays: November 9th, December 14th. For more information please call 906-486-4681.

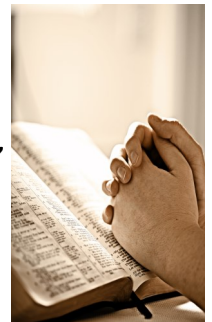


**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Pray For:** *Lori Bell, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Karen Couture, Dan Hendrickson, Michael Holman, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Stephanie Penhale, Shirley Pizziola, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Marlene Romback, Louise Spickerman, Molly Taseris, Bob Walker.*

**Our Shut-ins:** *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, June Jarvi, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Butch Pynnonen, Dolores Reichel, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.*

**Members in the Armed Service:** *Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Tanner Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.*



## VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE

**SERVING IN WORSHIP:** Sunday: *Pastor Terry Cathcart*  
Monday: *Pastor David VanKley*

**ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN:**  
Sunday & Monday - *Connie Scanlon*

**Worship Services:** Sunday @ 9:30 am / Monday @ 6:00 pm  
**Office Hours** are 8 am-2 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)



### **ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:**

9:30 am GREETERS - *Marty Saari*  
- *Kyle Saari*

6:00 pm - *Kevin Crupi*  
- *Reuven Romback*

9:30 am USHERS - *Marty Saari*  
- *Kyle Saari*

6:00 pm - *Kevin Crupi*  
- *Reuven Romback*

9:30 am LECTOR - *Alice Mutkala*

6:00 pm - *Jill Sladek*

9:30 am COMM ASST'S - *Dan Collins*  
- *Fae Collins*  
- *Linda Dillman*

6:00 pm - *Jill Sladek*

9:30 am Tech Team - *Ben Raymond*

(Communion Set-up for October is Diane Faust)

**WEEKDAY PLAYGROUP @ IMMANUEL** We have had an inquiry about Immanuel having a week-day playgroup for preschool children. We are in the discussion stage- not ready to begin yet. However in the meantime, **there is an existing Playgroup that meets at Lakeview School**. We just saw the flyer, so we do not have any details. Please call Lakeview Elementary School (906-475-7803) if you need more information. The info we have is: Negaunee **Birth-Age 5 Playgroup**, Lakeview Elementary School, **Dates:** 10/20, 11/17, 12/8, 1/26, and 3/15. **Time:** 9:30-11:00 a.m. Things to note: Parent/guardian requires to stay and participate in activities. Also, when Negaunee Public Schools are cancelled, Playgroup is also cancelled.



# OCTOBER'S MONTHLY MISSION

**IN OCTOBER . . . we focus on . we focus on *Immanuel's Good Samaritan Fund***, a beyond-the-budget financial resource that empowers Immanuel's Good Samaritan Ministry, when appropriate, to back up caring words with caring action for needy people within our congregation and beyond.



What do people who need a Good Samaritan look like? They're people who have come into hard times for various reasons and are feeling very much alone. Perhaps they've lost their job or can't find a job with enough wage or hours. Perhaps they've been hit by illness of body or mind and just can't keep up. Perhaps they're experiencing the financial grief that can come right alongside the greater grief of death or divorce. Perhaps they've made poor decisions but are trying to put life back in order. These and more are their stories, and their very real needs can include help with rent, utilities, food, fuel, etc, etc, etc. What do people who need a Good Samaritan look like? They look a lot like you & me.

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this ongoing caring mission please use October's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelopes box or in some other way designate your gift. Thank you for your generosity!

**Thank you for giving \$ 956.00 in September to  
ELCA Disaster Relief (LDR).  
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!**



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