

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK**  
**15th Sunday after Pentecost**  
 September 13, 2020 - September 20, 2020

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 YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE "BUTTONS" REFERENCED BELOW AT...  
[www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org](http://www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org)

- Sunday** - 9:30 am - Worship Service - Baptism of Zayda Jade Songer, daughter of Danielle Kaye (Holman) Songer and Marcus James Songer. (in the sanctuary with over-flow going into the Fellowship Hall)  
**\*\*NOTE:** Online Worship Service will still be available via livestreaming at 9:30 am or recorded video by Sunday afternoon at: [www.immanuelnegaunee.org](http://www.immanuelnegaunee.org) Click on button: "**WORSHIP LIVE STREAM & VIDEO**".  
 - Sunday School is Virtual - 1st packet to be posted today. Log on & enjoy the activities and learning experiences provided.  
 - 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday** - 6:00 pm - Worship Service (in the Sanctuary)  
 - 6:00 pm - Mentor / Student Gathering  
 - 7:00 pm - Confirmation - 9th Grade
- Tuesday** - 9:30 am - Miriam Circle (bring your own brown bag lunch)  
 - 6:00 pm - Executive Committee Meets  
 - 6:30 pm - Church Council Meets  
 (Please pick up your packet from the hallway before the meeting.)
- Wednesday** - 10:00 am - Bible Study discussing this coming Sunday's Scripture online via ZOOM - - go to: [www.immanuelnegaunee.org](http://www.immanuelnegaunee.org) and click on button: "**WED 10AM BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM**"  
 - 1:30 pm - Abigail Circle (is NOT meeting)
- Thursday** - 10:00 am - Quilting  
 - 6:00-8:00 pm - Walking Together, Superior Central Conference 8 (this will be on Zoom).  
 - The Thursday 6 PM Bible study may be on vacation, but the last study summaries are still available on-line:  
 "*Why Do We Suffer*" and "*Anxious for Nothing*"
- Friday** - OFFICE CLOSED  
 - The Fall Woman's Retreat and the SWO Convention HAVE BEEN CANCELLED @ Fortune Lake  
 - 10:00 am - Woman's AA Group Meets
- Sunday** - 9:30 am - Worship Service (in the sanctuary with the over-flow going into the Fellowship Hall.) (See Sunday's note above)  
 - 7:30 pm—AA Group Meets (men & women)  
 - NO OTHER ACTIVITY

**\*\* NOTICE \*\***  
**PLEASE COMPLETE A CONNECTION CARD & PLACE IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE.**  
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 During this pandemic, it is especially important that we have a record of those present.

| <b>ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:</b>     |                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>Greeter/Usher</b>                 | <b>9:30</b> - Mary Ann Laukka<br>- Alice Mutkala                                                                 |
|                                      | <b>6:00</b> - Diana Hetrick<br>- Will YOU volunteer?                                                             |
| <b>Lectors</b>                       | <b>9:30</b> - Dan Lindblom<br><b>6:00</b> - Sheila Meier                                                         |
| <b>Communion Assistants</b>          | <b>9:30</b> - Julie & Randy Carlson<br>- Morgan Carlson<br>- Dan Lindblom<br><b>6:00</b> - Kay Korpi, Dan LaJoie |
| <b>Tech Team:</b>                    |                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Service Projection Controller</b> | - Jake Ulvila                                                                                                    |
| <b>Live Stream Camera Controller</b> | - Luke Ulvila                                                                                                    |
| <b>Service Projection Controller</b> | <b>6:00</b> - Aleah LaJoie                                                                                       |

**+WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO Troy Desmond Connors and Caitlin Michelle (Fowler) Connors** on their marriage performed here at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Saturday, September 12th.

**+UP CITY SERVE** Go to [www.upcityserve.org](http://www.upcityserve.org) to find out how you can help and / or receive help during this world-wide pandemic.



**+GIVING YOUR OFFERINGS** – Thank you for continuing to financially support our ongoing congregational mission. Offering plates will not be passed, but are available at the entrance of our worship space. Electronic giving is available on our website.



**+SUNDAY SCHOOL 2020-21** Sunday School WILL BE ALL VIRTUAL. We still want you to catch the excitement, but we will do it from our homes, not in the Sunday School classrooms. Sunday School is for Age 3 through 5th Grade. Packets will include activities for ALL ages. **The 1st packet will be posted for TODAY.**



You can respond to this invitation in several ways: **(1)** Go to Immanuel Website: <https://immanuelnegaunee.weebly.com/Sunday-school.htm/>; **(2)** Call Immanuel's Office at 475-9161 and leave a message with the information; **(3)** Fax Immanuel's Office at 475-9403; **(4)** Mail to Immanuel at 520 E US 41, Negaunee, MI, 49866.

**PLEASE** make sure to answer the **2 BIG questions:**

- 1) Does your child already have a Beginner's Bible or do we need to get one for you?
- 2) Are you able to print off activity pages or should we print off packets for you?

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**+BAPTISM—WE WELCOME INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD:** *Zayda Jade Songer*, daughter of Danielle Kaye (Holman) Songer and Marcus James Songer. She was born on May 26th, 2020. Her sponsors are Jason Songer and Emily Ann Debner.

**PRAYER CONCERNS OR OTHER NEEDS? Call Pastor Steve at (906) 458-2145 or click on "Share My Needs & Hopes" button at [www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org](http://www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org)**

# SEPTEMBER'S MONTHLY MISSION

**"Gospel Message"**  
**15th Sunday after Pentecost**  
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**Deep Waters of Forgiveness**

Churches have different practices around baptism. In some churches, a small bowl holds just enough water to trickle a few drops over the head. In others, the bowl is wider and the water is splashed with the whole hand. In yet other churches, the person is fully immersed in a font large enough for them to go all the way underwater. Sometimes the water stays in the bowl, sometimes a bit splashes out, and sometimes the whole area around the font gets wet. But no matter the amount of water used, there's always more where it comes from. God's waters of forgiveness run deeper than we will ever know.

The waters of baptism are so deep that even a few sprinkles cover a lifetime of falling short. We are forgiven time and again for a myriad of sins. And because the weight of sin has been lifted from us, we are free to extend such forgiveness to others.

In fact, our faith depends on it. In the Lord's Prayer, our petition for forgiveness is directly tied to our own willingness to forgive others: "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us." Thankfully, we are not expected to conjure up such forgiveness on our own. We draw from the endless supply of divine reserves. Where we, and Peter, might have difficulty forgiving a mere seven times, Jesus reminds us that his kind of forgiveness can be measured on an exponential scale.

While our capacity for forgiveness may be limited, Jesus' well of forgiveness is deep enough for all people and all matters of sin. When we find ourselves struggling to extend forgiveness to others, we return to the baptismal font. This is an overflowing well of love. Drawing from this water, we draw from the limitless supply of forgiveness.

Remembering our baptism, we are reminded not only that we are forgiven, but that we, too, are agents of forgiveness in the world.



Next Week's Reading: First Reading: Jonah 3:10--4:11; Psalm: Psalm 145:1-8; Second Reading: Philippians 1:21-30; Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16; Semicontinuous First Reading: Exodus 16:2-15; Semicontinuous Psalm: Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45.

**IN SEPTEMBER,** we focus on *ELCA Disaster Relief (LDR)*, bringing God's hope, healing & renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the



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world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, LDR stays to provide on-going assistance to those in need.



Assistance includes relief to those who were impacted by a cyclone in Africa, fires in California & hurricane disaster relief to our southern states in the last

month. The LDR coordinates and partners with local churches, authorities and on-the-ground relief agencies.

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

**Thank you for giving \$525.00 in August to The Gideons International.  
 The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity!  
 Thank you!**

~ ~ ~ ~ ~ **Keep in Your Prayers** ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

**Pray For:** Sarah Amis, Billy Jo, Shelley Bluse, Allyssa Collins, Elizabeth, Jodi, Pastor Matt Lamb, Anna Laurila, Mary Mantela, Yvonne Marcom, Wendy Niemi, Vera Palomaki (call 401-0405), Karen Pascoe, Janet Penhale, Ray, Jessica Roberts, and Ryan.

**Our Shut-ins:** Bettie Ahola, Phil Carlson, Rudy Gagnon, Annette Jahimski, Arlene Kivela, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Robert Mager, Buster Pope, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Dave Stromquist, Lynne Tossava.

**Members in the Armed Service:** Luke DeWitt, Dennis Koski, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Jacque Kurian, Mark (Samantha) Makela, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael (Lauren) Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, Jason Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.

**Worship Services**  
**Sunday: 9:30 am service**  
**Monday - 6:00 pm service**  
**Office Hours:**  
**8 am-2 pm, Tues.-Thurs.**  
**(or by appointment)**

**Serving in Worship**  
**Pastor Steve Solberg**  
**Organist/Pianist/Musician**  
**Sunday - Connie Scanlon**  
**Monday - Youth**