

August 2022



## **Immanuel Lutheran Church**

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## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GATHERING

JULY 25-27, 2022 UW - RIVER FALLS

Seventeen youth from Immanuel joined other high schoolers from the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin, the La Crosse Area Synod, and the Northern Great Lakes Synod for

REBOUND at the UW River Falls campus!

They encountered God and one another together in new ways through creative ministry, challenging conversation, inspiring guest speakers, service learning, and uplifting worship! Here are a few pictures from their experience!





# **REBOUND 2022**





### Immanuel Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM.

Pastor Jamie will continue her sabbatical through August, returning in September. Should you need pastoral assistance, please contact: Grace Olson in the office at 715-832-7832.

# Youth & Family Ministry News By Alyssa Engedal familyministry@immanuelec.org

**Camp Create** is excited to be welcoming back our two-year-old friends this September! We offer two class sections - on either Monday & Wednesday or Tuesday & Thursday, with up to 10 children in each section. We do still have a few spaces open in both of the class sections. If you or anyone you know has a 2-year-old who'd like to join the fun, talk to Alyssa to find out more. Information and registration forms are also available on our website.





**Summer Stretch** is almost here! Summer Stretch is a middle school ministry, and we will meet the week of August 8. This year we are lucky to be able to gather with participants from Hope Lutheran and together we will spend our mornings doing service projects around the community, and our afternoons doing a top-secret fun activity. We will end our week with a day full of fun at Valleyfair! I am so excited to get to participate alongside our middle school youth again this year.

Like always, summer has flown by! As I write this we are in the final preparations for our summer trip and we are so excited! This year, 17 youth and 3 adults from Immanuel will be participating, and we thank you for your continued support of the youth of Immanuel. We look forward to sharing our experiences with you in upcoming editions of the *Image*.



I hope that you have enjoyed some quality time with your families this summer and have enjoyed both a little rest and a little fun. As we prepare to turn the calendar to September, here are a few highlights to watch for:

September 11:	Rally Sunday, JoF Sign-Up Day & Backpack Blessing.
	Bring your backpack to church for a special blessing & gift during worship. Following
	worship we will kick off our school year with some time to enjoy a Cross+Gen activity and
	reconnect with our Immanuel family. We will also have information & paperwork for the
	learning year for you to complete or take home.
September 14:	Confirmation Orientation meetings:
	Grades 6-8 meet at 6:30 PM
	Grade 9 meets at 7:30 PM
September 18:	God's Work, Our Hands (GWOH)
	Kids will be invited to check out their classrooms & meet their leaders. Everyone will be
	invited to participate in a Cross+Gen service project. In addition, everyone is encouraged
	to participate in the collaborative GWOH projects with the other Eau Claire ELCA churches.
September 21:	Worship on Wednesday (WoW) & Wednesday learning begins:
	5:15 PM - Meal
	6:00 PM - Worship
	6:30-7:30 PM - Learning for Pre-K through Grade 8
	7:30 PM - Senior High Youth Night (SHYN)
September 25:	Welcome to Journey of Faith!

Milestone blessing for 3 year olds during worship and first day of JoF classes.

# Green Team News by Sue Waits

#### Mattress Recycling - August 6, 2022

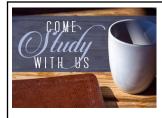
Eau Claire County is sponsoring a mattress/box spring recycling event. So if you are looking to get **rid** of that old mattress, recycle it rather than take to the landfill. The cost is \$20 for drop-off or you can pay an extra \$5.00 and have someone pick it up at your house. This is cheaper than most disposal fees and it keeps your mattress out of the landfill. Just click on the link below for more information.

Mattress Recycling: www.co.eau-claire.wi.us/mattress

#### Recycling Questions/Information...Did you know?

One huge issue with curbside recycling is plastic bags as they clog the recycling sorting machines and are a hazard to the process and the workers. ALL recycling should be loose in your blue bin. Plastic film such as ziplocs, toilet paper plastic cover, bread bags, bubble wrap and grocery bags can be dropped off at the plastic film drop-off sites at Festival Foods. But **NEVER** put your recycling in a plastic bag.





**Returning in September: Holy, Healthy and Happy OR HHH** by Alison Martin

The group is looking forward to continuing on our spiritual journey. This fall we will discuss Nate Asseng's book, <u>I Wonder: Mind-Freeing Encounters with</u>

God, and study the book of Acts.

Nate's book is very interesting as it goes topic by topic looking at various pondering that a Christian might have: God's nature, birth of Jesus, miracles of Jesus, resurrection, etc. In addition, it is fun to read, as you are able to hear Nate's voice and sense of humor. It will be a joy to discuss!

Starting September 12 and 13, one HHH group meets Monday evenings, 6:30 - 8 PM. Another one meets Tuesday mornings, 9:30 - 11 AM. We will try to meet at Church in the education room - left

as you go in the front door. We will also have a Zoom link for those who would like to join us virtually, either for risks reasons or because of distance. We will always be an inclusive group.

We hope that more people will join us, and often pray for this. People new to the group bring new thoughts and ideas. This is a welcome thing in learning and growing. If you need a ride, one of us would be more than happy to pick you up!



## DAYLILY DIG UPDATE by Greg Kauffman

Thanks to our crew of amazing volunteers, the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Daylily Dig for Malawi was a huge success. Despite the inclement weather Saturday afternoon which pretty much shut down the dig, we had our second best dig ever. We grossed \$7400, just \$600 short of our record gross of \$8000 from last year.

TV coverage by WEAU/13 and being included in the calendar of events in Volume One helped bring a number of first-time people to the dig. A Thrivent Action Grant enabled us to provide some of the food needed for the volunteers.

One of the reasons it was so successful was the fact that the gardens were in such great condition. That was made possible by volunteers this past month helping weed the gardens and move plants. Thank you to all who were able to help!

Now we begin the fun of preparing the gardens for next year's dig! We get to help Tim Fehr divide and "line out" the registered plants that everyone comes to the daylily dig to acquire. Without this work, we won't have enough good plants to give away next year!

Watch for another SignUp Genius from Grace and encourage others to sign up. The work is simple and rewarding. Greg and Tim will be working alongside of you, so you don't have to bring any gardening skills to the experience!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 4-5 PM Food Pantry Open	2	3 7 - 8:45 PM ELCA SWIM NIGHT AT FAIRFAX POOL	4 Noon-4 PM - Material Witness Quilting	5 Office closed	6 Mattress Recycling EC County
7 9 AM NO Worship at Immannuel 10 AM IMMANUEL HOSTS Praise in the Park	8 Summer Stretch 4-5 PM Food Pantry Open	9 Summer Stretch	10 Summer Stretch	11 Summer Stretch Noon-4 PM - Material Witness Quilting	12 Office closed	13
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## **Birthdays**

01 Ben Lashley 02 Keiran Tarpenning 02 Isaac Jacobson 03 Claudia Barquist 05 Molly LoRusso 06 Marvin Kaufmann 06 Joan Pospishil 06 Elizabeth Johnson 08 Steven Buchholz 10 Maddy Rosenberger 12 Vanessa Rassbach 14 Sarah Aiken-Felling 15 Peggy Schwengel 15 Marissa Neidermire 15 Cheryl Ulberg 17 Lorraine Stenzel 18 Trista Wickware 21 Dave Lehmkuhl 22 Dan Borreson 22 Becky Ihle 22 Deb Kavanagh 23 Troy Gilbertson 23 Alessa Eilts 23 Bella Reuter 24 Debby Petersen 24 Curt Carlson 24 Lauri Malnory 25 Tyler August 25 Sharon Lehman 26 Benjamin Reuter 28 Jan Lothe 30 Karen Thompson 31 Benjamin Fox 31 Sheridan Fox **31 Miles Hungerholt** 

## Anniversaries

01 Brad & Becky Carter 03 Tim & Gay Fehr 03 Bob & Becky Wilcox 04 Jim & Cheryl Ulberg 07 Justin & Roberta Liebergen 09 Frank & Katy LoRusso 11 Casper & Melissa Haas 14 Andy & Julie Benware 15 Mark & Lois Helland 16 Chris & Shauna Eilts 15 Chris & Michelle Johnson 21 David & Andrea Schaffer 23 Bill & Peggy Schwengel 23 Jim & Stephanie Fey 26 Larry & Barb Lundeen 31 Vic & Jan Lothe



#### **AUGUST WORSHIP**

at Immanuel is at 9:00 AM except Aug 7: No church service will be held at Immanuel on that Sunday.

Join your Immanuel Family at Praise in the Park! Immanuel Praise Band will lead service on Aug. 7 at 10 AM! See you at the Labyrinth in Phoenix Park!



#### FOOD MINISTRY UPDATE

by Sandy LaValley We continue to serve several families each week and are seeing an increased need for the following items:

- \$10 Kwik Trip Gas Cards (fuel only)
- Shower gels/bar of soap
- Shampoo and conditioner (both large and "travel" size)
- Deodorant
- Feminine hygiene products
- Laundry detergent
- Diapers.

We also want to thank Erika Albano for her care and service of this ministry. She recently resigned from this position as her family has moved to the Amery/Turtle Lake Area. We will miss Erika and her family and wish them well on their move to a new home and school district!



#### There are many ways you can serve:

- Read the lessons at worship
- Food pantry greeter
- Assisting minister
- Sing in the choir or play handbells
- Usher/greet on Sunday morning
- JoF teacher
- Coordinate Immanuel's involvement in God's Work Our Hands

We need you! Contact the church office if you have questions or to sign up!

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