



## SEPTEMBER 2011

Dear Members and Friends of Immanuel,

Greetings to you in the strong name of our Lord!

Do you remember where you were 10 years ago this month?

Let me step aside for a moment and say....

May the Lord, who blesses every aspect of our lives... continue to bless your life as you journey through the month of September.

For most of the citizens of the United States and throughout the world.... This September will begin with a time of reflection and a time of prayer.



For this September will be the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the tragedy of the terrorist attacks upon the World Trade Center in NYC on September 11, 2001.

Do you remember where you were when you learned the news of this tragic terrorist attack?

Most of us do! I was serving a parish in a small community in Kansas. I was so shocked by this attack that I was almost hypnotized by the scenes on the television... and kept my eyes fixed on the television all day long. I didn't even go into the church office. I was serving a large parish at the time and I had a TV in my office at church and so could have watched the events unfold from there.... But I was busy on the

telephone with family and friends, many who lived in New York City, as my family lived in the area for years, calling to question if they were okay. 9/11 was one of those tragedies that most of us can share exactly where we were when we heard the horrific news of the attack upon the World Trade Center. We remember!

And what a 10 years it has been since then. Our nation became involved in a war on terrorism; security at airports, government buildings; public events... Has changed the way in which we go attend any of these items. There are many other ways in which our lives have changed since 9/11. Yet, we remember and honor those who gave their lives on 9/11 and pray God's mercies upon their souls.

Looking back over the past 10 years.... A lot has happened in each one of our lives. Family members have come and gone on to be with the Lord, our involvement in wars overseas continues; our concern about additional attacks have remained with us; we have moved, been reassigned; relationships have begun and relationships have ended; children have been born... and children have grown up; new US President; new member's of US Congress; why Immanuel even has a different pastor than in 2001.

Do you remember? Do you remember what was truly important September 11, 2001?

For me it was God, family, and country!

And amazingly enough.... Over the past 10 years.... That has not changed. I spent vast amounts of time this past summer in prayer with God. That is because of events, which I haven't shared with the members of Immanuel. So, I will now, and ask your forgiveness for not sharing. During this past summer, there have been three congregations in various parts of our nation who have had my name on their Call list to invite me to come and pastor their congregation. After prayer, I have contacted each one of them and asked them if they would please not Call me. (That is church speak for: Don't Call, I won't go!) God and I have spent a lot of time together this past summer.

I have also been extremely blessed this past summer in that you have permitted to spend time with my siblings, their children, and grandchildren. I have just returned from the baptism of my newest great-niece in Toledo, Ohio. I have spent more time with my family this past summer... than I cannot remember when. It has been fantastic. I don't get to spend as much time as I would like with my siblings and my

nephews and nieces and their children... for as you all have tolerated in my sermons.... We are very, very, close. You have also permitted me time during the month of June to return to my Lutheran Boarding Schools class reunion. First time I have ever attended. My fantastic roommate, Norman Welte, whom I had not seen in 41 years, and I spent 5 days together. It was great! Those friends from boarding school were the love of my Youth! My heart was so filled with joy at being able to see them and spend time with them. As much as they were the love of my youth, you all (the members of Immanuel) have become the love of my "mid-life". (Ha! Who am I kidding... I just plain getting old). My family and the friends that I loved in my Youth spent a lot of time together this past summer.

I have also been blessed in that I have been able to see vast sections of our nation. I have been blessed to be able to travel to see family in Alaska, Kansas, Florida, Ohio, and Michigan. In traveling around this great nation of ours, I give thanks to God for permitting me to live in this land. But I have also come to realize that many of the states in which I have traveled..... the world in which I was raised and lived most of my life, the "Leave It To Beaver" world has changed. I grew up in a nation where on Sunday morning a good majority of the citizens of our nation were in a Christian Church on a regular basis. My travels have shown me that this too has changed. World religions, other than Christianity, have become extremely popular in the United States. We are a nation of religious liberty, which is one of the blessings of our nation. But this has also brought about concerns. I have been blessed to travel a lot through our nation this past summer. May God bless the United States of America and keep her. May the citizens of the United States remain open and follow the Christian God.

Faith, family, and country! This phrase continues to live itself forth in my life.

As a follower of Jesus Christ, my prayer for you is that you will continue with your own journey of "faith, family, and country!"

Pray for each area in your own life!

As we move into the month of September, we do so believing that God is in control! God has a plan for our world and our nation, and our very own lives.

God has given us His Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Savior, and Redeemer!

Now it is our opportunity to share that Savior with others!

As we pause during September and reflect upon 9/11 and the Tenth Anniversary of that event... May our God continue to bless our nation! May we be good Christian citizens of that nation!

I remain,  
Your pastor and friend,  
Pastor Ron

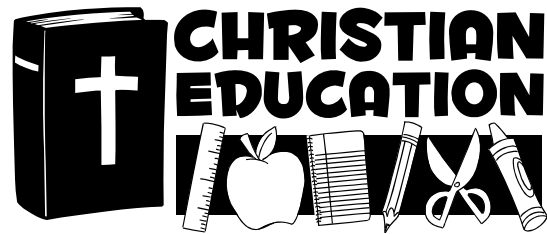
**9/11**  
**MEMORIAL**



- 9/2 Joe Anderson
- 9/2 Marilyn Anderson
- 9/2 Debra Dinkel
- 9/3 Deanna Kastens
- 9/4 Louis Hillebrand Jr.
- 9/5 Beryl Roder
- 9/7 Lova Jones
- 9/9 Doris Cook
- 9/10 Pastor Ron Gloe
- 9/11 Karin Graham
- 9/12 Bob Graham
- 9/13 Paul Roquet
- 9/15 Matthew Nelson
- 9/20 Charlie Yarbrough
- 9/24 Sherry Arriaga
- 9/27 Matthew Conroy
- 9/29 Betsy McFall
- 9/29 Murel McFall
- 9/30 Duane Briggs



- 9/5 Pete & Jenny Eliason
- 9/8 Murel & Betsy McFall
- 9/15 Donald & Emily Fairbank
- 9/15 John & Lorraine Hover
- 9/16 Eugene & Julia Hindbaugh
- 9/18 Michael & Sue Knope
- 9/25 Duane & Karen Briggs



Sunday School will start having regular classes in on September 4th.

Sunday school teachers are; April & Matt Nelson for preschool in middle room. Deb Zimmerman for kinder/1st graders in 1st room next to kitchen. Laura Snyder for 2nd/3rd/4th graders in cry room. Pat Weller catechism for 5th/6th/7th/ 8th in tech room. Rebecca and Sam for high school in Pastor's former office. Classes will begin next Sunday.

Board of Education thanks all who stepped up to teach this year. We are still looking for subs. If you feel you could do this please contact a member of the board.

Kaare Hagen is a native of Norway and served as pastor to Norway's largest Lutheran Church in Oslo. However, because he disagreed with the government of Norway, he resigned. In Norway, all pastors work for the govt, have ranks like GS-13 and cannot preach against what the govt supports e.g. abortion, etc. He then moved to the USA where he became half owner of an Alaska fishing boat braving the dangerous waters of the Bering Sea as depicted on TV in "The Deadliest Catch". After the salmon & crab season, he would take half of his money & head for Mexico where he was a self-supporting missionary to the poor. That is where he first met pastor Behnke in 1984 visiting him at his luxurious villa in Mexico City. Rev. Hagen continues to serve the poor in Mexico at his own expense, always making Immanuel his last stop before crossing the border. He will be with us again on Sept 11th and will address the Adult Bible Class that day.

**Catechism Class:**

Catechism Class will begin again on September 4th. We will follow the Sunday School schedule once more and meet during the Sunday School hour on Sunday mornings. If you have a 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade student you would like to enroll in the class, please call Pat Weller, 803-9928 or email [papw99@msn.com](mailto:papw99@msn.com).



**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:**

Continues at 10:00 AM,



The **Women's Thursday Bible Study:** All women of the church are invited to join us at 10:00 AM at church every Thursday.

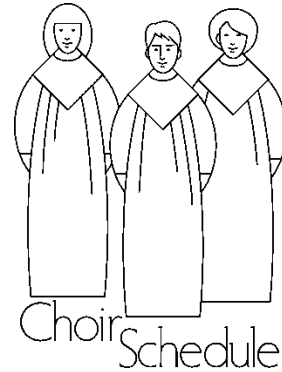


**MEN'S GROUP**

The **Men's Bible Study** meets at 6AM each **Thursday**. All men of the church are welcome. The men are meeting at the Landmark Café.

**LifeLight Bible Study** The Bible – An Overview from Genesis to Revelation in nine weeks! How? God gave us the Bible to be read and used. In it, God tells us who He is, who we are, and how we are saved. The Holy Spirit leads us to believe God's Word, understand its message and apply it to our lives. Join us on Thursdays for an overview of the Bible beginning Thursday, September 15 at 6:30 P.M. For more information contact Carol Bailey, 459-3703.

**Board of Elders' Bible Study** The group meets at 6 AM on Fridays at church.



**CHOIR**

*Blessed are those who dwell in Your house,  
Ever singing Your praise.  
Psalm 84:4*

Sing Joyfully! Sing Gratefully! Sing Prayerfully!

God has blessed us with words, music, voices and instruments. Join the choir as we tune our hearts to sing praise to Him. Choir rehearses on Saturday mornings at 9:30 AM for one hour beginning September 10, 2011. Come join us. Questions? See Carol Bailey or call her at 459-3703.



## ELDER CARE GROUPS for 2011:

To locate your elder take the first letter of your last name and match it below. If you have any needs or any concerns, please feel free to contact your elder. The Elder care groups are as follows:

- A – B -- Jim Callahan (378-2798) (Vice Chairman)  
C – E – Jim Brt (452-1188) (Chairman)  
F – H – David Loeffelman (803-7560) (Secretary)  
I – L -- Rob Yancey (458-3166)  
M – O – Rob Miley (459-1357)  
P – R -- Andy Salazar (458-1892)  
S – V -- Steve Dinkel (458-5704)  
W – Z – Tom Wiederstein (452-0812)

**THERE WILL NO LONGER BE OPEN SANCTUARY** on Wednesdays,



**Summaries of Meeting Minutes:** Detailed reports are in white binder on kitchen counter

- 09/13 Board of Evangelism Meeting  
09/13 Elders Meeting, 6PM  
09/13 Council Meeting, 7PM

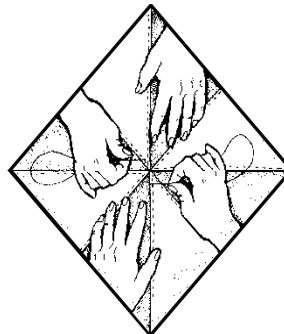
Birthday Club



### Next Meeting will be.

The Birthday Club will meet September 3rd at 1:00 PM, at the Mountain Vista Apts., Club House, 4400 E. Busby. All women of Immanuel are invited. There is a \$1.00 fee. We begin with refreshments and celebrating birthdays of the month, followed by a game of Bunco. If you need more information, contact Laverne Campbell, 458-1997.

**The Lutheran Hour:** Immanuel supports the Lutheran Hour. Listen to it at 5:30 PM Sundays on 90.9FM, on your radio.



## ***New Time for Crafty Ladies!***

The Crafty Ladies will meet **September 28,** at the home of Anne Kolberg at **9:30 a.m. a half hour earlier!** Sue Roquet will be bringing Lunch.



Contact for starting the “**Email Prayer Chain**” is Pat Weller at [papw99@msn.com](mailto:papw99@msn.com), or 803-9928.



Please keep in prayer, those members of the congregation who are ill, shut-in, undergoing continuing medical treatment, and recovering from surgeries.

## **THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM SPONSORS**

**A "TAPE MINISTRY"**... that is, they tape each Sunday's worship service. Traveling? Sick? Working on Sundays? If you missed a Worship Service, you may pick up a recording and listen to it at your leisure. Please see one of the Board members.



Our new year will begin on September 20th with our 1st meeting at the church from 7 to 8 pm. (meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month) We will discuss our projects and activates for the year. Please come with your ideas. Even though we are Lutherans, we DO LOVE new ideas.

We will also be making sure everything is ready for LWML Sunday, which is Oct 2nd.

This year our officers are:

**Susan Miller - President**  
**Anne Kolberg - Vice president**  
**Julia Hindbaugh - Secretary**  
**Janice Benavides - Treasurer**

We wish to thank all who help support our mites each month. We invite ALL ladies of the congregation to join us.

**POSTAGE STAMPS:** The LWML continues to collect postage stamps we will again take common stamps. Please do not trim your stamps too closely as the collectors want to be able to handle the stamps without touching the actual stamp.

**Used printer cartridges:** Jim Peters has volunteered to take used printer cartridges (HP, Brother, Canon, Dell, Epson, Kodak, and Lexmark cartridges) to Staples. The money will be used to help pay for some of the coffee we use. So bring your used cartridges to church, a collection box will be in the kitchen.

Remember to **recycle** your **aluminum cans**: We have a designated drop-off spot in the parking lot for your recyclable cans. A big thank you goes to Linda and Arnold Miller who faithfully handle this effort.

**Please be sure and mark your calendars!**

*Dr. Paul Maier Seminar*  
*Saturday, January 14, 2012*

**Reservations will be accepted beginning in late November.**



**Remembering 9/11**



## **Time to Get Ready**

# **For the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Good News Jail and Prison Ministry Golf Classic**

**Saturday, September 10, 2011**

**Turquoise Valley Golf Course**

**A fundraiser to keep Chaplain Doug  
Packer in Jail, where he belongs!!!!**

**Great Prizes for:**

**Best Team, Long Drive, Closest to  
Pin, Long Putt, Holes-In-One**

**Win a 2011 Toyota Pickup!**

**TEE Off at 7:30 AM**

**\$75.00 per Golfer or \$80 the day of  
the event.**

**GOLF CART  
RANGE BALLS  
FREE REFRESHMENTS  
SNACKS ON COURSE**

**Mexican Buffet**

**For more information or to sign up  
contact Rob Yancey (520) 458-3166**

**[yanceyv@cox.net](mailto:yanceyv@cox.net)**



## September 2011 Immanuel Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> 6AM Men's Bible Study  10AM Women's Bible Study  NO LifeLight	<b>2</b> 6:00AM Elder's Meeting  Office Closed	<b>3</b> NO Choir Practice
<b>4 9:30 AM</b> <b>Worship</b>  10:45 Sunday School /Adult Bible Class	<b>5</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>6</b> Bible Study @ 10AM	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 6AM Men's Bible Study  10AM Women's Bible Study  NO LifeLight	<b>9</b> 6:00 AM Elder's Meeting  Office Closed	<b>10</b> 9:30 AM Choir Practice
<b>11 9:30 AM</b> <b>Worship</b>  10:45 Sunday School /Adult Bible Class	<b>12</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>13</b> Bible Study @ 10AM  <b>1PM Board Evangelism Meeting</b>  6PM Elders 7PM Council	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 6AM Men's Bible Study  10AM Women's Bible Study  6:30 PM LifeLight	<b>16</b> 6:00 AM Elder's Meeting  Office Closed	<b>17</b> 9:30 AM Choir Practice
<b>18 9:30 AM</b> <b>Worship</b>  10:45 Sunday School /Adult Bible Class	<b>19</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>20</b> Bible Study @ 10AM  LWML Meeting @ 7PM	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 6AM Men's Bible Study  10AM Women's Bible Study  6:30 PM LifeLight	<b>23</b> 6:00AM Elder's Meeting  Office Closed	<b>24</b> 9:30 AM Choir Practice
<b>25 9:30 AM</b> <b>Worship</b> 10:45 Adult Bible Class  LWML Mites  Good Neighbor Alliance Food Collection	<b>26</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>27</b> Bible Study @ 10AM	<b>28</b> <b>Crafty Ladies @ New Time 9:30AM</b>	<b>29</b> 6AM Men's Bible Study  10AM Women's Bible Study  6:30 PM LifeLight	<b>30</b> 6:00AM Elder's Meeting  Office Closed	



**September**  
**9:30 AM Worship Service**  
**10:45 Education Hour**

**Lay Readers for September**

09/04 Jim Callahan  
 09/11 Lawrence Boutte  
 09/18 Chuck Potucek  
 09/25 Jean Manney

Ushers for September  
**Bob Gilbert & Ron Witt**

Elders for September  
**Rob Miley & Rob Yancey**

Greeters for September  
**Carol Ney & Valerie Schukei**

**ALTAR FLOWERS FOR THIS MONTH:**

09/04 Harney Family (Tanze's B'Day)  
 09/11 Don & Emily Fairbank (Anniversary)  
 09/18 Gene & Julia Hindbaugh ( Anniversary)  
 09/25 Open

# ACOLYTES



**Acolytes for September**

09/04	Bethany Nelson
09/11	Shawn Boutte
09/18	Tanner Gaxiola
09/25	Michael Dinkel

**ALTAR GUILD**

09/04	Maureen Potucek
09/11	Maureen Potucek
09/18	Janice Salazar
09/25	Janice Salazar

**Members:**

Anne Kolberg – Chairman, Janice Benavides, Arletta Bennett, Emily Fairbank, Cathy Gilbert, Karin Graham, Julia Hindbaugh, Lova Jones, Ann Peters, Maureen Potucek, Janice Salazar, Victoria Yarbrough

We thank Anne Kolberg and all of the women of the Altar Guild for their service.

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