

Note from Pastor Heidle

September 2018



"Stay with Us"

"I'll see you ... in September; I'll see you ... when the summer's through!" As summer comes to its end, we say good-bye to the long, sunny days of growing crops

and fun activities; and think about the approaching throes of winter and ... death! But September is not the bleakest of days; and though death be approaching, it is not here yet! In this transitional time of apprehension, it is good to have a helper, a companion, a guide to walk with us!

So, as we examine yet another of the new hymns in our Lutheran Service Book, we find another quaint and flowing melody with poignant words that seem to bespeak our very existence!! The text of the hymn is written by Herbert Brokering, master poet and hymn-writer. Take a moment to read and ponder the lyrical text... ...

No matter what the day may bring it is always a good time to sing praise to God; for God is sure to bless! "Bless our bread," we pray; and do, please, continue to pray your table prayers regularly. Then, don't you just love the turn of phrase: "Open our eyes: Jesus be our great surprise." It's here that we put together that this hymn is based on the Luke 24 account of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, who (not recognizing the risen Jesus) begged Him to stay

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with them for politeness sake to share a meal; and then were surprised as Jesus was revealed to them in the breaking



of the bread!! Isn't that what we all yearn for? — to have Jesus come in the flesh to us and to stay as the One to give us blessings!!

The second stanza occurred just earlier ... on the walk *to* Emmaus. The disciples were forlorn and sad because they thought Jesus was dead and gone; but Jesus is <u>right there</u> walking with them. We sing that He be by our side and walk with us whenever we go through the valley of the shadow of death!

But the burdens we bear in this life we will not bear forever! Come, Lord Jesus, *wipe our tears, forgive our fears: Jesus, lift the heavy cross.* The cross or burdens we bear, Jesus went to the actual cross to take our burdens and our sin upon Himself. He took your sin! You no longer have it; He took it! We are always *Easter people* too; and Jesus, our risen Savior, took our burden to His cross!

That Good News is not just a theory! It changes our lives! The Lord, who was surprisingly revealed to the disciples, will unfold a whole new life for us! *Heal our eyes To see the prize: Jesus, take us to the light.*" Indeed, He walks with us and guides us to heaven!

Stay with us, till day is done; —till the transition is complete and the end has come. No tears nor dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart. Your grace impart: Jesus, bring eternal life. This is our joyous life of faith! We worship (sing our praise) to Him regularly; for it is here that He gives us His grace upon grace. Though we bear burdens of sin, grief, and shame; He dries our tears; He cleanses us from all sin; and He gives us the sure and certain hope of everlasting life in heaven! THIS is definitely a significant and sweet hymn to sing and ponder, not just at September sunsets, but in every transition of our journey of life! **Pastor Michael K. Heidle**

I believe, therefore I speak... 2 Cor.4:13

SPECIAL DATES IN SEPTEMBER:

- Labor Day, Sept. 3
- Rummage & Bake Sale, Sept. 8
- Patriot Day, Sept. 11
- LWML Cupcake Sunday, Sept. 16
- First Day of Autumn, Sept. 22
- Rally Day, Sept. 23
- Walk for Life, Sept. 29
- DLS Sunday, Sept. 30

HELP US CARE FOR YOU: *Your well-being is important to us and we want to pray for you!* When you or a family member is hospitalized, we want to serve you with prayers and visits. Unfortunately, we are no longer notified by the hospital; please call the church office when you have any medical/surgical procedure or in any time of spiritual need at 217-442-5675. You can also call Pastor Heidle's cell phone: 217-516-0085.

Prayer requests: we are certainly pleased to pray for your (non-member) family and friends alongside our Immanuel members. Please keep us informed of their needs.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for October through December are available in the Narthex. *Portals of Prayer* is great for personal devotions; with each devotion featuring a Bible reading, meditation, and prayer in an east-to-read format. Take one for you and a friend! We extend a big *THANK YOU* to our Women's Bible Study for continuing to support the Portals of Prayer!

MARRIAGE RETREAT: Spend time with the one you love at the next Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend in Peoria Oct. 12-14. Apply now at godlovesmarriage.org or contact Norm & Deb Lopez by email peorialmereg@gmail.com or by phone at 309-444-8762. Registration deadline is Sept. 13.

PHONE DIRECTORY: We are publishing our new 2018-2019 Directory of Members and Friends soon. There have been a lot of changes since the last publication, so please be sure to take a new copy. We ask that you use it only for church communications, do not distribute it or use it for any solicitation purposes. We do encourage you to pray through the directory – pray for a page of families or one family per day!

INTERNET MASTERS is offering a Windows 10 class on **Sept. 14** from 9 am – noon in the computer lab at Trinity. The cost is \$25. The class fee is non-refundable and helps support DLS and computers for education. To register, or for more information, see the flyer posted on the bulletin board, call Larry Pasquale at 497-1205, email *internetmastersdanville@gmail.com*.

THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will begin a new series on the Book of Acts. We start up on **Sept. 11** at 9:30 am in the multipurpose room. If you would like to be a part of this study group and did not order a book in May, you can still come! We will share with you until we can order you a book. All ladies of Immanuel are welcome. See you there!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Join us weekly to read and study God's Word! Men's Bible Study meets in the lounge at 9:30 am on Thursdays, starting **Sept. 13**!

LUTHERAN EARLY RESPONSE TEAM: A LERT Training is scheduled for **Sept. 22** at St. John's Lutheran Church in Champaign from 8 - 2:30 pm. Learn the fundamental guidelines and procedures of disaster response and how to spread the mercy, compassion, proclamation and presence of Christ in the midst of chaos. The registration fee of \$35.00 includes your disaster response training manual, disaster response vest, certificate of completion, ID badge, breakfast, and lunch. Registration forms are available in the church office and there is a flyer posted on the bulletin board with more information.

YOU'RE INVITED to Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milford for their *Our Seasons Vintage Bazaar* on **Sept. 29** from 8 am – 12:30 pm. Come enjoy fresh bakes cinnamon roll and coffee in Mom's Kitchen, and shop their booths. You'll find valued antiques, fresh baked and canned goods, vintage jewelry, holiday décor, quilts, afghans, handmade one of a kind gifts, wood carvings by Darrell "Pod" Janssen, and wood crafted items by Jerry Whaley.

RUMMAGE SALE: OUR FALL RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE is approaching fast – Sept. 8 from 8 am to 12 pm. It's time for you to clean out your closets, declutter your home, and help Immanuel! You can bring in your donations anytime and put them in our gym. Please consider helping us out the week before the sale; we can really use your help sorting (any time Tuesday through Friday) and setting up the sale. Also, begin thinking about making some delicious goodies for the Bake Sale. Tell all vour friends to shop our sale! Thanks for your support!

Don't worry. God is never blind to your tears, never deaf to your prayers, and never silent to your pain. He sees, He hears, and He will deliver you.

FALL **BIBLE SALE!!** Our church's publisher (Concordia Publishing House: CPH) offers discount prices on their array of Bibles each fall. There are Children's Bibles, and Youth Bibles, NIV and ESV Bibles, including the helpful and inspiring The Lutheran Study Bible. New Bibles offered from CPH this year are The Enduring Word Bible which is a creative Bible with illustrations in the margins for you to add color and meditate on; and a new version of the Faith Alive Bible called **The Growing in Faith Bible**





which is great for children ages 6 - 9 that contains colorful artwork to help them as they grow in their relationship with their Savior. Now is a great time to get a new Bible for you, your children, grandchildren, or gift-giving! Stop by our display table in the hallway and get the Bible that's right for you in the Fall Bible Sale with discount prices!!

PARISH EDUCATION NEWS:

- *Nursery News:* We are thinking about starting up the nursery to make it available for our families during the sermon. If you would be interested in your child attending, or as a volunteer to watch the children one Sunday a month, please sign up at the Usher's desk.
- *Coffee to Go:* The Wednesday morning coffee serving began with the starting of the new school year. Donations of bread are always appreciated! Contact Diana or Annie if you are interested.
- Rally Day: You are invited to Rally Day lunch and activities in the gym following our Rally Day Worship Service on Sept. 23. Parish Ed will provide a lunch of grilled hot dogs and brats, as well as side dishes and Custard Cup ice cream. You may bring a dish to share, but it is optional. Following lunch, there will be activities for adults and children. The event will conclude by 1 pm. Please join us for Rally Day fun and fellowship!

BABY BOTTLE BLITZ: Help us support the **Women's Care Clinic**! Take a baby bottle (on the hall table), fill it with change, return it, save a life, and repeat! Our next collection is **Sept. 30**. Let's help the Women's Care Clinic reach their goal of 2,018 in 2018! *Thanks*!

CAPITAL FUND DRIVE COMMITTEE:

Our current project is the replacement of the school windows. Praise God and thank you for your donations !! All the windows on the east side of the building are scheduled to be replaced. There is a cost breakdown for the windows along with drawings of each type of window on the Capital Fund bulletin board. The windows will look like the windows at Danville High School *except* they will not have black glass and ours will open along the bottom for ventilation and emergency egress. This will also help lower our heating and air conditioning bills since they are energy efficient. Up next are the windows on the west side. You can sponsor a window by raising the money for it; talk to Jo Van Hoveln or Wayne Mann. Prior generations worked and sacrificed to build the school and church building, and it is up to us to preserve and improve our church home just as we would our own household's.

The windows were not completed over the summer as we had hoped due to the contractor's scheduling conflicts and weather delays. They are hoping to get one or two classroom windows done this fall (weather permitting).

Our Phase 2 pledge drive (a two-year program) started in June, 2017, and it's not too late to pledge/donate to the Capital Fund Drive. All donations from small to large are equally appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Van Hoveln.

Our next meeting is **Sept. 10** at 6 pm. Members of the congregation are welcome to join us for this meeting.

GIFT (SCRIP) CARDS: September Scrip orders are due to the church office by 1:30 pm on Sept. 10 and available for pick up on Sept. 16. Order blanks are on the information table. Scrip is a great way to raise money for the everyday expenses of our church home. Each vendor gives us a percentage of the face value of the card which is our *profit*, which varies anywhere from 1.5% to 14%. Right now, this provides an extra \$700 to \$1,000 income a year for the church, and it could be much more if more people purchased scrip cards. They are simpler than carrying cash (there's no fumbling trying to put change back in your wallet) and they are good anywhere in the USA. Orders are not limited to the vendors listed on the order blank; you find a complete vendor list on the hall bulletin board or at www.shopwithscrip.com. If your vendor is available write the name of the vendor, denomination of the gift card, number of cards wanted, and total amount on a blank line of the order form. We also have some scrip cards available on Sundays and in the church office during the week: most of the local fast food/chain restaurants (with varying rates of profit to the church), plus Meijer, Wal-Mart, and Big R are available. Stop by anytime you plan to go to any of those stores and help Immanuel!!

STEAK FRY: Our Steak Fry will be **Oct. 6** from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. This is an earlier time than before to

allow people to enjoy the food and still attend other functions that evening. The next planning meeting is **Sept. 20** right after the Capital Fund Committee meeting at 6:45 pm. This is another fundraiser for the Capital Fund Drive to help fund the classroom window replacement project.



7TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY HOG ROAST has been tentative set for July 27, 2019. *Save the date!*

A MESSAGE FROM WAYNE MANN: As your Director of Properties I would like to thank everyone (see below) who was able to help at the Danville Dan's concession stand this summer. With your help we were able to earn a total of \$2,645! This money will be used to replace two parking lots lights that are broken and the balance will go towards the windows. Thank you to Diana Pratt, Ken Kuhn, Jim and Pat Konvalinka, Don and Sue DeMoss, Jan Mann, Mary Powell, Pastor and Sue Heidle, Kim and RJ Davis, Larry and Cindy Pasquale, Gary and Pam West, Ray Wittmann, Scott and Eileen Huckstadt!

A MESSAGE FROM THE FOOD FOR THE CHILDREN PROGRAM: The Board of Directors is grateful for your donations and very dedicated volunteers during the 2017-2018 academic year. Donations this year helped us provide 11,820 food bags. We thank our Lord for your help in providing food for hungry students! Social workers have shared with us the appreciation they have received from parents and students. In addition to monetary donations, we appreciate the food donations we received from students and individuals from your congregation and Danville Lutheran School. We are getting ready to begin the 2018-2019 school year. This will be our 8th year providing food for children at risk for hunger. We will include Garfield Elementary School this year bringing our total to 9 schools and a total of about 400 students each Friday. We will begin packing in the hub at Life Church on Sept. 7 at 8:30 am. We continue to value the support of all the volunteers who helped us in the past and anyone who would like to volunteer, or just observe, we welcome you. Our volunteers make new friends, share in lots of laughter and enjoy coffee and homemade cookies. We hope you will join us! Donations needed include tomato and chicken noodle soup cans (10.5 oz.). pork and beans (15 oz.), spaghetti and meatballs can (15 oz.), mac n cheese cups (4 pack), fruit cups (4 pack), and individual sized cereal boxes, and oatmeal packets. Questions? You may call Rose Gates at 446-6805. **WOMEN'S GUILD:** Women's Guild resumes after a summer break on **Sept. 11** at 6:30 pm in the multipurpose room. We will talk about the upcoming year, catch up on summer happenings, and of course enjoy some refreshments! *All women of Immanuel are encouraged to attend and become involved with LWML!*

The *Danville Zone Fall Rally* is **Sept. 18** at St Paul's Church and School in Woodworth, IL. Check out the details for this interesting and informative morning on the bulletin board. Carpooling will be available.

For our *September ingathering*, will are collecting Christian materials for Love Packages to take to the fall rally. Items to bring include: new or used Bibles, hard or paperback Christian books, Christian DVD's, and daily devotionals. Place these items in the tote as you enter the canopy doors.

The Danville Zone, which includes 12 societies, has an *annual project* to support a need in the area, and

each society is asked to funds. This years support Food f Danville. Our *"Cupcake Sum* our portion of some tasty treats

each society is asked to have an event to raise funds. This year's zone project will

support Food for the Children, based in Danville. Our society is sponsoring a *"Cupcake Sunday"* on Sept. 16 to raise our portion of support. Homemade cupcakes will be available after church at \$1 each or 6/\$5. Please plan to pick up some tasty treats! *Thank you to the ladies*

who will be preparing these yummy goodies!

FISH FRY: The Men's club will kick off another year with their Annual Fish Fry on **Sept. 10** at 5 pm. All men of Immanuel and Trinity are invited to Scott Huckstadt's home, located at 25321 Indian Springs Road in Danville for a night of good food and fellowship! If you have any questions or need directions, call Scott at 304-5378. *See you there!*

CAMP CILCA: Support Camp CILCA at their *Chicken Fry and Auction* on **Sept. 2**. The day will begin with worship at 10:30 am, with



dinner served from 11:30 – 2:30 pm. The live auction starts at 1 pm. You can camp all weekend to enjoy swimming, boating, games, campfire devotions, and good friends! The *Whippoorwill Golf Outing* is at new location this year, Hickory Point in Forsyth on **Sept. 28**. Contact Rev. Daniel Smith at *pastordan@grics.net* or 466-1215 for details. New this year is a *Jr & Sr High Catechetical Retreat* on **Oct. 5-6** for students in their most formative years. And save the date for the *Camp CILCA Homecoming* on **Oct. 27**. That fun day will feature a 5K run, crafts, games, music, food, and campfire devotions. Please call 217-487-7497 or email *camp@cilca.org* for more information on these events.

NOTES FROM OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The regular Immanuel Lutheran Church Board of Directors meeting was held on Aug. 21. Major items of discussion were:

- Principal report reviewed. Enrollment currently stands at 84.
- Immanuel Two's program kicked off to great success. Currently full with 8 children on most days. Some interested parents are already on a wait list.
- Discussion for enabling long term legacy giving by creating an endowment through Lutheran Legacy Foundation.
- Reviewed information on church staff health insurance options. Special BOD meeting will be held Aug. 26 to vote on selection. Julie Buesing will consult with Kim Davis on getting more information.
- A new information board, the leadership wall, will be created. It will have information about current Church Staff, Board of Directors, DLS representatives and DLS staff.
- We will pursue a new pictorial directory to coincide with the 125th anniversary of the establishment of the congregation. Planning activities for this will begin in mid to late 2019.
- The lightning strike insurance claim has been processed. A replacement color copier will be purchased with some of the funds received. Continuing to investigate other actions required to mitigate another lightning strike outage.

HOG ROAST RESULTS: We sold just under 400 tickets and our profit is over \$9,000 due to some lastminute donations! Again, thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make this another successful event, and thank you to everyone who came to eat and enjoy the fellowship of the evening! We would also like to thank the many businesses that made donations to our Silent Auction: Danville Paper and Supply, Berry's Garden Center, Fagen's Auto Parts, Culvers, Custard Cup, Stoney's Restaurant, The Beef House, Lowe's, Shick's Office Supply, McDonald's, Big R, Burger King, Walmart, and Meijer. Thank you to all who went around to businesses and asked for donations, and to all who donated items/baskets!



MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD!



With summer drawing to a close, our Choir and Handbells will begin practices on Wednesday, **Sept. 5**. Choir meets at 6:15 pm; Handbells at 7 pm. Everyone is invited to join us as we sing and ring praises to our Lord! You don't

have to read music, just love singing or want to try out playing handbells. In addition, if you are interested in singing or playing a solo or being part of a small group sometime, contact Tom Fricke at 474-2457.

IMMANUEL TWOS is off to a GREAT start! We



have hired Mrs. Chelsea Pratt as the teacher and Mrs. Amanda Beauvois as an aid and we look forward to an exciting first year. There are currently 10 children enrolled in the program. If you have any questions, or are interested in volunteering with the

Twos program, talk to Diana Pratt, Sue Heidle, or call the church office at 442-5675.



WALK FOR LIFE: The Women's Care Clinic's 2018 Walk for life is Sept. 29 at Lincoln Park in Danville! Register to walk, ask everyone you know to sponsor you (you'll be amazed at how many will say yes!), have your sponsors fill out their information on the pledge sheet, then turn it in on the day of the walk. You don't even have to collect any money, we'll handle the billing! Your support provides accurate information and compassionate support to over 450 men and women every year. Their always free, lifeaffirming services offer alternatives to abortion and include pregnancy testing, a 24 hour helpline, confidential counseling, ultrasounds, medical referrals, and clothing, food, and baby furniture for their little miracles. Questions? Call 431-0987. Become a walker. become a hero!!



Answer: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised Matthew 11:5, NIV

Danville Lutheran School News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Sept. 3 No School for Labor Day
- Sept. 12 Grandparent's Day
- Sept. 21 Midterm
- Sept. 21 -Decatur Festival Cross Country Meet
- Sept. 29 St. Joseph Cross Country Meet

WELCOME BACK! DLS is back to school! The first few weeks of school are going great! Students are getting back into the routine of school and they are enjoying their classes, learning, and friends! Thank you to all who donated items to the classrooms. Your donations are a BIG help and we appreciate you!

COACHES NEEDED: Coaching is a wonderful way to touch the lives of young students and to connect with them in a positive way. We are searching for individuals who are interested in coaching volleyball, cross country, and assistant coach in basketball. The cross country season goes from the third week of August to the first week of October. Volleyball starts the first week of January and ends the first week of March. Basketball season starts in mid-October and ends the last week of February. The JV (grades 4-6) basketball season ends the last week of January. Practices are scheduled to accommodate the coaches involved. Please contact Dan Yagow at *danyagow.dls@comcast.net*.

CONNECT TO DLS: Remember to check out the Connect to DLS Bulletin Board once in a while! You will find recent pictures of your mission in action, Weekly Notes from the Principal's Desk, Around the Classroom articles, and more!



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Here are some pictures from our first













Danville Lutheran School



MUSIC NOTES

Mrs. Tara Wells

We are off to a great start in music this year. 7th/8th grade are studying various styles of music, such as jazz, blues, rock, & hip-hop. The upper elementary classes are reviewing the lines and spaces of the staff and are learning to read using solfege syllables. We are playing a fun game both choirs called "Forbidden Pattern", where they are not allowed to sing a certain solfege pattern, but have to remember what it is while echoing other patterns. K-2 are learning or reviewing high notes and low notes using their voices and xylophones.

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Preschool

Mrs. Connie Marxman-Preschool 3/4

Yet another great group of children have been gifted to me this year. We are enjoying our additional space at the Trinity's campus where we get to roam, discover, learn and grow. We are beginning to understand our daily routine and learn our new friends names. We have met many people who are in different places on campus serving and sharing their love for Jesus with us. In the near future, the 'big' kids, 3rd – 8th graders, will be sharing some time with us. Each month, they will read to us, play alongside us, or help us with a project.

Mrs. Tabby Hammer-Preschool 3/4

The 2018-2019 school year is off to a great start. The children are getting to know one another and the routine of the classroom. We will begin September learning or reviewing shapes and colors. We will include them in circle time games, art time, and maybe even in a scavenger hunt. We will end the month learning about apples and making applesauce. In Jesus time, we will talk about God's creation and the fall into sin. Thanks to everyone that donated an item for our classroom.

Mrs. Sue Heidle-PreKindergarten

It is great to be back in the classroom. The Pre-K class has had a great start to the school year. We are reviewing our colors with a "Color of the Day." We will then review shapes and then start our Letter of the Week. In September we will learn what sunflowers and apples need to grow. We will have a Johnny Appleseed Party. In Jesus Time we learned how Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. We will talk about God's beautiful Creation and the First Sin. But as our Theme for the school year says, Jesus is Real, Jesus is Present, Jesus is God! Jesus rescues us from our sin. Until next month, blessings to you all.



SPECIAL SOCIAL STUDIES/HISTORY EDITION

Mrs. Penny Tibben-Grades 3/4

Third and fourth graders are practicing organized routines to follow as they get used to being together in the same room for the new school year. Third graders are studying the reasons people live in communities while the fourth graders are venturing out into the geography of the United States. Fourth graders will also be choosing their favorite state for a year-long state project. Third graders will gather information on the state of Illinois for their project. Both grades will be using chromebooks to locate information and practice technology skills. We continue to read Laura Ingalls Wilder books throughout the year to gain an appreciation for those 'good ole days!'

Mr. Dan Yagow-Grades 5/6

We are off to a great start in 2018–19. With our emphasis on social studies this month, we began with the skills of identifying an absolute location using latitude and longitude. Among other locations on earth, we have come to learn that Danville is located at 40 degrees north and 88 degrees west offering this location a seasonal climate with a balance of summer, fall, winter, and spring. Also, we are studying climate types and the factors that determine a climate such as latitude, altitude, and proximity to an ocean. In addition, we are reviewing the physical landscape of the United States and the various landforms and water bodies.

Mrs. Cathy Huff-Junior High

Welcome back to school! History lessons are well underway in the middle school. Sixth graders are learning to use a digital textbook for world history. So much of what we learn in ancient history is also found in the Bible. Our textbook even has the story of Ruth and Naomi. Seventh and eighth graders also use a digital textbook as they study American history. This year we are beginning with the late 1800's and the importance of the railroad. We look forward to learning how industry changed America and how America became a world power. We have an amazing history for a country so young. As we study history, we learn how God has provided for us in the past and promised to continue to be with us throughout all of history.



KINDERGARTEN

Mrs. Marah Showers

We had eight eager and excited students stroll through the doors of kindergarten on the first day! It's been a fantastic start to the year, and they are motivated to learn everything kindergarten requires of them. Our first unit in social studies will focus on what it takes to be a good citizen. We begin by learning the importance of following rules and working together. We then focus on taking responsibility and solving problems. At the end of the month, we are thrilled to embark on our first field trip with the 1st and 2nd grade classes to the apple orchard!

GRADE 1

Mrs. Sara Fauser

The first graders are off to an amazing start! All this month we will be learning all about our community. Our focus starts with the families that God gave us to help us learn and grow. Next, we focus on our school community and school helpers. We finish our unit with community helpers. God has given us so many people to help us. It is important for us to learn who we can turn to in our times of need. This unit teaches us to observe our community and find ways to serve our community. We will also learn about Johnny Appleseed and how he served God and others. We will finish this unit with a trip to Curtis Apple Orchard.

GRADE 2

Mrs. Katie Rouse During the month of September, our Social Studies unit will focus on "Living in a Community." Throughout the unit, we will learn what it means to be a citizen in a community. The students will focus on different community roles, the citizens' responsibilities, lives together in a community. We will also learn a variety of skills throughout the unit (finding the main idea), citizenship skills (working together), map and globe skills (read a map key), and chart and graph skills (use a calendar).



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September 2 (Ephesians 6:10-20) "Stand Against the Devils"

By Rev. Dr. Walter A. Maier III, Concordia Theological Seminary~Fort Wayne, IN

As believers, we are daily engaged in spiritual warfare against Satan and his fellow demons. The good news is that we can stand firm against these fierce and powerful enemies. The Apostle Paul tells us how and why.

September 9 (Mark 7:31-37)

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"Perfect Healing"

By Rev. Paul E. Shoemaker, Emanuel Lutheran Church~New Haven, IN

When someone is ill, we pray for healing. The Good News that comes from God is that He may grant physical healing, but He always grants us perfect healing through Jesus.

September 16 (Mark 9:24)

"Help My Unbelief"

By Rev. Dr. Daniel J. Brege, St. Paul Lutheran Church~Decatur, IN

We as Christians believe in Jesus. This belief involves both knowledge and trust. We turn to God in the face of trouble; however, at times our faith is eroded, attacked or challenged by the cares, problems, and philosophies of this world. We pray with the man in our text, "I believe, help my unbelief." Through His Word and Sacrament, our Lord indeed sends us the Spirit, so our faith is strengthened and we rest and hope in the Savior.

September 23 (Mark 9:30-37) "Let God Be God!"

By Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer, Holy Cross Lutheran Church~Fort Wayne, IN

"Why doesn't God do ____?" "Why would God allow ____ to happen?" Seeking a "new-and-improved-god" is an activity as old as time. Look and listen to Jesus to discover the true God . . . and true greatness! Let God be God!

September 30 (Mark 9:38-50) "Belonging to Christ"

By Rev. James L. Elsner, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church~Stroh, IN

Complain! Complain! Does that describe someone in your life? Does it describe YOU? Those who belong to Christ, though, have a different sense of faith and life. What's that look like?

Serving in...

Elders

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- 23 Don Dewloss
- 30 David Ammermann

Communion Assistants

Sept. 2 John Albers, Wayne Mann

- 16 Scott Burgess, Al Julian
 - 30 Roger Dahlenburg, Bruce Huff

Ushers

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Team "C"

Capt. Bob Wakeley, Paul Pasquale, Kurt Thornsbrough, Carl Young

Lay Readers

2	Jerry Young
9	John and Terri Albers
16	David and Tina Ammermann
23	TBA
30	Greg and Jennette Lane

Greeters

Sept. 2	Narthex	John & Marcy Heeren
	Chapel	Kitty Lee
9	Narthex	Charles Vollmer family
	Chapel	Charlotte Schendel
16	Narthex	Bill & Joyce Martin
	Chapel	Marlon & Marian Heideman
23	Narthex	Gary & Sarah Stuhr
	Chapel	Carol Johnston
30	Narthex	Deneen Schendel Family
	Chapel	Dianne Seibert, Roger Seibert

Acolytes

- Sept. 2 Shamiah Cope
 - 9 Quentin Alblinger
 - 16 Josey Clem
 - 23 TBÁ
 - 30 Aidin Stuhr

Altar Guild

Sept. Juanita Rottmann Mary Powell

Money Counters





On September 11, take a moment to remember every life lost on that day in 2001. Even though this tragic event took place seventeen years ago, many families still live with pain and grief every day. Pray that God continue to comfort the families that were left to bear the pain and sorrow of losing a loved one.

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