

A Message from Pastor Callahan

September 2019

Dear Friends of Immanuel,

"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." ~ Hebrews 11:1

Faith is an interesting thing, isn't it? This definition of faith, given by the author of Hebrews, can be distilled down into one word; trust. To have faith in something, is nothing less than to trust in that thing to give you what you need. As Lutherans we talk a lot about faith. While attending seminary, one professor made a statement that has stuck with me all these years after. He said that the doctrine on which the church of God stands or falls is "justification, by grace, through <u>faith</u>". This doctrinal belief is one of the many reasons for the Reformation, and it is one of the things that makes Lutheranism so vastly different from any other religion or denomination.

This is, in fact, one of the major themes that ties Holy Scripture together. As we read over the past few weeks from Hebrews we heard a lot about the great patriarchs of faith. All these examples were given by the author as evidence of his opening statement in chapter eleven "faith is the assurance of things <u>hoped</u> for, the conviction of things <u>not</u> <u>seen</u>". All of those great men and women of faith <u>trusted</u> in the promises of their God to do just as He told them He would.

But faith can be a fickle thing, can't it? When the things that we trust to happen take too long to come to fruition, our faith in them falters. When the people we trust to love and support us fail to do so our faith in their abilities is damaged, sometimes beyond repair. When the institutions in which we trust to help us lead peaceful and quiet lives fails in their duties to protect and support us, we become distrusting and skeptical of them. Similarly, when God seems not to hear our prayers, or at least to listen to our cries for the things that we need the most, faith is hard to maintain. When a child dies at a young age, when tragedy strikes the home, or when everything that we worked so hard to build up for ourselves in this life is taken away in an instant through natural or manmade disaster, faith in the God we cannot see becomes exponentially harder and harder to maintain.

But that is why the author of Hebrews gives us the laundry list of faithful men and women in chapter eleven. He points us to the truth that, though these great men and women had a faith that stood the test of time, they never actually saw the things that they trusted would happen. But that didn't stop them from happening. All of the things promised them by their Lord came to be fulfilled. That is the point of their faith, and it is the point of our faith as well. For while we hope and trust, that is have faith, in the promises of our Lord we may never see them come to fulfillment in our lifetime. We know that He will come again, and put an end to suffering and death, but we may not see that until our last hour comes and we are called to heaven. We know that "for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose" though we may not see that good for many, many years. But when our faith is in the God who has a 100% track record of keeping His promises, we will never be put to shame.

That is why the doctrine on which the church of God stands or falls is the doctrine of "justification by grace through <u>faith</u>". By faith in our Savior, we are made partakers of His death and heirs with Him of the heavenly kingdom, just as those great men and women of faith enumerated in the book of Hebrews. By faith we receive the fruits of His life and cross, and by faith we are given a peace that passes all understanding to comfort our troubled hearts and minds. May your faith be encouraged by the "great cloud of witnesses" found in Scripture and in your daily lives, and may you ever hold fast to your faith in Christ alone all your life through!

Pastor Callahan

SPECIAL DATES IN SEPTEMBER:



• Labor Day, Sept. 2

Missionary Sunday, Sept. 8

Monical's Day, Sept. 9

- Patriot Day, Sept. 11
- Men's Fish Fry, Sept. 16
- Christian Education Sunday, Sept. 22
- First Day of Autumn, Sept. 23
- ILS Sunday, Sept. 29

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.

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.

A LOOK AT BEAUTY: Remember kaleidoscopes - those tubes you hold up to your eye and point toward the light to see colorful shapes? When the far end of the optical instrument is turned, fragments of material inside an "object cell" shift and mirrors set at angles reflect

light through the pieces, forming everchanging patterns. A multi-hued flower might become sunlight through a round stained-glass window or fireworks on a clear night. Various materials can be placed in the cell — tiny figures, twisted bits of metal. lace, viscous liquid — but often broken bits of



glass are used, to beautiful effect! In fact, David Brewster, inventor of the kaleidoscope in 1817, named it after the Greek word kalos, for "beauty." Everyone feels broken, twisted or shattered at times. But when God's perfect light shines in and through us, reflecting among the fragments of our imperfect lives, we, too, become beautiful. Out of our sinfulness and brokenness shines the beauty of compassion, kindness, perseverance, hope, love — delightful patterns to brighten this hurting world. _____

FISH FRY: The Men's club will kick off another year with their Annual Fish Fry on Sept. 16 at 5 pm. All men of Immanuel 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. **THRIVENT MEMBERS:** Thrivent Action Teams make it easy to live generously. It starts with a simple question: "Who can I help and how?" You can help Immanuel! There are many events and activities right here in our church and school that could benefit from an Action Team. Thrivent will donate \$250 to jumpstart a fundraiser, service project, or event of your choice. You get two per year - don't let them go to waste! Talk to Sue Heidle to learn more or if you would like some help getting started with an Action Team today!

CAN YOU HELP? Midwest Food Bank (our Immanuel Food Pantry donor in Normal. IL) will receive laundry detergent to hand out to agencies, but they are requesting our help collecting clean, empty laundry soap containers with lids. Please bring your empty, clean bottles to the church office. Our food pantry will take them with them each month when they pick up their food donations. Thank you!

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CAMP CILCA NEWS: 401 children and adults came to CILCA this summer to hear God's Word in God's creation! Thanks be to God for His continued work in this Christ-centered place! Save the dates for the following opportunities to support and / or enjoy Camp CILCA: their Chicken Fry and Auction is Sept. 1; the Jr./Sr. High Catechetical Retreat is Oct. 4-5; the Men's Shooting Retreat is Oct. 12: and their Homecoming is Oct. 26. Camp CILCA is also in need of a part-time cook, hours vary by season. Find out more online at www.cilca.org or call 217-487-7497. Camp CILCA exists to foster and strengthen faith in Jesus Christ and relationships with others in a unique outdoor setting.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for October through December are available in the Narthex. Portals of Praver 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!

HOW TO FORGIVE:

- Pray (Matthew 5:44)
- Love and do good to the offender (Romans 12:9)
- Don't speak poorly of the offender (Romans 12:14) •
- Don't celebrate their failures (Proverbs 24:17)
- Treat them the way you want to be treated (Luke 6:31)
- Stop dwelling on the past (Isaiah 43:18)

God is never too busy to listen. Don't be too busy to talk to Him.



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. Two new Bibles are offered by CPH this year. The Growing in Faith **Bible Storybook** for children 6 - 8 years old that are curious about Scripture and want to learn more about God. They're old enough to read, and they benefit from Bible Stories that are condensed down into readable parts they can easily understand. The Portals of Prayer Devotional Bible which combines the full ESV Bible with over 700 classic Portals of Prayer devotions. These devotions are interspersed throughout and placed near the Scripture passage it's based on, so you have accessible applications and explanations right at your fingertips. 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 with discount prices!!



MISSIONARY SUNDAY is Sept. 8.

The Immanuel Women's Guild has been financially supporting Rev. Delwyn Campbell for over a year. He is a national domestic missionary from Gary, IN. One of his duties is to provide pastoral care to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church and to other congregations as needed.

Rev. Campbell will be accompanied by his wife, Lenita, and his daughters, Daniyah and Dinah. He is preaching the Sunday sermon. After church, we'll have a cookie reception in the Narthex. Then, in place of the Adult Bible Study (there will still be Sunday School), Rev. Campbell will talk about and answer questions concerning his mission. Please join us in welcoming Rev. Campbell and his family. If anyone is interested in supporting Rev. Campbell, there will be a handout in the service bulletin that Sunday with specific details.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Join us weekly to read and study God's Word! Men's Bible Study meets in the lounge at 9:00 am on Thursdays, starting **Sept. 12**!

CHURCH & SCHOOL RUMMAGE SALE:

We are once again collecting donation for our Fall Rummage Sale, coming up on **Oct. 12** 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 the boys' locker room. *Thanks for your support!*

Have you heard of Amazon Smile? Amazon Smile, found at www.smile.amazon.com, is just like Amazon.com, but for everything you order, a portion of the total purchase price is donated to a charity of your choice, such as Immanuel Lutheran Church. You just sign in using your normal Amazon username and password, choose the charity to support (suggestion: Immanuel Lutheran Church in Danville, IL), and start ordering as normal. A quick update for those already using Amazon Smile, if you have Danville Lutheran School chosen as your charity, it is no longer an option. Please log in and change your charity. We suggest Immanuel Lutheran Church! If you shop on Amazon, this is an easy way to add some additional support to YOUR church!



UPDATE: We have sent, received and compiled the surveys for the Pastor Call Process. When asked to rank, by importance, the congregations top expectations in priority order:

- 1- Good Preacher
- 2- Good People Skills Good Social Involvement with Members.
- 3- Good Worship Leader
- 4- Good at Youth Ministry
- 5- Good at Visitation with Sick and Shut -in's.
- 6- Good at Family Ministry
- 7- Good Administrator
- 8- Good Evangelist
- 9- Good Working with Elderly
- 10- Good Pastoral Counselor
- 11- Good at Stewardship Leadership
- 12- Good at Community Involvement
- 13- Good Teacher of Adults
- 14- Good Teacher of Children
- 15- Good at participating in Circuit/Synod affairs.

This survey feedback, as part of our Congregational selfstudy, has been sent to President Miller at the Central Illinois District Missouri Synod. We anticipate a list of potential Pastors to consider for our call in the next couple of months. While we wait for this Pastor listing we will be meeting to develop the call documents that will be sent to the called Pastor. To summarize, the pastor list will be evaluated by the call committee, a recommendation as to the potential best fit with Immanuel will be reviewed with the Board of Directors, a voters meeting will be held to review, vote (majority in favor) and make the call. Please continue to pray for your congregation and your call committee during this process.

Josh Christensen, Don DeMoss, Pam West, Janet Terry, Wayne Mann, and Butch Buesing

PARISH EDUCATION:

Come join us for Monical's Day on Sept. 9. Enjoy some great food and support our parish education programs. Fliers to take to Monical's are

mailboxes or on the information table.

Coffee To Go Wednesdays have begun with the start of school. Coffee and homemade bread/treats are available to parents as they drop off students. Donations of breads, muffins, etc., are always welcome!

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Christian Education Sunday is coming up on Sept. 22. We will have a special church service with the children of our school and Sunday School participating. Day school and Sunday School teachers will be commissioned, we'll have a children's message, and more! After church, everyone is invited to the gym for a delicious brunch sponsored by Parish Education. There is no Sunday School or Bible Class that Day; please join us for a wonderful morning *celebrating Christian Education!*

SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASS: Please join us each Sunday after church until 10:30 for Sunday School & Bible Class. Adult Bible Class is participating in a CPH Faith Course, "Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?" The Bible study reminds us who the real Jesus of the Bible is and reveals to us 12 false christs who are loved, promoted, and revered, even by wellmeaning Christians. During September, younger children are involved in lessons called "I Spy: Salvation's Story". Children will investigate two cases: "The Case of the Broken Debris: Tower of Babel", where children will learn that God calls us to repent of the sinful desire to make a name for ourselves, seeking glory apart from God and "The Case of the Floating Basket: Birth of Moses" where children learn God sent Moses to deliver the Israelites from slavery just as God sent His Son to deliver us from slavery to sin. Sunday School children will sing in church for Christian Education Sunday on Sept. 22.

CHOIR AND HANDBELLS STARTING: It's



time for our choir and handbells to begin practicing again. Their first rehearsals are on Wednesday, Sept. 4. The choir will meet at 6:15 pm; with handbells MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE following at 7:00 pm. Anyone

with an interest in either is welcome to join us. You don't have to read music to be able to make a joyful noise unto the Lord. Both meet in the balcony. If you have any questions, contact Lisa Burgess or Tom Fricke.

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS:

- Come join us for the Women's Guild meeting on Sept. 10 at 6:30 pm as we begin another year of service, fellowship, and fun!
- The Women's Guild ingathering for September is school supplies for the Lutheran schools in our zone: St. John's Buckley, Immanuel Danville, Trinity Danville, St. Paul's Woodworth, and Calvary Watseka Preschool. These supplies will be taken and distributed at the LWML Fall Rally at Watseka in September. Any supplies collected after the Rally will be given to our school. Requested items are #2 pencils (Ticonderoga brand), Elmer's white glue and glue sticks, wet wipes, tissues, and Crayola crayons in the 24 count box. Thank you for helping Lutheran Schools!
- We will continue our empty pill bottle collection for Matthew 25 Ministries in Cincinnati. In developing countries, medicines - when actually obtainable- are dispensed into hands, pockets, leaves, or any other available container. Matthew 25 Ministries accepts donations of basic medical supplies such as empty pill bottles to help improve health care quality in developing nations. Donations of clean, unlabeled pill bottles help the poorest of the poor in many ways: Medicine can be distributed in sterile containers. Pill bottles that are not appropriate for shipping are recycled for cash that goes toward Matthew 25 Ministries programs. This plastic recycling program keeps thousands of bottles out of landfills each year. Placing a nickel, dime, or quarter is a pill bottle helps with shipping costs to send the bottles to developing countries. The following types of empty pill bottles, bottles are accepted: prescription pill bottles, large and small pill bottles, Pill bottles with and without child restraint caps, and over the counter pill bottles.
- The Guild Board will meet **Sept. 5**, at 9 am.
- The LWML District banner, which was taken to the LWML national convention this past summer, will be displayed at church on Sept. 8.



CID LWML MITE BYTES: Mission Grant #3 – Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty in Washington, D.C. - \$5,000

LCMS is taking a leading role in the charge to end a crumbling culture. The LCMS has the unique gift and task of bearing witness to Christ, as our forefathers in the faith have done. The mission of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty (LCRL) is to ignite and fuel a uniquely Lutheran response to increasing intrusions by the government in the realm of the Church while educating, encouraging, and equipping LCMS members and organizations to take informed action in support of religious freedom. This office is at the very epicenter of where a compelling Christian witness is needed most in the years to come. These funds will be used to off-set continued operating costs.

BOARD MEETING SUMMARY:

• Christian Education Sunday: Installation of Sunday School teachers and ILS staff, Sept. 22.

- Blue Cross and Blue Shield insurance approved for church and school staff.
- The Call Committee has finished the first phase of the Call with compilation of the survey. They will meet twice monthly in September and October.
- Director of Christian Education Report: All staff positions are filled, the scholarship committee developed a plan for determining financial assistance, current enrollment is 58, need to establish a schedule for updating textbooks, the Back to School Blast was Aug. 23, Family Game Night event is Sept. 27.
- Board of Properties Report: Properties has been busy with the start of school. Windows are temporarily on hold due to scheduling conflicts.
- Youth Report: Developed Immanuel Lutheran School operation manual. The Board of Directors to present updated Constitution and By-Laws to voters at the next Voter's Meeting.
- Stewardship Report: Culver's Day is set for Oct.
 3 from 5 8 pm. Rummage Sale is Oct. 12 from 8am 12 pm.
- Evangelism Report: Trunk-or-Treat is Oct. 27 from 5:30 6:30 pm.
- Parish Ed Report: Supporting a missionary in Indiana for the last year and he will visit Immanuel on Sept. 8. Christian Education Sunday is Sept. 22. Second grade children will receive a Bible and Fifth grade children will receive a Catechism. Kurt Thornsbrough will hold Confirmation Classes during the Sunday School hours.
- Next Board of Directors meeting: Sept. 17, 2019.

THANK YOU! The following local merchants donated gift cards or merchandise for our *Hog Roast Silent Auction*. Consider shopping there to show your appreciation for their support of our church and the community!

NAPA Auto Parts	Fagen Auto Parts
Big R Rental	Wal-Mart
Family Video	Custard Cup
Advance Auto Parts	Anker Florist
Burger King	Stoney's Restaurant
Lowe's	Culver's
Applebee's	Red Lobster
Berry's Garden Center	

HOG ROAST RESULTS: The preliminary results of our Hog Roast fundraiser are \$4,701. This does not include donations that might be made after the event. Again, THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this another successful event!

STEAK FRY PLANNING MEETING: We will have a planning meeting on **Sept. 9** for the Steak Fry, immediately following the Capital Fund Committee. Again, we need lots of members to volunteer for this event which is Saturday, **Oct. 5** from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. Signup sheet for volunteers and desserts will be in the chapel hallway soon.

CAPITAL FUND COMMITTEE: We have \$21,626 already saved for the next west side classroom window phase. So far this year, fundraisers for the west windows (Super Bowl Subs, Valentine's sweets, PI day, rummage sale, 5 soup suppers, Men's Club Taste of Deutschland, Kohl's Cares Workday at the church, and the concession at Danville Dans games) have raised \$8.744! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED IN MAKING THOSE FUNDRAISERS SUCCESSFUL. The next phase will be the windows for the two west side classrooms, the music room, and the cafeteria which will cost \$26,960. The music room curtains move when it's breezy! These new windows will also help lower our heating and air conditioning bills since they are energy efficient. If you or a group of members would like to sponsor a window by raising the money for it, please contact Jo Van Hoveln or Wayne Mann. Prior generations worked and sacrificed to build the school/church building, and it is up to us to preserve and improve our church home just as we would our own household's. There is a cost breakdown for the windows on the Capital Fund bulletin board; please stop by and check it out. It's not too late to donate to the Capital Fund Drive. All donations from small to large are equally appreciated. Envelopes for this purpose are on the ushers' desk and the Capital Fund Drive bulletin board between the mailboxes and the coat room. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Van Hoveln. Our next meeting is Sept. 9 at 6:30 pm. Members of the congregation are welcome to join us for this meeting.

GIFT (SCRIP) CARDS: The September Scrip order is due to the church office by 1 pm on Sept. 9. Each vendor gives us a percentage of the face value of the card which is our *profit*; it can vary anywhere from 1.5% to 14%. This provides an extra \$700 to \$1,000 income a year for the church, and it could be much more if more people utilized this opportunity to help themselves and our church. These cards are so much simpler than carrying cash (there's no fumbling trying to put change back in your wallet), and they are good anywhere in the USA. Order blanks are on the table in the chapel hallway. Orders are not limited to the vendors listed on the order blank; if you want to order a vendor not listed, first see if it is available through this program by looking it up on the internet. For a complete list of the vendors, go to www.shopwithscrip.com. At the bottom of the page is a heading "Quick Links." Under it is "Retailers List." 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. There is also a vendor list on the bulletin board in the chapel hallway. These orders will be available for pickup on Sunday, Sept. 15 or in the church office after that. Most of the local fast food/chain restaurants (with varying rates of profit to the church), plus Kohl's (4% of face value of the card to church), Meijer (3% profit of face value of the card to church), and Wal-Mart (2.5% profit of face value of the card to church) have cards available every Sunday in the hallway and in the church office during the week. -

> Children are A BIFT FROM THE LOID: THEY are reward from Him. PSALMS 127:3



Music Notes: We have had a joyful start in music class this year. K-3 has learned

songs that celebrate the joy we have in Jesus, "Down in my Heart" and "Rejoice in the Lord Always". Pre-K 4's have played a rhythmic name game, "Up the Ladder, Down the Ladder" to get to know our new friends. We are also discovering the difference between our speaking voice and our singing voice. 2 and 3 year olds have had fun bouncing like horses to "Here Come Three Kings A-Riding", playing egg shakers, doing finger-plays, tapping the beat on our legs, arms, and toes, and moving to Classical music. We are excited to sing for you at our upcoming Grandparent's DAY.

Preschool: The pre K class has had a great beginning to the school year. We have said hello to old friends and have made new friends. We are into the daily routine already. We love our music time with Mrs. Wells. We love our water table that has sand in it right now. We are reviewing our colors by doing a color a day and also our We learned that Jesus loves the little shapes. children and now we are learning about creation. God has made a wonder world for us. Watch for our creation books when we finish. We will display them in church. Thank you for your support of Immanuel Lutheran School.

K/1: Getting back into the school routine has been a breeze in Mrs. Showers' class! The students were so eager to jump right back in and get started in their new classes. We have a multitude of exciting projects to complete throughout the year and various field trips planned already. Our class can't wait to share our stories and pictures with our Church family throughout the school year. Cheers to a wonderful and joyful 2019-2020 School Year!

Immanuel Lutheran School News

School Board Members:

We thank the following school board members for graciously volunteering to serve:

> Kurt Thornsbrough Marilyn LePere Barb Garner Jan Mann Eileen Huckstadt Sue DeMoss Ray Wittmann

Grandparents Pay: On **Sept. 11**, all grandparents are invited to join their grandchildren for fun activities in the gym. We are asking for donations of nut-free breads and muffins to serve. Please sign up on the ILS bulletin board in the hallway. Thank you!

Lunch on the Lawn: You are invited to join us for Lunch on the lawn on **Sept. 25** at 11:30! Bring a lunch and a blanket (or lawn chairs) to share and have a picnic with the children. It's guaranteed to make you feel 20 years younger!

Box Tops for Education: You can now use the Box Tops for Education app for your Box Tops! Sign in to the app to learn more about how to scan your receipt. Of course, you can still clip your Box Tops and bring them to school.



On **Sept. 27**, bring your favorite game (for kids or adults) and join us in the gym from 6 – 7:30 pm. While you play games with the other families at tables in the gym there will also be booths with activities for the children sponsored by each of the Immanuel boards. Of course, being Lutherans, there will be refreshments served (we can't help ourselves, we like to eat).

Looking Ahead to October:

October 3rd – Culver's Night October 12th – Fall Rummage Sale October 14th – Columbus Day (No school) October 18th – Great Pumpkin Night and end of 1st Quarter





Thank you to all who attended, donated to and volunteered at the Back to School Blast! We had a great time!

The teachers would like to thank all of you who donated items from the Back to School Donation Board! The teachers and students are in full swing as we head into September and the items you so graciously gave are already in use! Thank you!







Honor your grandparents with a gift that all generations can enjoy.

What you need:

- Cups (various sizes)
- Pencil
- Family photos
- Scissors
- Colored paper
- Hot glue (and adult help)
- Clothespins
- A small potted tree or bush

What you do:

- 1. Use a cup to trace a circle around faces in the photos. Cut out the circles.
- 2. Cut larger circles out of paper. Glue each photo onto a paper circle.
- 3. Glue a clothespin to the back of each photo. Clip photos to the branches.
- 4. Present the gift to your grandparents, and tell them you're glad to be in their family tree.



Grandparents of the Old Testament

Can you name these biblical grandparents? If you get stuck, find an Old Testament family tree in your Bible or online.





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September 1 (Luke 14:1-11)

"Look to God!"

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

There is a bit of the Pharisaical in each of us – diminishing God or exalting ourselves. God's Word both condemns any attempt to place ourselves above God *and* reveals just how great are His ways, culminating in the life-giving cross and empty tomb of Jesus Christ. To the Pharisee within, God speaks from His Word a message of judgment and undeserved love, sternly commanding, and tenderly inviting us to *Look to God*!

September 8 (Psalm 1)

"The Way of Blessedness"

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

We all want the blessed life -a life blessed by God. Psalm 1 shows us the way of blessedness. This way means blessedness for us now and hereafter.

September 15 (Ezekiel 34) "Being Lost No More"

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

Being lost seems to be part of life. Whether you're lost when driving to some place new or lost on the internet, you're not alone. "Being lost" spiritually, though, is a matter our Lord God is committed to - like a shepherd searching for a lost sheep.

September 22 (Luke 16:15b)

"Shrewd Faith"

Rev. Shayne Jonker, Faith Lutheran Church~Roanoke, IN

In the end, when the wealth of this world fails, when the global economy collapses under the weight of its own greed, when the idol of wealth is finally exposed as the worthless fraud that it is, when you have lost everything including your own life, there at that end is only Jesus who will not fail you, welcoming you into an eternal dwelling that He won for you by trading out His life for your life.

September 29 (Luke 10:17-20) "Satan Has Fallen"

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

A great battle has taken place in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against Satan and his evil angels. They were conquered by the blood of Jesus shed on Calvary's cross for us. The same sacrifice that defeated Satan has won for us an eternal victory.





Elders Sept.

John Albers, Don DeMoss, Ken Kuhn

Communion Assistants Sept. 1 Dwain Dixs

- 1 Dwain Dixson, Al Julian
- 15 Wayne Mann, Don DeMoss
- 29 Josh Christensen, David Ammermann

Ushers Sept.

Team "C"

Cpt. Kurt Thornsbrough, Paul Pasquale, Don Page, and Butch Buesing

Lay Readers

Sept.	1	Greg & Jennette Lane
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- 8 Jan Mann
- 15 Diana Pratt
- 22 TBA
- 29 Nancy Purviance

Greeters

Sept. 1	Narthex	John & Marcy Heeren
-	Chapel	Kitty Lee
8	Narthex	Charles Vollmer family
	Chapel	Charlotte Schendel
15	Narthex	Bill & Joyce Martin
	Chapel	Carl & Jerry Young
		Walter Harbison
22	Narthex	Gary & Sarah Stuhr
	Chapel	Carol Johnston
29	Narthex	Deneen Schendel Family
	Chapel	Dianne Seibert, Roger Seibert

Acolytes

- Sept. 1 Hannah Christensen
 - 8 Rhylie Beauvois
 - 15 Josey Clem
 - 22 Zachary Davis
 - 29 Noah Christensen

Altar Guild

Sept. Caralee Homann, Tina Ammermann

Money Counters

Sept. Team "C" Mary Powell Dianne Seibert

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Sept. Marilyn LePere, Wayne Mann

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horn trumpets for ____ days, would march around the city once a day, except for the last day, when they would march around it ____ times; then the walls of Jericho would fall.



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