

the solar heating system had to be removed in order to install a more efficient natural gas boiler system. New windows are also being installed. The project is progressing as planned. Because of this project occurring over summer, there will be a small window of opportunity to clean it appropriately prior to the opening of the school year. Those willing to help with cleaning during the first two weeks of August are encouraged to contact the Facilities Manager, Paul Heinze (715-456-7194/ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu).

**Partners in Ministry Program:** The 2016 CLC Convention approved the Partners in Ministry Program which is designed to link active CLC called servants who have obligations to repay ILC Student Aid Fund loans with sponsors who agree to provide matching funds for payments on those loans. The donor and recipient would remain anonymous to each other. This program is now ready for implementation. There are about a dozen eligible account holders who will be contacted directly

to see if they are interested in participating and would then need to fill out an application annually. While donors may get involved with this at any time, it would be helpful to have the initial slate of donors in place by August 15. Those interested in being donors or those who have questions may contact the ILC Business Manager, Jim Sandeen, 715-836-6622/jimsandeen@gmail.com.

**CLC Contractors:** Our ILC Facilities Manager is seeking contractors within the CLC willing to be on a list available to the Immanuel Maintenance Department. The list could include contractors for roofing/building, electrical, plumbing, concrete, etc., who could be called upon for expertise or to submit bids on large projects to save money for Immanuel. Some of the work would require the contractor to be licensed and bonded. But such a list would still obviously be helpful. Those interested can contact Paul Heinze (715-456-7194/ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu).

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**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost • July 23, 2017**

## Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 119:VI **THE ORDER OF SERVICE**

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### **Scripture Readings:**

#### **Galatians 6:1-10, 14-16**

The Apostle Paul urges the believers to never grow tired in using opportunities to share their peace with God by proclaiming the Good News of Jesus' death and resurrection. Paul was able to see Isaiah's prophecy (our sermon text) fulfilled as the Word was received by

more and more Gentiles who believed. May we continue to use every opportunity to spread this Good News to others and never become weary in doing good to others.

*Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4 But let each one examine his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. 5 For each one shall bear his own load. 6 Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. 8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. 9 And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. 10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.*

*14 But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation.*

*16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.*

## **Luke 10:1-12, 16**

Seventy are sent out, two by two, into the cities of Israel to proclaim the Good News of peace through the Messiah. There is a plentiful harvest of people being brought into Christ's kingdom. Unfortunately, the workers are few! Will you go and work for our Savior's kingdom?

*After these things the Lord appointed seventy others also, and sent them two by two before His face into every city and place where He Himself was about to go. 2 Then He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest. 3 Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs*

## **Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements**

### **CONGREGATION OUTINGS:**

Next Sunday we are planning a picnic lunch/supper at Devil's Lake starting around 1 p.m. Please sign the sheet in the entry-way. Bring a meat to grill and your own food---chips, potato salad, drinks, etc. If you have a small grill, please bring it along. Congregations from Fond du Lac, Markesan, Appleton, Hales Corners, Cambridge and Middleton have been invited. Kayaking, canoeing, hiking, yard games, etc.

**Living Hope Lutheran of Appleton, WI** will be hosting an outing to the home run deck of the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers (Single A team of the Milwaukee Brewers) on Friday September 1st at 7:05 PM. There is room for up to 200 people. It includes an all-you-can-eat buffet and two drinks per person. The total cost is \$23 per adult and \$19 for children under 12. Parking is \$10. There is fun for all ages, a good view of the game and a casual atmosphere for Christian conversation and fellowship! If interested please contact Pastor David Ude at david.m.ude@gmail.com or speak with Pastor Bernthal.

### **PRAISE THE LORD:**

CLC General Fund offerings in June totaled \$99,074 vs. disbursements of \$72,629, ending the fiscal year with a balance of \$72,347. Congregational offerings exceeded congregational CBP estimates by \$68,000. General Fund & ILC Operations will return \$81,640 to the CLC Reserve Fund.

### **CLC NEWS:**

- St. Luke's Lutheran, Lemmon, SD has called Pastor Richard Kanzenbach, pastor of the tri-parishes of Morning Star, Fairchild; Trinity, Millston; and Peace With God, Onalaska.
- Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato, MN has called Pastor Mark Tiefel, pastor of Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood, WA.
- Faith, Markesan, WI has called Teacher Matthew Thurow, Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights MN, to teach grades 3-5 and serve as principal.
- Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI has called Teacher Katie Naumann.

**ILC NEWS:** North Hall Update and Cleaning: The boy's dormitory at the Immanuel campus, North Hall, is being updated this summer. Parts of

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### PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We are glad you are worshiping your Savior with us this morning. We pray that you are a child of God through faith in Jesus. If you are, then you have God the Father's special blessings. You have the spiritual milk of God's Word to drink. You also receive more than a mother's comfort and care. If you would like to know more about being in God's family, please contact Pastor Bernthal. Please come again and please also sign our guest register.

#### **This Week:**

**Today** 10:20 a.m. Quarterly Voters' Meeting

**Tuesday** 10:30 a.m. Bible Class at Artisan

**Thursday** 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

#### **Next Sunday**

9:00 a.m. Family Worship  
1:00 p.m. Congregational Gathering at Devil's Lake

#### **IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:**

Cleaners this week: Church--- Gbedey/Franson

Counters today: Randy Dreyer & Joel Albrecht

**LAST WEEK:** Worship 38

**OFFERINGS** 7/16 for Unified Budget: \$ 3,768

#### **VOTERS:**

Please note our Quarterly Voters' Meeting will be held after church today starting @ 10:20.

#### **GRADUATION:**

The congregation is invited to James Schaser's graduation party this afternoon starting @ 3:30 p.m. at the Schaser home 2627 Pennington Circle.

#### **VBS:**

Our VBS will be held July 31-Aug 4 from 9-11:45 a.m. Parents, please mark your calendars. We are in need of helpers in arts & crafts! Please sign the sheet in the entry-way if you can help.

#### **SNACKS FOR VBS:**

If you would like to donate snacks—cheese, crackers, chips, fruits, etc.—for our VBS, please bring them to the kitchen and mark them clearly. Thank you!

**IN YOUR MAILBOX:** CLC Financial Report/June

#### **THANKS:**

to all who have mowed so far this spring. The grounds look great. Keep on signing up for the summer weeks.

*among wolves. 4 Carry neither money bag, knapsack, nor sandals; and greet no one along the road. 5 But whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house.' 6 And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest on it; if not, it will return to you. 7 And remain in the same house, eating and drinking such things as they give, for the laborer is worthy of his wages. Do not go from house to house. 8 Whatever city you enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you. 9 And heal the sick there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10 But whatever city you enter, and they do not receive you, go out into its streets and say, 11 'The very dust of your city which clings to us we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near you.' 12 But I say to you that it will be more tolerable in that Day for Sodom than for that city.*

*16 He who hears you hears Me, he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me."*

**The Sermon:** read/listen to sermons at [www.middletonlutheran.org](http://www.middletonlutheran.org)

Sermon Text: **Isaiah 66:10-14**

**WHAT A BLESSING TO BE A CHILD IN GOD'S FAMILY**

**I: Rejoice in God's blessings.**

**II: Drink spiritual milk.**

**III: Receive a mother's comfort and care.**

*10 "Rejoice with Jerusalem, And be glad with her, all you who love her; Rejoice for joy with her, all you who mourn for her; 11 That you may feed and be satisfied With the consolation of her bosom, That you may drink deeply and be delighted With the abundance of her glory." 12 For thus says the Lord: "Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, And the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream. Then you shall feed; On her sides shall you be carried, And be dandled on her knees. 13 As one whom his mother comforts, So I will comfort you; And you shall be comforted in Jerusalem." 14 When you see this, your heart shall rejoice, And your bones shall flourish like grass; The hand of the Lord shall be known to His servants, And His indignation to His enemies.*