## Congregational Announcements July 21, 2024



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This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Meeting Times
Sunday, July 21	8:00a & 10:30a   Worship Services
	9:20a-10:10a   Family Bible Hour
Monday, July 22	4:30p   Trustees
	6:00p   Monday Night Worship
	6:00p   BIC
Tuesday, July 23	9:00a-1:00p   Office Open
Friday, July 26	8:00a-12:00p   Office Open
Sunday, July 28	8:00a & 10:30a   Worship Services
	9:20a-10:10a   Family Bible Hour
Monday, July 29	6:00p   Monday Night Worship
	6:00p   BIC
	7:00p   Bonfire

## **Grow with Christ**

## Bible Studies, Worship, and more!

- 1. **Bible Class Today:** We are now in summer Bible study mode. We invite adults, teens, and children down to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to join us for study. Delve into the teachings of Article VI of the *Formula of Concord*, which focuses on the Third Use of the Law, guiding Christians in living a godly life.
  - Interactive Discussions: Engage in meaningful conversations about how the Law convicts us of sin and the Gospel offers us grace.
  - *Grow in Faith:* Participate in thoughtful discussions about how the Law functions to instruct believers in their daily walk with God.
  - Community Fellowship: Connect with others in a supportive and faith-filled environment.
  - *Practical Application:* Learn how to apply the teachings of the Third Use of the Law in your daily life and Christian witness.
- 2. **Child Care:** During Bible study, parents attending Bible class are welcome to let their children (2<sup>nd</sup> grade and younger) play in the Garden Gym, which will be supervised by volunteers.

- 3. **School Staff Installations:** On Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, three called school staff will be installed: Jennifer Hacker (3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grade), Greg Johnson (Administrative Vice-Principal/Intervention Specialist), Pastor Norv Kock (afternoon Principal Relief Teacher).
- 4. **GriefShare Program** opportunities at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 916 Pine St, Manitowoc:
  - Loss of a Spouse is a single session, 2-hour event to help people who have lost a spouse to death. We will show a 35 minute video by counselors and mental health experts with interviews of people who have lost their spouse to death. We will then take time to discuss what we saw in the video, although sharing is not required. Each attendee will be given a guide book to take notes and take home with other things that can help with healing from grief. Loss of a Spouse will meet on Wednesday August 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30p at Immanuel. If you need further information, have questions or would like to register please contact Larry Verlinden at 920.323.2297 or <a href="mailto:verlinden@comcast.net">verlinden@comcast.net</a>. You can also get further information and register at the GriefShare website griefshare.org. Please register by August 5<sup>th</sup> so we can make sure we have enough guide books. There will be a charge of \$7 to cover the cost of the guide book. Please consider joining us!
  - *GriefShare* is a program to help people who are grieving the loss of a loved one whether recent or in the past. Each session is about 2 hours long. There is a short video on various topics presented by people who have gone through the grieving process and by mental health experts. There is then group discussion time, though sharing is not required. Between each weekly session there is a workbook that has daily exercises that point you to God's Word and help you work through your grief. This program will be from 5:30-7:30p on Wednesdays from September 4<sup>th</sup> to November 27<sup>th</sup>, meeting at Immanuel in the church office conference room. The entrance is across the covered area from the church entrance. If you are interested in more information or know someone who we should personally invite, please contact Larry Verlinden at 920.323.2297 or <a href="mailto:verlinden@comcast.net">verlinden@comcast.net</a>. You also can get more information or register at the GriefShare website griefshare.org. Please register by September 26<sup>th</sup> so we can make sure we have enough workbooks. We will be charging \$20/person to cover the cost of workbooks. People are free to join our group at any time during the GriefShare cycle.

## **In Other News**

1. **Church Picnic**: We're hoping you can enjoy some food, fellowship, and fun with your St. Paul's family Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from 11:30-2:00p.

Bring your family and friends to enjoy a festive atmosphere filled with the rich flavors and sounds of Germany: bier, wein, kraut, wurst, etc. A prize will be given for the most festive German attire, so dress the part! There will be fun for the whole family!

Does your Oma have an amazing German potato salad recipe? Prove it, and make her proud! We're looking for German potato salads and beverages. Thanks for considering if you're able to bring something to share.

Cost: Free-will offering basket. Please register by Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> so that we have enough food for you. :)

Please register using this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/HtAfYBiVJb5mXsjs6">https://forms.gle/HtAfYBiVJb5mXsjs6</a> or by calling the office by Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> so that we have enough food for you. :) Contact Luther Curia with any questions: <a href="https://link.nih.goog.ng">Luther.curia@sphg.org</a>

- 2. **Zach Unke in Concert:** We hope you can join us Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00p as we welcome Christian piano composer and performer Zach Unke in concert. The event is free and open to the public, so be sure to invite your friends and neighbors.
- 3. **Member Assistance Meals:** When families in our congregation are going through a difficulty or transition of some sort (such as a health struggle or the birth of a baby), we try to offer them some meals for a few weeks. If you would like to be notified of these opportunities to provide

meals for others, please contact Megan Bramstedt at 920.627.3819 or megan.bramstedt@gmail.com.

- 4. **St. Paul's Early Childhood** is seeking a dedicated individual to provide after school care for our 3, 4 and 5 year old children. Join the fun in the afternoons from 3:00-5:30p. For more details about this rewarding, paid position or an application, call or text MeLissa Wieting at 608.617.7040. *Applications will be accepted until July 31st*.
- 5. **First German Hiring:** Do you enjoy working with children in grades 2-4? First German Lutheran School in Manitowoc is hiring an aide position. Working hours are approximately 7:45a-3:30p. Starting pay is \$15.00/hour. Please contact Peter Buege at <a href="mailto:pbuege@firstgerman.org">pbuege@firstgerman.org</a> or call 920.682.7021 ext. 101 for more information. We'd love to have you join our team!
- 6. **Travel with WELS Groups:** Interested in traveling with other members of our WELS/ELS faith family where daily devotion and Christian fellowship are integral parts of the itinerary? The OWLS (Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors) is partnering with *Father's World Tours* to offer several trips in the coming months. Spend some time in Duluth and along the amazing Lake Superior shore in September. Embark on a 2-week trip to Texas via America's Heartland in November. Or, ring in the New Year on a Caribbean cruise to visit and encourage our WELS missions in St Lucia, Grenada, and Antigua. All trips originate in MN (New Ulm or Twin Cities), have options to fly-in and meet the group, and are open to W/ELS members of all ages. Visit <a href="https://www.fathersworldtours.com">www.fathersworldtours.com</a> or contact Steve Balza (steve@fathersworldtours.com or 507.217.1731).
- 7. **July Bonfire:** Come and enjoy some socializing around a nice fire! The Activities Committee is hosting a bonfire 7/29 @ 7:00p on the parking lot near the garage.
  - Family Friendly
  - Yard Games
  - Simple Snacks Provided (chips, pretzels, s'mores...feel free to bring something else along!)
  - Bring Your Own Chair
  - Bring Your Own Beverage