Congregational Announcements July 28, 2024



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This Week at a Glance:	
Date	Service, Bible Study, and Meeting Times
Sunday, July 28	8:00a & 10:30a Worship Services
	9:20a-10:10a Family Bible Hour
Monday, July 29	6:00p Monday Night Worship
	4:00p-7:00p Early Childhood "Back-to-School" Night
	6:00p BIC
	7:00p Bonfire
Tuesday, July 30	9:00a-1:00p Office Open
	6:30p CCCW
Wednesday, July 31	9:30a Mindful Moms Garden Gym
	6:30p Elders
Friday, August 2	8:00a-12:00p Office Open
Sunday, August 4	8:00a & 10:30a Worship Services
	9:20a-10:10a Family Bible Hour
	3:00p Zach Unke Concert
Monday, August 5	6:00p Monday Night Worship
	6:00p BIC

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 3rd grade to join us for study. This weekend, we will look at Article VII of the *Formula of Concord*, which focuses on the Lord's Supper. What is it? Are the differences in teaching between church bodies really that big of a deal? Is the WELS practice of close communion a loving thing? We will review the basics and also get into some deeper aspects of this amazing blessing from our Savior.

- 2. **Child Care:** During Bible study, parents attending Bible class are welcome to let their children (2nd grade and younger) play in the Garden Gym, which will be supervised by volunteers.
- 3. **School Staff Installations:** On Sunday, August 18th, three called school staff members will be installed: Jennifer Hacker (3rd-4th Grade), Greg Johnson (Administrative Vice-Principal/Intervention Specialist), Pastor Norv Kock (afternoon Principal Relief Teacher).
- 4. **Save the Date Seeking Jesus Women's Retreat October 19th, 2024 -** Join us on Oct. 19th for Seeking Jesus Women's Retreat from 8:30a-4:00p. This full-day retreat includes an opening devotion, two keynote speakers, breakout sessions, beautiful music, fellowship and of course food. We hope you can join us for an enriching day, getting to know other women and growing in God's Word together. Watch for more information on speakers. Registration opens August 11th.
- 5. **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. There will be a video, discussion time, and a guide book for notes. Loss of a Spouse will meet on Wednesday, August 14th, from 5:30-7:30p at Immanuel. For more information or to register, please contact Larry Verlinden at 920.323.2297 or verlinden@comcast.net. You may also register at the griefshare.org website. Please register by August 5th. There will be a \$7/book charge. Please consider joining us!
 - *GriefShare* is a program using videos, discussion, Scripture and workbook exercises to help people who are grieving the loss of a loved one whether recent or in the past. This program will be from 5:30-7:30p on Wednesdays from September 4th to November 27th, meeting in the Immanuel church office conference room. The entrance is across the covered area from the church entrance. For more information, please contact Larry Verlinden at 920.323.2297 or werlinden@comcast.net. You also can get more information or register at the GriefShare website griefshare.org. Please register by September 26th. We will be charging \$20/person to cover the cost of workbooks.

In Other News

- 1. **Zach Unke Concert:** We hope you can join us next Sunday (08.04) @ 3:00p as we welcome Christian piano composer and performer, Zach Unke. The event is free and open to the public...so be sure to invite your friends and neighbors.
- 2. **July Bonfire:** Come and enjoy some socializing around a nice fire! The Activities Committee is hosting a bonfire tomorrow @ 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
- 3. **Church Picnic**: We're hoping you can enjoy some food, fellowship, and fun with your St. Paul's family Sunday, August 18th 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 12th so that we have enough food for you.:)

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

- 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 Wednesday (07.31)*.
- 5. **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 www.fathersworldtours.com or contact Steve Balza (steve@fathersworldtours.com or 507.217.1731).
- 6. **Gym Floor Waxing** began on Friday, July 26th. The Commons will begin on Sunday, July 28th after worship services are completed for the day. These two areas will be closed from July 26th August 3rd. If you have any questions, please contact Trevor Wehrmann from the Trustees.
- 7. **The Parking Lot** will be closed on Wednesday and Thursday, July 31st-August 1st to finish sealcoating and stripping the parking lot. If you have any questions, please contact Eric Eickhoff.