



# Congregational Newsletter

June 2018

## *June Events*

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**12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>** Minnesota District Convention

**19<sup>th</sup>** Board of Outreach @ 5:00 pm

**19<sup>th</sup>** Board of Elders @ 6:00 pm

**20<sup>th</sup>** Church Council @ 6:30 pm

## *Pastor Vomhof's Message*

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"Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to Your Name be the glory because of your love and faithfulness" (Psalm 115:1).

One hundred years ago on June 13, 1918, 130 confessional Lutherans met to establish the Minnesota District of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, and Other State. Years later, the official name of the synod was changed to the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

One hundred years later, on June 10, 2018, all the congregations in the Minnesota District, including ours, will

observe the 100th Anniversary of our Minnesota District. Your pastor plans to preach a special anniversary sermon and we will have a special liturgy that Sunday

Whenever we celebrate an anniversary, we consider the many blessings that God in His grace has blessed us with in the past and we thank Him for these countless blessings. We also look forward to the future and ask our gracious God to continue to richly bless us in the future. The one blessing we are especially thankful for is God's Word, that His Word is still being proclaimed in its truth and purity in our pulpits, in our classrooms, and in our personal witnessing to other people. God has told us in His Word: "Let the one who has My Word speak it faithfully" (Jeremiah 23:28).

As we observe this 100th Anniversary, we will not give glory, honor or praise to our district presidents, pastors, teachers and professors because of what they have done, but we will give all glory, honor and praise to our God "because of His love and faithfulness."

May each of us come to our church on Sunday, June 10, to join our fellow 47,000 baptized souls and members in our sister congregations throughout the Minnesota District to thank and praise our gracious and bounteous God for all the blessings He has given to each of our congregations, schools, and members. "...To Your Name be the glory because of Your love and faithfulness."

## ***Women of Emmanuel***

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There will be a Pie Social @ Leslie Stelling's house on June 14th Thursday @7 pm

Did you know the Women of Emmanuel group has an account on Facebook? Go on Facebook, look for our page and request to join. It's a great way to get reminders about things going on.

*Dates to remember:*

June 14, Thursday, 7 pm. Pie social at Leslie Stelling's house.

July 19, Thursday, 5:30 pm. Dinner at Postmark Grille, then Concert in the Park at 7 pm.

August activity not determined yet

## ***Booster Days Parade***

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Our church is looking for donations of candy and water.

We will also need Volunteers to:

- To hand out candy, water and pamphlets.
- Drive the float (see Mark Carlson)
- Take pictures (see Linda Carlson)

The parade will be held on Saturday, June 30 at 11 am. Please arrive at church by 9 am for setup.

## ***K.I.C.K. (Kids In Christ's Knowledge)***

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It is a youth group at Emmanuel for kids in 2nd through 8th grade. Who will volunteer to lead this group? Our children need someone to help and guide them.

## ***Ignite Youth Group***

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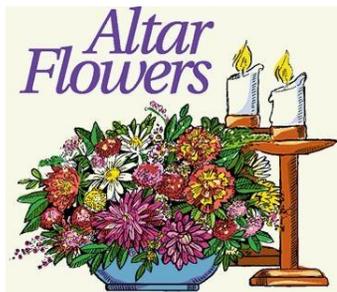
Did you know the teens also take care of the sign in front of church? They do a great job keeping the message current for upcoming activities or services.

IGNItE, the youth group for high school teens, will not be meeting during the summer. If an activity is planned, an email will be sent out.

Kevin and Scott Rust and Sarah and Lucas Dahlke will join with the Salem youth group from Stillwater, MN and journey to the WELS International Youth Rally in Bowling Green, OH, June 26-29. The WELS Youth Rally exists to provide youth and youth leaders from across the synod a large-scale worship, education, fellowship, recreation, and service opportunity that deepens commitment to Christ and his church. We are thankful for this opportunity

# 2018 Flower Donation Calendar

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Members may sign-up to donate a floral arrangement for the chancel area. This is a wonderful way to help beautify our church. It is located on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

One might want to commemorate

- Wedding
- Anniversaries
- Birthdays
- Memorials
- Personal milestones
- Gratitude for blessings received.

## Other Items of Interest

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**Deadline for church information** to be entered into the newsletter or calendar will be the 3rd Thursday of the month. Please email any information you would like to be submitted in the newsletter or calendar to: [emmanuelhudsonwi@gmail.com](mailto:emmanuelhudsonwi@gmail.com)

**Ushers:** Please find the Usher sign-up sheet on the table below the mail slots and fill-in your name when available. Any questions about ushering should be directed to Don Benisch. Thank you!

**Church Clean-up:** Check with your group leader. Any questions please contact Chris Hinz

**Church Database:** To keep our church office information and database up-to-date, please e-mail the church office your current address, phone, and e-mail information. Thank you.

**Recycle Aluminum Cans:** Please continue to bring your aluminum cans and place them in the trailer. And, when emptying the cans into the trailer, please make sure that whatever container you used to transport the cans isn't placed in the trailer as well. Thank you.

**Special Prayer Request:** We pray that God will lead each of us to reach out to unbelievers in the community.

**Altar Guild:** Kathy Heth

## ***Walk in the Footsteps of Jesus***

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April 1-10, 2019: A Ten-Day Biblical Tour of Israel

When Jesus said, "Come follow me," he invited the disciples to physically walk with him. Since Jesus has ascended to heaven we cannot walk with him in the same way as did the twelve. However, we can walk where he walked. Pastor Janisch, retired

WELS pastor, invites you to join him on his third trip to the Holy Land. The ten-day tour runs from April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 10th, 2019.

This tour will take us to Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Bethlehem and many other well-known sites of the Savior. The tour is open to anyone who would like to walk where Jesus walked.

For more information please call Pastor Janisch at 763-232-6826 or email him at revbjansch@gmail.com

## ***Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Graduation***

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Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary held its graduation on May 25. At the Call Day service on May 24, 26 seniors received their first Calls into the ministry and 4 members of the Class of 2016, who had served as tutors for the past two years, received their Calls into the parish ministry. 26 students, who have finished two years of training at the seminary, were assigned to serve as vicars for one year.

## ***Martin Luther College Graduation***

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Martin Luther College held its graduation on May 12. 148 students received degrees marking the completion of their training at MLC. 36 graduates received Bachelor of Arts (pre-

seminary) degrees; 94 graduates received Bachelor of Science in Education degrees, including 16 in early childhood education; 5 graduates received Bachelor of Science degrees and 4 graduates received seminary certifications. In addition, 29 students received Master of Science in Education degrees and 1 student earned his Master of Science in Educational Administration degree."

## ***St. Croix Lutheran Academy***

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- (WELS) Christian Middle School & High School
- Serves young men and women in grades 6-12.
- Founded in 1958.
- Located on 30-acres of land in a West St. Paul residential area.
- Has a diverse student body consisting of 500 students from the Twin Cities metro area, across the United States, to 17 countries.

SCL has served more than 3 generations of students in a caring, supportive, Christian community.

St. Croix Academy of West St. Paul welcomes boys and girls entering grades four through nine to join us for summer camps in theatre, band, basketball, art, bowling, football, soccer,

volleyball, wrestling and science. Most camps are held Monday through Friday on single weeks throughout the summer.

For registration visit [www.StCroixLutheran.org/Camps](http://www.StCroixLutheran.org/Camps).

Job Openings - St. Croix Lutheran Academy

[StCroixLutheran.org/jobs](http://StCroixLutheran.org/jobs) or call the office at 651-455-1521

## ***A Biblical Worldview by John Beck***

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The following article appeared in a newsletter from Hudson Bagel. It apparently originated from National Geographic in March 2018. It lists 13 things that make life on earth possible. NatGeo, of course, has a naturalistic evolutionary view of history and assumes the 13 items listed evolved over billions of years by random chance happenings (a very unlikely scenario). They rescue their faulty view of origins by burying it in deep time so it can never be observed or tested in a scientific manner. As I read the list I could not help but think of God the Intelligent Designer and his marvelous creation in 6 days 6,000 years ago. It is in my mind a much more rational approach to the origin of the universe.

*Ok, Quick ... Name 13 "Things" that Make Life on Earth Possible*

1. The planet re-cycles life friendly carbon over time
2. We have an ozone layer too block harmful radiation
3. A Big Moon which stabilizes our axial wobble (see I told ya)

4. A magnetic field deflects solar tempest
5. The sun is a stable long-lasting star, not too hot nor too unstable
6. Varied surfaces support many life forms, spurs adaptation, survives extinctions
7. We are just the right distance from the sun ... the Goldilocks zone
8. And safely away from biggest planets which could tug us from our 'zone'
9. Right stuff for a dynamic Earth's core to chug along for billions of years
10. Giant planets (Jupiter) protect us from the activity of the asteroid belt
11. Sun offers protection from galactic debris by repelling dangerous radiation
12. The solar system is comfortably nestled in a safe harbor & avoids the galaxies perilous inner regions
13. Our location is far from stellar crowds where gamma ray bursts, gravitational tugs & supernovae lurk.

Thanks to NatGeo March 2018

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9:00 a.m. – Sunday Service

10:00 a.m. – Fellowship

10:30 a.m. - Adult Forum, Sunday School, & Youth/IGNITE



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