Announcements

For the week of Sunday, May 6, 2018

Worship Word of the Week – This week's worship word is *confirmation.* Confirmation is a process of education intended to strengthen the faith of the baptized child through an intensive study of God's Word as summarized in *Luther's Small Catechism*. Confirmation prepares the child for self-examination before Communion. It also helps the child to identify more deeply with the congregation and to participate more fully in the church's mission. Those being confirmed are called *confirmands*.

God's Blessings, Confirmands! – In the late service this morning, ten confirmands will make their promises of lifelong faithfulness to the Lord who has been perfectly faithful to them. They are: Abbygail Bachmann, Ryan Dewane, Amelie Doneff, Cameron Grasee, Emma Kracht, Madeline Oswald, Elijah Ratajczyk, Bailey Seal, Josie Sims, and Grace Zander. Congratulations and God's blessings!

90 in 9 Exceeds Goal – Thank you to all who were a part of the 90 in 9 Celebration - Echo writers, gift givers, those who prayed for the Lord's blessings, organizations who worked to gather funds for the campaign, Gaye Klein who recorded and reported gifts regularly, those who provided historic materials for display, etc. Gifts through April 23rd totaled $90,620.06. **We look forward to learning more on how these funds will be utilized** toward heating/cooling units and flooring in our school. ~ Jason Muench, Campaign Coordinator

Save the Date – This year's Immanuel Family Picnic will be on Sunday, August 19th. Special music will be provided by Mike Westendorf. There will be excellent food, games and activities for all ages. Stay tuned for more details.

Ladies of Immanuel – Ladies of Immanuel meets Tuesday, May 8 at 7pm. Ellie Waege will be sharing some highlights from her trip to Israel! Come early as we will be filling the May baskets.

Martin Luther College Concert – The MLC Wind Symphony Concert is Tuesday, May 15th at 7pm at MLHS. Come and hear the MLC Wind Symphony perform a full concert at MLHS. You may also recognize some familiar faces of MLHS Alumni! MLHS feels blessed that they are included in their 2018 Tour. Visit mlc-wels.edu or email mlcinfo@mlhs-wels.edu for more information.

Bible Class – Bible class will continue for summer in the church basement. Please join us.

New Online Registration – All returning students should have received an email from TADS with instructions on how to re-register for the 2018-19 school year. Please register as soon as possible. This will help us with our planning for next school year. **If you have any questions about the online registration process or if you didn't receive the email, please let us know.**

MLHS Graduation – MLHS Graduation is Saturday, May 26 at 2pm in the MLHS Gymnasium. The senior class picked Isaiah 40:31 as their class verse: "But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Join us in saying farewell and God's blessings to the Class of 2018.

Locking of the Church East Entrance Door – On Monday, February 12th Officer Bruce Jacobs of the Manitowoc Police Department made a security presentation to members of our church council, board of elders and head ushers. From this presentation and discussions that followed it was agreed that the east entrance, with secluded access to the lower level, church proper and balcony, presents a security risk to all worshipers. The locking of this door will insure that entrance will be better monitored through a single location from the west end under the canopy. The east door including those at the bell tower can still be exited in the case of emergency. We hope those who have been using the east entrance are understanding of this decision. Any questions or concerns regarding this decision can be directed to Elder Russ Vogt at 920-905-4650 or stealthtt@sbcglobal.net.

Martin Luther College Congregational Grant Program – The Church Council at our April meeting voted to participate in the MLC Congregational Grant Program. We as a congregation can encourage students studying for the preaching and teaching ministry with our financial gifts. We as a congregation gather money that is divided equally between students from our congregation who are entering their freshman, sophomore or junior year. The minimum amount is $100 and the maximum is $1,000 per student. MLC will then match that for each student. We then need to send in the gift with the names of the students to MLC by June 1. I believe we will have 2 students who would qualify for this next year. We will be getting funds for this through a door offering May 13 and 20 or if you would prefer you can put it in the offering plate in an envelope marked MLC.

Junior Lancer Flag Football & Tackle Football – Registration is open for any boys interested in playing some organized football. Tackle football is available for grades 7 & 8. Flag football is available for grades 4-6. Go to www.mlhslancers.org/jrlancers and click on Fall Sports for more information.

Call Update – The MLHS Federation issued a call to Mr. Bradley Nehls to teach in the math department, and he has returned the call. Please keep MLHS in your prayers as plans proceed from here to plan for next school year.

International Students – MLHS has 16 international students this year. This is one way MLHS carries out its mission in God's kingdom. In order to carry out this mission, it is important to have host families who are willing to love, care for, and share their faith with these international students. If you interested in becoming a host family or to learn more about the international program at MLHS please contact Nathan King at 682-0215 x 420 or email: nking@mlhslancers.org.

Look Both Ways – *"Looking back at MLHS history as a reminder to keep looking ahead, all in view of God's grace!"* MLHS is excited to introduce to you a NEW interactive website. Help us build the MLHS history with your memories, read Pastor Kock's blog, answer the weekly trivia question, or tell us more about the picture of the week. Lastly, please share it with your family and friends. View it anytime www.mlhslancers.org/lookbothways at any time. Thank you! ***Lord, You have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Psalm 90:1***

MLHS SUMMER CAMPS – The dates have been set for the grade school sports camps at MLHS this summer. Go to www.mlhslancers.org/summercamp to register today. Choose from boys or girls basketball, girls volleyball, boys football and wrestling.

Prism Concert & Art Show - **Saturday, May 19th in the MLHS Commons & Gym** – There will be two shows: Art show opens at 3pm; Concert at 4pm; Art show opens at 6pm; Concert at 7pm. Each year the MLHS Music Department hold its Prism Concert to not only feature our bands and choirs, but also to highlight the many and varied talents of the MLHS student body. Come early to view the many works of our visual arts students in the MLHS Commons. The concert will be live streamed. This is a secular concert. Come and Enjoy!

Spring Showcase Outcome – This year's Spring Showcase was earmarked for raising money to get new band uniforms and a new piano. Total cost/goal is $58,000. The Spring Showcase rendered $37,606!! Thank you so much everyone! Donations are still coming in and to date $40,801 has been raised! You can donate by going to www.mlhslancers.org/donate. Thank you.

Our Use of God's Gifts to Us

Last Week's Attendance: **27 + 188 + 90 = 305**

Offerings Given: **$10,741** Offerings Needed: **$14,476**

WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY NEXT WEEK

You may wish to prepare for worship next week by meditating on the hymns and Scripture lessons appointed for Ascension.

Scripture Lessons: Acts 1:1-11, Psalm 47, Ephesians 4:7-16, Luke 24:44-53

Hymns: 171, 173, 169

Prayer for Worship: p. 10 in *Christian Worship*

Bible Study: Come Follow Me – Matthew's Gospel

This Week at Immanuel – May 6, 2018

Monday:	6:15pm	Basic Bible Christianity
Tuesday:	7:00pm	Church Council
	7:00pm	Ladies of Immanuel
Thursday:	6:30pm	WORSHIP
Saturday:	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
	8:30am	Women's Bible Study
Sunday:	8:00am	WORSHIP
	9:15am	Bible Study
	10:30am	WORSHIP

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Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church
is a family glorifying God, growing in faith,
and leading others to Christ.

Worship Schedule:
Thursdays at 6:30 PM
Sundays at 8 AM & 10:30 AM
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