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Lutheran Church

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A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Zzzzzzzzzzzz. “We interrupt this program....
A tornado warning has been issued for,,,,,,,” ”
And then come words urging quick action.
“Take shelter in the center of a basement or a
first floor bathroom with no windows!” And
then come the sirens wailing.



Pet dogs may howl and scramble under beds. But the warning is clearly for US to heed. Most people do. It's a matter of survival. Not a time to dawdle. We may grab our most valuable possessions to take with us.

Some of course assume things are not that urgent. They go outside to look around. They decide it's too inconvenient to go to the basement or a bathroom. After all, they think, the warnings and sirens have sounded before, and nothing really bad happened where they were then. How sad and tragic when they discover too late that they were wrong to ignore the sirens.

By nature I am not a fire and brimstone preacher. My concern has always been more to bring comfort and strength to people burdened and weary with the heavy problems that life in this fallen world brings-- words of grace and hope in Christ. But I would not be a faithful pastor if I would ignore sharing the warnings of Holy Scripture about being prepared for the end-- whether the return of Christ in glory, or the end of our earthly life.

We live in an ever more secular society-- one that pretends life can and should be lived without any reference to God and the spiritual realm. The pressure is all around us to close our ears to the sirens, to pretend that the divine warnings have no real meaning for us.

So let's review just a few of them-- sirens from the Lord: Jesus said, “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will be the coming of the Son of Man be.... Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not know.”

- Matthew 24:36-44

Much of the “apocalyptic” language that our Lord Jesus and other New Testament writers use sound like tornado warnings amplified a million times.
Jesus said,

“There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory....”

Then these words for those who have trusted and loved the Lord Jesus and so are prepared and ready:

“When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, BECAUSE YOUR REDEMPTION IS DRAWING NEAR.”

- Luke 21:25-28

And, regarding our world’s becoming so secular that the warnings fall on deaf ears, these words from St. Peter:

“First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, ‘Where is this coming He promised?’.... But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord Is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is PATIENT with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

“But the day of the Lord WILL COME like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar, the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.... Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, BE ON YOUR GUARD so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now AND FOREVER! Amen.

2 Peter 3:3-4, 8-10, 17-18

PLEASE LISTEN TO THE SIRENS WAILING FOR YOU from the Holy Scriptures! As beautiful days followed our recent storms tornado warnings, our almighty and ever-caring God has much, much greater and everlasting beauty waiting to reveal to His own.

And as you take shelter, do take along the treasure of the faith which you have been given through our Savior’s precious promises, maybe even your Bible!

Pastor Bauman



PRAYER LIST

Members –

Bill Bayes,
Eileen Havelka,
Carol Tresnak,
Kristin Crager,
Sal Dreher,
Larry Pikora

Family & Friends –

Barbara Gardner – sister
of Carol Tresnak,
Delores Roti – Bible Class
member,
Peter Phillips – English
friend of Pastor Bauman,
Kristopher Harper –
Kathy Sorenson's grandson,
Carol DiDominicif and
John Kramer – friends of
Kristin Crager,

Sandy Lesniak – sister-in-
law to Terry Kainz,
Donna Dean – Aunt of
Kristin Crager,
Charles Landwer –
Acolyte, **Elaine Elsner** –
sister of David Schroeder,
Andrea – friend of Adele
Pikora,
Cyrus, Solomon, John -
sons of Sunil and Jessica
Bhatti,
Kristi Dove – cousin of
Gayle Sterrett,
Isabella Consiglio –
granddaughter of Bill and
Bev Bayes,
Pastor Charles McClean -
long-time friend of Pastor
Bauman in Baltimore,

Shirley Burk – sister of Jan
Christiansen,
Brad Gustafson – brother
of Craig Gustafson,
Frank Hernandez –
regular visitor,
Bonnie Gruenwald – sister
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Family and Friends of
Loretta Platter.
Family and Friends of **Al**
Thilk

Please keep the church
office updated about names
of those who should be
added or taken off of our
Prayer List. Thank you!

The Lutheran Witness

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN YOUTH GROUP

Our Sunday evening youth group Surge begins on August 23. It is a time of fun and Christ-centered learning, with games and crafts and a shared meal. We meet from 5-7 p.m.

We have Bible story lessons for the younger group and a Confirmation instruction class for the sixth grade and above group.

Contact Lynn Zillmer or Pastor Bauman for more information at (630) 827-1166.

A CHURCH POTLUCK

Come to Church on August 9th and after the Worship Service is a good old fashion POTLUCK! Please come and bring a dish to share (if you can)

Fellowship will provide a meat, the drinks and the paper goods. Sign up in the Narthex or call the office at (630) 837-1166 from 9 -12 M-Th. Food, friends and fellowship are good for the soul. Hoping to see you there!



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AN UNEXPECTED TREASURE



A few weeks ago, when severe storms rolled through our area, I heard the village sirens warning us to take shelter. Since we don't have a basement, the safest place for us was determined to be the closet beneath the stairs.

Unfortunately, it took some effort to clear out the odds and ends that had accumulated there before we could squeeze inside.

After spending about thirty minutes waiting out the storm, we emerged from the closet. Thankfully, the storm passed without causing any damage. The only aftermath was the mess I had created while hastily emptying the closet. As I began putting things back, I decided it was a good opportunity to sort through what I had been storing there.

Much of it ended up in the trash, but at the bottom of a bin filled with old photographs, I discovered a small booklet that had belonged to my father. It had been given to him during his service in the U.S. Army during World War II. Interestingly, the booklet had actually been published during World War I, in 1918, by Concordia Publishing House. It contained Lutheran prayers and hymns intended to encourage and strengthen soldiers during difficult times.

Holding that little book caused me to reflect on my father's life. I thought about how young he was when he received it—just eighteen years old. I thought about the tremendous stakes for which he fought. I thought about the brother he lost during the war. Most of all, I thought about how he endured it all.

His faith in his Heavenly Father, his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit sustained him through those difficult years. He rarely spoke about the war, but I vividly remember a man who knelt in prayer every night. It is a practice I now follow myself, drawing strength from it in my daily life.

Finding that little booklet felt like a gift—one I will treasure for a very long time

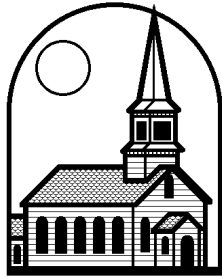
Lynn Zillmer
Church Secretary

August Birthdays

8/1 Melody Manka
8/11 Kevan Bauman

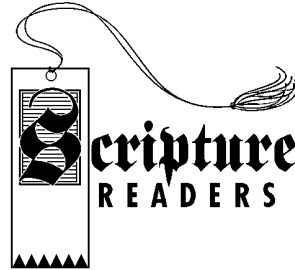
8/23 Barbara Platter
8/24 Earl Neathery
8/27 Gayle Sterrett

August 2026 Schedules



Lay Minister Schedule

August 2 - Gary Luper & Larry Pikora
August 9 - Marty Sterrett
August 16- Marty Sterrett & Larry Pikora
August 23 -David Schroeder
August 30 -David Schroeder

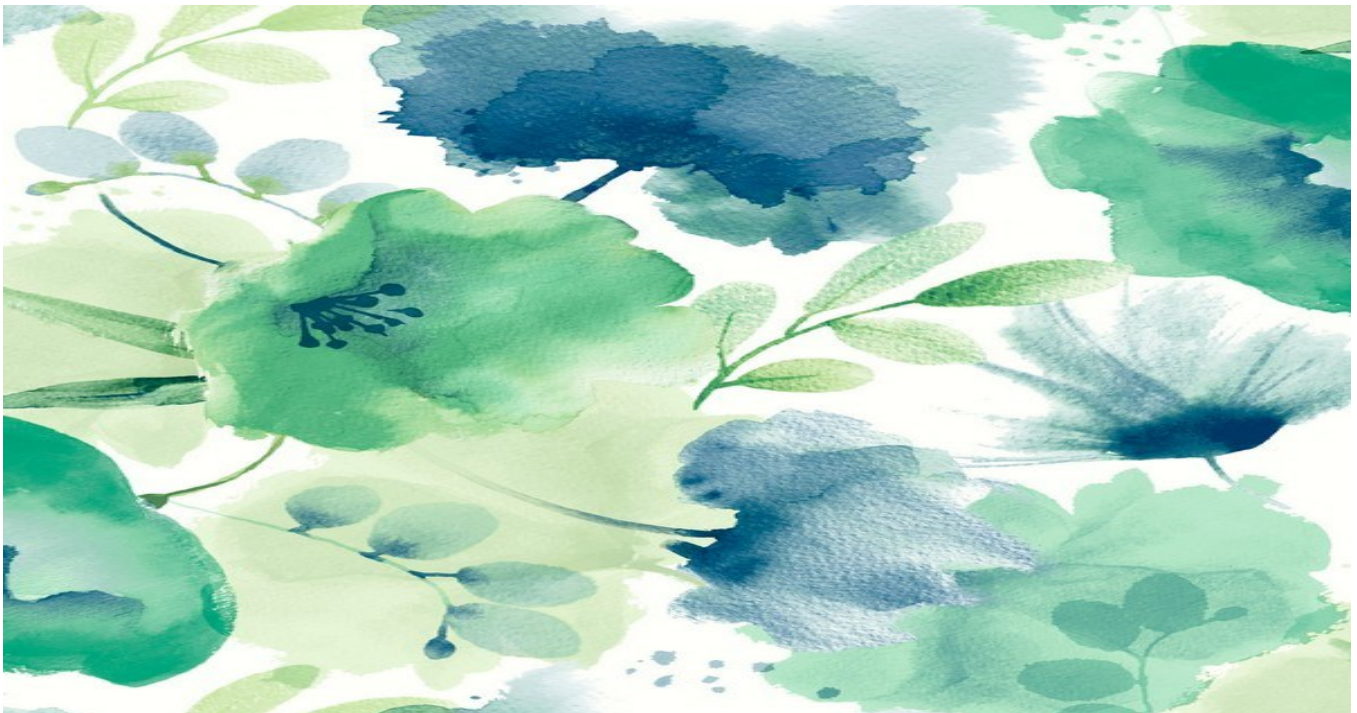


Reader Schedule

August 2 - Adele Pikora
August 9 - Sally Hover
August 16 - Walter Kienzle
August 23 - David Schroeder
August 30 - David Schroeder

If you would like to volunteer to serve please call the office.

If unable to serve when scheduled, please try to find a substitute. Also notify the church office as soon as possible (630 837-1166 or immanuelbartlett@sbcglobal.net) Thank you!



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Hispanic Ministry Church

Sunday - 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Friday - 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight

The last Sunday of every month

1:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Monday - 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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						1 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
2 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Worship (HC) After service Coffee and...	3	4 Loretta Platter Funeral 10:30 a.m.	5	6	7 Al Thilk Funeral 11:00 a.m.	8 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
9 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Worship After service Coffee and... Potluck Luncheon	10	11	12	13	14	15 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
16 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Worship (HC) After service Coffee and...	17	18	19 Board of Lay ministry 7:00 p.m.	20 Board of Directors 7:00 p.m.	21	22 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
23 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Worship After service Coffee and... 5-7 p.m. Surge Kick off	24	25	26	27	28	29 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
30 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Worship (HC) After service Coffee and...	31					