

Leelanau Lutheran Lights



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Unity Sunday New Member Recognition Coffee Hour Congregational Potluck/Annual Meeting

January 31

On **January 31st**, the fifth Sunday of the month, the church will celebrate Unity Sunday and New Member Recognition Event. That means that we will have only one service that day at 10:00 am, and after worship the Outreach Ministries Committee would like to recognize the newest members of our congregation. The last New Member Event was some time ago, so we will be presenting quite a list of newer members to the congregation. You, the new members will be contacted and invited to be present on that Sunday, and we will recognize you with a large cake, good coffee, and plenty of conversation **AFTER** the late service.

Many of our "longer" members have expressed their disappointment with not knowing some of the newer people and names at worship. This is a great time to put names with faces, hear something about each family, and meet those members you do not know. There is no better time for everyone to get to know everyone else than at this informal recognition event.

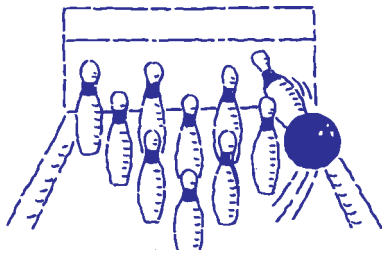
Can't make that date? Then plan on participating in the Photo Directory Project we have planned for the late summer, early fall, have your picture taken, and check out the faces of our members when the directory arrives.

January 31st is also our Annual Meeting and Potluck, scheduled after the New Member Recognition Coffee Hour Event. Plan to attend, bring a dish to pass, listen to the short reports of the different ministries of your church, and vote for your next church officers. Listed below are the names of our newest members (since the last recognition event):

Brent Windemuller
Debra Windemuller
Katelin Windemuller
Joseph Beman
Karla Beman
Jeffrey Bebb
Linda Bebb
Connor Bebb
Kelley Bebb

Mark Miezio
Matthew Ticonni
Kyle Ticonni
Jeremy Jelinek
Mandy Jo Jelinek
Ellen Garvin

Douglas A Bonnell
Patricia Bonnell
Heather Bonnell
Douglas J Bonnell
Chris Comeaux
Steffanie Comeaux
Faye Comeaux
Abby Comeaux



Church Mouse Eekysqueeky's Bowling challenge hint!

Did Pastor Paul tell you he is bowling professionally on a league?!? Maybe a handicap should be established for the Bowling event on January 10. Maybe he should spot you 50 pins? eek! eek!

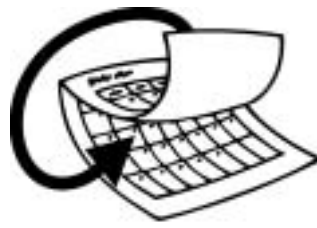


Youth Food Hunt stats

On November 8 the youth from Keswick United Methodist, Immanuel Lutheran of Suttons Bay, and Leland United Methodist Churches collected over 1,650 pounds of food for Leelanau Christian Neighbors. This certainly helped fill some shelves for the holidays! Thank you!

January 10th Youth Planning Committee

will meet to look at the spring schedule right after late service.



Clear your calenders for ILC Youth activities:

January 10th—Youth Bowling Challenge
Challenge? Challenge? Do I hear a challenge? Yes! On January 10 we will meet at about 12:00 pm Noon, after late service, to head out to Timber Lanes in Traverse City.

Pastor Paul has challenged all the youth and anyone else who comes, to beat any of his scores. If anyone is able to score more pins than Pastor Paul, then he has promised to pay for lunch at Pizza Hut for the entire group. Mrs. Nicki Hursey was able to score higher than the pastor last year in the second game. Can she do that again in 2010? We should be back at the church by no later than 4:00 pm. You will need to bring money for bowling and lunch—I doubt anyone will beat pastor's scores this year. Do I hear a challenge?

January 17th—Youth Winter Party—we will leave the church around 12:00 Noon for either the Gaudard's or the Anderson's home. After lunch we will meet at the sledding hills and enjoy the day in the out-of-doors. After some time in the cold and snow, we will return to the house for hot chocolate, and a snack. If we meet at the Anderson's home, then you are all invited to stay for supper and a movie.

February 6th—Youth Lock-in— Sleeping on pews, hiding behind furnaces, eating pizza in a library, and capturing flags in the snow. If these ideas catch your interest and imagination, then we know a place where you can experience these and so much more. Meet us at the church for an all-nighter on Saturday, February 6th. Bring your favorite board games or card games, bottles of your favorite soft-drink, a flashlight, bedding, and anything you might need to make yourself presentable in worship the following day. Oh, and don't forget your p.j.'s, along with a change of clothes, just in case yours get wet from the snow. We will enjoy pizza for dinner on Saturday night, and then play some games. I believe we will even have the ping pong table set up in the Fellowship Hall for an in-house tournament. Doubles, anyone? (I understand that Pastor Paul is quite good at that sport as well. Is there anyone who can match his game?) We will have some learning/worship time together to prepare for Sunday's worship in which the youth will be the leaders, a movie with popcorn in the evening, and then the famous **Hide-and-Seek** in a totally dark church. I wonder if there are some new places in which to hide. Will we be able to find Mrs. Cathy Herman this year? After a short night of sleep, we will awaken to the call of the wild to prepare pancakes and eggs in the kitchen, and for worship at the very early service. February 7th is also Souper Bowl Sunday, so a few of you will be holding the soup pot.

February 21st—2nd Youth Sledding Party—we will leave the church around 12:00 Noon for either the Gaudard's or the Anderson's home. After lunch we will meet at the sledding hills and enjoy the day in the out-of-doors. After some time in the cold and snow, we will return to the house for hot chocolate, and a snack. If we meet at the Anderson's home, then you are all invited to stay for supper and a movie.

Corn Maze Fun!

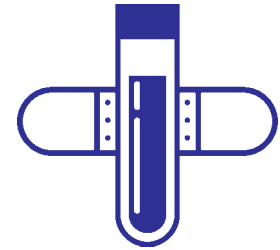
October 25 Youth Event at Jacob's Maze on M-72



Special Ministries news

Many thanks to everyone for the beautiful hats, scarves, and mittens for the Goodwill Inn. The people there were very happy to receive them when they were delivered on December 16. It was an appropriate day as the temperatures were frigid!

Also, thanks to Bob Anderson and Gene Gentges for picking up the Feeding America (Gleaner's) order on December 17. Our next pickup date is in June!



Blood Drive results

The November 2nd Blood Drive saw 13 donors which included one first time donor. Five were Immanuel members.

Every three seconds, *someone* needs blood. Every year, 4 million Americans would die without blood transfusions.

Thank you for participating in our drives and giving the gift of life!

This year's blood drive dates for Michigan Community Blood Centers to be held at Immanuel are:

February 22

June 14

August 16

November 29

All drives are held from 3:30-6:30pm

Congratulations to the Stacys!

Dominik and TJ have officially become part of the George and Michelle Stacy family by adoption! Immanuel is excited to know we'll be able to watch you grow and be a part of your lives!

Life Line Screening

coming March 16

Watch the bulletin for details.



Paul Feikert

member

Allan Crocker

choir member

Luther Stancow

member

Ellen Garvin

member

Red Johnson

member

Elvira Dubay

mom to member Ellen Garvin

Ethan LaFermme

friend to Deb Nash

Becky Hemmingsen

Bonnie Johnson

sister to member Carolyn Anderson

Dawn Johnson

daughter-in-law to Laura Johnson

Tom Ganger

brother to friend Lee Grant

Dave Ericksen

friend to member Michelle Glass

Shut ins

**Helen Bahle, Ruth Bernsen, Elvira
Dubay, Kathleen Johnston**

Condolences to

The family of Jim Stewart

father of member Barb Law

We will leave your loved ones names on the prayer list for approximately 4 weeks. If after that time you'd like to keep them on, please contact the office and update us on their status.

Will you be a volunteer?

Munson Hospice and Palliative Care is accepting applications for volunteers.

Volunteers are needed for respite care in the patient's home, extended care facility of adult foster care residence.

Volunteers may also choose to offer their services at Munson Hospice House in Traverse City for a four or eight hour shift between 7 am to 11 pm. Help is especially needed on weekends and evenings.

All volunteers are trained through an independent self-study course in addition to training class with other new volunteers. Volunteer applicants must be at least 18 years of age, available for an interview prior to training, and willing to make a time commitment of a minimum of 8 hours per month on a regular basis at Hospice House or four hours a week in the patient's home. Volunteer beauticians and massage therapists are also needed.

For more information please contact Judy Goodrich, at 231-935-8485.

Church Painting Extravaganza

Property Ministries

Wow! What a day the Property Ministries Committee has planned for the members of Immanuel. On **January 23rd** you are invited to help paint the church; the inside that is. After reviewing the "state of the church," the committee decided that time since construction has created the need to retouch the internal walls of the building—in other words, we need to paint "most" of the interior of our church.

Everyone will meet at 9:00 am in the Great Room to receive instructions. We will be painting the two entrances (east and west) and moving inward. Besides the entrances, we will need to remove the old wallpaper from the bathrooms, and paint the Great Room, the offices, the library, choir room, cry room, Fellowship Hall, and more. The job is quite large, quite necessary, and in need of a large number of volunteers.

The work also requires people who are willing to go through the building ahead of the painters, putting tape on the parts of the building we do not want to paint (molding, windows, etc.). As you can imagine, this is the kind of work that can be done by members of many ages, young and old alike.

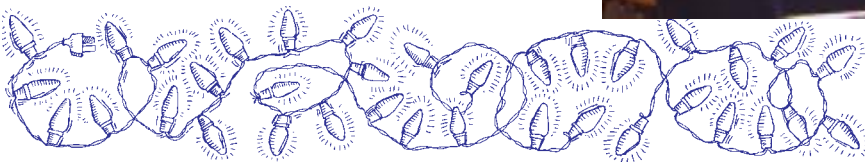
Feel like you are unable to paint? Climbing ladders a bit difficult? Well, we will need some people to prepare lunch for the rest of the work crew. You could plan on bringing soup, sandwiches, and drinks for the crew around 12:00 pm Noon. Children could help their parents or grandparents with this task.

A sign-up sheet will be put on the kiosk for everyone who would like to help, and suggested food items for your signature. February 20th has been set for an alternative date, or a second date to complete any work left undone.

Help save the church thousands of dollars by volunteering your time and family to work at the church. It will be a great time to build new friendships, or to reaffirm old ones. Your church needs your help and your time, January 23rd.

Daughters of Christ Christmas Crafts

'The girls' gathered for a night of crafts, good food, and fun on December 17 in the Fellowship Hall



**Thanks
A BUNCH!**

**Lauren's
Bible Study**

for the beautiful Thanksgiving display.

The Sanctuary Choir for all your talent through the past year.

You add so much to our services.

The Decorating Crew who helped put up the trees, garlands and other decorations for Advent and Christmas.

Larry Miller writing and directing the children's program and the adult playlet.

Sunday School teachers, our choir, and parents for your part in making the Children's Christmas Program a success.

Members of Lauren's Bible Study for your part in making the playlet, "On Guard" a success

Food donors for purchasing the items suggested in our Take Out Sunday Nov. 1.

Gene and Sue Gentes for assisting in picking up food from Feeding America on behalf of the Leelanau Christian Neighbors.

Adult Ministries committee for organizing the Daughters of Christ Christmas Craft event.

Don Gregory and Jim Foster for plowing the parking lot.



**Ash
Wednesday**

February 17

Service will be held at 7:30 pm

Sunday Flowers



January

- 3- open
- 10- open
- 17- open
- 24- open
- 31- open

February

- 7- open
- 14- open
- 21- open
- 28- open

Your donation of \$35 to Immanuel covers the arrangement's cost. If you'd rather order your own, please contact Liz Hartesvelt no later than the Wednesday before your Sunday. Please take your flowers and enjoy them after the 10 am service.

Now is the time to get your favorite dates! Sign up on the kiosk or call the office. 271-3671



Prayer Chain

To start the emergency prayer chain call
Liz Hartesvelt
or
Laura Johnson



January Birthdays

- 1-Holly Orban
- 2-Patti Coulston
- 3-Joyce Durdal
- 5-Chimera Smith
- 7-Andy Marin
- 8-Patricia Cross
- 11-Keven Cross
- 13-Joe Herman
- 13-Jeff Taber
- 14-Nancy Borsvold
- 14-Susan Herman
- 18-Mary Kuhlman
- 19-Lynn Pluhar
- 22-Jim Harrelson
- 25-Ken Nash II
- 26-Melissa Walton
- 28-Tom Butler
- 29-Erik Arvo
- 30-Julie Krist

Anniversaries

None on file.

February Birthdays

- 3-Kaitlin Gaudard
- 4-Gail O'Connor
- 6-Harold Hegenauer
- 6-Kevin O'Hara
- 6-Sandy Spinniken
- 7-Laura Hursey
- 9-Linda Ackley-Eaker
- 9-Wyatt Jelinek
- 10-Al Aikin
- 16-Ray Kellogg
- 18-Evelyn Brandt
- 19-Don Borsvold
- 21-Lorelei Nash
- 24-Debra Nash
- 25-Jerry Brandt
- 27-Julius Nelson

Anniversaries

- 14-Vern and Doris Mayhew
- 16-Chris and April Branson



In Memory of

Mary Aler Smith

The Memorial Fund

- Mary Shea
- Mr. Mrs. Daniel Law
- Mr. Mrs. Chris Wheat
- Mr. Mrs. Gene Gentges

The Leelanau Baby Pantry

- Ms. Laura Renz
- Mr. James Kemper

Lutheran Social Services of MI
Mr. Mrs. Jerry Bergman

2010 Annual Meeting—Ballot

The Nominating Committee had an easy task this year. Only three members needed to be found to fill the positions for President, Vice President, and Youth Council Member. The following names will be presented on the ballot for your approval on January 31st—Jerry Brandt, President; Todd Hursey, Vice President; and Deb Windemuller, Youth Council Member. The officer positions are for two years, and the council position is for three years. Be sure that you thank them for accepting to serve in the administration and ministry of your congregation.

Special thanks to Ken Nash for serving as our president over the last four years. We appreciate his dedication, his attention to detail, and his willingness to serve. Thanks, Ken, for all you gave to us! The positions of Vice President and Youth have been vacant the last year.

2009 reports due

Council should turn in their year end reports for inclusion in the Annual Report to the office by January 10. You can turn in a hard copy but better yet, email a digital copy to the office if possible.

Reports due are: Adult and Family, Children's, Outreach, Property, Special, Stewardship, Worship, and Youth Ministries, President's, Pastor's, Financial Secretary's, Secretary Meeting Minutes from 2008 annual meeting, and Treasurer's reports. If you need help, please contact Jennifer in the office.

Save those inkjet cartridges!

Empties4Cash will give the church \$ for each cartridge. Any cartridge with a printhead can be recycled, regardless of brand or type. Do you have an HP, Lexmark, Xerox, Compaq, Samsung, Kodak, Canon or Apple printer? Bring in your empty cartridges (use a Ziploc bag to avoid ink spills) to the office. Maybe we can get a folding machine (\$800)? Currently we have \$361 from cartridges.

Hymns for Everyone!

The Dentist's Hymn:	Crown Him with Many Crowns
The Weatherman's Hymn:	There Shall be Showers of Blessings
The Contractor's Hymn:	The Church's One Foundation
The Tailor's Hymn:	Holy, Holy, Holy
The Golfer's Hymn:	There is a Green Hill Far Away
The Politician's Hymn:	Standing on the Promises
The Optometrist's Hymn:	Open My Eyes That I Might See
The IRS Agent's Hymn:	I Surrender All
The Gossip's Hymn:	Pass It On
The Electrician's Hymn:	Send the Light
The Shopper's Hymn:	In The Sweet By and By
The Realtor's Hymn:	I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the Hilltop
The Doctor's Hymn:	The Great Physician

submitted by Vel Whittaker



Immanuel
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CHURCH COUNCIL 2008 Executive Board:

President
Ken Nash.

Vice President
open

Secretary
Keven Cross

Treasurer
Mark Miezio

Financial Secretary
Liz Hartesvelt.

Ministry Committees:

Children's Ministry:
Mya Sagan

Youth Ministries:
open

Special Ministries:
Debby Nash

Stewardship:
open

Outreach Ministries:
Myron Anderson.

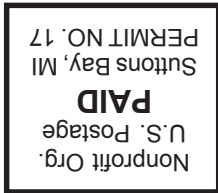
Worship Ministries:
Laura Clausen

Adult & Family Ministries:
Ann Gregory

Property Ministries:
Leo Smith.

2010 Envelopes now available

Please pick your envelopes up from the Great Room.. If you don't see a box for you, but would like to receive envelopes, please contact the office. You don't have to be a member to receive envelopes!



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 P.O. Box 206, Suttons Bay, MI 49682
Immanuel Lutheran Church



Immanuel's Staff
 Rev. Paul E. Kuhlman, pastor
 Mrs. Jennifer E. VerSnyder, secretary
 Mr. David R. Schmidt, pianist/organist

*We are a living, growing family
 serving God by sharing the word of
 Jesus Christ with each other, our
 community and the world.*

Calendar at a glance

- Jan. 10 Youth Bowling/Planning, noon - 4 pm
- Jan. 12 Ecumenical VBS Planning, Immanuel 6:30 pm
- Jan. 14 Baby Pantry Committee organizational mtg, 1 pm
- Jan. 17 Youth Sledding, noon - ?
- Jan. 21 Council Meeting, 7 pm
- Jan. 23 Church Painting Project, 9 am - 3 pm
- Jan. 31 Unity Sunday/New Member Recognition Coffee
- Jan. 31 Congregational Potluck/Annual Meeting after services

- Feb. 6 Youth Lock-in
- Feb. 7 Souper Bowl Sunday benefiting area non-profits
- Feb. 7 Property Ministries mtg. , 11:30 am library
- Feb. 9 Ecumenical VBS Planning, Immanuel 6:30 pm
- Feb. 14 Valentine's Day
- Feb. 15 President's Day
- Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday Service, 6:30 pm
- Feb. 18 Council meeting
- Feb. 20 Church Painting Project Backup date
- Feb. 21 Youth Sledding, noon - ?
- Feb. 22 Blood Drive, 3:30 - 6:30 pm