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Alleluia! He lives.



VBS June 11-14, 6:00-8:00PM

Be part of Splash Canyon VBS! Life is full of thrills and spills! We don't know what's around the bend, but **God does!** At Splash Canyon VBS, God's children of all ages learn the good news is God is with us and keeps His promises to us on life's wild ride! As staff members for Splash Canyon VBS, you have fun and share the Splash Canyon message with the kids! If you can help full or part time, we have many ways to be involved to suit your schedule and interests. Contact Kathy or Pastor Burdick with questions and with offers of help.

CONGREGATION SUPPORT

We appreciate and need your prayers for Splash Canyon, our Vacation Bible School being held on June 11-14, 2018 Ask God to bring children to our program so they can know and grow in Jesus, our Savior! Ask God to provide leaders and helpers for this important mission.

Voters Meeting -- Our Quarterly Voters Meeting on April 15 was just below the number of participants to constitute a quorum. Therefore we will hold a brief Voters Assembly at the conclusion of the 8:30am Service today in order to ratify the decision to nominate current District President Rev. Mark Miller for another term as CID President. Thank you.

Central Illinois District Scholarship Sunday is today! Gifts will be used to support our CID students who are attending an LCMS seminary or university to become a pastor, teacher or other full-time church worker. Please plan to make a generous gift now or on May 6th. Gifts may be designated "CID Scholarship Fund" to be used for the 2018-2019 school year or be designated "CID Endowment Fund" to provide gifts every year for this ongoing need. Checks may be sent to the Central Illinois District LC-MS, 1850 N. Grand Avenue West, Springfield, IL 62702-1626. If you are considering a major gift, or would like to include scholarships for CID seminarians or church worker students in your estate planning or through a life insurance policy, please contact CID Planned Gift Counselor, Rev. Charles Olander, at (217) 416-8842 or colander@cidlcms.org for assistance. **Thank you.**



In our 11:00am Service today we install the new leaders of Lutheran Student Fellowship into office. Emma Kovachevich, President for 2018-19, is going old school in the photo to the right. She's wearing the Gamma Delta sweatshirt that Pastor Cumming purchased in the early 70s. He recently donated it to our archives here. *Gamma Delta* was the forerunner to LSF and LCMS-U for campus ministry in our Synod. From The Lutheran Cyclopedia:

Gamma Delta, International Association of Lutheran Students, was founded in 1934 in Chicago, Illinois, by Walter A Maier. The Greek letters *gamma* and *delta* here stand for *gnosis* ("knowledge") and *diakonia* ("service") and reflect the origin of the association which succeeded the Student District of the Walther League (with its program of Christian knowledge and service, founded in 1928); Aims: "to foster thorough study of the Bible; to disseminate the Scriptural philosophy of life; to train Lutheran students for Christian service to God and their fellowmen; to maintain and increase Lutheran consciousness on the campus; to maintain and increase local and intercampus fellowship among students of our faith."



Years ago, the dear people who are giving "Senior Reflections" stepped onto our campus and into our congregation and we barely knew them. Now we say "go with God" with love and appreciation for them. We are brothers and sisters in Christ. We're brothers and sisters in Christ with people who were part of Gamma Delta in the 60s, and with some of the students who will arrive here as freshmen this August. And we're here to witness to precious people who don't yet know God as Lord, so that they can become brothers and sisters in Christ. God is the giver of knowledge and service. We're so privileged to be here and now! We have what our campus, community, and county need: the grace and truth of God.

Adios, students! Have a blessed summer. Dear members of Immanuel: thank you for being ambassadors of Christ here and to the ends of the District, Synod, and world.

Pastor Mike Engdick

Students: Over Christmas Break (approx Jan 2-6) we'll be travelling to Ft. Wayne, Indiana for the National LCMS Campus Ministry Conference called "WITNESS."

Our local "Witness" Workshop will be **Saturday, September 8, 2018 FOR ALL.** Want to sharpen your knowledge and skills in speaking of the hope that's in you? We'll first sharpen our listening skills. Put this September 8 workshop on your calendar. It will be a great day of WITNESS.



Our Finals Week "Brinner" will be Tuesday, May 8, 6:00-6:30pm in the Student Center basement. Breakfast for dinner seems to be a good idea all the time ... but especially in Finals week. Students: RSVP via the Facebook event. We'll have eggs, pancakes, "Pecos Bill", fruit, french toast, sausage. Friends welcome -- we'd just need an estimate of attendees. MEMBERS: if you would be able and willing to come help with cooking the Brinner, please tell Pastor. We already have a couple of volunteers and more are needed. Thanks.

Please join us at Trinity Academy on Thursday, May 10 at 6:30 p.m. for our Spring Program featuring students in grades K-7 performing patriotic songs, poetry, and historic recitations. Our newly formed band will also make a brief debut. Student artwork and projects will also be exhibited. An ice cream social will follow the event. Feel free to contact the school office at office@trinityeagles.org with questions.



**TRINITY
ACADEMY**
CLASSICAL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Trinity Academy, a growing Christian school in west central Illinois, seeks an experienced educator and leader to fill an Administrative opening. Candidates should demonstrate classical upper level (logic and/or rhetoric) experience and be a gifted leader. This position will involve classroom teaching (course options include, humanities, Latin, logic, science, or math), training staff, developing and planning courses, and sharing leadership with our Grammar School Administrator. Currently enrolling K-8 and adding a grade per year, we've seen consistent 50%+ increased enrollment each of our four years. This position may be part-time or full-time, eventually leading to full-time, with salary commensurate on experience. A full job description is currently being developed. Please submit resume and cover letter to directors@trinityeagles.org. ***** Trinity Academy is also seeking applications for teachers to fill both grammar and logic school instructional positions. Please visit <http://trinityeagles.org/employment-teacher/> for a full listing of open positions and to acquire an application. Contact administrator@trinityeagles.org with questions or contact the school office at 309-731-4016.

THE LORD WILLING, THIS WEEK THROUGH IMMANUEL ... IN THE NAME OF JESUS

Sunday, May 6

Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM) 7:30 AM
Worship Service (C) 8:30 AM
Bible Class (C) 9:45 AM
Worship Service (SC) 11:00 AM
Vespers (Wesley V.) 6:30 PM

Tuesday, May 8

Finals Brinner (SC) 6:00 PM

Wednesday, May 9

Quilter's Guild (C) 9 AM - 3 PM

Thursday, May 10

Ascension Service (C) 7:00 PM

Friday, May 11

Preschool Chapel 10:45 AM

Saturday, May 12

Grad Luncheon 11:00 AM

Sunday, May 13

Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM) 7:30 AM
Worship Service (C) 8:30 AM
Bible Class (C) 9:45 AM
Worship Service (SC) 11:00 AM
Nott Piano Recital (C) 2:00 PM

SC=Student Center (303 N Clay) C=Church (906 E Grant)

Those serving on May 13: Greeter – Lynn & Mary Wolfmeyer; Counters – Lynn & Mary Wolfmeyer; Altar Guild – Jenny Bosworth & Carrie Pedigo; Altar Flowers – Terry & Linda Standard



THE LUTHERAN HOUR: 7:30am Sundays on WGNX 96.7 FM ... sponsored by Immanuel!

May 13 **"Keep Them"** Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus
There are times Christians might readily wish the Lord would airlift them out of this world. Because we have some work to do, the Lord Jesus prays we be kept safe. So, how's that working for you? (John 17:14-17)

May 20 **"Functional Atheist No More!"** Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer

Christians like to think of themselves as following the first disciples. That's uncomfortably true. The first disciples had trouble believing the promises of Jesus for their daily lives. Too often we do too. On Pentecost the Spirit of the risen Lord Jesus gave the first disciples faith like they had never had before. Today the same Spirit is ready to do the same for us. (Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27)

"Baby Bottles for Birthright" Birthright of Macomb is again holding a fundraiser where baby bottles will be distributed at the back of the church on **Mother's Day, May 13**. Fill the bottles with your pocket change over the next 5 weeks and return the bottles to the church on **Father's Day, June 17**. Birthright is an all-volunteer, nonprofit agency that has helped hundreds of expectant mothers and their newborns for over 40 years. All services are given with a caring attitude and are free. Birthright's mission is to support the lives of both the mother and the baby. Birthright receives no outside funding and is 100% supported by donations. Your loose change can make a big difference in the lives of little babies and their moms. Begin filling a bottle next Sunday!



These are some of the kids who enjoyed our Vacation Bible School last summer, "A Mighty Fortress!" It was a great week!

Now we're just six weeks away from "Splash Canyon VBS." Please, dear members, don't hesitate to volunteer to help. Some years we have struggled to get the necessary volunteers. Let's fill the ranks early. Let's keep the joy in the planning and the doing of VBS.

Volunteer early. Our materials make excellent teaching, crafts, snacks, games, songs, and fellowship much easier than if you went on your own. You won't be alone! So, pray. How will God use you for the kids? He can use you mightily!

