

Bulletin Board

July 9, 2023

WELCOME! We praise God for giving us the ability to worship in fellowship today! Please remember that if you wish to social distance there is room, if you want or need to wear a mask we will support you. Please sign the registration books that are in the pews, please pass them to the next person. If you are worshipping from home and watching on Facebook please leave a comment (even if it is just Hi), it would be appreciated.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME Join us in the Hillmer Center this week at 10:15 a.m. We are studying Galatians in the adult class today that follows fellowship time.

BRINGING HOLY COMMUNION TO YOU If you would prefer to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew on the weeks it is served – **please** let the elder/ushers know prior to the service. We would not want to miss you!

BOARD MEETINGS The Board Meetings are tomorrow evening at 7 pm.

GRACE GREETINGS DEADLINE It's time once again to get articles ready for the next edition of the Grace Greetings! For anyone wanting to submit an article or an announcement to be included in the August Grace Greetings, please make sure to have it to the office by July 15. You can submit your articles by email to officeadmin@gracewaterloo.org or leave a hard copy in the office.

CAMP IO-DIS-E-CA is having their annual festival on Saturday July 22 this year. They are honoring the camps 60th anniversary by using the popsicle boards that have been made every year. They will once again have the auction at 1 pm, so if you have any items you would like to donate please have them at camp by 11 am on that day. There will also be a 1 mile race for adults and kids to participate in.

INVITATION TO CELEBRATE Immanuel Lutheran Church of Klinger in Readlyn is Celebrating their 150th anniversary on Sunday August 6th. There will be a service at 10 am, a meal at 12 pm (please RSVP no later than July 9th). From 12-2 pm there will be classrooms open to walk through to see the different changes. More information is in the Grace Greetings.

CPR TRAINING The Fire Department is offering to train church members in CPR. There have been a lot of changes in the last few years on how to do CPR. Please contact the office or Kevin McCrindle if you have any questions or are interested in the class.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH will be hosting GriefShare starting August 28, 2023. GriefShare is a 13-week, Christ-centered program for those on grief journeys- dealing with deaths of family members or friends. Your loss may have been recent or it may have been years ago. Many have attended our groups and have found how helpful it has been for them to be with others who are also hurting. A new session will begin on Monday, August 28 through November 19, from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. For more information contact Lois Bonefas at lbonefas@gmail.com or Deb Panther at tdstaack@gmail.com Register: GriefShare.org/findagroup

CRUSADER CLASSIC Valley Lutheran Crusader Classic Golf Tournament is Friday September 15th at Waverly Golf Course. This is a Foursome Scramble Fundraiser, you can make your own team of 4 people or you can register as one person and they will get you on a team. The cost is \$65 per person or \$260 as a team. There are sponsorship levels available. Please contact the school with any questions 319-266-4565 or email Chaplain Kevin: chaplain,kevin@vlscrusaders.org

A LIFE QUOTE "Announcing a pregnancy, feeling a fetus kick, cradling a newborn, attending a Baptism, what happens and what we experience defy description. Grieving and believing over a terminal diagnosis, listening to an aged neighbor's wisdom and reminiscences, holding a loved one's hand at a hospital bedside, singing hymns and reciting Scriptures as a relative enters eternity, the encounter exceeds even the beauty and power of words." *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*
Word of Hope can help. word-of-hope.org; 888.217.8679.



BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: Did You Know Maybe you are experiencing some of the greatest joys of your life right now, or perhaps you feel you are in the lowest of valleys. God knows what you're experiencing. In fact, He has known of your highs and lows all along. Look back on the greatest times in your life as well as the most difficult. God was there. He promises to always be with you, and He keeps His promises. Your circumstances will change, as will your emotional responses. But the one constant in your life? His faithfulness. "I will never leave you nor forsake you." *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."* Hebrews 13:5,8 Lutheran **Family Service** www.LutheranFamilyService.org (515.573.3138 and LFSiowa.org)

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE - This week the verse is:

Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

CATECHESIS – This week, for those using the Catechism Study Guide you should be on the following page number according to what year you are doing.

Year 1 is page 39;

Year 2 is page 98;

Year 3 is page 157;

GRACE FOOD PANTRY



Anyone wishing to donate to the Grace Food Pantry, these are the top items needed:

Cold Cereal, soups, hamburger / tuna helper, 32 oz juices, spaghetti sauce, crackers, soda crackers, rice, pastas, mac n cheese, canned meat, Peanut Butter, canned fruit, tooth paste Shampoo/Conditioner, Body wash, dish soap, cleaning liquids, laundry soap, razors, deodorant and lotions.

We can always use money too. The committee would like to thank all those who have given generously to the Grace Food Pantry!

Anyone needing assistance with the Grace Food Pantry please contact the church office Anyone interested in helping with the food pantry please contact the office or people listed.



VALLEY LUTHERAN

The office hours for are
Monday – Thursday
9 am - noon

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY If you were unable to have your picture taken for the directory and would like one there are some extras in the office. The cost is \$15 and you can see the beautiful job that the PR Board did with these.

Youth News

We are planning on a trip to the Lost Island theme park on Saturday July 15 at 10:30 am. If you get your tickets online the day before it is \$48, at the gate is \$52. Let me know if you are

by marking the memo line on your check for the Properties Repair Loan and leaving your donation in the offering plate or office. All donations to the cause will be directly applied to the loan. Thank you for your generous heart.

Luke 5:5 – “And Simon answered, ‘Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.’” All our toil, all our work, all our efforts mean nothing without the Lord’s guidance. But if we walk in the Word of Jesus ... well, look what happened to Simon Peter! The Lord gives grace, and He promises to bless our efforts and bring forth further blessings that we never expected.

The Schedule this Week:

The following events have been planned for this week.

TODAY:	
9:00 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Commun. <i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship <i>Hillmer Center</i>
10:30 a.m.	Bible Class <i>Hillmer Center</i>
MONDAY:	
6:00 p.m.	Exercise <i>Library</i>
7:00 p.m.	Board meeting <i>Hillmer Center</i>
WEDNESDAY:	
8:30 a.m.	Sewing Circle <i>Rm 17</i>
THURSDAY:	
6:00 p.m.	Exercise <i>Library</i>
SATURDAY:	
10:30 a.m.	Youth Event <i>@ Lost Island Theme Park</i>
NEXT SUNDAY:	
9:00 a.m.	Worship <i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship <i>Hillmer Center</i>
10:30 a.m.	Bible Class <i>Hillmer Center</i>

CHURCH MUSICIAN WORKSHOP is Saturday September 30 from 9 am – 3 pm at College Hill Lutheran Church. Register by September 20th at 31-266-1274, please check the bulletin board for more information.

ONLINE GIVING We now have the option of online giving available on our website: www.gracewaterloo.org this is different than the Simply Giving. You can set this up on a secure site and give when you want using a credit card or your bank account. You can now use your phone to give. There is an app to download for the security.

A REMINDER: Members wishing to contribute to the recent loan for roofing and air conditioning may do so