

Coloring Contest

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Summer

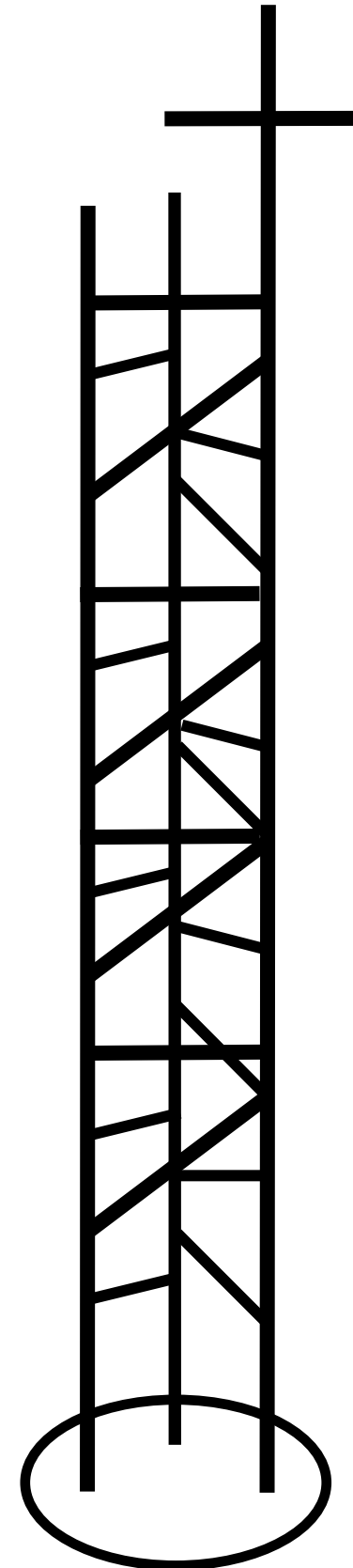
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I heard about a preacher who was talking with a man, and he asked him, "Do you know the Bible?" The man said, "Yes, sir." He said, "What part of the Bible do you know the best?" The man said, "The New Testament."

The preacher went on to ask him what part of the New Testament he knew the best. The man said, "Well, I suppose I know the story of the Good Samaritan best of all." The preacher said, "Tell me that story."

The man said, "Well, as best as I can recall, there was a good Samaritan traveling down the road from Jerusalem to Jericho and he fell among the thorns, and they sprang up and choked him and left him half dead."

"But a man came by feeding his swine and he said to the man, 'I will arise and go to my father.' So, he took up his bed and walked. But while the soldiers were chasing him through the forest, he got the hair of his head caught up in the trees and he hung there 40 days and 40 nights, and the ravens fed him."

"Just then, Delilah came along with a big pair of shears, and she cut off his hair and he fell on stony ground. But the good master of the house resurrected the man and he journeyed on his way."

"All of a sudden, he came to the wall of Jericho and there's Jezebel sitting on the wall and she mocked him. And he said, 'Chunk her down to the dogs.' And they chunked her down 70 times 7, and great was the fall thereof, and of the fragments that remained they picked up twelve baskets full, and whose wife shall she be in the resurrection?"

I would hope that no one's Bible knowledge here is quite as bad as that, but I think it's safe to say that few of us know the Bible as well as we should.

Contrary to popular opinion, when it comes to spiritual matters, ignorance is not bliss. In Proverbs 19:2, Solomon said, "It is not good for a soul to be without knowledge."

God has always stressed the fact that his people need to know his word.

In the days of Hosea, God said,
"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I will also reject you from being priest for me; because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children." (Hosea 4:6).

What was the problem? It wasn't that they didn't have access to God's Word. They just simply didn't care enough about it to listen to it. Does it scare you just a bit to realize that God could possibly say the same thing about us - "my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge"? It truly seems most every home in our nation has one or more Bibles, but our citizens are biblically illiterate. We need to be known as a people of the WORD, a people who study and know and love the Bible.

Pastor King



Immanuel Lutheran School

Summer Time Fun!



This is what we are calling our summer latchkey program this year. We are blessed to have 5 full-time and 5 part-time students in the program. Miss Hannah Kranz with support from Mrs. King will be running the program filled with academic activities and projects that are based on themes. The group will venture around Gaylord for different things as well as spend a few afternoons at the pool. We pray that God will bless our program with fun times for the kids while their parents are working this summer.

Summer is a fun time for us all, young and old. Many of us find things to do in the summer that are different from our school year routine. Whether we find time to go to ball games, the pool, vacation, hammock with a book, or celebrate fun days like National Corn on the Cob Day or Yo-yo Day; summer is fun. We are noticing that many of our students are ready for the break that summer brings. So with that in mind we don't have a lot planned for summer around the school. We hope that everyone has a good summer and will be ready for returning to school in August. Blessings to each of you this summer. Mrs. King

June 14th @ 4 pm - ILS will host the Library's Kick off to Summer Reading Event in the gym.

July 3-7 - ILS Closed for cleaning.

July 19 - Immanuel will host meal for Music Under the Oaks concert "The String Showdown"

End of July start watching for information regarding the Gerten's Mum sale dates

August 29 - First Day of School

God's Blessings on your Summer!

Mrs. King

Immanuel Lutheran Sunday School

We'll that's a wrap!

In May we reviewed all of the topics the kids enjoyed or what they had questions on. We ended with Mother's Day and Father's Day... the importance of honoring Your father and mother, and respecting all people. God put them here to help you, love you, build you up.

We had a wonderful end of year picnic! We were so happy to see more church families! The kids sang, Jesus loves me & the teachers spoke on the year & what the kids covered. We also gave out attendance awards.

PreK Henry Husfeldt 27

K-2 Olivia Otto 29

3-4 Ashlyn Uecker 28

5-8 Caleb Zellman 28

Each teacher also expressed the joy the kids bring & how much they enjoy watching them learn and grow. We all look forward to Sundays to hear of the weeks events and what's new with them. Tyler and I again thank you all for your continued support & your commitment to get in your child to church and Sunday school. We had fabulous attendance:

42 highest

26 lowest

31 was the average

We cannot thank our staff enough. We couldn't do this without them. Each one of them brings very special talents to the table! We are so very lucky to have each of them returning next year. I also need to thank Ardis Hahn for all she does for me in the office... keeping track of attendance, offerings, organizing the Lenten meal, & working with kids one on one... She is my go to gal!!!

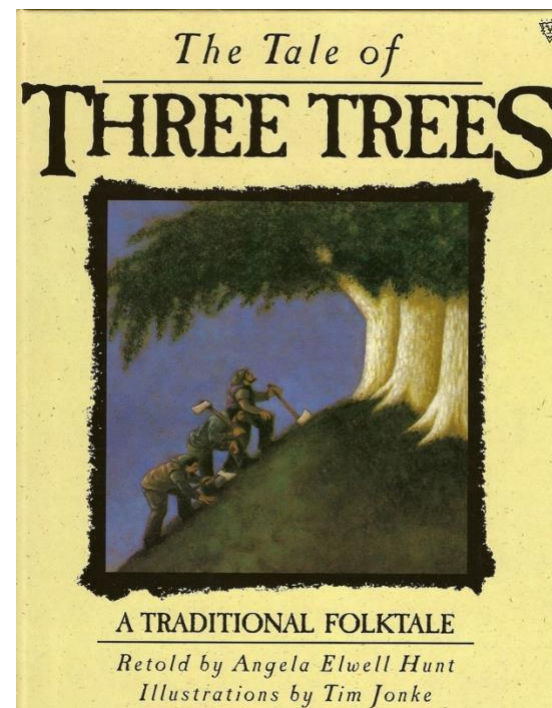
Also a round of applause for our student musicians who played piano for us this year... Kennedy Hahn, Caleb Zellmann, and Autumn Kranz. Thank you for sharing your talent and braving your fears, you did a fabulous job!!!

Blessings to you all...we wish you the very the best summer, and we look forward to seeing you all again in the fall!

Tyler & Julie, Directors

Immanuel Lutheran Church VBS

June 12– June 15



6:00 PM – 8:15 PM
312 5th Street, Gaylord

Ages 3-10 Year Olds
(Must be potty trained)

Youth Group

Just like that...another school year is coming to a close! We held our final Bible Study this month for the year, as well as hosted Donut Fellowship and did some yard work for a member of our congregation. We are so thankful we have youth who are willing to share their time! We are excited for some of our youth who will be sharing their talents during VBS in June...if any other youth are interested in joining, them, please let us know!

Congratulations to each of our youth who are high school seniors! God's Blessings to Andrew, Grace, Lydia, Mara, Ashlee, and Mason!

"Be Strong and Courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

The Lutheran Hour May 2023

June 4 "It's All Good--Even When It's Not" with Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. John Nunes. The key to growing closer to others is by growing closer to God. (Genesis 1)

June 11 "Strength Out of Weakness" with Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The human 'heroes' of the Bible are normal people, deeply flawed and dearly loved by the God Who made them. (Judges 6:14-16)

June 18 "Just Around the Corner" with Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Dr. Zeigler discovers a place where God's love is being poured, just around the corner. (Romans 5:1-11)

June 25 "Tears, Fires, and a Song" with Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy. Despite their tears, prophetic Christians are on fire with the Word of God and always have a song to sing. We embody both the deep sadness and the unrelenting commitment of the God we serve, and we never lack a reason for praise. (Jeremiah 20:78-13)