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From the editors: Due to a lack of news we have combined the July and August issues. We have also included in this edition of the Messenger the Alumni Newsletter which was mailed in June to the Immanuel Lutheran School alumni.

Rev. Kevin A. Karner  
Pastor

### OUR MISSION

The people of Immanuel Lutheran Church are living proof of the grace of God through salvation in Jesus Christ. Empowered by Christ, our mission is to reach out in love to those who have not yet responded to the Gospel that all may be united in Christ.



### School Mission

The Mission of Immanuel Lutheran School is to provide a loving atmosphere of academic excellence for children while developing in them and their families a lasting relationship with Jesus Christ.

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Immanuel Lutheran School — Class of 2015 graduates


  
*Immanuel Lutheran School is pleased to announce*  
**Fourth Quarter Honor Roll**  
**Congratulations!**

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| <b><u>High Honors</u></b>   | <b><u>Honors</u></b>      |
| <b>Caleb Beaudoin (8)</b>   | <b>Morgan Bielert (8)</b> |
| <b>Morgan Moliengo (8)</b>  | <b>Myah Croze (8)</b>     |
| <b>Jared Krueger (7)</b>    | <b>Erika Santilli (8)</b> |
| <b>Lorrin Jackson (7)</b>   | <b>Mia Santilli (7)</b>   |
| <b>Melanie Moliengo (6)</b> | <b>Paris Machado (7)</b>  |
|                             | <b>Kacie Therrien (6)</b> |
|                             | <b>Morgan Hebert (6)</b>  |



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Newsletter Editors

### Summer Worship Schedule

**SUNDAY  
DIVINE SERVICE  
9:00 A.M.**

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY  
10:30 A.M.**



**WHEELCHAIR  
ACCESSIBLE**

Worship Services are broadcast each Sunday on

**WXCT RADIO  
990 AM  
1:00 P.M.**



## From the Pastor's Desk

### “One Nation under God”

*And the people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the Lord ... And they abandoned the Lord, the God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt. They went after other gods, and bowed down to them. And they provoked the Lord to anger. They abandoned the Lord ... So the anger of the Lord was kindled against Israel, and He gave them over to plunderers, who plundered them ....*  
*Judges 2:11a, 12, 13a, 14a*

Somebody at NBC made a decision. Showing children reciting the “Pledge of Allegiance,” a decision was made to remove the words “under God” from the patriotic video that was shown during its coverage of the U.S. Open golf tournament on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Viewers went ballistic. Before the program was over, NBC offered an apology. It said the edit was not done “to upset anyone.” Then the network added, “We’d like to apologize to those of you who were offended by it.”

As we celebrate America’s birthday this month, I want to go on record as saying that was a lousy apology.

- It was lousy because it didn’t say why ANYBODY at NBC felt they had a right to edit ANY part of the Pledge. Congress – having both the right and authority – hasn’t made any modifications since 1954.

- It was a lousy apology because it didn’t explain why the words “UNDER GOD” seemed to be fair game for the editor.

- It was a lousy apology because there was no admission of error. NBC didn’t say: “We were wrong and we’re sorry.” Instead of a confession, NBC said, “We’re sorry YOU got upset.” There is a difference.

In contrast to NBC’s editorial declaration of independence from the Lord, it’s time for Christians to come together in confession.

And what shall we confess? We need to confess that it’s the Lord who has brought us and this nation to this point in time. It’s time for us to confess that far too often we have wrongly taken the credit for our nation’s bounty and successes. It’s time for us to confess that the Lord has blessed America for a purpose – and that purpose is to serve Him.

We dare not follow the route that an editor at NBC suggested; we shouldn’t walk in the footsteps of the Children of Israel who, as the passage above reminds us, “did what was evil ... and abandoned the Lord.” Scripture records God’s punishment of their disobedience, and history shows what happens to other nations that forget God’s bountiful hand.

Which is why, on Independence Day, let us give thanks the Lord has, by His bounty, given us earthly freedom and through His risen Son’s blood freed us from the tyranny of sin, death and the devil.

PRAYER: Dear Lord, we can’t say exactly why You have and continue to bless our nation. We do know that we have often failed to acknowledge Your manifold temporal gifts. For these shortcomings we ask Your forgiveness. Now we pray that our country and our citizenry may acknowledge You from whom all blessings flow. In the Name of our greatest Blessing, the Savior, Jesus, we pray it. Amen.

Pastor Karner  
*1 Thess. 5:23-24*

*May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it. — 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24*

## Young at Heart

Our "over age 50" group, does not hold any summer lunches during July and August. Hope you were one of the 57 people who enjoyed our June Picnic Lunch, learned from our speaker from American Senior Benefits, and did a puzzle sheet on June 4. Our next lunch is on Thursday, September 3, when we hold our annual September Planned Potluck and play your childhood version of Bingo and give out many donated prizes. Everyone should try to bring Potluck food to share. If your last name begins with A thru G — bring a Hot Dish, H thru M — bring Dessert, and N thru Z — bring a Cold Dish.

Our first daytrip in on Thursday, July 9 to wonderful Wickham Park in Manchester; rain date July 10. It's one of the jewels of our state and a photographer's dream, so bring your camera as we visit the fabulous Sensory Gardens, one of only four in the country. You will see acres of gardens — Scottish, Chinese, English — plus an Aviary-like zoo with peacocks. We have many drivers available so just leave your car in the church lot at 10am. and join us. We will have affordable lunch at the adjacent Marco Polo Restaurant, plus a possible afternoon trip to the Christmas Tree Shop. No reason to signup ahead of

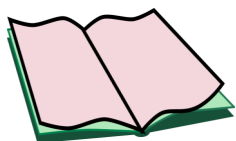
time, just meet at church at 10 am on July 9; hoping for a perfect weather day !

On Thursday, August 27, about 20 of us will go on the Bristol Senior Center's "Thimble Island Cruise" on Bus B which leaves from Stafford Ave. at 9:30 and returns around 6 pm. We will have lunch at Bradford's Chowder Pot III and also enjoy shopping at Westbrook Outlets. Everyone has paid \$79, but if you need to cancel , please call Carol 860-582-9608 who will have a waiting list.

We need YOU to help plan another daytrip for our group for the summer; we will help promote a trip you have in your mind. Volunteers are always needed and appreciated; contact Joyce or Carol 860-582-9608 for help in developing your plan for us.

We hope that you will greet one another at our 9 am Sunday services and read the announcements in the bulletin to see any new activities we may plan. The glass-enclosed bulletin board near the library also shows our activities. Ideas for trips sponsored by Senior Centers are shown on the TRIP bulletin board by the gym. The Monday card players meet at 1 pm in the Parish Center.

The best idea for a summertime activity is to visit some of our many homebound members who are waiting to welcome you and have a pleasant visit.



## CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY

*Be a part of a photographic directory of our Immanuel congregation!*

Sign up for the Photo Directory on Sunday, July 12 and Sunday, July 19. Members of the Board of Parish Ministries will assist you in scheduling your appointment. Photo dates are August 11 & 12 and September 8 & 9. Lifetouch photographers will collect photos of all our families. Participants will receive a free 8x10 photo and a free directory. There are also photo packages available and discounts for seniors and those in the military, police and fire services.

*He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" — Luke 24:25-26*

## PhD student Christine Wegner wins Best Student Abstract Award

More than three-quarters of black women aged 12 to 74 are considered clinically obese.

For Christine Wegner, a Fox School of Business PhD student and a research assistant in the School of Tourism and Hospitality Management, that statistic was a key component in her award-winning research that investigated how social stigmas keep black women from participating in physical activity.



Wegner received the Best Student Abstract Award at the National Recreation and Park Association's Leisure Research Symposium, held Oct. 14-16 in Charlotte, N.C. The competition selected the best student research in the leisure industry, as it related to current cultures.

Wegner's work with Black Girls Run! (BGR!), a national organization that uses running to promote physical fitness and health among black women, while combatting stereotypes surrounding the activity, spurred her research. She reacted to how few black women engage in running because of social stigmas surrounding the sport, which she concluded have contributed to illness and increased body weight among black women.

Wegner reached out to 63,013 black women through BGR! Their responses identified confidence, skill, health, time, preference and hair management as six key areas when breaking down the barriers between black women and their athleticism.

Wegner, whose PhD studies include a concentration in Tourism and Sport Management, concluded that participating in BGR! changed the mindset surrounding running in the black female culture to increase the number of women who now identify as black, female and runners. Their increased physical activity has helped reduce the risks of Type 2 Diabetes and other obesity-related illnesses among black women, and has provided a sense of empowerment. — *Lora Strum*

*Submitted to the Messenger by Doris Wegner*

### A NOTE FROM OUR PARISH NURSE:



Still looking for anyone

who would like to brighten

someone's life by playing setback with some of our shut-ins or just making a visit to someone and



bring a smile to their face. Please contact me if you would like to participate. Anyone interested, please call me on my cell phone and leave a message — 860-877-0022.

**Don't forget Walk and Talk**  
 All are invited. Tuesdays - 9:30 am  
 at the Parish Center  
*We hope to see you there!*

From the Editors, Ed and Dee:

The next *Messenger* deadline is August 15th for the September issue. Articles should be either emailed to [ekrampitz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ekrampitz@sbcglobal.net) or brought to the church office and left either in the mail slot or on my desk.

Please consider having the *Messenger* sent to you electronically. For more information contact me at [dkrampitz@ilcs.org](mailto:dkrampitz@ilcs.org).

*Dee Krampitz*



## CALLED HOME TO HEAVEN

Erich A. Woike

March 29, 1928 — June 19, 2015

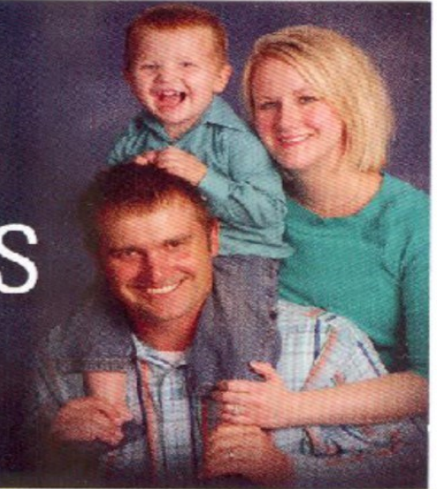
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Elaine (Erling) Prindle

August 5, 1928 — June 29, 2015



# You are invited to Capture Memories for a lifetime



## Do you know the names of the people sitting around you?

Help us to build a tool that will put names with faces. Be a part of our new family directory program—we need YOU to make our new family album complete!

**Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and free directory for participating!**



## Schedule your photography session today!

Look for details in your bulletin



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Alumni Newsletter

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# ILS ALUMNI



Immanuel Lutheran Church and School would like to re-connect with our past students to find out how your Christian education has made an impact on your life. Do you remember your days at ILS and the experiences that you had? Our newly formed Alumni Committee is working hard to bring our students back together and celebrate milestone reunion dates. As always The mission of Immanuel Lutheran School is to provide a loving atmosphere of academic excellence for children while developing in them and their families a lasting relationship with Jesus Christ.

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## ***Alumni Highlight: Cara Christine Pavalock*** **Class of 1990**



**Cara Pavalock has done a lot since her days at Immanuel! Recently, Cara has been elected to the Connecticut House of Representatives as a State Representative for the 77th District which includes Bristol. She is also a Lawyer with degrees from Providence College, St. Thomas University School of Law, and Georgetown University. Cara has also been volunteering her time at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School by talking with the students and working at Basketball games. We are very proud of the success Cara has had and wish her God’s blessings as she works with the Aging, Commerce, Program Review, and Investigation Committees at our State Capitol.**

**If you know of an Alumni that should be highlighted, please contact Jason Krueger at: [dj2hkrueger@gmail.com](mailto:dj2hkrueger@gmail.com)**

### **Tell Us About Yourself:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Maiden:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse’s name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children (with ages):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Would you like to be on the Alumni Committee for your class?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail to: Immanuel Lutheran Church & School, 154 Meadow Street, Bristol, CT 06010, or e-mail to: [trina@ilcsschool.org](mailto:trina@ilcsschool.org)**



### *Alumni Weekend Reunion Celebration:*

**We would love to see all of our former students at our first annual Alumni Weekend celebration.**

**Friday, September 18, 2015 - Sunday, September 20, 2015**

#### **Order of Activities:**

#### **Friday, September 18, 2015**

- Welcome Reception honoring our Alumni in the School Gymnasium 7:00pm - 10:00pm. We will be honoring the Graduation classes celebrating a ten year class anniversary. Classes 2005, 1995, 1985, 1975, 1965, 1955, 1945, & 1935. All alumni and church members are welcome to attend!

Come and talk with fellow classmates and congregation members in a casual setting. There will be a Wine Tasting with appetizers from 7:00-9:00pm and a Silent Auction which will conclude at 9:00pm. The cost to attend is \$25.00 per person.

#### **Saturday, September 19, 2015**

- German Festival — Check out our German festival with authentic foods, music, activities, and an authentic German Bier Garten for the adults and a Juice Garten for the kids. Contests and entertainment will be provided. 12:00pm - 10:00pm.

#### **Sunday, September 20, 2015**

- Join us for Church Service at 8:00am and 10:45am

**Let us know if you are able to attend!**



**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Class Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 per person Alumni Wine Tasting 9/18/15

\_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending

**Checks should be made out to "Immanuel Lutheran Church"**  
**Event tickets will be mailed upon receipt of payment.**

**Mail to: Immanuel Lutheran Church**  
**154 Meadow Street**  
**Bristol, CT 06010**





# JULY 2015

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

| Sun                                          | Mon                                                              | Tue                                                                | Wed                                                          | Thu                                                                         | Fri                                                               | Sat                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                              |                                                                  |                                                                    | <b>1</b><br>Andrew Helming                                   | <b>2</b><br>Leonard Maron                                                   | <b>3</b><br>Edward Bohn<br>Alyssa Kirschner<br>Robert Pease       | <b>4</b>                                                                       |
| <b>5</b>                                     | <b>6</b><br>Donna Hiscock<br>Paul Stewart                        | <b>7</b><br>Dorothy Duessel<br>Janice Eschner<br>Elizabeth Helming | <b>8</b><br>Darrin Bodley<br>Matthew Croze<br>Erika Raspanti | <b>9</b><br>Wanda Hubbard<br>Dee Krampitz<br>Carol Maron                    | <b>10</b><br>Melanie Moliengo<br>Rocco Pesce                      | <b>11</b><br>Bruce Helming                                                     |
| <b>12</b><br>Meghan Carder<br>Ernest Schultz | <b>13</b><br>Jennifer McIntyre<br>Eric Therrien                  | <b>14</b><br>Elizabeth Fitz<br>Beth Schroeder                      | <b>15</b><br>John Fitzherbert, Jr.                           | <b>16</b><br>Tyler Beudet<br>Brooke Wells                                   | <b>17</b><br>Linda Angelillo<br>Myrle Behrendt<br>Chandler Boutin | <b>18</b> Mary Aszklar<br>Todd Gorneault<br>Elizabeth Moliengo<br>Rebecca Runk |
| <b>19</b><br>Donald Smuda<br>Jared Tessman   | <b>20</b><br>Rhoda Cloutier<br>Debbie Krueger<br>Jonathan Tonn   | <b>21</b><br>Gregory Croze<br>Amelia Schuler                       | <b>22</b><br>Marvin Heidorn<br>Nathaniel Milano              | <b>23</b>                                                                   | <b>24</b><br>Marilyn Triplett                                     | <b>25</b>                                                                      |
| <b>26</b>                                    | <b>27</b><br>Doreen Checoves<br>Kevin Karner<br>Nicholas Madigan | <b>28</b><br>Susan Bodick                                          | <b>29</b><br>Makenzie Jankowski                              | <b>30</b> Matthew Dennis<br>Joseph Reed<br>Tyler Thormahlen<br>Doris Wegner | <b>31</b><br>Maggie Karner                                        |                                                                                |

# AUGUST 2015

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

| Sun                                                                                         | Mon                                                                | Tue                                                                    | Wed                                          | Thu                                                                                                   | Fri                                             | Sat                                                            |
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|                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                                                        |                                              |                                                                                                       |                                                 | <b>1</b><br>Laurie Grekula<br>Holly Tonn                       |
| <b>2</b><br>Amy Richmond<br>Cindy Schuler                                                   | <b>3</b>                                                           | <b>4</b><br>Joseph Cydlo<br>Louise Winter                              | <b>5</b><br>Peter Tonn                       | <b>6</b> Alexis Fitzherbert<br>Ryan Hill<br>Jordan Kuharski<br>Alicia Michelson<br>Phyllis Steinackle | <b>7</b><br>Seth Michelson<br>Robert Wells      | <b>8</b><br>Amy Sonstroem                                      |
| <b>9</b> Mark Blank<br>Kimberly DeBaise<br>Michael Killian<br>Rachel Shields                | <b>10</b><br>Aaron Desjardins<br>Caitlyn Pacitto                   | <b>11</b><br>Alice Cunningham<br>Wilhelmina Reaves<br>Deborah Swicklas | <b>12</b><br>Eric Larson                     | <b>13</b><br>Kenneth Michelson                                                                        | <b>14</b><br>Thomas Goodwin<br>Maggie Theriault | <b>15</b><br>Sierra Reed                                       |
| <b>16</b> Benjamin Bridges<br>Armin Hauer<br>Joyce Marion<br>Breeann Redman<br>Ryan Tessman | <b>17</b><br>Ruth Johnson                                          | <b>18</b>                                                              | <b>19</b><br>Barbara Radcliff<br>Molly Tower | <b>20</b><br>David Kisser                                                                             | <b>21</b>                                       | <b>22</b><br>Scott Eschner<br>John Fitzherbert<br>Karl Riegler |
| <b>23</b><br>Craig Stange<br>Jonah Tonn                                                     | <b>24</b><br>Michael Behrendt<br>Janet Desrosiers<br>Lauren Simard | <b>25</b><br>Wayne Kuharski<br>Daniel Tonn                             | <b>26</b><br>Marilyn Schmelder<br>Linda Wall | <b>27</b><br>Dorothy Tichanski                                                                        | <b>28</b><br>Elsie Wentland                     | <b>29</b><br>Barbara Wallick                                   |
| <b>30</b><br>Alexandra DuBois<br>Joyce Lassy                                                | <b>31</b><br>Jon Sonstroem                                         |                                                                        |                                              |                                                                                                       |                                                 |                                                                |

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL NEWS**

**This Past School year, Immanuel Lutheran School participated in an opening picnic, a co-ed soccer team, the Mum Festival parade, numerous fundraisers, pumpkin carving with the Senior Citizens, the annual sauerkraut supper, a Thanksgiving Feast, collecting food for the needy, raising money for charity, a boys and girls basketball team, music groups, choral groups, helping with the orphan grain train, visiting shut-ins, and many other activities and events.**

***Keep praying for our Church and School!***



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