

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL, BRISTOL, CONNECTICUT



Rev. Kevin A. Karner

Pastor

Mr. James F. Krupski

School Principal

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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THE IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL SAUERKRAUT SUPPER Will be held on Friday, October 24th,

2014 with sittings at 4:30, 5:15, 6:00 and 6:45pm.

Don't miss our once a year tribute to authentic

German fare

Proceeds to benefit the 7th and 8th grade enrichment trip.



LWML SUNDAY

Join the Immanuel Lutheran Church Congregation as we celebrate LWML Sunday on



Sunday, October 5, 2014. LWML has always been a great supporter of Lutheran Ministry with their conferences, community service, and grants. Help us recognize their efforts on this special Sunday.



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SUNDAY DIVINE SERVICE

8:00 A.M.

10:45 A.M.

BIBLE STUDY

9:30 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:30 A.M.



WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE

Worship Services are broadcast each Sunday on

990 AM

1:00 P.M.

From Pastor Karner's Desk

"The Unknown"

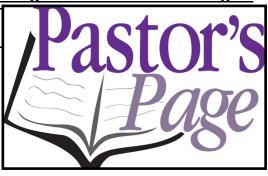
No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:37-39

The ancient Scottish (or Welsh) prayer reads, "From ghoulies and ghosties And long-leggedy beasties and things that go bump in the night, Good Lord, deliver us!"

Now the odds are the person who first wrote that prayer had never seen any ghoulies or ghosties. Nor is it likely he or she had had any encounters with long-leggedy beasties. Yet, that prayer has survived. It comes down to us partly because of its quaint language, but also because it touches something deep down inside all of us, namely, the fear of the unknown and the things we can't control.

"From ghoulies and ghosties and long-leggedy beasties And things that go bump in the night, Good Lord, deliver us!"

When European explorers set out across the sea that might well have been their prayer.



With only the basic navigational tools, and maps based on guesswork rather than fact, the unknown was a constant terror. But that kind of un-



known has been taken care of by today's GPS, our global positioning systems.

Many of the past unknowns have been taken care of in the same way. Doppler radar means there are no more weather surprises, and the news lets us know when a flu epidemic is coming our way. Nowadays when something goes "bump in the night," it usually is the airconditioner turning on.

Still, I imagine you could, without much difficulty, come up with your own list of ghoulies, ghosties and long-leggedy beasties this Halloween season. You wouldn't have to think long before you could come up with those unknowns, which rob you of sleep and cause you concern and consternation.

You know, things like "Is my job secure? Do I have enough to live on in retirement? Are my children safe? Is my spouse being faithful? What's the unknown lump on my back?"

Then, of course, there's the ever-present "What will happen to me after I die?"

Life provides us a laundry-list of unknowns that modern science and the complete library of human knowledge can't touch. That's why we need Someone who has the answers and the authority to help us deal with these unknowns.

From what I can see, the only Person who has the qualifications to answer that job description is Jesus, the Savior. Only He can provide peace for those who find themselves confronted by the questions a sinful world throws at us. Only He has faced and conquered death so that all who believe on Him as their Savior can be sure and certain that the sting and victory of the grave have been removed.

Only He can deal with the unknown ghoulies, ghosties and long-leggedy beasties in every age and in every heart.



Pastor Karner

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24



Arriving in Ghana....

Cynthia and I have arrived and are continuing to prepare for our service as career missionaries in Ghana, West Africa.

Our preparations will enable me to teach courses in Lutheran theology at the Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ghana (ELCG) in Accra, while also assisting the ELCG with their deaf ministry. Cynthia will be assisting the ELCG Lutheran Schools in Accra with her primary teaching background. Initially, she will be spending time and effort in making our Ghana house a home while adapting to the new culture. Thank You to all our family and friends who are lifting us up through their prayers, encouragement and support.

Pastor and Cindy Schumacher

Store programs raise money for Immanuel Lutheran School.

Stop & Shop A+ program (School ID - 07106) Runs from October 3, 2014 through March 19, 2015. We receive a check at the end of every school year. Last year we received \$327.46. *Over the life of the program we have earned \$1250.00*. If your Stop & Shop card was registered last year you don't have to reregister it this year but you should check to make sure that it is there. New cards can be registered starting September 15th at https://www.stopandshop.com/aplus/register/? requestid=290415

ShopRite for Education program (School ID - 18313) Runs from October 1, 2014 - April 28, 2015. This program accumulates points that can be used to purchase school supplies and equipment. Over the life of this program we have received items like playground equipment, music supplies, classroom and office supplies. YOU MUST RE-REGISTER YOUR PRICEPLUS CARD EVE-RY SCHOOL YEAR. Card registrations can begin on September 5, 2014 at www.shopriteforeducation.com

Price Chopper Tools for Schools program (School ID - 38636)
Runs from July 27, 2014 through March 28, 2015. We receive a check at the end of every school year. Last year we received \$244.44. Over the life of the program we have earned over \$750.00. If you Price Chopper card was registered last year you don't have to re-register it this year but you should check to make sure that it is there. We currently have 29 supporters. New cards can be entered at any time at http://

www.pricechopper.com/savings/sign-up

BoxTops For Education Box Tops for Education program provides cash for use by both the school and PTO. The PTO receives the first \$500.00 every year from this program. This program sends a check 2 times a year. The first submission deadline is October 31st and we receive a check in the month of December. The second submission deadline is Feb 28th and we receive a check in the month of April. Last year we received \$782.50.

Over the life of this program we have earned over \$10,000.00.

Simply look for and clip box tops from one of the hundreds of participating products and send them to school. Sign up at http://www.boxtops4education.com for up to date information and bonus opportunities. The goal for this year is to submit and receive at least \$1000.00.



Other Worship Opportunities:

Chapel Service - Wednesdays 10:00am

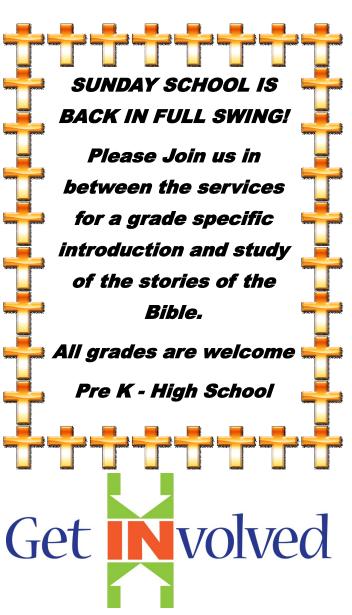
Walk & Talk - Tuesdays 9:30am

Emmaus Walkers - Thursdays 6:30am

> Women's Bible Study -Contact Maggie Karner



Form your own Bible Study!





JOIN US FOR SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE!

Oh give thanks unto the Lord for he is good.

OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Sunday, October 5, 2014: **8:00am** 10:45am LWML Sunday

Sunday, October 12, 2014: 8:00am 10:45am

Volunteer Sunday

Sunday, October 19, 2014: 8:00am 10:45am

Sunday, October 26, 2014: 8:00am 10:45am



CHURCH NEWS

Missouri Synod September Theme:

Church Workers

<u>PUBLIC SCHOOL CONFIRMATION CLASSES – 7th and 8th GRADES</u>

Thursday, September 4th, is the start date for this year's public school confirmation class. The class, taught by Pastor Karner, will meet on Thursday afternoons from 4:15 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., in Room 10 of Immanuel Lutheran School (second floor).



In this 2-year course, a requirement leading to the Rite of Confirmation, students will learn the main teachings of the Bible and their meaning for daily living, as they face each day with new joy, purpose, and hope, as one of God's forgiven people.

Letters have been mailed to the parents of each ageappropriate 7th grade student, and to our returning 8th grade students, who have completed year one. If you have additional questions please contact Karen at 860.583.5649 or at



NEW ADULT INSTRUCTION CLASS

Do you desire to become a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church or do you know someone who does? Are you a life-long Lutheran ready to dust off your Catechism and renew your understanding of the chief LUTHERAN articles of the Christian faith? In either case, we've got the opportunity for you!

On Tuesday, September 2nd, Pastor Karner will begin teaching a 12-week adult information class. The content will take you to the heart of the Bible's message. In His undeserved love, God is "for us" in Jesus Christ, offering us forgiveness, joy, hope, assurance, direction, and new life through Him.

The class will meet every Tuesday evening, from 6:45 p.m.to 8:00 p.m., in the school library. If you, or someone you know, is interested in attending, please call Karen at 860.583.5649, or contact her at cl.church@ilcs.org.



VISITATION PASTOR NEWS....

Pastor Joel Kotila, our Circuit **Counsellor and Vistation** Pastor has been making many visits to our homebound members. If you know of someone who has not been visited in a while, please contact the Church office so that we can offer to them fellowship, the Word, and sacraments.

HOMEBOUND SERVICE

Sunday, October 5, 2014 3:00pm

If you can help with transportation, please contact the Church office.

Romans 10:17 - "Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ."

YOUNG AT HEART

YOUNG-AT-HEART NEWS



It's Oktoberfest at our Thursday, October 2, lunch for our "over age 50" crowd and you don't want to miss this German Lunch! Our German cooks are preparing most of the food and others are bringing great dishes for us to enjoy. For only \$5, you can enjoy a wonderful meal of Pork, Sauerkraut, Kielbasa, German potato salad, many other German dishes, and



apple desserts. This is your personal invitation to attend, call your friends and remind them of this 11:30 special event in the old school basement

It 's not only the food, but the music you will enjoy, as we again welcome "Bristol's Old Tyme Fiddlers" to our Oktoberfest. Remember the wonderful time we had last year and our school children who came and enjoyed it with us. Wear your German clothes, if you can!.

Next month on November 6 we will celebrate the 20th Anniversary since our lunch group was started with a Soup & Sandwich Lunch. Webster Bank employees are coming to talk to us about keeping our money safe, so we won't be a victim of a Scam.

Our Planning Committee will be working on our December 9, Tuesday, Christmas Party preparations at Nuchie's again this year. Want to help out? Save the date now on your calendar.

We want to again ask you to visit a homebound member of Immanuel this fall; it will bring joy to both of you.

Remember to come on October 2 to enjoy wonderful Christian Fellowship, great food, and fun!



From The Helping Ministry Warm-A-Child MaryAnn Kalwat

Don't be shocked to see a Christmas tree in the hall outside the library just after Halloween! No, we are

not having a sale, but we are bringing you the opportunity to help area children in need of warm clothing for the upcoming long winter. The mitten tree will display several



colorful paper mittens with the actual size and type of clothing needed for each child. Right now we are serving children from St. Vincent DePaul, both Bristol Pre-schools, Edgewood School, and requests from Immanuel members. If anyone knows of any children that they feel could benefit from this program please notify me at mkalwat@comcast.net or 860-583-2975 There will be more information about this annual campaign in the weekly bulletin, the November Messenger, and the Wolf's Howl (school newspaper.) MaryAnn Kalwat



Tag Sale:

November 8, 8-2 pm. Please donate items by leaving them on the stage or calling Linda Beaudoin (860) 589-6431 for

pick up. No couches or TV's please. Please be considerate by donating clean, useable items.

Proceeds will benefit the 7th and 8th grade to trip to Washington D.C. and the youth trip to New Orleans in 2016. Remember youth and parents your help and donations are needed. Set up will be November 7th after school until it is done.

Baked goods and coffee will be sold as well.

Parents bring something so your child gets credit toward their trip.



WOMEN OF IMMANUEL

Women of Immanuel will hold a bake sale Sunday, October 19th between

services. Stop by for a treat for dessert or snack with your afternoon coffee. Those who prefer not to bake may make a donation instead. Funds raised will benefit our mission projects here and throughout the world.

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION LWML RALLY

The LWML Mid-Valley

Fall Rally will be held **Saturday, October 4, 2014 at Holy Trinity Church,** 8 Maple Street, Terryville, CT 06786 at 10:00 A.M. Registration begins at 9:30 A.M. After opening devotions and a short meeting, we will go to the ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN warehouse to assemble hygiene kits and sort and pack clothes.

LWML SUNDAY

Celebrate LWML Sunday with us on October 5th. LWML Sunday is traditionally celebrated in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) churches the first Sunday in October. Come celebrate here at Immanuel on Sunday, October 5th. Based on Ephesians 5:2, the theme chosen for the 2014 LWML Sunday celebration is "Fragrant Sacrifices and Offerings." The author of this service, Rev. Victor Belton, pastor of Peace Lutheran Church in Decatur, Georgia, was the proclaimer for the Pittsburgh LWML Convention Sunday worship service. LWML offers thanks to God for Rev. Belton, and all servants who use their talents for His glory.

A loose change collection will be held after the services. The funds raised will be sent to the LWML-New England District (NED) for Mission Grants. Seventy-five percent will be used for NED projects. The other twenty-five percent will be forwarded to the national LWML for grants approved at this year's convention. An LWML envelope was included with this year's contribution envelopes. Anyone may use the envelope, not just LWML members. Please make the check payable to "LWML-ILC".

The **LWML-NED Fall Retreat** is scheduled for November 7-8, 014 in Enfield, CT with the theme

BELIVE - DREAM BIG - DO.

Retreat Speaker Renata Bowers is a wife, mother, author and member of First Lutheran Church in Holyoke, MA. Renata will lead the 2014 Fall Retreat as we all discover more about our own individual story. In Renata's work with Christian audiences she shares the full scriptural foundation of her books: that God wrote a unique story and purpose for each of us (Jer. 29:11) and that when we dream big and believe in it, God turns that story into something better than we could have imagined. Eph. 3:20.

More information and registration forms are available on the LWML-NED web site: under departments, click on Christian Life.







What is Orphan Grain Train?

Orphan Grain Train is a hands-on Christian humanitarian aid and disaster relief organization built on a nationwide network of volunteers. Grain Train's 20 regional locations collect, pack and ship approximately 130 semi-loads of donated clothing, medical supplies, food, Christian literature, and other aid to meet real needs each year. The Orphan Grain Train movement is a loving response to Jesus Christ's example as a servant and His love for us.

What can we at Immanuel do?

We are collecting Hygiene and School Kit items. Hygiene Kits School Kits Include:

- -bath towel
- washcloth
- bath size bar of soap
- toothbrush
- comb
- stick deodorant
- bandaids

- backpacks
- spiral notebooks
- pencils, pens
- construction paper
- glue sticks, blunt scissors
 - crayons
 - rule, protractor
 - washable markers

Questions: Contact Gial Smuda (860) 628-8291 Or Linda Beaudoin (860) 589-6431





SCHOOL NEWS





SCHOOL YEAR OFF TO A GREAT START—

Surrounded by the Grace of our loving God, we are off to a great start under the theme "God knows your name". God has

called each of us through baptism and made us His child and *is there* at every moment in our lives. Each and every day, the message of Jesus Christ is shared with the students by dedicated and loving teachers.

KEEP INFORMED ABOUT YOUR SCHOOL-It is easy to



keep informed about school activities throughout the year. A weekly newsletter is published each Friday. If you have an email account we would be a happy to include you on the e- mailing list. Just

contact Trina Theriault in the office. If you are unable to receive an electronic copy, a printed copy is available every Sunday in the church and school foyer.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL 154 MEADOW STREET, BRISTOL

ANNUAL SAUERKRAUT SUPPER FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2014



Tickets:
Adults \$20
Senior Citizens (65+) \$18
Students (K-8) \$10
Under 5 —free

Four Seatings:

4:30, 5:15, 6:00, 6:45

Tickets available in the office or on Sunday mornings

Homemade Apple Pie

Menu

Sauerkraut Applesauce
Roast Pork Beets
Hot Dogs Beans
Bratwurst Bread
Mashed Potatoes Gravy

Proceeds to benefit the 7th & 8th grade enrichment trip Telephone 860/583-5631

Coffee, Tea







Relief for Human Need Worldwide

CHAPEL OFFERING FOR FALL SEMESTER—

During the Fall semester our students will be contributing their chapel offering towards the **Orphan Grain Train** which is a Recognized Service organization of the Missouri Synod. During the Fall, Thrivent has offered to match the gifts given to a charity of our choice. This is the one designated by our school. If you have any questions, regarding this charity, please see the display in the school hallway by the library.

Matthew 19:14 - "Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.""



By Request ...

What remains from

the Golden Years ...

Bristol's Mansions

A Photographic Presentation

in the

The Parish Center

Monday, October 6, 2014 At 7:00 PM

Visit the Bristol of the 1880's in pictures - prominent people, their businesses, and the homes they lived in. Then what's left of the most prosperous time in Bristol's history –

the Mansions of Bristol.

thank you!

I'd like to thank Immanuel Lutheran Church for the generous scholarship I recently received towards my education. It is much needed as I finish up my under graduate studies at Keene State College as a psychology major and begin applying to graduate programs for

Marriage and Family Therapy for the 2015 school year! It is greatly appreciated.

Thank you! Alyson Schaffrick To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my gratitude for the generous scholarship you have given me, and how glad I was to be chosen as the recipient. I am currently a junior at Eastern Connecticut State University studying Mathematics with the hopes of pursuing a career in the field of Actuarial Sciences. I plan



on using this scholarship to help me achieve this goal. Again, thank you so much for your generosity and helping me further my education.

Lindsey Schaffrick



Dear Immanuel Family, Thank you so much for the scholarship for college. I truly appreciate all that you do for me. Sincerely,

Dear Immanuel Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for awarding me a scholarship. I feel so blessed to be here in River Forest as I prepare to someday hopefully become a Lutheran teacher. All my years at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School have led me here, and I am so thankful for everyone back home for all of the love and best wishes I have received. I am also happy to say that I am playing French Horn in the Wind Symphony here.

God Bless you,
Alex Rindfleisch



1 Peter 3:8 - "Finally all of you, live in harmony with one another, be sympathetic, be compassionate and humble."

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Youth News

2014 ILC AND ILS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

<u>Westfall 1 Scholarship—granted to a member of ILC—pursuing an LCMS ministry career</u>

Alexandra Rindfleisch—attending Concordia University, Illinois

Westfall 2 Scholarship—granted to members of ILC and or alumni of ILC

Stephen Helming—attending Naugatuck Valley Community College, Connecticut
Taylor Milano—attending Concordia College, New York
Alyson Schaffrick—attending Keene State College, New Hampshire

Lindsey Schaffrick—attending Eastern Connecticut State University, Connecticut

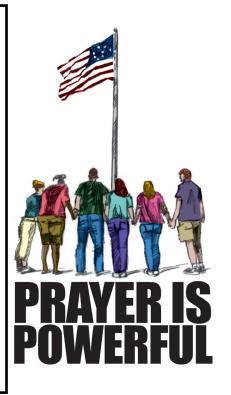
Immanuel Lutheran Church Scholarships—granted to members of ILC
Alexandra Rindfleisch—attending Concordia University, Illinois
Taylor Milano—attending Concordia College, New York
David Ryskowski—attending Springfield College, Massachusetts

<u>William Aszklar Scholarship—granted to students enrolled at Immanuel Lutheran School</u>

The Aurigemma Family

<u>Pastor H. Lane Bridges Scholarship—granted to students enrolled at Immanuel Lutheran</u>
<u>School</u>

The Aurigemma Family, The Moliengo Family, Rachel Schields





Troop 21

Bottle and Can Drive



Sunday Oct. 5th 7:30am-12:00pm

Please come out and support our troop.



Are you currently in 8th Grade through 11th grade?

Do you love Jesus?

Do you want to praise and serve Jesus in New Orleans, Louisiana?

LCMS YOUTH GATHERING Then be prepared to sign up for the 2016 National Youth Gathering July 16-20, 2016

It's only 22 months away! We'll be announcing a meeting time very soon to get us on our way

JOIN US ON SUNDAY MORNINGS FOR BIBLE STUDY!



ILC Youth is on facebook! (where else...right?!) We're ILC Youth Group....come join us...pics and posts!

Mark 12:10 - "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone"

From The Editor: "Time flies when you're having fun". It is hard for me to believe how fast time is going these days. It seems like the older I get, the faster time goes. Why just twelve months ago I decided to help out a fellow

volunteer with the newsletter and here it is a year later, and it is time for me to pass it on as well. Over the last year I got a chance to be at the forefront of all of the latest Church news. Let me tell you, there is a lot going on at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School! The Lord has blessed this ministry in many ways. He has provided for us the last several decades where we have seen a decline in membership, and budgets that seem to be in deficit year in and year out. However, the doors are still open, the Word is

still heard, and the blessings continue to be heaped upon us. I often hear of people who talk of the "old days" and how things were so much different than they are today. Some things are better, some aren't. Then I have to stop and think about what I will be talking about 30 years from now about how the "old days" were. Where will we be? How strong will our Congregation be? Who will be our Pastor? How many Community outreach

programs will we have? How many children will be enrolled in our Day School? Only time will tell as far as the future goes. The only thing that we know for sure is that God loves us, forgives us, and will continue to provide for us.....in spite of ourselves.



OCTOBER 2014

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1.Annie Karner Rosemary Ryskowski Ruth Wondrovski	2. Alexis Miranda Kathryn Wollenberg	3.	4. Rachel Kirschner Michael Harrington Justin Morel
5. Benjamin Bourgoin Jessica Kowalski Elsie Krampitz Nora Lundski Diane Rinaldi	6. Jeffrey Behrendt David Kuharski Tracy Mitchell	7. Michael Foster Andrea Jabs Alma Lusis Mike Pankanier	8. Lawrence Dyer Jr. Holli Pacitto Lindsey Schaffrick	9.	10. Nancy Martone	11. Vincent Bartucca Cameron Parent Justine Rakich-Kelly Meghan Read Lana Wentland Bob Wollenberg
12. Sarah Bugryn Sydney Darling Maureen Litke	13. Barbara Emmert Hannah Richards	14. Louise Chromy Cynthia Grossman Alison Hebert Carolyn Theriault	15. Jay Thaxter	16. Bonnie Anderson Nicholas Dunn- Milkowski Douglas Fitz, Jr. Randy Lorencaitis	17. Samantha Shamson	18. Kayle Burt C Lindsey Bradshaw Rebecca Wolfe
19. Myah Croze Jamison Armington Susan Ginter	20. Donna Danylow Matthew Girard Andrew Luczak	21. David Malsheske	22.	23. Paul Anderson Andre Ciccarelli Brittany Marques Kay Miller	24. Tara Hogan Thomas Madigan- Scheidel Gretchen Radcliff Jackson Stringer	25. Janet Bailey David Koch
26. Enola Kahle Amy Kinosh Stefanie Riegler Richard Rindfleisch	27. Susan Killian Cynthia Krueger Elizabeth Ravita Robert Schroeder	28. Dana Glowicki John Hebert Scott Zawacki	29. Richard Campbell Reinaldo Matos	30. Jillian Kuharski Crystal Fitzgerald	31. Jeanne Winters	



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