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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.

Rev. Kevin A. Karner
Pastor

Mr. Vernon C. Koch
Lay Assistant



Immanuel Lutheran School Launches 114th School Year

Immanuel begins another school year but with some surprising changes. Outlined at the Voters Budget meeting, the Board of Christian Education sought voter approval for their plan to continue to provide a quality education under tough economic restraints.

Mr. Vern Koch will serve as principal for this school year while the BOCE actively seeks a principal to guide the school in the coming years.

Because of the budget deficit carried over from last year and ballooning this year, the BOCE was forced to make deep budget cuts including some painful staff reductions. To compensate, the BOCE crafted a plan for departmentalization in grades 5 through 8 with teachers rotating through each grade and teaching those subjects in which they excel; much like a junior high school.

The teachers are reported to be enthused with this new program and parents sitting in on the Voters Meeting also voiced their support for

this plan.

A meeting called by Stewardship Chairman Mike Killian met on the Thursday following the Voters Meeting to develop a plan to support the newly approved budget. Part of the plan's intent is to find ways to reduce the school's dependence on Congregational giving by increasing the sources of funding. Other elements of the plan under discussion include support in hiring a full time administrator/principal and developing effective ways of marketing the school. Work continues on this. Our intent is to outline a stewardship effort and present it to the congregation and school families in September.

While economic concerns have made for a bumpy road this year, the church stands firm in support of the school and with a little hard work, Immanuel Lutheran School will emerge stronger and better than ever.

New Adult Instruction Class

Do you desire to become a member of Immanuel Lutheran, or do you know someone that does? Are you a life-long Lutheran ready to dust off your Catechism and renew your understanding of the chief articles of the Christian faith? In either case, we've got the opportunity for you! On Sunday, September 12th Pastor Karner will begin teaching a 12-week adult information class entitled "God For Us." It's a simple statement that takes us 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 Sunday night, from 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm, in the school library. If you, or someone you know is interested in attending, please contact the church office.

7th & 8th Grade Public School Confirmation

Sunday, Sept 12th is the start date for this year's public school confirmation class. The class, taught by Pastor Karner, will meet on Sunday evenings from 5:00 pm to 6:15 pm in the ILS art room (upstairs). The 2-year course, a requirement leading to the Rite of Confirmation, is entitled "Growing as God's People." 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.

Women of Immanuel

By Gail Smuda

The next meeting of the Women of Immanuel will be held Wednesday, September 8th at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Center.

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY. Maggie Karner will discuss her areas of responsibility with LCMS World Relief and Human Care: Life and Health Ministries. LCMS Life Ministries and Lutherans for Life work as pro-life partners affirming God's gift of life. Medical Mercy Teams offers medical professionals opportunities to volunteer in underserved regions of the world. The teams work with LCMS partner churches and local clinics to address needs of both body and soul. Join us to learn about these important areas of ministry. All women are invited to attend.

Spring Brunch Planned

A mother/daughter brunch for next spring is in the early planning stage. We'll discuss it at the meeting and would like your input.

Health Kits

People who must flee their homes quickly often do not have time to pack essential items. Health Kits, distributed by Lutheran World Relief, can help refugees maintain personal hygiene while living in exile. Nearly 1,500 health kits have been completed. Help us reach our next milestone of 2,000 kits. You can help by donating dark-colored hand towels, bath-size bars of soap (4-5 oz.), combs (wide tooth preferred) and single-pack adult-size toothbrushes. Donations may be placed in the box near the coat rack.

Lutheran Women in Mission

LWML SUNDAY will be celebrated **October 3rd** using the theme "People of God...In the Word. LWML members will sit together in the 8:00 service. **A loose change collection** for missions will be held after both services. The mission and ministry of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) support missions through the collection of funds in "Mite Boxes". Tens of millions of dollars have been collected to support missions throughout the world. LWML is the official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. For over 65 years, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions. More information can be found at LWML's website www.LWML.org. An LWML envelope was included in this year's contribution envelopes. Anyone may use the envelope, not just LWML members. Please make the check payable to "LWML".

LWML-New England District

Walking in the Light is the theme of the district retreat planned for November 5-6, 2010 in Enfield, CT. Phyllis Wallace, wife, mother, author and former family counselor and educator, is the keynote speaker. The host of the "Woman to Woman" program sponsored by the Lutheran Hour Ministries, Phyllis endorses the priceless value of humor in getting through life. Her upbeat, candidly refreshing enthusiasm for being a "Free Woman" comes through her stories, eliciting laughter and tears as she shares how the Truth sets us free. See the Fall Beacon for more details.

Recycling Fundraiser for 2013 Convention The 2013 LWML national convention will be held in Pittsburg, PA. As one of the six districts hosting the convention, we have to raise \$3,000 by the end of 2010. At the district convention in May, LCMS-NED President Keurulainen promised to match donations up to \$300. When the money was counted, more than \$1,000 was raised, including Rev. Keurulainen's donation.

Another fundraiser is to recycle laser and ink jet printer cartridges, old cell phones, pagers, PDA's i-Pods, MP3 players, laptop computers and GPS systems. Bring your items to the September meeting, the Fall Zone Gathering or the Fall Retreat.

MISSION GRANT FOR BRAILLE BIBLES - \$100,000

In the United States, Lutheran Braille Workers (LBW) is the only faith-based organization that produces Braille Bibles for the continent of Africa.

There are seven million blind people in Africa, most of them Muslims or of tribal religions. Many of the blind people do not know Jesus as Savior and do not have a way to receive a Bible except through Lutheran Braille Workers.

Representatives of LBW, attending a conference in Africa, met a young boy named Bobo who is blind. The representatives promised Bobo that on the last day of the conference, he would be given the Gospel of Luke in English Braille. Among the large crowd that last day, LBW representatives found him and gave him the Gospel. They witnessed such joy and exuberance as the boy hugged his treasure, jumping up and down. Bobo gave us an example of the joy one feels in receiving God's Word!

LBW currently has orders for 86,025 volumes of either the International Children's Bible (Grade 1 in English Braille) or the New International Version Bible (Grade 2 in English Braille) for Africa. More than 5,000 LBW volunteers produce the Bibles, but they remain dependent on gifts and grants in order to offer them to blind people free upon request.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 A.M.
10:45 A.M.

BIBLE STUDY

9:30 A.M.

KIDS4CHRIST

9:30 A.M.



WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE

Worship Services are broadcast each Sunday on

WXCT RADIO

990 AM

1:00 P.M.

From the Pastor's Desk

Ahhh... the Fall season is upon us. I heard from somewhere that Connecticut endured its hottest Summer since 1983! Some have even gone as far as accusing the Karner family of bringing the Midwest's heat and humidity with us (a charge we vehemently deny)! Hopefully soon we'll all get the chance to breath in Autumn's cooler temperatures as the days grow shorter and the "pace of life" picks up with the beginning of another school year.

As for church themes this time of year, September always means education. And around here there could be no educating of both young and old without the dedication and commitment of our teachers. I've only been here a short time but I've already come to realize the blessing we have here at Immanuel when it comes to men and women who understand the importance of a dynamic, Christ-centered program of education - and the sacrifices that are necessary to make it happen.

As many of you are aware by now, some extremely difficult decisions were made by our congregational leaders recently; decisions that have significantly impacted the lives of brothers and sisters in Christ who have given their time and talent in service to the Lord and His Church. As difficult as this process has been for many (individuals and families who continue to need our prayers), it's easy to lose sight of the fact that each and every decision was an attempt on the part of fallible human beings to improve the overall health and vitality of our church and school.

All of which leads us to our October theme of stewardship. Many of you know better than I the sacrifices that have been made over the years in order to enable Immanuel Lutheran

Church & School to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the Bristol community, and beyond. Those sacrifices have come during good times and, even more so, during the hard times. The year 2010 has placed a financial strain on most families. Job losses, mounting debt, dwindling investment returns, and a prevailing uncertainty about what lies ahead - economically, politically, and otherwise - make us uneasy at best, and at worst, downright scared.

It's to the praise of Almighty God that our congregation (for over 118 years) and school (beginning our 114th year) have been able to continue their Gospel mission through the sacrificial giving of our members' time, treasure, and talent. And, of course, it goes without saying that the same remains true even today. There's so much good work to be done: children taught the love of Jesus, unbelievers brought into the kingdom, families nurtured and sustained. As your pastor I am absolutely convinced that Immanuel Lutheran, by the grace of God, can continue to be a place of refuge and strength - a refuge amid the world's uncertainties, and a stronghold when other things in this life begin to fall away. Please know that your continued support is vital to the cause of Christ in Bristol, central Connecticut, and around the world. Together, let's heal our wounds, restore our relationships, and with one voice *"preach Jesus Christ, and him crucified."*

Pastor Karner
1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

The Beloved Community

One Minnesota pastor often called the congregation he served "the beloved community." This is a good description for all followers of Christ. We should strive to make the church a community where love flows easily and joyfully between members.

Church father Tertullian (A.D. 160-220) reported that the Romans said of the first Christians, "See how they love one another!" Any faithful, dedicated group of believers can and should be a beloved community.

Women of Immanuel

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The LWML grant of \$100,000 will provide funds to produce 13,700 English Braille Bibles for the students in schools in Africa, 90% of whom are Muslim. We pray that God will bless the mission and work of the Lutheran Braille Workers so that blind people in Africa will come to faith through God's Word.

Letter of Thanks

Crisis Pregnancy Center, Inc.
30 Mill Street Unionville, CT 06085

July 19, 2010

Immanuel Lutheran Church
154 Meadow Street
Bristol, CT 06010
Attention: Don & Gail Smuda

Dear Don & Gail,

"Man's dignity rests in God who assigns an inestimable worth to every person. Man's origin is not an accident, but a profoundly intelligent act by One who has eternal value; by One who stamps His image on each person. God creates men and moves heaven and earth to redeem them when they fall. Our origin is in creation and our destiny is for redemption. Between these two points every human heartbeat has value." R.C. Sproul

Thank you for your loving support and work to oversee the 2010 Unionville Crisis Pregnancy Center's Baby Bottle Drive. A very generous gift of \$1,922.14 was received from the congregation at Immanuel Lutheran Church for our annual Baby Bottle Drive. This gift will help to further the work of the Crisis Pregnancy Center in helping reach women in crisis pregnancy and helping them to choose life for their unborn babies. Soon we will be welcoming our 1,250th baby and we are so very grateful for your partnership.

Warmly in Christ,
Deborah Laws
Executive Director

Be a Scout!

Cub Scout Pack 21 is looking for any boy in first grade through fifth grade that would like to join. The boys learn civic responsibilities, responsibility, and have fun in the process. Any boy interested should contact the Cubmaster, Jason Krueger.



Cookbook to Benefit Washington Trip

Do you want to preserve a piece of family history for future generations?

Would you like to share your culinary skills and creations with others?

If so, please consider submitting your favorite recipes for the Immanuel Lutheran Church & School Cookbook!

The 7&8 grade students will be collecting and compiling a cookbook for our ILCS families. All proceeds will go toward the spring Washington DC trip.

To have a recipe included in our collection, please complete the Recipe Collection Sheet (1 recipe per sheet) and return it to the office.

You can also submit your recipes online by following these simple steps:

1. Go to <http://www2.typensave.com/>
2. Login using your name, group login: ILCS, and password: lutheran
3. Click on the "Add Recipe" tab on the left
4. Follow the prompts in the box that appears to enter recipe ingredients and instructions. Preview recipe and save.

All recipe submissions need to be turned in or entered online by **October 1st, 2010**. Recipes received after that date may not be entered in the cookbook.

Thank you for your support and watch for more information on pre-ordering your copy of this excellent cookbook!

Special Dates

- Labor Day, September 6, 2010
- Patriot Day (remembrance of Sept. 11), September 11, 2010
- ILS Rally Day
- National Grandparents Day, September 12, 2010
- First Day of Autumn, September 23, 2010

Kids 4 Christ

Our mission is to teach our children to: Know God, Love God ,Serve God

What does a vital and effective Sunday school program look like?

- A program that is fun and exciting for the children.
- Children who know the Bible stories and how they relate to their lives. *Children developing a strong faith.
- Children who continue to grow in their faith as youth and adults.
- A program that is fun and exciting for teachers (volunteers)
- Adults and young adults enthusiastic to volunteer.
- Teachers/volunteers who are energized about their faith and relate their faith experiences to the children.
- A program that focuses on the gifts and talents of our congregation members.

What is the Workshop Rotation Model?

Kids 4 Christ is a model for Sunday school based on the Workshop Rotation Model. Concordia has been publishing and distributing materials using this model for several years. Their Growing in Christ curriculum, the one used here at Immanuel is now being published to adapt to workshop rotation programs. Kids rotate by class into a different Workshop/teacher each week for a four-week period. During that time, they experience a different story in each workshop, the teacher teaches the same story to four different groups or age levels. Kids love repetition and need it to remember their lessons. Because each of the workshops teaches through a different style of learning, and a different aspect of the story, the kids don't get bored. This multiple-intelligences approach enhances the learning process.

The workshop teachers stay put. They don't rotate with the kids. Teachers teach in the workshop of their strength and the lesson stays the same for several weeks in a row. This means they plan less and get better as the weeks go by. Workshop Rotation provides a fabulous way to teach children beloved Bible stories through repetition, different learning styles, and an exciting environment. Workshop Rotation allows you to explore new ways to recruit your Sunday school staff. People are invited to serve according to their interests, gifts, and as their schedule permits.

Please consider taking 5 weeks this year and being a rotation teacher for Kids 4 Christ. If you don't want to teach there are so many ways to help. Please look at the list below and consider helping in some way.

Our "Kids4Christ," team needs many volunteers, but as you can see, the time commitment need not be for the entire year. If you have a specific talent and would like to share that for only 5 weeks, that would be great. Please consider filling one of the following roles. There are also many jobs that can be done from home and decorating is done on a monthly or bi-monthly basis. Fundraising is a once a year effort. We can also use help doing bulletin boards, preparing publicity, mailings and various communications.

Shepherds

2 per class, can rotate Sundays.
(Shepherds guide the students to class, nurture relationships, track attendance. No teaching of lessons.)

Opening and Closing Helpers

Older students fill this role. Grades 7 thru 12.
(Help with Seed planting, closings, decorating etc...)

Rotation Teachers

4 needed each rotation.
(Rotation teachers teach the same lesson for 4 weeks to a different class each week. A four week commitment is all that is asked, of course you can teach as many rotations as you want. We have a total of 7 units each year.

Marketing/Communications

Take pictures, write articles for Newsletter/ bulletin/web-site.
(This job can be done from home.)

Fund Raising Team

We will need funds to pay for materials.
(During our first year we funded the program completely from donations and one fundraiser.)

Decorating Team

Decorate large group opening/closing space.

If you have any questions or comments please contact Michele Tavernier. Volunteer forms and student registration forms are available at the church.

New Hobby and Activity Groups

In recent months there have been four educational lectures entitled "History, a Part of Your Life". The first three featured Will Runk impersonating various Civil War characters on Civil War Era topics - creating a unique and entertaining way for all those attending to learn about this interesting time in our country's history. So far we've covered 1865, 1861 and Spies and Spy Catchers. The last lecture featured a presentation and book signing of Eric Larson's newly published book on the Traprock Ridge. The group is taking a Summer break, however, plans for more lectures are on tap for this Fall. Stay tuned!

The Crafters group is nothing new to Immanuel Lutheran Church. Many of you will remember years past where groups of women at Immanuel have banded together in fellowship as they crafted for charitable giving. Our new ILC Crafters group has similar aspirations. In the past several months, it has crafted many items (with much more in the works!) that can be offered for sale in the Fall to raise money for future projects and for charitable donations. The Crafters group meets at 7 PM in the upstairs room of the Parish Hall on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. Join in anytime, all are welcome! If you cannot attend but are willing to work on projects at home, please let us know.

Our new Gardening group is also 'growing!' This group has undertaken the project of cleaning up and beautifying the garden beds in front of the church lobby on Meadow Street. We also came together in July with other church members for a group tour of the historic Cedar Hill Cemetery in Hartford - what a treat! Our next plans include a Fall plant sale so, if your

gardens are overflowing or if you have plants that need dividing, please consider donating some of your plants to benefit the upcoming Fall plant sale.

The new Pathway Outdoors Activity Club has coordinated several hikes in the area over the past six months. Most recently, we hiked Mount Higby in Middletown. Whether you're a novice or an experienced hiker this is a great outdoor activity. Families are welcome! Keep an eye out for announcements about our upcoming Autumn hikes. There's no better time or place to be in the great outdoors, soaking in what nature has to offer, than in New England in the Fall!

And that's not all! For all you photography enthusiasts, Eric Larson has formed a digital photography group that meets the 1st Thursday of each month. The group is learning techniques, creating a photo archive for the church and plan on scheduling some field trips and guest speakers.

If any of these groups are of interest to you or a friend, we invite you to join. All members and non-members are welcome.

The primary contacts for each group are:

History Lectures: Will Runk

ILC Crafters: Linda Beaudoin, Rhoda Erling Cloutier or Diane Erling

Gardening Group: Diane Erling or Andy Helming

Pathway Outdoors Activity Club: Diane Erling, Mike Krampitz

Digital Photography Club: Eric Larson

Cooking Group: Mel Schab

"Winter is an etching, spring a watercolor, summer an oil painting and autumn a mosaic of them all." —Stanley Horowitz

GREECE & THE GREEK ISLES

In the Footsteps of St. Paul

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REV. GREGORY DWYER

11 DAYS: OCTOBER 19-29, 2010

\$2959 including Airfare

For more information call:

Rev. Greg Dwyer at 914-337-9300 x2198



BAPTISMS

RACHEAL KATHERIN SEGAL
Daughter of Jeremy & Susan Segal
July 18, 2010

AVERY GRACE BROWNING
KYLA ROSE BROWNING
Twin Daughters of Kevin & Kelly
Browning
August 15, 2010



News and Events

Rally Sunday & Potluck Lunch

Our ILS Rally Sunday is on September 12th—after the 10:45 Worship service, at noon, we will meet in the school gym—all church and school families are invited to attend! We also request that you bring a favorite hot or cold dish, or favorite dessert. If your last name begins with an A-G, please bring a cold food item, such as a salad; if your last name begins with H-M, please bring a dessert; and if your last name begins with N-Z, please bring a hot dish. These can be dropped off that morning after the 10:45 AM Worship service. See you there!

Hannah's Room Ready for Use

Pastor Karner wishes to begin using *Hannah's Room* again for children ages 5 and under during Sunday services. We need to add willing volunteers and young children!

Volunteers are needed to supervise children during the 8:00 a.m. service. *Hannah's Room* will also be open during the 10:45 a. m. service, however no caregivers will be present. Parents would need to stay with their children. Our poster has a sign-up sheet for volunteers, as well as a list of items we need to be refreshed for *Hannah's Room*.

The church administrative staff will cooperate with finding replacements if volunteers are unable to fulfill their scheduled times. Please call Pastor Karner or Karen at the church office at 860-583-5649 with any questions.

Pastor Karner is looking for a resource to champion this effort—whoever volunteers will get any needed administrative support from the Church office—please contact Pastor Karner or Karen if you may be interested in this opportunity!

Emmaus Walkers

The Emmaus Walkers men's Thursday morning breakfast/Bible class will resume on Thursday morning, September 9, 2010, at 7 A.M. Pastor Kotila and the class will resume our study of the Gospel of John, and we hope many of you will share in the spiritual fellowship this group enjoys! Our breakfast begins on the first floor of the Parish Center, and then we move to the second floor for our study.

Event Reservation Process

If you wish to reserve church or school space for a group event, please complete a green Event/Location Reservation Form, available in the church office. If you have an off-site event, and want it added to the online calendar to promote your event, please complete this form as well. All church and school event/location reservation

forms need to be returned to Sue Kucharski for placement on the calendar. Every group needs to start “fresh” and complete a form. You can list all of the dates needed for your group on the back of one form. You can fax the form to 860-585-4785 or e-mail info to il.church@snet.net.

Upcoming Events Viewed on Church Website

You can get up-to-date information on upcoming events in our church community!

Go to www.immanuel.lutheranbristol.org to view all scheduled events for church and school.

In the upper right corner of the web page, below *News and Events*, click on “*See upcoming events*”.

Labor Day Thoughts

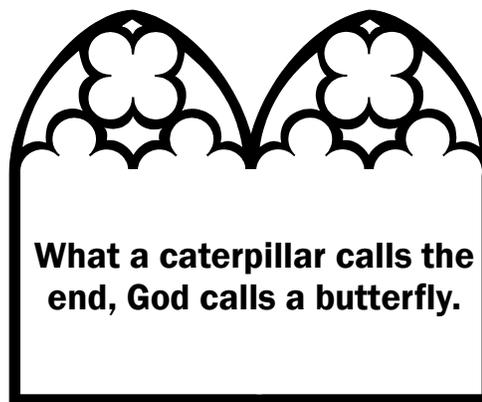
On this Labor Day weekend, it's hard not to think about how unemployment has affected many people in our communities and churches. Congregations with unemployed members have a calling to help however they can.

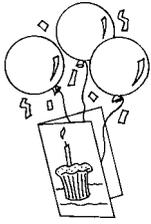
Some churches provide job fairs; some have regular meetings to help unemployed people cope. Some churches provide food and other necessities. Those who can should hire an unemployed brother or sister in Christ at a fair wage. The entire congregation should pray regularly for unemployed people.

Christians who've lost their jobs should know they still have work to do. The church always needs volunteers, and unemployed people can serve the Lord and help the church's mission.

Charles Wesley made every Christian's “work” clear in his hymn “A Charge to Keep I Have”:

A charge to keep I have, a God to glorify,
A never-dying soul to save and fit it for the sky,
To serve the present age, my calling to fulfill;
O may it all my powers engage to do my Master's will!





Birthdays

SEPTEMBER

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|--|---|--|--|
| 1 Jonathan Harrington | Jonathan Tessier | Leslie Masse | Sharron Woodward |
| 2 George Eschner
Scott Rodriguez Jr. | 10 Shirley Anderson
Emily Eschner
David Tessman
Joshua Werner | 17 Joan Kirschner
Alexander Litke | 26 William Blaschke
Barry Simard |
| 3 Katie Barner
Barbara Greenlaw
Helen Grossmann
Gabriella Hamelin
Paula Palin
Keegan Thormahlen
Brian Winter | 11 Canaan Bilodeau
Alexondria Gagliardi
Thomas Lorancaitis
Cody Mcintyre | 18 Rebecca Fitzinger
Ronald Helming
Kimberly Peretto
Mckenzie Yanke | 27 Anthony Buonafede
Karen Machado
Brian Mardin
Jordan Tonn |
| 4 Judy Bridges
Reinhart Hermann Jr. | 12 Tia Lorancaitis
Pamela Prindle
Doris Rinas
Josie Rindfleisch | 19 Carol McCorriston | 28 Kelli Consonni
James Jacy
Wilfred Kissler
Jesse Malena
Christine Morel
William Wentland Jr |
| 5 Marcia Massaro
Amy Ouellette
Trina Theriault | 13 Edna Dipietro
Sarah Gurgigno | 20 Michael Winters | 29 Pamela Dyer
Jared Krueger
Fred Mitchell |
| 6 Dennis Dumond
Lindsey Hogan
Donald Neumann
Lydia Strunk | 14 Frances Gahr
Jason Grzywinski
Shannon Gurgigno
Ethan Hill
Jaime Mitchell
George Tavernier | 21 Marci Bohn
Elizabeth Mazzaccaro
Robert Senesac
Karen Smith
John White | 30 Kristine Beaudet
Heather Brasche
Ruth Burgess
Erik Kowalski |
| 8 Heidi Dennis
Dawn Ewen
Jeffrey Wyant | 15 Matthew Behrendt
Victor DelBon Jr.
Christian Lindstrom
Sarah Luczak | 22 Thomas Hislop
Cole Raymond | |
| 9 Ethan Beaudoin
Brittany Dunn
Michelle Helming
Celia Mockler | 16 Jennifer Blekis | 23 Cordelia Behrendt
Dorothy Litke
Paul Tessman | |
| | | 24 Joshua Bodley
Robin Duval
Aaron Werner | |
| | | 25 Robin Bodley
George Gamache
Thomas Kosiba
Stephanie Radun | |

OCTOBER

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|---|---|--|--|
| 1 Anne Kerner
Rosemary Ryskowski
Ruth Wondrovski | 10 Nancy Martone | Norman Winters | 25 Janet Bailey
David Koch |
| 2 Alexis Miranda | 11 Vincent Bartucca
Cameron Parent
Justine Rakich-Kelly
Aaron Read
Meghan Read
Lana Wentland
Bob Wollenberg | 17 Samantha Michelson
Raymond Neumann | 26 Enola Kahle
Amy Kinosh
Stefanie Riegler
Richard Rindfleisch
Ernest Werner |
| 4 Michael Harrington
Rachel Kirschner
Justin Morel | 12 Sarah Bugryn
Sydney Darling
Maureen Litke | 18 C. Lindsey Bradshaw
Kayle Burt
Edward Illausky
Rebecca Wolfe | 27 Susan Killian
Cynthia Krueger
Elizabeth Ravita
Robert Schroeder |
| 5 Benjamin Bourgoin
Karl Goritz
Jessica Kowalski
Elsie Krampitz
Nora Lundske
Diane Rinaldi | 13 Barbara Emmert
Hanna Richards | 19 Jamison Armington
Susan Ginter
Helen Westfall | 28 Dana Glowicki
John Hebert
Scott Zawacki |
| 6 Jeffrey Behrendt
David Kuharski
Tracy Mitchell | 14 Louise Chromy
Cynthia Grossman
Alison Hebert
Carolyn Theriault | 20 Matthew Girard
Andrew Luczak
Arthur Reckert | 29 Richard Campbell
Reinaldo Matos |
| 7 Andrea Jabs
Alma Lusia
Mike Pankenier | 15 Michael Hamelin
Jay Thaxter | 21 David Malsheske
Marilyn Miller | 30 Adela Carlson
Crystal Kuharski
Jillian Kuharski |
| 8 Lawrence Dyer, Jr.
Hollie Pacitto
Lindsey Schaffrick | 16 Bonnie Anderson
Nicholas Dunn-Mylkowski
Douglas Fitz
Randy Lorancaitis | 23 Paul Anderson
Andre Ciccarella
Sandra Hamelin
Kay Miller | 31 Jeanne Winters |
| | | 24 Tara Hogan
Jackson Stringer
Dorothy Westfall | |



Just for KIDS

THE BREAD OF LIFE

Jesus knew that people would starve without physical bread to eat and water to drink. But he also knew they would die spiritually if they weren't fed by him.

Find and circle all the words horizontally. Then, starting on the top line and moving across from left to right, read John 6:35 (NIV) and write the Bible verse on the dashes.

JOHN 6:35

WORD LIST

am and be believes
bread comes I in
he hungry go He
life me me never
to never the of will
who will thirsty who

t e l r s u v w a m x y z a b t h e i
j k l m b r e a d n p o f q r l i f e
d H e e f g h i w h o j k l m n p q r
b c d f c o m e s g h i j t o k l m e
n w i l l o p q r s t u n e v e r v w
z y z b c a g o b c d e f g h i j k l
m h u n g r y n a n d o p q r s t u v
w x y z a b c d e f g h i j h e k l m
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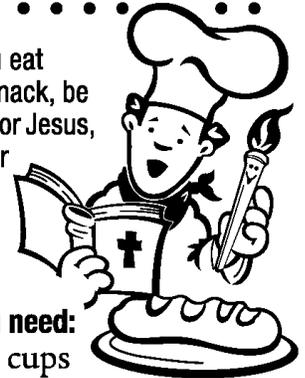
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Answer: "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry. and he who believes in me will never be thirsty." John 6:35, NIV

BREAD painting

When you eat this fun snack, be thankful for Jesus, who is our Bread of Life.



What you need:

- Small cups
- Milk
- Food coloring
- Clean artist brush
- Slice of bread
- Toaster or toaster oven
- Butter (optional)

What you do:

1. Decide how many colors you want to use, and set aside one cup for each color.
2. Pour about 1/4 cup of milk into each cup.
3. Add drops of food coloring until you get a bright color.
4. Using a brush, paint a picture or write words (such as a Bible verse) on the slice of bread. Make sure not to get the bread too soaked.
5. When you're finished painting, toast your bread. You can top it with a bit of butter. Enjoy!



*“The LORD is
my light and
my salvation;
whom shall I fear?”*

PSALM 27:1, NRSV

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