

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Activity	Location
Sunday 10/25/09 Reformation Sunday	
8:00 a.m. Worship	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Sunday School	
10:30 a.m. Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth	
2:00 p.m. Reformation Choir	Immanuel
4:00 p.m. Reformation Festival	Immanuel
Monday 10/26/09	
12:00 p.m. Quilters	Quilt Room
5:30 p.m. Girl Scout troop #365	
6:00 p.m. Karate	
7:00 p.m. Volleyball	Family Life Center
7:00 p.m. Overcomers' Outreach	Library
Tuesday 10/27/09 Bulletin Deadline	
9:00 a.m. SHOP	Gallery
6:00 p.m. Play Practice	Music Room
7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	Music Room
7:00 p.m. DeColores	
Wednesday 10/28/09	
1:00 p.m. Bible Study	
5:15 p.m. Dinner/Halloween Costume	Family Life Center
5:45 p.m. New Member Class	Gallery
6:00 p.m. Youth Choir, 5th-8th	Music Room
Nursery	
Games for Everyone	Family Life Center
High School Skit Team	Youth Room
Grief Ministry	Library
Confirmation	Family Life Center
6:30 p.m. Youth Bells, 2nd-8th	Sanctuary
Adult Yoga	Upstairs
7:00 p.m. Children's Choir, 1st-4th	Music Room
Adult/High School Bells	Sanctuary
Thursday 10/29/09	
10:30 a.m. Little Learner's	Fellowship Hall
12:00 p.m. Bible Study	Gallery
6:00 p.m. Karate	
Friday 10/30/09	
12:00 p.m. Finance Committee	
6:00 p.m. High School "The Haunt"	
Saturday 10/31/09 Halloween	
12:00-3:00 Family Promise Day Center	
Opening	Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. Worship	

Reformation Day



Saturday, October 24, 2009
5:30 p.m.

WELCOME to this time of worship. **All visitors and members are encouraged to fill out the yellow attendance sheet.** You may use that sheet to write down any concerns, comments or questions you might have.

CAN I TAKE COMMUNION HERE? All baptized Christians are welcome to the table of the Lord here. If you are from other traditions, you are more than welcome to commune with us. Children generally take a first communion class before they commune.

PRAYER REQUEST: In each pew, you will find a "Pray for One Another" card. If there is anyone for whom you wish to request prayers, please complete the card and pass it to the center aisle. Please include their address for notification. You may also announce your concern during the announcements.

A **NURSERY** is available for your children who are four years and under. It is located near the front entrance to the building. **A sign-up sheet is available in the nursery for anyone who would like to volunteer. Consider volunteering for at least one Sunday.**

HAVE YOU SILENCED YOUR CELL PHONE?

WE HAVE AN AUDIO INDUCTION LOOP.
Turn your hearing aides to the T-Coil setting.

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THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEKEND 10/31 & 11/01

Assisting Minister		Karen Eichelberger
Lectors	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Steve Smith
	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	John Jack
	Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Karen Crummel
Servers	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Dave Neumann
	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Laura Lucht
	Sunday, 10:30 a.m.	Carl & Mary Luther
Acolytes	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Eric Bourdo
	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	John Woodring
	Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Jesse Lyvere Katie Neel
Ushers	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Jeff Lucht, Ryan Mieler
	Sunday, 10:30 a.m.	Diane Kroll, Rich Elliott Merle Hanson, Mark Thogerson
Flowers		Udell Family
Eternal Candle		Marilyn Eyestone
Sound System		Kent Johnson
Host to lock building		Barb Pellerin
Coffee Hour		Mandy Wheeler & Sandra Fazer
Counters for November		Dolores Brondyke & Brenda Endelman
Information Stations		Linda & Marty Holzschuh
Communion Bread		Diana Radel
Communion Set-up	Saturday	Pat Hooker
	Clean-up Saturday	Lynda Ferry
	Clean-up Sunday	Barb Pellerin



THOSE WHO SERVE THIS WEEKEND 10/24 & 10/25

Assisting Minister		Ken Staib
Lectors	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Paula Dusseljee
	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Bonnie Nolan
	Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Tara Plekes
Servers	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Barb Elliott
	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Robert Laban
	Sunday, 10:30 a.m.	Deb & Maddie Wosinski
Acolytes	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Nick Miel
	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Cecelia Giangacomo
	Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Jacob Tyler
		Abby Wosinski
Ushers	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Merle Hanson, Bob Laban
	Sunday, 10:30 a.m.	Glen, Greg, Pat & Jerry Sharlow
Flowers		
Eternal Candle		Marilyn Eyestone
Sound System		Jeff Lindell
Host to lock building		Paul Becker
Coffee Hour		Steve & Sandy DeVries
Counters for October		Shirley DeVries & Sue Johnson
Information Stations		Craig & Denise Studeman
Communion Bread		Debbie Postema
Communion Set-up	Saturday	Pat Wierenga
Clean-up	Saturday	Lynda Ferry
Clean-up	Sunday	Jean Boxer



“Reformation”

Prelude

Hymn “Only By Grace” #112 (purple)

Greeting

Hymn of Praise “Glory to God” #45 (purple)

Salutation & Prayer of the Day

READINGS

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the Lord’, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Leader: Word of God, Word of life.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46 “The Lord of Hosts is With Us”

The LORD of hosts is with us, the God of Ja-cob our
strong - hold, the God of Ja-cob our strong - hold.

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SECOND LESSON

Romans 3: 19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For 'no human being will be justified in his sight' by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, irrespective of law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Leader: Word of God, Word of life.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE

"Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go " # 7 (purple)

GOSPEL LESSON

John 8:31-36

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, 'If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.' They answered him, 'We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, "You will be made free"?'

Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there for ever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Pastor: This is the gospel of our Lord.

Cong: Glory to you, O Christ

ANNOUNCEMENTS!!

Family Promise is in need of "gently used" twin sheets and towel sets. Donations can be left in the hallway near the nursery.

Join us for the **Reformation Festival** that will be held Sunday at Immanuel Lutheran Church at 4:00 p.m. Enjoy music, dinner, and Holden Evening Prayer.

October is Pastor Appreciation month. For the next two weeks you can leave a note or card of appreciation for Pastor Bill in a basket at either information station.

There will be a **reunion** for former members and friends of **Central Lutheran Church** on November 1 from 2—4p.m. at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. For questions and confirmation, call Betty Crenno @ 766-2034.

Next week on **All Saints' day** we will be celebrating our 145th anniversary by recognizing our multi-generational families. Plan to be recognized if your family has three generations that are a part of our family of faith.

Also on **All Saints' Day** we will be remembering our members who have died since last All Saints' Day. A member of the family of the loved one who died is needed to light a candle to honor the deceased. Speak to Pastor Bill if you can serve in this capacity.

Our **new members potluck** will be held on Wednesday, November 4. Bring food to share and your own table service.

A **luncheon** will be offered and served by Dave and Cindy Short, our caterers, on Sunday November 8 after the 10:30 a.m. service to raise funds to pay for our new ice machine. The menu will include bavarian chicken, red skin potatoes, two vegetables, and dessert.

Family Promise's Day Center will be having an open house on Saturday, October 31 from 12-3 p.m. The Day Center is located at 1638 Kregel at the corner of Harvey and Kregel (between Laketon and Apple).

Baptismal Anniversaries this Week!

10/27

Edward Bleich
Aubrey Freeman
Anthony McCleary
Katie Neel
Alice Stafford

10/28

James Boyle

10/29

Ruth Baxter

HAVE YOU TURNED IN YOUR PLEDGE CARD YET?

(Cards can be found at the entrances to the sanctuary.)

Youth Activities!!!

High School Youth: Sign up by today to go to the “Haunt” & “Haunted Maze” on October 30th. The cost is \$20 per person. Plan to meet at church at 6:00 p.m.

Messy Games for Junior high LYO on Sunday begins @ 12:00 p.m. with a pizza lunch. Bring clothes and shoes that can get messy.

Pizza Sale: Our youth group will be selling Little Caesar’s Pizza items to help raise money to attend the Michigan Gathering and Summer Camp. The sale starts Wednesday October 21st and ends November 15th with items being delivered to church by November 20th. The money each child earns will be credited to their individual account.

First Communion Classes will be offered on November 7 and 14 at 10:30 a.m. The first class will last one hour and the latter for approximately two hours.

Confirmation Parents: Confirmation Retreat will begin at 6:00pm on Friday the November 13th and will be finished on Saturday the 14th at 10:00 a.m. Dinner and breakfast will be provided. Each student should bring a snack (no candy or pop). This is an important part of our confirmation program and a wonderful opportunity for growing our friendships and strengthening our faith.

Children’s Sermon/ Noisy Offering

The Noisy Offering will be for Simba Circle Camp.

Hymn “We Rejoice in the Grace of God” # 151 (purple)

Sermon

Hymn “Earth and All Stars” # 51 (purple)

Parish Concerns

Prayers

The Peace

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

Pastor The Lord be with you.

Cong. And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

Cong. We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Cong. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy #62 (purple)

The Lord’s Prayer

COMMUNION

Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

Hymn “By Grace We Have Been Saved” #25 (purple)

Benediction

Dismissal

Postlude

Statistics for Week of 10/17 & 10/18

Attendance:	Saturday 69	Sunday 53, 203
General Fund Offering:		\$6,912.77
<i>Offering needed per week:</i>		\$6,605.00
Upkeep Offering		\$39.00
Mortgage Fund		\$1,215.00
<i>Offering needed per week:</i>		\$2,337.00

*Please remember your church with generous financial gifts.
Once again we are beginning to face serious financial times.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Vallie Cooper.
- Sylvia Koski who is recovering from neck surgery.
- Pam Nelson who is recovering from foot surgery.
- Bob and Doris Laban who are celebrating their 57th anniversary on Sunday.

BEING BAPTIZED SUNDAY

**OWEN MATTHEW ROP
BORN FEBRUARY 12, 2009**

**PARENTS
ERIC AND SUSAN ROP**

**SPONSORS
TIM AND CHERYL ROP**

DON'T FORGET

THIRD ANNUAL LUMBERJACK HOCKEY NIGHT

SPONSORED BY THE WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2009 @ 7:00 P.M.

L.C. WALKER ARENA

MUSKEGON LUMBERJACKS vs. DAYTON GEMS

TICKETS: \$5.00 ADULTS, \$3.00 STUDENTS.

ORDER BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

TICKETS MUST BE PAID FOR WHEN ORDERED

CONTACT: SYLVIA KOSKI @ 744-0822

**The eternal candle is given by Marilyn Eyestone
in memory of her husband, Bob.**

**The altar flowers are given by Judy Cantu to the
praise and glory of our Lord and in honor of
great-grandsons, Thaddeus and Colton.**

**DON'T MISS OUR
Annual Halloween
Wednesday Night Dinner
and Costume Party**



THIS WEDNESDAY

October 28th @ 5:15 p.m.

**Happy
Halloween**