

PARISH WEEK  
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
OCTOBER 2010

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**DIVINE SERVICE AT IMMANUEL**

**APPOINTED READINGS**

**October 3**

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4  
2 Timothy 1:1-14  
Luke 17:1-10

**October 10**

Ruth 1:1-19a  
2 Timothy 2:1-13  
Luke 17:11-19

**October 17**

Genesis 32:22-30  
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5  
Luke 18:1-8

**October 24**

Genesis 4:1-15  
Psalm 5  
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18  
Luke 18:9-17  
*Jesus*

**October 31**

Revelation 14:6-7  
Romans 3:19-28  
John 8:31-36  
Matthew 11:12-19

**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

*"I will look to see what he will say to me."  
God gave us "a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline."  
Faith as a mustard seed*

**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

*Naomi and Ruth  
"If we died with Him, we will also live with Him."  
Healing of the ten lepers*

**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

*Jacob is named Israel.  
"Continue in what you have learned...Preach the Word."  
"Will not God bring about justice for His chosen ones?"*

**Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost**

*Cain kills his brother Abel.  
"Let all who take refuge in You rejoice."  
"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."  
The parable of the two men praying in the temple; children are brought to*

**Reformation Day**

*Fear God and give Him glory.  
A man is justified by faith.  
The truth will set you free.  
He who has ears, let him hear.*

**Luke Scripture Passages for the Sundays of September:**

October 3 – Luke 5:17-39  
October 10 – Luke 6:1-16  
October 17 – Luke 6:17-36  
October 24 – Luke 6:37-49  
October 31 – Reformation Day readings above.

**Ministry Notes**

**SPECIAL VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING PLANNED – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE** - As was previously announced last Sunday, Immanuel will hold a special Voter's Assembly Meeting next week on Sunday, October 3. The purpose of this meeting will be to take action on two agenda items.

- 1) Immanuel has been approached by "Congregation of Christ – Eritreans in Greater Baltimore", a small independent congregation that currently meets in the homes of its members. This congregation consists of recent immigrants to the United States. We will seek the approval of the members of Immanuel to complete arrangements for this group to use the two lower classrooms on Sunday morning.
- 2) The Govans Ecumenical Development Corporation (GEDCO) is a not for profit interfaith organization that works in social ministry. There are a number of programs that are supported by this organization in building caring and compassionate communities. Many congregations over a number of denominations are members of GEDCO. We will ask the voters to approve Immanuel Lutheran Church joining GEDCO and

appropriate additional background information on the organization will be provided to assist you in making a decision.

We look forward to seeing you at this special meeting.

### **SPIRITUAL RENEWAL UPDATE**

Over the past month, we have begun the distribution of prayer cards to all worshippers as you return from Communion. The purpose of these cards is to provide a common prayer for everyone to pray together during the week when we are apart.

Why are we doing this? **It has become clear that prayer and Bible study are central to Immanuel's spiritual life.** The prayers that will be suggested on the cards will generally center on spiritual development and guidance so that the congregation's ministry and spiritual renewal can be included in members' personal prayers. Prayers over the next few weeks will be written by the members of the Renewal Leadership Team. As we move into November, our plans are to invite our other leaders and you, the members of Immanuel, to write a weekly prayer for distribution.

**Pastor's sermon time will continue to be devoted to the study of the Bible** as he preaches through the book of Luke. Bible study opportunities are woefully attended. The vast majority of our members are not exposed to the formal study of God's Word without which our individual spiritual lives and, therefore, our corporate spiritual life is arrested in development. Since the Bible study requires more time than the usual sermon, some changes to the order of service have been made so the service can still be concluded by 11:15. To aid in this study of the Bible, the Lauterbach family has made Bibles available in the pews for visitors and for those members who would rather not carry their Bibles to and from church. This "teaching sermon style" will continue during the non-festival time of the church year. Then, beginning in Advent, we will return to the divine service and the more traditional sermon style of preaching on the appointed lessons of the day.

We firmly believe that the spiritual renewal of Immanuel Lutheran Church is the most significant undertaking of this congregation since its founding and we ask that you join us and support the Renewal Leadership Team (Steve Heemann, Denise Adah, Albert Lietzau, Mary Ruble, Mark Smith, Christy St. Clair, and Pastor Minetree) in this historic venture.

### **SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE**

Looking at people through God's Eyes. We live in a "me" culture. The most important question for most people is, "what's in it for me?" This month don't ask God about what blessings he will give you. Ask how you may bless someone else. It may be a simple matter of making sure to say thank you or holding a door. It may be holding the hand of someone who is very ill. Christians are a people blessed to be a blessing to other people, especially those who do not know Christ. Ask God to show you what He's up to in your community and ask Him for the faith to join in His good work.

### **JUNIOR CONFIRMATION CLASS**

We have begun meeting. We are studying See Through the Scripture which is a Bible Survey Course. This same course will be offered to everyone in October. We are also studying the 10 Commandments in Luther's Small Catechism. Please keep our students in your prayers.

### **SPIRITUAL FORMATION CLASS**

We are meeting every 2nd and 4th Thursday, 6pm to 7:30pm. We have covered the Lectio Divina, Centering Prayer, The Jesus Prayer, Breathing Prayer, Prayer Walking, The Labyrinth, 3 minute prayers, and prayer beads. In October we will cover such topics as Journaling for Spiritual Insight, The Examun, Study, Solitude, Submission, and Simplicity. New members are welcome to join us. We meet in Pastor's office.

### **SEE THROUGH THE SCRIPTURE**

Registration is now open for See Through the Scripture. This is a bible survey course based on Crossways. The class is designed to be brief, taking no more than one session. The class will be offered on Saturday, October 30th from 10am to 1pm. The cost for the class is the cost for the textbook, workbook, and timeline. A sign up sheet is posted in the narthex and on the bulletin board in the office hallway. The deadline to register is October 15th. Make check in the amount of \$16.00 payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church and write in the memo portion "See through the Scripture." Please give the money for the material to Laura Higgins, our secretary.

**ALTAR GUILD DINNER RESERVATIONS** are due by October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The dinner will be at The Peppermill Restaurant and the cost is \$26.00. Make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church Altar Guild. Reservations and payment can be turned into the church office or given to Carolyn Henn.



**WELCOME BACK TO FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL!**

We had a great time sharing our songs in church on Rally Day! A big thank you goes to all the friends who helped share our songs and to the parents who brought our friends together. Remember we meet every Sunday at 9 a.m. in the classroom down the steps from the church office for children ages 2 to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The youth class is upstairs from the church office, ages 6<sup>th</sup> through high school. We have a nursery room for tots, but we need volunteers to help our youngest learners to share God's love.

**Reminder:** Thanksgiving Day – November 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. (Thursday) We will gather the donated food items for the Compassion Center and present them as offering to the Altar. Suggested items are the usual canned meats, canned vegetables, canned fruit, coffee, canned milk, peanut butter, boxed items such as cereal, macaroni and cheese, rice, milk, etc. These may be brought to the church and placed in the basket by the church office starting October 3<sup>rd</sup> through Thanksgiving Day. Everyone come on out on Thanksgiving for worship and help us to get the food up to the Altar!

Mark your calendars now for Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. We will practice our Christmas service in Church at 10 a.m. and have lunch following. The Service will be on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. This means that all of our friends need to come to Sunday School every Sunday so we can practice our readings during the Sunday School hour along with our lessons. This means all age groups as all can read, recite, and sing, as well as dress for the action parts.

**SHARE IN THE MISSION BRUNCH** will be held on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.

The menu will include:

Scrambled eggs  
Pancakes  
Hash browns  
Cranberry salad  
Roast Turkey

Pork sausage patties  
Coffee and tea  
Juice  
Milk

**The cost is:**

- **\$5.00** Adults & Youth (13 yrs & up)
- **\$3.00** Children (6 yrs – 12 yrs)
- **Free** Children (5 yrs & under)

The Brunch is a great time of fellowship and fun as well as a time to enjoy a nice meal. Come and visit with your Immanuel family. Can't come that day? Please sponsor a meal for another. Want to help? Call Emalee Smith @ 717.235.5548 or Steve Finckel @ 410.823.2516. This event supports the budget line item for Share in the Mission.

**ALTAR AND NARTHEX FLOWERS**

When you want Altar or Narthex flowers, the procedure is to call Laura Pickering at (410) 296-2075. Please do not write on the calendar! Laura needs to know the date you select and the statement you want to include so that she can order the flowers for that Sunday. The cost of the flowers is \$15 per vase for the Altar and \$20 for the Narthex. Pay by cash or check (made payable to the "Altar Guild") and give to Laura Pickering in person or mail checks via the postal service.

**Sundays available for flower donations:** Altar: October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> Narthex: October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>

**THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP** meets on the second Wednesday of the month in the church library. A warm welcome is extended to everyone for an informal, but enlightening study of our Lord's Word. For information, please contact Joyce Marani at 410-574-5794.

### **TAKE A PEEK AT THE BOUTIQUE**

Take time to visit the "Born Again Boutique" located outside the Fellowship Hall. Laura Higgins and Joan Goeller both have keys, and will provide sales assistance during the week. If you would like to make a purchase or donation, please contact either Laura or Joan. Proceeds from this effort fund the renovations for the kitchen including a new exhaust fan and electric dishwashers.

## **Community Notes**

**The Good Samaritan Hospital Auxiliary** is sponsoring a flea market on the parking lot of Immanuel Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 2, from 7 a.m. til noon. Spaces are available for \$20.00 (bring your own table). Contact me @ 443-444-3814 to reserve a space. If you're not interested in a table space, maybe you would like to come shop with us. We welcome everyone to join us for a fun day and lots of bargains in our first ever flea market. **All** profits benefit patient care at Good Samaritan. Hope to see you there.

### **Mission Fair**

A mission fair will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church on October 2 from 10am to 2pm. Bethlehem is located at 4815 Hamilton Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21206.

### **Augsburg Lutheran Home "Transformation Project"**

The first phase of this building project is due to be completed by the last week of September. The Grand Opening will be on Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 p.m. Come for the ribbon cutting ceremony (3:30 p.m.) and see two completed neighborhoods. This project will revolutionize nursing care at Augsburg and throughout the State of Maryland. Please look for pictures on the bulletin board downstairs. If you would like more information please see me at church or call Jean Heemann, 410-825-0788.

### **Augsburg Auxiliary Annual Fashion Show**

"Fashion Across the Ages" is being presented by "*The Augsburg Auxiliary*" of Augsburg Lutheran Home on Wednesday, October 13, 2010. The fashion show and luncheon is being held at Martin's East, 9000 Pulaski Highway, Baltimore, MD 21220. Tickets are \$35.00 and you can call Donna Cole at (410) 465-2543 or Tierra Harper (410) 486-4573 to purchase your tickets.

**A Special Women's Retreat Day**, "*The Practical Pursuit of the Miracle Life*," is scheduled from Saturday, October 16, 2010 from 9:00 – 4:00 pm at The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew, Silver Spring, MD. Online registration is available at [www.mystandrew.org](http://www.mystandrew.org) and click on "Women's Retreat." For further information contact Barbara Wahlbrink at (301) 384-4394.

## **Baltimore Lutheran School News**

### **Spotlight Needed**

Looking to Borrow a Spotlight for October 22nd Variety Show -- Baltimore Lutheran is searching for a durable spotlight to use for the annual fall Variety Show. It needs to be portable enough to be carried to the top of the bleachers for the show. Please contact either Ruth Heilman at [rheilman@baltimorelutheran.org](mailto:rheilman@baltimorelutheran.org) or Joy Johnson at [jihonson@baltimorelutheran.org](mailto:jihonson@baltimorelutheran.org) if you think your church/school has something we could borrow. We will transport the spotlight.

### **Homecoming Activities at BLS -- Calling All Current And Former BLS Saints!**

Baltimore Lutheran's HOMECOMING DANCE is Saturday, October 16, from 8-11 p.m. SAINTS SPIRIT WEEK takes place from October 16 -23. The HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME and ANNUAL FALL VARIETY SHOW are on Friday, October 22, beginning at 4 and 7 p.m., respectively. An ALUMNI/FACULTY WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION will be held on Saturday, October 23, from 6-8 p.m. in the Media Center. It's a great time to visit with friends and former classmates and tour the campus.

### **It's Open House Time at Baltimore Lutheran!**

At Baltimore Lutheran, many opportunities await our students in academics, fine arts, clubs, and athletics as they grow and mature in Christ. Please join us for our annual FALL OPEN HOUSE on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, from 10AM to 1PM and experience everything BLS has to offer! If you or someone you know is looking for an excellent Christian college-preparatory education for a student in grades 6-12, you won't want to miss it! For more information or to schedule a school visit, please contact Mrs. Ruth Heilman, Director of Admissions, at 410-825-2323, extension 272, or check us out on the web at [www.baltimorelutheran.org](http://www.baltimorelutheran.org). "Enrich the mind. Empower the spirit. Embrace the opportunity!"

### **Baltimore Lutheran Fall Drama Production - Murdered To Death**

The fall theatrical production, a who-done-it comedy, will be Peter Gordon's hilarious spoof of the best of Agatha Christie traditions set in a country manor house in the 1930s. The cast includes Bunting the butler; an English Colonel with the prerequisite stiff upper lip; a shady French art dealer and his moll; the bumbling police inspector and a well-meaning local sleuth who seems to attract murder wherever she goes-they're all here, and all caught up in the side-splitting antics which follow the mysterious death of the house's owner. It soon becomes clear that the murderer isn't finished yet, but will the murderer be unmasked before everyone else has met their doom?

Performances are scheduled for November 5th and 6th at 7:30 pm and November 7th at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$7 for students and senior citizens and \$10 for adults. Please contact Mrs. Joy Johnson at [jjohnson@baltimorelutheran.org](mailto:jjohnson@baltimorelutheran.org) for more information.

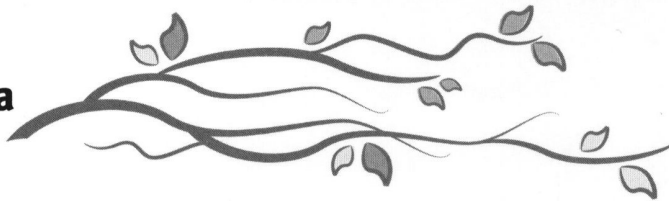
### **Baltimore Lutheran Art Students in Action for Christ**

Students and staff of the BLS Art Club have completed a series of paintings for the Lutheran Mission Society in Baltimore. The paintings will be presented to the LMS this fall. We pray that the paintings will bring comfort to those in need as they bring glory to God!

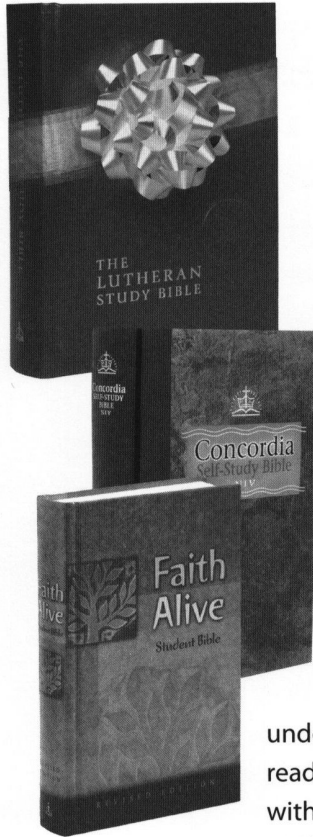
### **Annual Spaghetti Dinner at BLS**

The Annual Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by Baltimore Lutheran School's Class of 2011, will be held on November 13, 2010, from 4:30-7pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. For tickets and information, please contact Miss Pam Post by phone at 410-825-2323, extension 240, or by email at [ppost@baltimorelutheran.org](mailto:ppost@baltimorelutheran.org)  
Thank you!

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**The sign-up sheet is located on the table in the Narthex.**

**Birthdays:**

2	Fillesta James	23	Carl Rach
	Jesse Korkpan, Jr.	24	Tyler Nash
7	Regina Phoebus	25	Becky Thernes
10	Joan Eberlein	29	Robert Hylton
	Laura Pickering		Nina Ward
11	Johnson Momo	30	Warren Blue
19	John Rebstock, Jr.		Grace Palmer
21	Ted Henn		
	Dion Hylton		

**Anniversaries:**

5	Albert III & Kay Lietzau
	Richard & Joan Goeller
8	Mark & Becky Thernes
14	Anthony & Catherine Cadorette
21	Timothy & Cathy-Jo Bland

**CHURCH VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

	<b>October 3</b>	<b>October 10</b>	<b>October 17</b>	<b>October 24</b>	<b>October 31</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Robert Hylton	Ben Finckel	Belemene Diggs	Olivia Elbers	Ryan Bland
<b>Crucifer</b>	Olivia Elbers	Olivia Finckel	Telema Korkpan	Korto Korkpan	Alex Diggs
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Fay Husted/ Sally Hermann	Fay Husted/ Sally Hermann	Mary Ruble/ Nina Ward/ Patsy Pahr	Mary Ruble/ Nina Ward/ Patsy Pahr	Mary Ruble/ Nina Ward/ Patsy Pahr
<b>Liturgist</b>	Ted Henn	Rick McDonnell	Steve Heemann	Brad Royuk	<i>No Communion</i>
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Sylvanus Ibenana	Warren Blue	Harvey Diggs	Carl Harvey	<i>No Communion</i>

# October 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 10 am <b>Junior Confirmation</b> 10 am-2 pm <b>Compassion Center</b> 10 am-2 pm <b>Bethlehem Mission Fair</b>
<b>3</b> <i>Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i> 9 am <b>Bible Study &amp; Sunday School</b> 10 am <b>Worship &amp; Holy Communion</b> 11 am <b>Voters Meeting</b> 4:30 pm <b>Youth Group</b>	<b>4</b> 7:30 pm <b>Choir rehearsal</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 6 pm <b>LRIA Board of Directors</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10 am <b>Junior Confirmation</b> 10 am-2 pm <b>Compassion Center</b>
<b>10</b> <i>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i> 9 am <b>Bible Study &amp; Sunday School</b> 10 am <b>Worship &amp; Holy Communion</b> 4:30 pm <b>Youth Group</b>	<b>11</b> 7 pm <b>Spiritual Renewal Team</b> 7:30 pm <b>Choir rehearsal</b> 7:30 pm <b>Boy Scout Roundtable</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 9:30 am <b>Women's Bible Study</b>	<b>14</b> 6 pm <b>Spiritual Formation</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 10 am <b>Junior Confirmation</b> 10 am-2 pm <b>Compassion Center</b>
<b>17</b> <i>Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost</i> 9 am <b>Bible Study &amp; Sunday School</b> 10 am <b>Worship &amp; Communion</b> 4:30 pm <b>Youth Group</b>	<b>18</b> <b>Parish Week</b> <b>Articles Due</b> 7:30 pm <b>Choir rehearsal</b>	<b>19</b> 6:30 pm <b>Finance Committee Meeting</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 10 am <b>Junior Confirmation</b> 10 am-2 pm <b>Compassion Center</b>
<b>24</b> <i>Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost</i> 9 am <b>Bible Study &amp; Sunday School</b> 10 am <b>Worship</b> 4:30 pm <b>Youth Group</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 7 pm <b>Church Council</b>	<b>28</b> 6 pm <b>Spiritual Formation</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 10 am <b>Junior Confirmation</b> 10 am-2 pm <b>Compassion Center</b>
<b>31</b> <i>Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost</i> 9 am <b>Bible Study &amp; Sunday School</b> 10 am <b>Worship</b> 4:30 pm <b>Youth Group</b>						