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GO GREEN!!!!

Now I know that this title will make all those Michigan State fans happy. However, I am not talking about football this month rather Pentecost. The Pentecost season is signified by the color green on the altar and on my stole. It focus' in on the teachings of Jesus and the growth and spreading of Jesus' gospel to the world. Meaning that as the fields become green with the growing and maturing crops, so also our faith grows and matures during this season.

First, the seeds of faith are planted. This happens in peoples lives as they come into contact with the Word. As we share our faith at home, in the church, and in the community we are casting gospel seeds. As we share our faith with others, we pray that some of them will take root in people's hearts.



Once the seed has been planted then it is time to water and care for the young plant. Again God has provided the means by which the church waters the seed of faith. Baptism, the

Lord's Supper, Bible Study, personal devotions, prayer time, and service to our neighbor all continually water and nourish our faith. As they continue to grow and be nourished through regular contact with God's Word and Sacraments they begin to produce the fruits of the Spirit and our good works.

How long do we do this? Until harvest time. It is not an accident that the end of the church year comes as we are harvesting the crops from the field. Meaning that as Christians we work until we are harvested by God. Either in death or on the Last Day which ever comes first. On that day our prayer is that as we see the seeds of faith planted throughout our lives in our children, grandchildren and neighbors and we rejoice.



Yes, we plant, someone else will water, but praise God it is the Spirit who causes faith to grow in men's hearts. ~ Pastor Adams

Super Heroes



I am very excited that this summer is going to be full of "Super Hero" movies. As a boy I enjoyed running around the neighborhood with my brother and friends pretending to be super heroes. Some times I would be Superman with super strength and heat vision. Other times I was Wolverine with metal claws and the power to heal any wound. Still other times I was Batman whose only strength was his mind and his ability to think through problems.

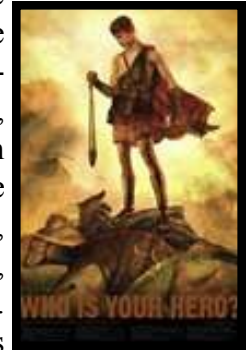
The stories of these fictional super heroes left their mark on me as a child as they did so many others. However, even adults needs super heroes. Today it is hard to find men and woman who have the extra ordinary characteristics that make up a super hero. Yet, they are out there.

Our real life super heroes are moms and dads who sacrifice for the sake of their children. It is the soldier who fights evil in a far off land so that we can sleep in peace each night. It is the police officer, the fireman, the EMT who rushes to our rescue when disaster strikes. These are just a few of the real life super heroes God has given us today.

Yet, they are not the only ones. This summer I would like to take the time to share with you some more heroes of the faith. These are men and women from the Bible who have shown unbelievable strength, courage, and faith in God. People like David, Daniel, Balaam, Aaron, Ruth and Esther. Each of them has left us a story of remarkable faith in God. And even though their story is great, they each pointed to a greater story and a greater hero, Jesus.

So I invite you to join us Sundays this summer as we explore the stories of God's super heroes. Maybe by the end of the summer you might come to believe that through faith in Christ, there is a little super hero in all of us. This sermon series will begin in July. Check the bulletin for more information.

Pastor Adams



"Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."



Board of Elders

God's blessings to everyone at Emmanuel from the Board of Elders. The summer vacation season is here, if it stops raining. As we vacation this year we are not to take a vacation from going to church where we are fed with the word of God so we can resist the power of the evil one. It is very uplifting visiting other LCMS churches as I travel on vacations around this great country. If you do not know of any churches in the area you are going, stop in the church office and look in the Lutheran Annual. Sometimes motels, hotels and campgrounds will have a list for their area. Remember to take your Bibles and devotional material with you.



Have a safe and blessed summer,

Bruce Siebarth, Elder

Church Extension Fund

Take your investments to a Higher Level with an ExtensionPlus account from Church Extension Fund. Get started with just \$100 and then use your ExtensionPlus account as an emergency or vacation fund, as escrow for property taxes or insurance payments. Receive money market-like rates and discover its best feature-immediate, no penalty access to your growing funds. Your savings is available 24/7 simply by writing a check or using a convenient Visa®/ATM card. All with no fees! Contact one of our friendly and knowledgeable CEF staff and find out more. You can visit CEF online at www.miccf.org or call 800-242-3944.

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Excellence.**



LWML Mites

MITES for January, February, March, April and May were \$130.33. This is wonderful! Thank you from LWML. We can do much more. Drop all of your pocket change into the large mite box in the back of the church. Keep the mites coming. They help to tell of Jesus' saving love.

Dear Heavenly Father, we praise and thank you for our many opportunities to enlighten the lives of others by sharing what you have given each of us. We ask your blessing on these mites that they may reach out to enlighten lives beyond our community. Help us to continue in our goals of sharing your love with others. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen. LWML Rep. Eileen Redman

Board of Evangelism

Our board is meeting monthly, discussing and planning what we can do to highlight and invite the community to our worship services and activities. Over 200 door hangers were hung in the Village of Britton.

We need help!!! For various reasons, our greeter volunteer list is getting smaller. We need more greeters. This duty would require you to serve two Sundays three or four times a year. You would be greeting visitors, as well as others attending worship. Let any board member know if you are able to greet. :) We will also be asking for volunteers to serve at The Living Water Tent at the Monroe County Fair on Wednesday, August 3, between 4 and 8PM. A sign up sheet will be posted as we get into July. Need 4 volunteers for each 2 hour shift. Thank you for considering this event. We also would be happy to add more members to our board. We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. Just show up or contact any board member for information. Members are Sherron Drews, Darlene Gergely, Eileen Redman, Don Schroeder and myself. Pray for our congregation, our programs and our boards. Thank You.

~ ELISABETH HARRIS, DIRECTOR



...HOW WIDE AND LONG
AND HIGH AND DEEP
IS THE LOVE OF CHRIST.

EPHESIANS 3:18, NIV

Lunch Bunch



An even dozen of folks gathered for Lunch Bunch in May. The menu was varied and all agreed that it was one of the best that we had enjoyed. Lots of variety, but it all blended together for a very tasty feast. Lunch was followed by a spirited Bunco game, which we are all just learning, but having fun doing it. We'll certainly keep practicing.

For Lunch Bunch: Please join us on **Tuesday, June 21st at 11:30am** at the **Country House Restaurant** on M-52 near Tecumseh. Following our delicious lunch we will head over to Hidden Lake Gardens where we will be given a tour. Very little walking involved.

July: **On Tuesday, July 19th**, a visit to Plymouth Memorial Gardens to see the replica of the Tabernacle, the Ark of the Covenant, and other Old Testament symbols and history. Everything is close at hand and no need to do any walking. A visit with the founder of this display will walk us through and give us the history of the place. On to lunch in Plymouth. Meeting at the church to leave from there at 10:00. Questions, etc., please contact Nancy Smith, 423-4337.

Stewardship

Four people currently serve on the board of stewardship. Mark Conrad serves as the director; Judi Gilmore is the recording secretary. Julie Gimesky and Elaine Twork are board members. Anyone interested in serving on the board of Stewardship would be welcome to join.

Money Tellers (counters) working with the board are; Larry Twork, Kim Huner, Josie, Steve and Judi Gilmore, Grace Gimesky, Rudy and Vickie Meyer, Liz Harris, Jane Griggs, Beth Loesch, Rita Horton, Ed Tritt and Donna Conrad. Anyone interested in helping can join us!

The Faith Aflame Stewardship program has started. The Stewardship board and PPC members meet once a month for a potluck and Bible study lead by Pastor Adams. The focus of the program is to change the way Christians respond to God's gifts and blessings. Christians need to see that all is given freely by God to provide for us richly and lovingly. We need to be good stewards of these gifts and blessings.

Emmanuel has an electronic funds transfer program, Excel in Giving, that is provided through Church Extension Fund. There are no fees for this service. Electronic funds transfer offers convenience, time savings, safety and security. It also provides a consistent revenue stream for the congregation to support God's work. Information is available on the church's web site and by contacting Liz Isaly.



June

2nd— Rebekah Gilmore
Jonathan Jourden
Michael Korunka
Ingeborg Williams

3rd— Teri Keehn

4th— Nicholas Isaly
Norma Miller

6th— Carrie Shepperdson

7th— Rachel Dedinsky
Edward Schmidt Sr.

8th— Mary Ann Hill
Michael Snook

10th— Jeremy McNicol
Kelly Meyer

11th— Matthew Moeller
Allison Pape

12th—Dorothy Helm

15th—Kloe Haft
Helen Schmidt

17th—Robin Hintz
Jill Rajabian

22nd—Doug Hoelzer
Dwayne Roberts

23rd— Diana Pape

24th— Lee Ann Price

25th—William Luzier
Joshua Phillips

26th— Raymond Davis

27th— Danielle Davis
Don Haft

28th— Karen Dedinsky

29th— Deltann Pape
Edwin Scheffler

30th— Grace Adams
Ella Shepherd

July

1st— Jerry Reed Sr.

3rd— Steve Gilmore

4th— Jill Kurowicki
Don Whelan

5th— Kaitlyn Goody

6th— Ashley Scheffler
Stacey Stegenga

7th— Tammy Pape

9th— Marcus Luzier
Ryan Schneider
Rosemary Wolfe

10th— Eleanor Price
Suzanne Schneider

11th— Irene Brock

12th—Bridgett Clark
Jason Gimesky
Julie Gimesky
Ken Huner
Judith Joslin

14th—Joyce Richardson

15th—Sarah Adams
Joshua Petit
Kristine Snook
Johanna Lentz

16th—Maya Whelan

17th—Beth Loesch

18th—Emily Schafer
Frank Schroeder

19th—Wilma Broge
Elizabeth Isaly
Clarence Schroeder

20th—Jesse Montalvo
Paul Schafer

21st—Derek Montalvo

24th— Katie Austin
Patrick Mathis

27th— Travis Faust

28th— Sara Kurowicki
Sharon Moeller
Don Schroeder

29th— Lucy Whelan



June Anniversaries

3rd—Patti & Eugene Schultz

6th— Melvin & Barbara Scheffler

7th— Karen & Ed Dedinsky
Jill & Nader Rajabian

16th— Raymond & Danielle Davis
Kevin & Stacey Whelan

18th— Nelson & Dorothy Helm

21st— Doug & Robyn Adams

23rd— Dennis & Irene Brock

24th— Harry & Diana Pape
Joseph & Nancy Downard

25th— Charles & Wilma Broge
James & Julia Gimesky
Jerry & Barbara Reed Sr.

28th— Matthew & Brenda Conrad

July Anniversaries

2nd—Tim & Donna Bowen
Laura & Michael Feuerbacher

4th— Daniel & Kimberly Hindbaugh

7th— James & Laura Washington
Chris & Theresa Zahn

8th— Trevor & Amber Havelka
Dwayne & Rebecca Roberts

12th— Ted & Helen Schmidt
Bruce & Karen Siebarth

19th— Keith & Joyce Richardson

20th— Brian & Julie Bartush

21st— Gary & Cathy Schmidt

22nd— Jerry & Tammy Pape

23rd— Terry & Janice Martin

Those Serving in June

<p>Elder: Don Haft</p> <p>Elder Asst: Mark Conrad</p> <p>Ushers: Dan Wilke & Johan Isaly</p> <p>Acolytes: Jacob or Nathan Adams</p> <p>Tellers: Mark & Donna Conrad, Grace & Julie Gimesky, Josie Gilmore</p>	<p>Greeters: Captain: Don Schroeder</p> <p>5th & 12th: Karen Siebarth, Jerry & Alice Merritt</p> <p>19th & 26th: Trevor & Amber Havelka, Bonnilee Turner</p> <p>Lectors: 1st Sunday Don Haft 2nd Sunday Rudy Meyer 3rd Sunday Nancy Smith 4th Sunday Mark Conrad</p>
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Those Serving in July

<p>Elder: Jerry Merritt</p> <p>Elder Asst: Kerry Ritter</p> <p>Ushers: Albert & Alice Schell</p> <p>Acolytes: Keeley or Matt Pape</p> <p>Tellers: Mark & Donna Conrad, Kim Huner, Grace & Julie Gimesky</p>	<p>Greeters: Captain: Elisabeth Harris</p> <p>3rd & 10th: Ken & Kim Huner & Kathleen Kurowicki</p> <p>17th, 24th & 31st: Eleanor Price & Rosie Montalvo</p> <p>Lectors: 1st Sunday Don Haft 2nd Sunday Rudy Meyer 3rd Sunday Nancy Smith 4th Sunday Mark Conrad 5th Sunday Ken Huner</p>
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Our Shut Ins: Elizabeth Cheever, Lennie Day, Nelson and Dorothy Helm, David Loesch, Norma Miller, Dean Schneirla, Katherine Sparks, David Wielfaert, Elizabeth Wolf, and Rosemary Wolfe.

Those with Special Needs: Robert Handley (Eleanor Price's brother), Karen Holdridge (Beth Vallad's mother-in-law), MaryAnn Howay, Cindy Korunka, David Loesch, Margie Taylor, David Wielfaert, and Ruth Ann Wilke (Dan Wilke's mom).

Our Military Service People: John Schafer, Jason Napier, Jonathan Jourden, Jessica Jourden and Mitch Huner (serving with the military as a fireman)



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Emmanuel on the Ridge seeks to share God
with you as He is with us.

Reach out to the community

Invite with Christian love

Disciple with Word and Sacrament

Grow with Grace

Educate with God's Word

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