The Globe-Christie Connection

May 2017 Newsletter of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Globe and St. John's Lutheran Church, Christie <u>www.immanuelglobe.org</u> <u>www.stjohnchristie.org</u> Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod Pastor John Warmuth 715-743-2480 N6455 County Road G, Neillsville, WI 54456



Know the Truth "Your word is truth." - John 17:17

Human beings have never stopped desiring to search for the truth. And who can blame us?

As we swim our way through life, so often we find ourselves in deep water over our heads, water that has a muddy bottom which is sometimes slimy and threatens to trap our feet. What could feel better than to finally touch a smooth, solid, rock bottom where we can plant our feet and rest, keep our heads above water, catch our breath?

God's word is rock-solid truth. That's how Jesus described it. He was speaking to his heavenly Father in prayer when he said, "Your word is truth." Though such a simple statement, it is a profound reality. The Son of God, Jesus Christ, testifies that the word of God the heavenly Father is truth!

It's hard sometimes to hear the truth. It can cause us to hang our head in shame and even cringe with fear. Truth that God tells us is every bit as difficult to hear. He tells us the truth that we are sinful. The sin that swirls around in our heads and floods our hearts is devastating. Sin brings death—every kind of isolating, slimy, feet-trapping death, including the eternal kind.

God tells us the truth about sin so that we are willing to listen to a more important truth. The truth that his Son, Jesus Christ, came and lived the perfect life required of those who want God to care about them in this life and save them for the life to come. The truth that he died the perfect death on the cross that completely paid for sin. The truth that he rose again to prove he had done everything that is necessary for our salvation. The truth that he did this for every sinful human being. He did it to give us a firm foundation for life—a blessed life with God now and forever.

And do you know how God gives us everything Jesus earned for us by his life, death, and resurrection? Through his rock-solid word.

And that's the truth!

Special Services and Events Coming Up

On Thursday, May 4 Immanuel Ladies Aid members will go to Neillsville Care and Rehab to host a Bingo party for the residents. Bingo will start at 2:00 pm so come a little early to help get set up.

On Sunday, May 21, at Immanuel, Globe, Gavin Learman, son of Jason & Lori Learman, Jordan Mohr, son of Dawn Murphy & Randy Mohr, and Carson Opelt, son of Paul and the late Shelly Opelt, will be received into communicant membership through the Rite of Confirmation.

On Sunday, May 28, Pastor Warmuth will conduct his last service and preach for the last time as Pastor of Immanuel, Globe and St. John, Christie. There will be **ONE SERVICE** that Sunday. The service will be **at St. John, Christie at 10:00 am.** A farewell dinner will be served in the fellowship area following the service.

May Birthdays

Happy Birthday, St.John's, Christie Members: 6. Alex Garbisch 7. Melissa Strangfeld 10. Wilma Heck

Happy Birthday Immanuel, Globe Members:

- 1. Layden Tlusty
- 6. Lydia Blaney Jim Clark

Brandi Clark

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- 12. Nate McDonald
- 13. Jonah Kopf
- 14. Seth Nimmow
- 16. Dalton Clark
- 17. Daryn Horn

- 22. Carl Noah
- 23. Franklin Mitte
- 27. Jessica Fischer Lanell Wehe
- 30. Christopher Henchen

Kati Mayer

David McDonald, Sr

Youth News

Make plans to attend our next event: a **FAMILY BIKE TRIP** on **Sat., May 13th.** We will meet at 9:00 am at St John's, Neillsville and drive to Kendall WI, where we will enjoy a picnic lunch before heading out on part of the Elroy - Sparta Bike Trail. This trail offers beautiful scenery and an easy ride (no big hills to go up and down) on an old railroad grade, and has some cool old train tunnels to go through -- hand cut through the rock over 100 years ago! We will supply a trailer to haul the bikes there and back and bike rentals (and bike trailers for pulling small children behind your bike) will also be available for about \$20. Trail passes for those age 16 or older only cost \$5.00. You don't need to be part of the Youth Group to attend, so whether you just learned to ride or haven't used your bike in years, dust your bike off, pump up your tires, and join us for a memorable day on May 13!

Teens also showed a lot of interest in attending a **Milwaukee Brewer baseball game**, so we would like feedback from parents to see if this is possible. The game would be a **family event** sponsored by Thrivent on **SATURDAY**, **JUNE 17th.** A \$20 ticket includes bus fare, food and beverage at the Thrivent tailgate at 1 pm, the Brewer game at 3 pm, and a post-game concert by Christian band Mercy Me. This is an awesome opportunity to get a lot of value from a reasonable ticket price for a great summer-time event, but will only be possible if we have enough parents interested in going along. With the post-game concert, projected return time is between 11 pm - 12 midnight. Please let Liz Smith know by **May 15th** if you are interested in attending- 715-267-7330.

St. John's, Neillsville Early Learning Center

Anyone interested in learning about this project can pick up an information sheet here at Globe & Christie. At Globe they are on the table in the lower entry way. At Christie they are on the information table in the entry.