

Those Assisting Us Today

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Bulletin Deadline

If you have announcements for the weekly Bulletin, please forward those to Linda Warsaw by **NOON on Wednesdays**. You may contact her by email at **secretary@osmanlutheran.org** or by phone at **309-828-5883**. Thank you!

Mowing Schedule

September 15 Steve Gaines and Bill Schroeder
September 22 Brenda Hendricks
September 29 John Lammle and Rob Gallier

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Christian Education Sunday

September 9, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.



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Welcome in Jesus' Name

We are pleased to have you with us and hope that you are enriched today in the fellowship of the Word. May the Lord bless you in the days ahead! If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book at the back of the church or complete a visitor card found in each pew.

Matins

OPENING HYMN, "Christ Be My Leader" 861

Printed Matins (*see separate folder*)

Psalm — Psalm 119:129-136 (antiphon v.105)

HYMN OF THE DAY, "Shepherd of Tender Youth" 864

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 6:4-15

A. O Lord, have mercy on us.

C. Thanks be to God.

Epistle: Acts 2:37-41

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Holy Gospel: Luke 18:15-17

Catechism: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (page 325)

Chapel Talk

Sermon

Canticle Hymn, "We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God" 941

The Offering

Prayers (*please refer to the printed folder*)

CLOSING HYMN, "Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain" 865

Let Us Pray...

...for our members who are homebound: **Marge Morrissey, and Johanne Bloch**

...for thanksgiving and praise for our blessings;

...for God's healing hand for those who have been ill;

...for Darryl Redding for healing;

...for Kathy Brendel for healing and strength;

...for Jodi Burgess for healing and strength;

...for Esther Lutz for healing and strength;

...for Tammy Warren for healing;

...for guidance for the Confirmation class and the instructors;

...for those in need of God's mercy and care;

...for Christ Lutheran High School, Buckley;

...for Concordia Seminary, St. Louis;

...and for Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne.

PLEASE return your Matins service folder to the Elder's Pew as you leave the church today, so that they may be reused. Thank You!

Announcements

Service Notes: Today we take a bit of a "detour" from the Sundays after Pentecost to "Christian Education Sunday". Christian education is not just for the young, but for all of us! The Old Testament Lesson is God's command to Moses emphasizing that He is the one true God, and that fact needs to be passed from one generation to the next. In the reading from Acts, Peter's powerful Pentecost sermon causes the crowd to repent and wish to be baptized. Their learning about God had just begun! IN the Gospel, baptism is again at the focus, as little children were being brought to Jesus. So we have the obligation to bring children, (and adults) to Jesus! Paraments are green the color of life in nature, a reminder that our lives in Christ show that we love Him by how we live.

The Eternal Flame is being sponsored by Jim and Sue Van Wakeman during the month of September in memory of their folks, Len & Ethel Belter and Ruth and George Horton.

Confirmation Class - Remember memory work for next week is Books of Bible from Genesis to Esther! **Parents** - please remember to sign the memory work sheet and return with your child each Sunday morning.

The Choir will begin practicing on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Annex. Please come and join us as we raise our voices to God in song. New members are always welcome!

LWML Danville Fall Rally: Please contact Debbie Lammle (217-419-6717) by September 9th if you are interested in attending the LWML Danville Fall Rally at St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Woodworth (rural Milford) on September 18th. Registration and coffee hour will be held from 8-8:50am. \$7 is payable at the door for the lunch. An in-gathering for local food pantries (food/money) and a collection of Christian materials for overseas such as bibles (new/used), Christian books (hard/paper), and daily devotionals will be collected. A very interesting speaker from Peace Rehabilitation Center will present information on drug trafficking overseas.

The next LWML meeting will be September 13th at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Shirley Sprau has the topic and Debbie Martin and Sue Van Wakeman will serve as hostesses. All ladies of the church are welcome!

Payment is due for your Commemorative 125th Anniversary Ornaments. Money must be collected before we can order the ornaments. Each ornament is \$5.00. Please make payments to Debbie Martin, Wilma Grussing, Christie Delaney, or Marsha Warsaw. We know you will enjoy your ornaments. Thank you!

Osman Wi-Fi: The Osman Wi-Fi code for "OsmanChurch(public)" is "romans1017".

Staying Together In Tough Times: ...for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, until we are parted by death. *Book of Common Prayer*. But what happens when life gets complicated? How can you keep an intimate relationship together when financial crisis, death of a loved one, child problems, career pressures, or sickness or injury happen? There are some things you can do to help your marriage get through tough times:

- Communicate.
- Grieve together and forgive.
- Remember who you love.
- Seek support.

Communicate. Listen, listen, listen. Dealing with conflict or stressful situations makes communication difficult. *Don't interrupt.* Listen quietly. *Agree where you can.* Focus first on the points, no matter how few or insignificant, where you agree. This will help increase the sense that you are a team. *Work out neutral territory.* Find a way to talk about stressful issues without lashing out emotionally. An example would be to sit down and have a round table discussion. When leaving the table, don't take anything with you. *Share yourself.* The goal is to affirm you are a team. Some marriage researchers suggest that sharing your fears and insecurities with your spouse is one indicator of a healthy marriage. **Grieve and forgive.** When bad things happen, grief is a part of coping. Grief can be from the death of a loved one but also from the loss of a job, loss of your lifestyle, or the loss of your relationship as you thought it was. Feeling the emotions that accompany loss is the first step to moving on happily with the future. Getting through a crisis also requires a spirit of forgiveness. Even if the problem was caused by forces beyond your control, guilt and blame are bound to be around. Or maybe you just need to deal with resentments of daily life so they don't accumulate. God promises to throw away his list of your mistakes simply because he loves you, you and your spouse can work on doing the same for each other. **Remember who you love.** Every positive characteristic has a flip side that may seem more prominent on a bad day. You can reclaim what you adore in your mate by consciously focusing on the positive attribute beneath the irritating habit. Focus on who your mate is rather than what he or she does. **Seek support.** Trusting others to give help when you need it is an important part of getting through a crisis. Pain changes the way you see the world., and talking to someone who is not going through your crisis can be helpful. Tough times happen. We cannot escape being disappointed or disappointing. Don't let go of your marriage because it's dirty and worn. It still has the same value as the day you spoke your vows.. Clean it off the best you can, hold on tight, and know that God is with you. From Lutheran Hour Ministries. 2003. parishnurse@osmanlutheran.org

"Worship Anew" - Know someone who can't get to church? Lutheran Ministries from Concordia Theological Seminary produces "Worship Anew". It airs locally on WCIX-49 Sunday mornings at 7:30am.