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"You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ~ Galatians 5:14



2020 Confirmation took place on Sunday, August 30 in four separate services. Originally scheduled for late May, the Confirmation had to be rescheduled because of the COVID-19 restrictions. The Confirmation classes which were held on Sunday mornings were cancelled in late March to follow the restrictions, but review classes were held in July and August for the students. Sitting six feet apart and wearing masks, the students completed their studies and were questioned in front of their parents, teachers, and church elders in the fellowship hall on Sunday, August 23, following the regular worship service. Pictured from left to right are as follows: Addison Warsaw, Reese Gallier, Jack Gallier, Pastor McPike, Jenna Clemmons, Megan Bidner, and Ashley Genzel.

Class of 2020 - 125th!

This year's confirmands are members of the confirmation class of 2020, meaning they are the class of Immanuel's 125th year. They will be honored as such next year when we can celebrate the congregation's 125th anniversary. More information to come!

Confirmed on August 30, 2020 were the following young adults:

Megan Virginia Bidner, daughter of Neil and Beth Bidner, was baptized on June 26, 2005. Her sponsors were David and Julie Mathis.

Jenna Harley Clemmons, daughter of Marvin Clemmons and Kim Clemmons, was baptized on January 29, 2006. Her sponsors were Amber and Dane Sievers.

Jack Randal Gallier, son of Rob and Nikki Gallier, was baptized on August 14, 2005. His sponsors were Jason Hewerdine and Tracy Mitchem.

Reese Drue Gallier, daughter of Rob and Nikki Gallier, was baptized on March 25, 2007. Her sponsors were Annie Downey and Tricia (Downey) Walker.

Ashley Jane Genzel, daughter of Chris and Kari Genzel, was baptized on June 8, 2007. Her sponsors were Michael and Debi Johnson.

Addison Mariee Louise Warsaw, daughter of Jeff and Annette Warsaw, was baptized on February 26, 2006. Her sponsors were Annette Gerdes, John Ghitalla, Sarah (Ghitalla) Tennison, Amanda (Warsaw) Amdor, and Kate Wyman.

Adult Confirmation

Mackenzie Beck was confirmed as an adult on Sunday, July 26th as part of the worship service. At the time she was the fiancée of Chase Zimmerman and days later became his bride. She completed the confirmation instruction classes during the last year sometimes with the other six Confirmands and sometimes independently. May the Lord be her guide as she continues in her Christian life.



Ladies Aid/LWML News

8 Ladies Aid/LWML members met for a meeting on Thursday, August 11, in the fellowship hall. Information on the newly adopted Seminary student Mark Peters was presented. He and his wife, Martha, have 4 sons. His home church is Grace Lutheran Church in Racine, Wisconsin. A \$70 check per month from September to May will be sent to Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne for his support. A thank you was also read from Bethesda for our \$60 yearly donation to help intellectual and developmentally disabled patients. Terri Hooker reported that 77 quilts have been completed since last October. Our appreciation for hemming the quilts was given to Debbie Martin and Connie Warsaw. These quilts will be shipped in late October to Lutheran World Relief. Diana Zimmerman reported that 302 sun dresses for Dresses for Africa have been shipped since July 2019. There are 31 more to send this month. All members were thanked for donating to the care package that was mailed to Malachi Johnson. New business consisted of the invitation to the fall rally which is to be held on September 15th at Immanuel Lutheran in Danville. It had not been decided at that time if rally would be in-person or virtual. The next meeting will be September 10th at 7 PM. Marsha Warsaw will have topic and Debbie Lammle and Sue VanWakeman will be the hostesses.

Quilting

Because of the Labor Day Holiday, the next quilting dates will be Tuesday, September 8th and Thursday, September 10th. All ladies of the congregation are invited to help tie the quilts. NOTE: The explosion in Beirut, Lebanon, on August 4th destroyed three 40-foot shipping containers filled with homemade quilts, school supplies, baby care, and personal care items that had been donated to Lutheran World Relief. The citizens of Beirut not only lost loved ones, but also many possessions that they so desperately need. The Lutheran World Relief thanks God for all the efforts that the women organizations and supporters have put into helping many countries in need.

Thank You!

Thank you to Theresa VanWakeman-Wilson for singing the solos every Sunday during the dismissal or during communion!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the confirmation class of 2020, who have a special honor of being confirmed during the celebration of Osman's 125th year. Thank you to all the parents, teachers, Elders, cleaning staff, Altar Guild and Pastor McPike who helped make the day a complete success.

Rick Hardesty, Church Chairman

Operation Christmas Child

Thanks to everyone who has donated to the shoe boxes that we will be packing in November. The following is a list of items that we still need: 15 crayon boxes of 24, 24 combs, 14 boxes of colored pencils (10-12 packs), 24 boxes of magic markers (10-12 packs), 18 pencil sharpeners, 19 erasers, 21 scissors and 22 bars of soap. If you can help with this worthwhile project, it would be greatly appreciated. The smiles on the children's faces when they receive a shoe box brings tears to your eyes. You are truly sharing the love of Jesus.

Reservations for Church: REQUIRED

You **MUST** call either Rick Hardesty (309-830-8531) or Jill Hardesty (217-841-3487) to reserve a seat in the church on Sundays or an East parking lot spot for communion for every Sunday. There are only 40 spaces in the church available each week, and they usually fill up fast.

For the parking lot services, you turn to FM90.5 to hear the Sunday service. If you need hymnals, please let an Elder know.

SEPTEMBER 2020

Due to the COVID-19 Virus guidelines, all these activities will be pending the decisions made by the Church Council and Pastor McPike.

Osman's Upcoming Events

Tentative Upcoming Events

2021 - Centennial Celebration

Sept 08 - Quilting 8AM

Sept 10 - Quilting 8AM

Sept 10 - Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting 7PM

Statistics

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Adult Class
8/02	55	0	0
8/09	38	0	0
8/16	60	0	0
8/23	56	0	0
8/30	120	0	0

September Birthdays

Darryl Redding	09-05
Jim Poppe	09-06
Mark Barrack	09-07
Ken Whitehouse	09-12
Gene Welborn	09-14
Stephanie Gaines	09-17
Ryan Peyton	09-21
Mitchell Gallier	
Rob Gallier	09-24
Sara McPike	09-24
Arnita Zimmerman	09-25
Scott Gercken	
Nicholas Haggin	

September Anniversaries

Kris and Shaun Zimmerman	09-02-2011
Sandy and Ryan Lammle	09-05-2014
Sue and Jim VanWakeman	09-13-1969
Phyllis and David Hasty	09-14-1985
Brenda and David Pevton	09-26-1996