

YOUTH & FAMILY NEWSLETTER

September

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

We wanted to make sure everyone is aware of our policy regarding children in worship:

If your kids are loud, please still come to worship.

If you're running late because getting everyone out the door was a battle, please still come to worship.

If your toddler won't sit still, please still come to worship.

If your baby needs to eat, please still come to worship.

If your child asks questions at the least convenient time, please still come to worship.

If someone cries, drops a toy, needs a snack, or has to make their third trip to the bathroom, please still come to worship.

If your child doesn't know all the words, all the prayers, or exactly when to sit and stand, please still come to worship.

If you feel like you spent the entire service managing your children and heard approximately 12% of the sermon, please still come to worship.

If Sunday morning feels messy instead of peaceful, please still come to worship.

If you're worried your children are distracting the people around you, please still come to worship.

Because children do not learn how to be part of the Church by staying home until they can sit quietly.

They learn by being here.

They learn the hymns by hearing us sing them.

They learn the prayers by hearing us pray them.

They learn to worship by watching us worship.

They learn that church is home because we make room for them here.

The wiggles, whispers, dropped crayons, crying babies, and little voices are not interruptions to the life of the Church.

They are evidence that the Church is alive. So bring the babies. Bring the toddlers. Bring the big kids. Come late. Sit in the back. Sit in the front. Step out when you need to and come right back in.

Just come.

Children are not simply the future of the Church. They are part of the Church right now.

And at Immanuel and St. Paul, there is a place for them. There is no sweeter sound to God than the voices of little ones!

(text and idea is from St. John Lutheran Church in Indianapolis)

Contact us:

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SPLC: Gerad Von Holten

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Rally Day Sunday School Kick-off at St Paul

Sept 13, 9:30 - 10:30 AM: yummy snacks, LWR school kit packing service project, meet your Sunday school leaders, find your classroom, and stay for 10:45 AM worship.

Class begins Sept 20!

Parents/guardians, scan [here](#) to register your student(s) for Sunday school and teen youth group on Sunday mornings, 9:30-10:30am! Or visit: stpauldixon.org/youth-ministry



Let's grow in
FAITH, FUN & FRIENDSHIP!

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY!

A DAY OF FAITH, FUN, & FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2026
9 AM - 1 PM

Everyone is Welcome!!
BRING YOUR FAMILY, INVITE YOUR FRIENDS,
AND LET'S KICK OFF AN AMAZING YEAR TOGETHER!

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
1013 Franklin Grove Rd
Dixon, IL 61021

Come for the **FUN**.
Stay for the **FAITH**.
Leave with **FRIENDS!**

Sunday School Officially
Begins September 21st
at 9 AM Service.

CONFIRMATION

The first class is Sunday October 4, and we'll meet 1st and 3rd Sundays from 1-2:30pm. We meet the first half of the year (Oct-Dec) at Immanuel and the second half of the year (Jan - May) at St Paul. Our focus this year:

THE OLD TESTAMENT.

Confirmation class is for 6th grade students and older.



**PARTNERS WITH
GOD!**

**FALL
CONFIRMATION
RETREAT**

Sept. 18-19



Contact Somar at Immanuel and Gerad at St Paul about cost, completing forms and for details about travel. We will be at LOMC from 4pm Friday - 4pm Saturday.



YOUTH & FAMILY COMING SOON!

September

ILC & SPLC

CLIFF'S

DONUTS
@ SELMI'S

SALE

ST PAUL
YOUTH

The St Paul teen youth ministry is selling delicious apple cider donuts to raise money to attend the Wisconsin Dells Youth Quake in February. Donuts are \$12/dozen or \$1/donut. Order forms are available at St Paul, or scan to order online:

Additional forms can be downloaded from stpauldixon.org. Orders are due with payment ("St Paul Lutheran Church") to the church office by Sunday, October 4. Donuts can be picked up after worship at St Paul on Sunday, October 18. Thank you for supporting St Paul youth ministries.



BIBLE SUNDAY!

ILC: 9AM worship SPLC: 10:45AM worship

SEPTEMBER CHILDREN'S OFFERING

SPLC:



Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center

ILC:



**LUTHERAN
WORLD RELIEF**

FREE TO BE YOU! YOUTH GROUP

Returns
September 21st, 2026
3:30pm!

Bring your smiles, your joy
and a energetic spirit! Let's
kick this year off right!

All K-12th graders welcome!

Chili & Soup Supper



Immanuel Lutheran Church is hosting its
annual Chili & Soup Supper!

Join us for a night of fellowship, fundraising, and fabulous food! Half the proceeds go to Buddy Bags, a program that helps feed the youth in Dixon. Half to Immanuel Youth Fund. Takeout containers available. Open from 4pm - 7pm.



Tuesday, 27
October 2026



1013 Franklin Grove Rd.
Dixon, IL 61021

Adult Meal Ticket: \$10
Kid's Hot Dog Meal
Ticket: \$5

Immanuel Lutheran Church More
Info : www.ilcdixon.org

SPLC SEPTEMBER ILC

2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
ILC Rally Day 9am-1pm  Bible Sunday SPLC Rally Day 9:30-10:30am					Confirmation Fall Retreat 4pm - 4pm 	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
ILC - First Day of Sunday school! SPLC first day Sunday school 9:30am	WELCOME BACK 3:30-5:30pm FtBY					
27	28	29	30			
9am - ILC Sunday School SPLC Youth Committee mtg 9:15am SPLC Sunday school 9:30am	3:30-5:30pm FtBY					


**LUTHERAN
WORLD RELIEF
SCHOOL KITS**
 St Paul children and youth
are collecting school
supplies for LWR school
kits through 9/6. For a full
list of items needed visit:
stpauldixon.org/schoolkits

ILC SPLC