



Immanuel Lutheran Church & School
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“What’s Happening”



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The mission of Immanuel Lutheran School is to partner with parents and Immanuel Lutheran Church in providing a quality education that nurtures life-long learners who are rooted in Christ, built in faith, and growing in love.

Worship: Thursday 7:00 pm and Sunday 9:30 am

Deadline to submit newsletter articles: Wednesday at the end of the day

Tune in to 104.1 for drive-in worship service

October 22, 2021

FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR FIELDS

Currently Reading: *Authentic Christianity: How Lutheran Theology Speaks to a Postmodern World*, by Gene Edward Vieth Jr. and A. Trevor Sutton

Currently Listening: “there is no following without forsaking”, YouTube, Bryan Wolfmuller channel

Good afternoon (at least, at the time of this writing), and greetings in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ! Amen? Amen!

It’s hard to believe that my family and I are already celebrating our 1st year of ministry here at Immanuel...! The time seems to have absolutely flown by – I guess the old saying is true, “time flies when you’re having fun”. ☺

Largely, I’ve spent this first year observing, visiting, getting to know everyone as best I can. Sometimes those meetings have been joyous, with SO MANY Baptisms this year! And some of the times have been a mixed bag – the sorrow of death combined with the wonderful peace of our Christian hope of the resurrection. I’ve walked through my first year at Immanuel Lutheran School as the religion/Confirmation teacher for a wonderfully memorable 7th and 8th grade class, hung out with the youth group, and started our new Men’s Bible Study (which has been as much a blessing to me as to anyone else who has joined us).

So, after taking a bit of a look back at this first year, I wanted to see what I could be doing better. I grabbed the church Constitution to see if there were any roles I should be filling that I’m not. And here’s what I found:

The Pastor ... shall be the spiritual advisor ... to all committees, boards, and organizations within the congregation.

First, let me say this: I have been thoroughly impressed with what I’ve seen, in terms of the viability and the workmanship of the boards that help this congregation to operate. We have strong, functional teams that do the things that need to be done in the day-to-day life of a church. And my leadership style, in general, is that of a facilitator. I try to gauge the skills and interests of people, help to find them a niche in which to take ownership of their little corner of the work of the Lord, and then largely get out of the way.

Which, side note, if you are interested in working on any of our boards, please let a member of the Church Council, or myself, know, and we’ll work with you to get you involved.

But one of the duties that I have not been fulfilling this first year, is I have not been visiting with each of the boards to get a better picture of how all the moving parts work. And that is something that I'd very much like to remedy.

A wise pastor-friend of mine once told me, "A good pastor never goes to lunch alone." I'd like to start living that mindset. So, I would love for the heads and members of each of our boards, our working groups (like ushers and altar guild), our athletic coaches, ALL of our pieces-parts, to reach out to the office and schedule a day that we can sit down. If you're the head of a board, PLEASE give me your meeting schedule, so I can come and sit in on a meeting. If it makes you more comfortable with the idea, I'll bring a roll of duct tape with me so that you can be assured I won't spend the whole time trying to take over and tell you what I think.

I don't want to come to teach, nor to take over. I want to come to watch and listen, and learn and understand. I'd love to share my plans for the Word and Sacrament ministry here for the foreseeable future, and find ways that we can move forward with a shared vision of how best to serve the Lord here at Honey Creek. That starts with communication, and builds with time and trust.

More than anything, I recognize (and quite frankly, appreciate) that I'm not a voting member of any of the boards here. And that's for the best. Y'all have been doing a fine job, and I'm not one to reinvent the wheel. But I want to be available to you, as a resource, to answer any "does this jive with Scripture questions" you might have - individually, or as a board member. And I'm very much looking forward to our collaboration as brothers and sisters in Christ, in His ministry, in His service.

And please, remember to use the new cover sheet when you turn in your TPS reports.

Your Servant in Christ (still looking for my red Swingline Stapler),
PTF

QUILT RAFFLE

Since we are not having a Country Store with our Turkey Dinner, we are having a Quilt Raffle. YAY YAY! Thank You Patty Bates for your donation of this beautiful black and white quilt. We will also have other small quilts (and other items - to be added) on the raffle. The raffle will go through December 11th, winners will be drawn on December 12th at our 150th celebration. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Contact Loretta/office 496-3451, for tickets or purchase after church services **starting October 31st**. (just a little busy this Sunday lol) 😊👍

THANK YOU!

The In-Joy Committee thanks everyone in advance for the efforts toward the Turkey Dinner. We are so proud of our friendly members and can't wait to see God work through our smiles and hospitality to share His love with the community.

PASTOR APPRECIATION

October 31st we will be having donuts and coffee in the Founders Hall after church to celebrate Pastor appreciation month. Please bring your card for pastor and put them in the basket in the entry.

THRIVENT SHIRTS

The Makers Dozen are asking for Thrivent Shirts to hand out at the Christmas Parade, as these were a big hit last year. You can drop them off at the office. THANK YOU

SHILOH

If anyone owns a copy of the movie "Shiloh", I would like to borrow it to show my 3rd & 4th grade class. Please bring it to the office when it is convenient.

Thank you - Mrs. Schepker

ALTAR GUILD

Are you looking for a way to serve the Lord? The Altar Guild is looking for people to help with setting up for communion. You will be mentored and serve with a current member of the Altar Guild.

SCRAP METAL

If anyone has scrap metal that they have been looking for a way to get rid of, you are welcome to bring any metal to the old school and place it in the scrap metal dumpster that currently sits between the old school and the playground. Old appliances (**EXCLUDES: TV'S, COMPUTER MONITORS AND MICROWAVES**) will be accepted and may be placed by the BBQ shed. The proceeds from all recycled material will go towards the cost of the dumpsters and any costs for deconstructing the old school.

150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, December 12, 2021. "REJOICE IN THE LORD THEN, NOW AND ALWAYS." Old Fashion Christmas Service (Children will sing). Turkey w/Dressing and Ham fellowship meal. We will be taking orders for a history book. Maker Dozen entertainment. Movie with popcorn in the Gym.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER?

We are looking for people to add to our substitute list. We are willing to consider anyone that enjoys working with students and also has the patience to do so. If you are interested please contact the school office or email Mr. Kopp at (principal@midmoimmnauel.com).

YARD SIGN

PTL is selling yard signs for \$25. If interested, please stop by the office or contact Beth Diener. Please make checks payable to ILS PTL.

PART TIME MUSIC POSITION

We are looking for a part time music teacher working just one day a week for 4 hours. Responsibilities would be teaching K-8 music, grading, and monitoring students. Day of week and time of day is very flexible.

LUNCH MENU (All menus subject to change/milk served with all meals)

10/25 Chicken spaghetti parmesan, corn, fruit

10/26 Pork patty, peas, fries, fruit

10/27 Taco soup, mini tacos, fruit

10/28 Pizza, salad, fruit

10/29 Chili dog/hot dog, chips, fruit

Servants for the Lord

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Lector	Elders	Finance Team
Oct 24	Keaton Engelbrecht Alec Sommerer Dalton Mueller (Alt.)	Troy Wolken Cole Wolken	Brad Engelbrecht	Don Propst Terry Carrender	Linette & Terri
Oct 31	Harold Lehmann James Clark Jacob Fields (alt.)	Ed Ehrhardt Deven McDonald	Jason Sommerer	Danny Sommerer	Pat & Jane
October Altar Guild: Tricia Carrender & Judy Schmoeger					

<u>Date</u>	<u>Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Time</u>
10/24	Worship/No Communion Turkey & Sausage Dinner - Drive Thru Only	9:30 am 11:00am - 2:00pm
10/25	Men's Bible Study @ Firehouse	7:00 pm
10/27	Chapel (<i>Leader: Mr Kopp</i>) Mid-week Bible Study - Book of Genesis (Ch Basement) School Board (Youth Room) Council Meeting (The Commons) Women's Bible Study (Youth Room) Altar Guild Meeting (Church)	9:15 am 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm
10/28	Family Fun Night at Fischer Farms Confirmation Class (Youth Room) Worship/Communion	6:00-8:30 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm
10/30	Trunk or Treat	3:00-5:00
10/31	Bible Study (The Commons) Mom's Bible Study (Youth Room) Sunday School Worship/Communion Gideons Presentation by Stan Cowen (Church)	8:30 am 8:30 am 8:30 am 9:30 am

Mid-Week Bible Study

The Mid-Week Bible Study meets on Wednesday mornings, at 9:15am in the **church basement**. This Bible study is for anyone who has a desire to dig into God's Word and know the joy and blessing of reading His Word together and helping each understand the meaning of what God is telling each one of us. We are extremely blessed and thankful to have Pastor Brandt leading us through the book of Genesis. Everyone -men, women, young, and old- are invited. Bring your friends and neighbors.

Children's Sunday School

All kids (ages 3- High School) are invited to join us each week for Sunday School from 8:30-9:15am. Invite your friends! We begin with songs in the kindergarten room and then dismiss to study our lesson for the day.

Women's Bible Studies

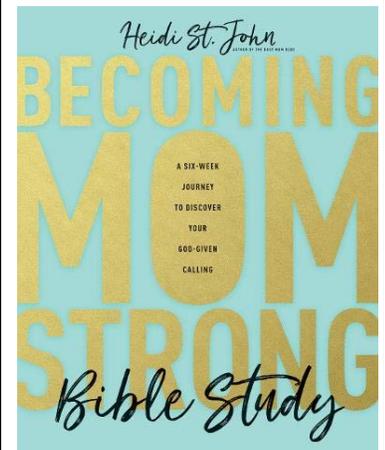
Our Women's Bible Study meets each Wednesday from 6:30-7:30pm in the youth room!! We are studying the story of Gideon from the book of Judges. There are so many connections and applications for our world today. We would love to have you join us!

Mom's Bible Study

Our Mom's Bible Study meets each week in the youth room from 8:30-9:15am. Join us as we seek God's Word together, share some coffee, and encourage one another. If your kiddos are not yet Sunday School age, they are welcome to join us too. We will plan to use the Becoming Mom Strong Bible Study by Heidi St. John as a guide. You do not have to have your own copy of the book to join us, but if you would like to order it, you can click below.

<https://www.amazon.com/Becoming-MomStrong-Bible-Study-God-Given/dp/1496426665>

We will have a couple of Sr. High Youth who are willing to watch any little ones (under age 3) in the preschool during this time as well. We will plan to take up a free will offering for them. The money donated will be applied to their individual accounts for the National Youth Gathering.



Youth



Sunday, October 30th (3-5pm): Trunk or Treat with Games as a Fundraiser in back parking lot

Sunday, November 14th: Youth NYG Fundraiser Shifts for Holiday Mart Concession Stand in Gym

Sunday, November 21st (4-6pm): JR. HIGH Youth Event at Faith Lutheran with Faith's Jr. High Youth Group

Men's Bible Study

Monday, October 25th, at Jason Propst's firehouse. 4501 Old Ridge Rd. Starting in November, meetings will be at 7pm on the 2nd Wednesday and the 4th Monday of the month. We're studying "Man Up! The Quest for Masculinity" by Rev. Jeffery Hemmer. We'll have chili to eat...!

Mission Opportunity

Our very own Amanda Braun, a college student at SEMO, will be going on a mission trip in January. This will be a week-long mission for healthcare provision to an under-resourced community in Panama. The QR site below has information on how to directly give and logistics of tax deductions, etc... There is also an order form for t-shirts, and all \$20 will go toward her mission. She would appreciate any donations you are moved to share. Thank you!



AREA NEWS

SAMARITAN CENTER FUNDRAISER

When: Saturday, October 23rd

Where: Knights of Columbus Parking Lot (1822 Tanner Bridge Road)

Time: Serving 10:00 am - 2:00 pm (or until food runs out)

Menu: Pulled pork or chicken sandwich, baked beans, slaw, homemade dessert

Cost: \$8

CALVARY NEWS

CALVARY INSIDER

What happened at Calvary last week you ask?

- Congratulations to both the boys and girls Cross Country teams for their respective team victories at the Smithton Cross Country Invitational last Saturday, Oct 16!

BLOOD DRIVE TOMORROW

Calvary Lutheran Key Club will be hosting a blood drive in the school cafeteria **TOMORROW, Monday, October 25th** from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Donors have to be at least sixteen years old. If you are sixteen, you must have a parental consent form signed. To make an appointment, please go to redcross.org/give. Walk-ins are also welcome! Please consider donating and helping save a life!

WHO NEEDS TO KNOW? COME TO A CALVARY OPEN HOUSE!

Do you know someone who would benefit from knowing about Calvary? A family of a teenager? (Grades 7-12) Invite them to Open House! Calvary will be hosting two Fall Open Houses soon: **Monday, October 25th** and **Tuesday, November 2nd** at 7 p.m. We would welcome current Calvary parents and/or current students to share their Calvary story that night -- so that prospective families would hear authentic reviews from people that are here daily. Contact the office to RSVP for a prospective family or if you would like to share your story at Open House.

FALL DRAMA THIS WEEK

Join us for performances of "The Curious Savage" this week, Friday, Oct. 29th at 7:00 pm and Saturday, Oct. 30th at 7:00 pm. Students have been working hard to prepare a fantastic show that you won't want to miss!

FOLLOW US

Keep up to date with news and events by following Calvary Lutheran High School on Facebook. Liking and sharing our posts helps us spread the word about Calvary. You can join us for chapel via Facebook every Wednesday. Live streaming begins around 10:45 a.m.

AMAZON SMILE

If you use Amazon for your on-line shopping, consider going to smile.amazon.com. When you use this site, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases back to Calvary once you have designated Lutheran High School Association of Mid Missouri as your charity of choice. This is an easy way to assist Calvary financially.

<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>	<u>10/13-10/17</u>		<u>Finance Team</u>	<u>Date</u>
Youth Group	24	<u>Oct.</u>	Tim & Terry	Nov 7
Y'ALL	---		Deven & Jason	Nov14
Other Bible Studies	10		Heather & Rochelle	Nov 21
Couples Bible Study	---		Linette & Terri	Oct 24
Mom's Sunday Bible Study	6		Pat & Jane	Oct 31
Children's Sunday School	19			
Adult Bible Class	13			
SS/Adult Offering	\$ 15.00	\$42.54		
<u>Church Attendance</u>				
Thursday	34			
Communion: 31	---			
Sunday	175			
Communion: 105	---			
<u>Church Offering</u>				
Plate & Envelopes	\$ 5,983.50			
Electronic	\$ 2,289.33			
Total:	\$ 8,273.83	12-mo avg		
<i>Avg Offering Goal</i>	<i>\$ 9,160</i>	<i>\$ 8,069.00</i>		
<i>Weekly church/school expense total</i>	<i>\$ 14,000</i>	<i>per week</i>		
<u>DRC Offering</u>	\$ 790.00	<u>Oct</u>		
<i>Monthly Building Loan Payment</i>	<i>\$ 4,125</i>	\$ 2,660.		
<i>Bldg Loan Balance as of 10/01/21</i>	<i>\$ 315,358</i>	12-mo avg		
		<i>\$ 2,825.00</i>		
		<i>per month</i>		
<u>Day/Preschool Tuition</u>		<u>Oct</u>		
<i>Tuition Income for Church/School</i>	\$ 6,562.00	\$ 7,526.00		
<i>General Fund</i>				

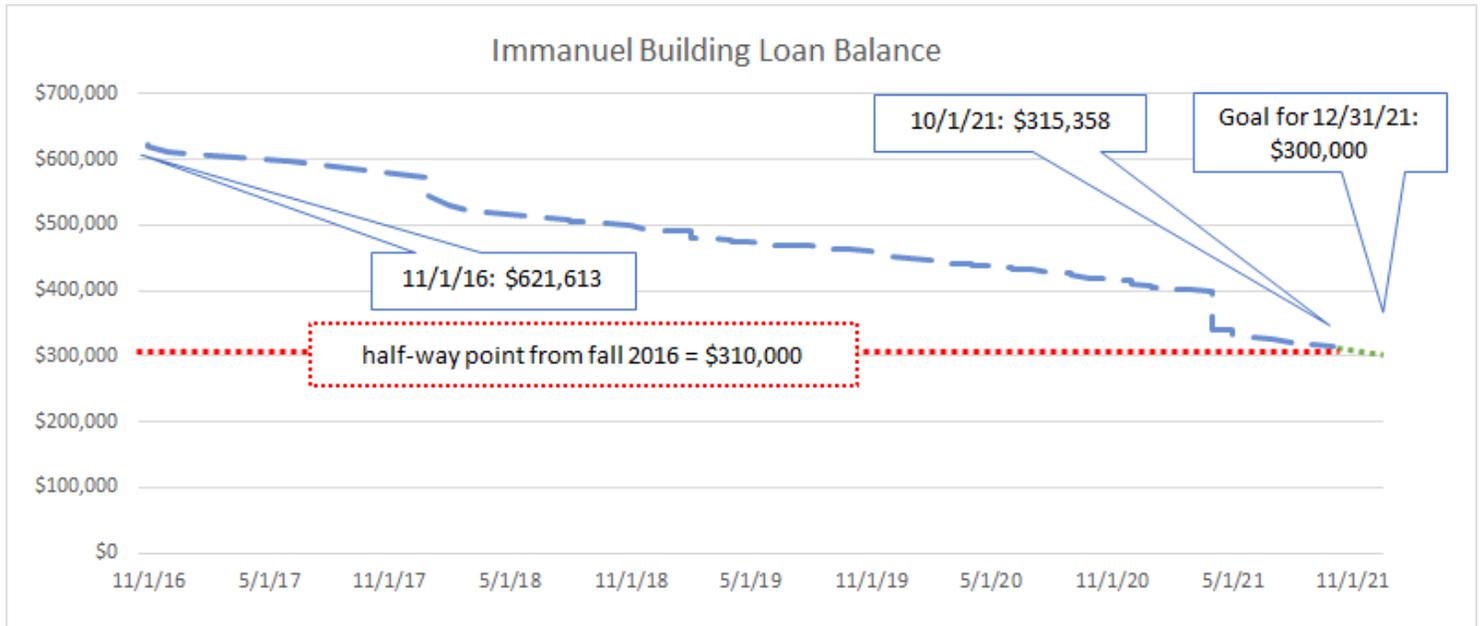
Offering Options Available

We have several eGiving options if you would like to give a one-time or recurring offering electronically:

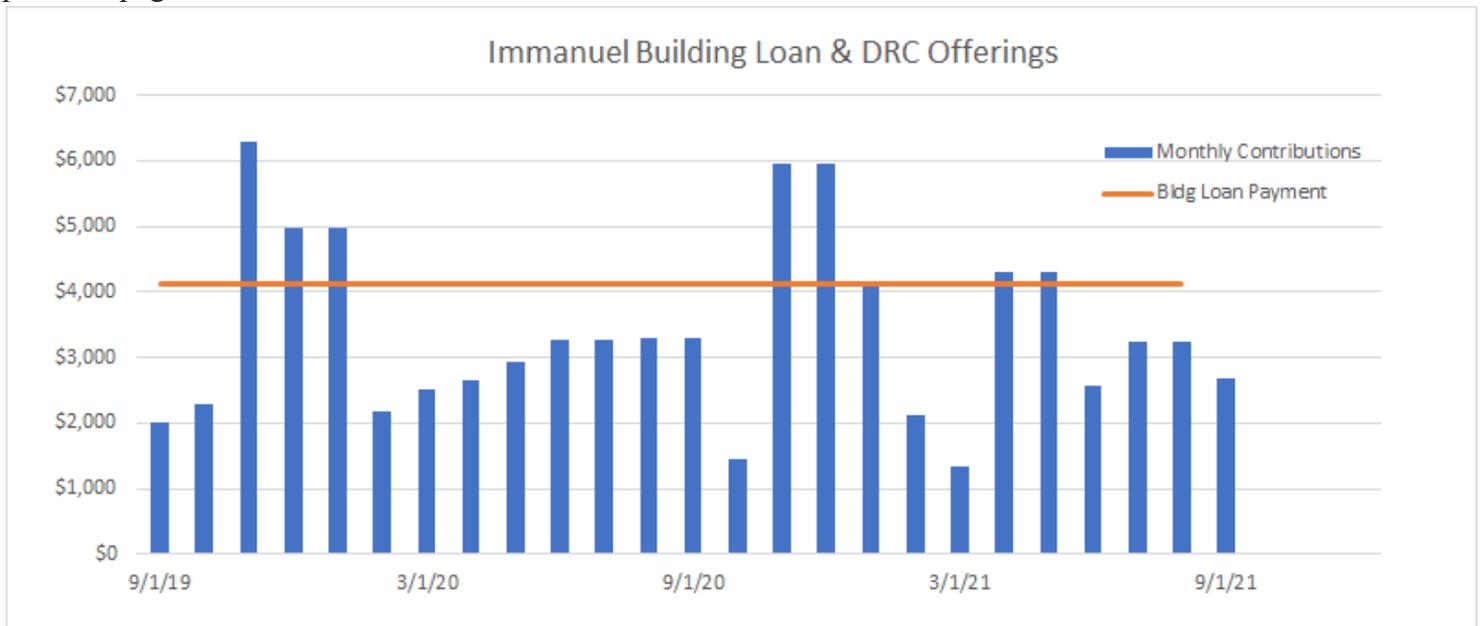
- 1) Set up an **online donation** from our website: <https://www.midmoimmanuel.com/online-giving>
- 2) Download the **GivePlus mobile app** for your smart-phone (search for zip code 65101 and choose Immanuel Lutheran). Set up your profile and manage your offerings.
- 3) Text your offering through **Text Giving** by texting a whole number for the offering amount (i.e. "10" for a \$10 gift) to 1-573-267-5706. Follow the link that is replied back.
- 4) Contact Cody Morrow (573-680-2910 or cdymorrow@aol.com) or Jason Sommerer (573-338-2441 or summertime_99@hotmail.com) for assistance and we can set up an **auto-draft from your bank** directly to Immanuel.
- 5) Vanco also offers to accept gifts **over the phone** for our congregation. Vanco's Client Services team will take donations if you call them at 800.675.7430

Celebrate Our Progress and Continue Working Towards being Debt Free!

As shown in the graph below, since the fall of 2016, we have almost reduced our debt for the school building expansion in half! Just five years ago, the loan was approximately \$620,000. As of October 1st of 2021, the loan balance is now only \$315,358! Let's continue marching towards being debt free!



Our continued progress relies on regular monthly contributions to the Debt Retirement Campaign (DRC). The graph below shows how those contributions are not consistently meeting our monthly loan payment amount. Thankfully, with the congregation dinners and other donations, as well as using our building fund emergency savings account, we have been able to continue making payments and keep reducing the loan balance. Please prayerfully consider contributing to the DRC on a regular basis over and above your general tithes/offerings - any amount helps. If you would like to set up an electronic offering (one-time or recurring), see the information on the previous page.



PRAYER REQUESTS

At Home or Hospital: Quinetta Rutledge, Ronnie Ahart, Brennan Schulte, Jeff Brondel, Denny Schulte, Scott Jackson, John and Patti Trinklein, Scott Haymaker, John Green, Roz McCarty, Zach, Emily Garrison and family, DeWayne and Faye Doerhoff, Bill Coulter, Jane Kesel, Deb Leech, Patty Bates, Linda Ortmeyer, Leah Sommerer, Brian Kempker, Kevin Garwood, Konlee Lynn Kempker, Charlie Duenckel

Those who mourn:

Celebrating Birthdays this week: Richard Swanson 10-24, Sawyer Lehmen 10-24, Marcus Belshe 10-25, Corey Carrender 10-25, Wyatt Bonnett 10-26, Steve Schumacher 10-27, Lindsey Trinklein 10-27, Betty Ott 20-17, Layla Cole 10-28, Mackenzie Bondurant 10-28, Judy Schmoeger 10-29, Darren Binkley 10-29, Jason Harrison 10-29.

Celebrating Anniversaries this week: Dwight & Rita Linhardt 10-24 23 yrs., Gary & Lynne Morrow 10-25 46 yrs., Bill & Schellie Blochberger Jr. 10-26 36 yrs., Jeffrey & Gayla Propst 10-30 21 yrs.

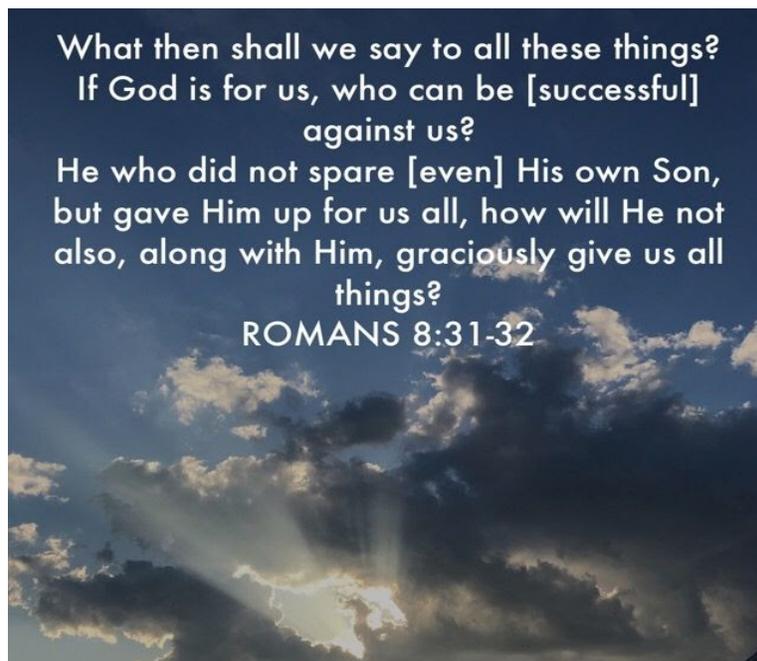
Celebrating (1-6 yrs old) Baptism Anniversary: Emelyn Doerhoff 10-30-2016 5 yrs., Jasper Allen 10-27-2019 2 yrs., Levi Eichholz 10-27-2019 2yrs.,

Nursing Home Residents/Shut-Ins: Virginia Meier - Heisinger, Violet Nichols - JC Manor, Doris Propst - Villa Marie, Thomas Benne.

Military Personnel: Ryan Thruston

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD FOR ANSWERED PRAYERS: **Removed from Prayer list: Conner Dusheke, Stanley Carrender, Shelby (Propst) Russell, Karen Henry, Scott Schulte, Jacob Hager, Kinsley, Matt and Betsy Wansing, David Meyer, David Dziadosz,**

If you would like to add/delete a name or notice an error that needs to be corrected on these lists, Please contact Loretta at the church office ph 496-3451 or email ilhchurch@midmoimmanuel.com. All suggestions are welcomed, Thank you)





For the price of eating one meal out a month, you can help a youth raise \$150 towards attending the National Youth Gathering in Houston in July, 2022. Here is how the program works:

- Pull a numbered envelope in the church entryway at random and sign your name by the corresponding number on the sponsor list.
- Open your envelope to see which youth God has paired you with. You will find a picture and some information inside about them.
- Take the colored stack of envelopes that correspond to the number that you picked.
- Each month from October through July, you can place your \$15 donation in these envelopes and place them in the wooden container by the display. You are welcome to pay a lump sum or break the amount into whatever increments are convenient for you. You can also opt to have \$15 a month withdrawn from your account for these 10 months. Please contact Mandy McDonald or Jason Sommerer if you prefer direct withdrawal.
- As a sponsor, you will have the opportunity to get to know your youth, pray for them, and support them monetarily with your donations.
- We will plan to have a “Muffin and Mingle” after church on December 5th so that you can meet your youth. The youth will then pray, write letters, etc...to keep you in the loop on how things are going. They will also send a postcard from the gathering and will invite you to meet with them after the gathering to share some pics and experiences. If you can't meet on December 5th, we can work out another time.

“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

-Colossians 3:17

The following Officer positions are up for election for 2022. Please prayerfully consider serving our church in one of the following roles:

Congregation President
Congregation Vice-President
Congregation Secretary
Board of Youth
Board of Trustees
Stewardship
Outreach
Board of Elders (2)
School Board (2)
Worker's Compensation Administrator

For your consideration, a brief summary of each position is listed below:

President

- 1-year term
- Works with the Pastor & Chairman of the Board of Elders to analyze past progress & future efforts and emphasis
- Enforces the constitution and bylaws
- May attend any committee meeting at his discretion
- Presides over Voter's meetings (quarterly)

Vice-President

- 1-year term
- Presides over Church Council (monthly)
- Acts as Chairman if the seat is vacant or the Chairman cannot perform his duties

Secretary

- 1-year term
- Attends and records the minutes for the Voter's (quarterly) and Church Council (monthly)
- Provides the minutes to Voter's and Church Council for approval
- Maintains the registry of communicant & voting members

Worker Compensation Administrator (works with Finance Board)

- 3-year term
- Oversee and equitable salary & benefit package for the staff of Immanuel Lutheran Church & School

Outreach Ministry

- 2-year term
- Works with the Pastor and other groups to create and implement programs that will improve the communication to congregation as well as non-congregational members
- May include marketing responsibilities as needed

Stewardship

- 2-year term
- Works with Pastor to develop literature and stewardship programs for the congregation
- Stewardship includes promoting giving of first fruits (tithes), as well as time and talents

Board of Trustees

- 3-year term
- Ensure the maintenance and upkeep of the church & school facilities
- Provide guidance and action on necessary repairs and improvements

Board of Elders

- 3-year term
- Assist Pastor in all matters to benefit the spiritual welfare of the congregation
- Assist Pastor with administration of the Sacraments
- Assist Pastor during worship service
- Take oversight for the members of the congregation in liaison with the pastor

Board of Youth Ministry

- 3-year term
- Helps provide guidance to the Youth and Family Ministry Director in the following ways: Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, Youth Bible Studies, and Youth ministry
- Develop policies for these programs

Board of Education

- 3-year term
- Develop and maintain the policies of the school
- Ensure the school is functioning in accordance with established doctrine of the church

****For a full list of duties, please review the Board description in the Constitution. Please note that all Chairman of these Boards report to the church council monthly and the voter's assembly quarterly.****