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: 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

January 13, 2023

FROM THE DESK OF YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

We have a great opportunity for our Sr. High Youth next Saturday. The Immanuel Youth and Trinity Youth are hosting a **"Secret Service" Circuit Event at Trinity on January 21, from 9am-7pm.** Youth from our local congregations are invited to attend and are welcome to invite a friend. The event will be focused on the theme of serving the Lord with our time, talents, and treasures. The youth will attend sessions led by Vicar Resner, Pastor Powell, and Pastor Schlie. We will have food, games, and an opportunity to participate in several service projects. We will end the day by worshiping together at Trinity at 6pm. If you have a high school youth in your life, please encourage them to attend. You can click here to sign up: Sr. High Youth Circuit Event Sign Up
Please see the attached flier for more information.
In Him,
Mandy McDonald

PREPARING FOR CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

"Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." As we celebrate this Epiphany season, we see Jesus **manifested** as God's Son who came into the world to **redeem** and **restore** the fallen world back to Himself. John the Baptist points us to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Only Jesus can do this. Only Jesus has the Holy Spirit in full measure.
So, just as the "voice from heaven (the Father) said at the Baptism of Jesus, **"This is my Beloved Son. Listen to Him"**, we are to listen to Jesus. When Jesus speaks, He **imparts** the Holy Spirit. His words do three things for us: 1) They produce faith, 2) They strengthen faith, and 3) They send the Holy Spirit out to do His work! So, LOOK to Jesus and LISTEN to Him!

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

We are in need of several Thrivent action team grants for use during Lutheran Schools Week. If you would be willing to help with this please contact Mrs. Diener, Mrs. Goldammer, or Kari Schulte.
A couple of the projects we will be doing
-Family Fun Night
-Baby item drive
-Service activity-Cleaning church
-Making Cards

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

The next Parent Teacher League (PTL) meeting is scheduled for January 23rd at 6:00 in the commons.

DONATIONS FOR OLIVER JOHN BENKE

Luke and Lizzie Benke (daughter of Landon and Annette Oxley and Granddaughter of Kenny and Doris Propst) delivered their first baby at just 26 weeks gestation on Christmas Eve. Oliver John Benke was born weighing only 1lb. 13oz. and 13" long.

Oliver will be in the NICU, most likely, until his due date at the end of March.

Luke and Lizzie are members of Grace Lutheran, in Holts Summit, and many of you may know their family.

If your heart is moved to help this family, here are a few suggestions:

1. Pray. Please pray for healing and strength of baby Oliver and for his parents and grandparents.
2. Gas cards. Lizzie and Luke are driving back and forth to the hospital in Columbia multiple times a day. Gas stations close by are Casey's, BreakTime, or Phillips 66.
3. Cards to encourage them.
4. If you'd like to include a monetary gift or gift card, anything is appreciated. A few suggestions are: McDonald's, Taco Bell, Walmart, Target, Chipotle, Culver's, Sonic, or Little Caesars.
5. Any donations that you would like to share can be dropped off in the church office, placed in the designated container in the entryway, mailed to the office (Attn: Loretta), or given to Loretta Schulte or Mandy McDonald.

Thank you so much for all your love, prayers and support of Luke, Lizzie, and baby Oliver!!

CHURCH PARKING

We are kindly asking that the concrete row of parking spaces, (which includes the handicap spaces), in front of the school be left available for those who can not walk on the gravel or walk long distances. We appreciate your cooperation. Thank You.

MAKER'S DOZEN CD'S

The Maker's Dozen cd's are available at the office. $12.00 each or $10.00 each for 2 or more.

SCHOOL KITCHEN WISH LIST

White dish cloths
Canned veggies (gallon) - corn, carrots, peas
Canned fruit (gallon) - peaches, pears, applesauce, mixed fruit, pineapples, mandarin oranges

Thank you for all of the donations! We will continue to update the list as we receive items. We appreciate your generosity

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes are in the entryway. After Sunday, January 15th contact Loretta at the office.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

1 volunteer to clean the school office - biweekly
1 volunteer to sweep/mop tile floors entry, narthex - biweekly
Call the office, 496-3451, if interested. Thank You

LUNCH MENU (All menus subject to change/milk served with all meals/peanut butter & jelly alternative daily)

1/16 No School (PS-8)
1/17 Chicken noodle soup, cheese stick, fresh veggies, fruit
1/18 Cheeseburger, fries, green beans, fruit
1/19 Chicken nuggets, seasoned pasta, corn fruit
1/20 BBQ turkey sandwich, baked beans, fresh veggies, fruit, brownie

Servants for the Lord					
Date	**Acolytes**	**Ushers**	**Lector**	**Elders**	**Finance Team**
Jan 15	Aubrey Kempker Braelynn Lowry	Kelby Doerhoff Troy Bonnett	Deven McDonald	Troy Wolken Brad Engelbrecht	Heather & Rochelle
Jan 22	Alec Sommerer Javon Engelbrecht	Troy Wolken Cole Wolken Tyler Loveall	Scott Jackson	Don Propst Terry Carrender	Mary & John
January Altar Guild: Carrie Wolken and Pat Sommerer					

Date	Upcoming Events	Time
1/15	Adult Bible Study - The Commons Mom's Bible Study Sunday School Worship Service/Communion Scrapbooking - Church Basement Y'ALL Group- The Commons	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am 11 - 5 pm 5-7 pm
1/16	No School PS-8 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	
1/17	Boys Basketball Practice School Board Meeting	5:00-7:00 pm 5:30 pm
1/18	Chapel *(Leader: Mr. Kopp)* Mid-week Bible Study/Book of Exodus - Ch Basement Archery Practice Confirmation Class - Vicar's Office Women's Bible Study - The Youth Room	8:30 am 9:15 am 5:00-6:30 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm
1/19	Boys Basketball Game at St. Joe Westphalia	6:00 pm
1/21	Secret Service Senior High Youth - at Trinity	9am-7pm
1/22	Adult Bible Study - The Commons Mom's Bible Study Sunday School Worship Service/Children's message/Installation of Officers/Children Sing	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am

Women's Bible Study

Our Women's Bible Study group meets each Wednesday from 6:30-7:30pm in the youth room. Our Bible Study is entitled **"Be Still and Know"** based on Psalm 46. We are blessed to have Sara Allen as our leader. We welcome you to join us any time!

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study will meet **Monday, January 9th, 7pm** at Jason Propst's firehouse, 4501 Old Ridge Rd.
We are studying "Man Up". The quest for masculinity by Rev. Jeffery Hemmer

Mid-Week Bible Study

The Mid-Week Bible Study meets on Wednesday mornings, at 9:15am in the church basement. We are extremely blessed and thankful to have Pastor Brandt leading us through the book of Exodus. All are welcome.

Mom's Bible Study

Our Mom's Bible Study group meets each **Sunday from 8:15-9am in the youth room**. We are using the book entitled God Loves Moms by Christina Hergenrader as a guide. *We have a few sr. high youth who have graciously volunteered to babysit again for kids under the age of three in the preschool room, so please feel free to bring your littles along too.*

Y'ALL (Young Adult Lutheran Leaders)

The Y'ALL Group (Young Adult Lutheran Leaders) will meet this Sunday! We would love for you to join us for food, fellowship, and Bible Study.

Children's Sunday School

All children age 3-12th Grade are invited to join us each **Sunday at 8:15-9am** for Sunday School. We meet in the kindergarten classroom to begin with songs and then disperse into the various classrooms.

Jr. and Sr. High Youth Events

Sr. High Youth Circuit Event at Trinity- **January 21**, from 9am-7pm: Sr. High Youth Circuit Event Sign Up (see attached flyer)

Jr. High Youth - January 29, from 3-5pm in Youth Room

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Events
Sr. High Youth - **February 5**, from 3-5pm, place TBD

Jr. and Sr. High Youth Super Sub Making Party with Movie- **Saturday, February 11**, from 3-5pm in Commons

Jr. and Sr. High Youth Super Sub Fundraiser- hand out subs and chili after church on **February 12**

Jr. High Fundraiser for MO District Retreat (Running Concession Stand at Helias for LSAM tournament) - **Weekend of February 25th**- Shift sign up will be shared soon.

AREA NEWS

OSAGE SENIOR CENTER NEWS

The Osage Senior Center, located in Wardsville, will be having their annual Board meeting on January 17, 2023 at 6 pm in the activities room. All community members of Honey Creek, Osage Bend and Wardsville are encouraged to attend and visit the facility, see improvements and look over financials from 2022.

The Osage Senior Center, located in Wardsville, is looking for interested people who are 62 and above years old or have confirmed disabilities to be place on our waiting list. The Senior Center is located close to St. Stan Catholic Church, gas stations, a restaurant and a Dollar General store. If interested call or email for a tour and talk with our manager. Phone: 573-632-2712 email: osageseniorcenter@gmail.com.

CALVARY NEWS

CALVARY INSIDER

What happened at Calvary in the past week?

- Pastor Heaton led chapel on Wednesday sharing a message about "Christian Modesty" from 1 Timothy 2:5-8.
- Over 700 archers competed in the Calvary Archery Tournament on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Go Lions!
- The Speech and Debate team attended the Liberty High School Speech Tournament on Saturday.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the Calvary Archery Team for winning the High School Division in Helias Catholic High School's archery tournament on January 7. Top individuals include:

High School Girls	High School Boys
1st: Allison Trinklein	2nd: Matthew Johnson
5th: Courtney Hodges	3rd: Sam Sellars
9th: Elizabeth Lieb	10th: Luke Angerer
10th: Kendra Gardner	

LION ATHLETICS

Upcoming home sporting events:

- JV/V Girls/V Boys Basketball vs. Climax Springs - Thursday, Jan. 19 at 5PM

REGISTER TODAY!

It is re-enrollment and registration time at Calvary. We look forward to having new students join the Calvary family for next year. Those who register or re-enroll before March 1st will have the $100 tuition deposit waived.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AT CALVARY'S GIFT

Do you have a few hours a week and have a servant's heart? Calvary's Gift would welcome your volunteerism! While "shopping hours" are Wednesday through Saturday, volunteers are needed Monday through Saturday. Contact John Meisel for more information, 573-821-8875.

POSITION AVAILABLE

Calvary is seeking a mission-minded head golf coach for the 2023 Spring season. Resumes are being accepted now. Applicants must have a four-year college degree if they have not served as an assistant coach for two years. Interested individuals should contact Erich Ahlers, principal@calvarylhs.org or Kerri Morris, athletics@calvarylhs.org or call 573-638-0228. Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled.

SAVE THE DATE

Jan. 27	Homecoming Basketball Games
Feb. 3-4	Calvary Boys Basketball Tournament
Feb. 9	Discover Calvary Day (7th grade students invited.)
Feb 21	Calvary Blood Drive

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

We pray that the Lord would move your heart to contribute to one of the following items. It would help the general fund account to stay current with regular bills. Thank You and God Bless!

1. Electric Costs per month..... 2,000.00
2. Building and Liability Insurance/per quarter 7,000.00
3. Concordia Plan Health Insurance..... 7,500.00
4. Waste Removal/per month..... 234.00
5. Propane Capital Energy/per week/winter..... 1,000.00

STEWARDSHIP	1-8		Finance Team	Date
Adult Bible Study Sunday School Youth Y'ALL Mom's Bible Study Wed. Bible Study Ladies Bible Study Men's Bible Study **Offerings**	22 22 9 13 16 **$ 11.00**	**January** **$ 11.00**	Tim & Terry Aaron, Jason, & Deven **Heather & Rochelle** Mary & John Pat & Jane	Jan 01 Feb 05 **Jan 15** Jan 22 Jan 29
Church Attendance Wed Sunday **Communion:**	 220			
Church Offering Plate & Envelopes Electronic **Total:** *Avg Offering Goal (as of 7/1/22)* *Weekly church/school expense total*	 $ 5,551.00 $ 3,873.83 **$ 9,424.83** *$9,550.00* *$14,000*	 **12-mo avg** *$8,905.00* *per week*		
DRC Offering *Monthly Building Loan Payment* *Bldg Loan Balance as of 1/3/23*	**$ 170.00** *$3,157* *$227,940*	**January** **620.00** **12-mo avg** *$3,165.00* *per month*		

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 **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement** app for your smart-phone and search for "Immanuel Lutheran Church and School" (several churches will display from just "Immanuel", so be sure to type in the full name - there are still at least three on the list that have the same name as us - be sure to select the one with our address - 8231 Tanner Bridge Road). 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

PRAYER REQUESTS

At Home or Hospital: Quinetta Rutledge, Brennan Schulte, John and Patti Trinklein, John Green, Jane Kesel, Brian Kempker, Konlee Kempker, Charlie Duenckel, Rebecca Eichelberger, Joni and Chloe Adamson, Billy Mueller, Judy Looten, Theresa Schubert, Theresa Hilke, Lloyd Sommerer, Gabrielle Ahlefeld, Emma Rustemeyer, Dana Simmons, Betty Hoecker, Leroy Sommerer, Josie Beck, Clay Rolsing, Terri Engelbrecht, Dwight and Rita Linhardt, Danny Goodman, Dane Steenburgen, Susie Case, Jim Morgan, Denny Schulte, Ronette Schulte, Luke and Lizzie Benke and baby Oliver Benke.

Giving Praise for Answered Prayers: Bob Brenner

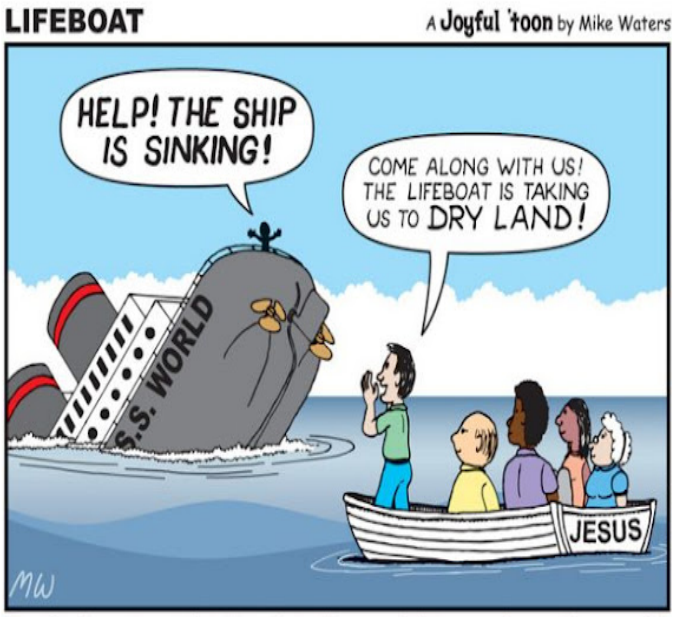
Celebrating Birthdays: Lily McCarty 1-15, Terry Carrender 1-16, Joyce Kempker 1-16, Joe Hagerman 1-17, Tatum Horn 1-17, Brayden Eads 1-17, Jaxton Beck 1-18, Christopher Mueller 1-20, Willow Garwood 1-20, Dwight Schmoeger 1-21.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Kevin and Roseann Engelbrecht 1-17 25yrs.

Nursing Home Residents/Shut-Ins: Virginia Meier-Heisinger, Tom Benne

Military Personnel: Ryan Thruston, Jack Schmoeger, and Clare Hart

Thought For The Day: "Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud."
"Hardships often prepare ordinary people for an extraordinary destiny."



For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. - John 3:17 KJV

I can do everything through him who gives me strength. - Philippians 4:13 NIV

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LCMS Stewardship Ministry
January 2023

Your Past Does Not Define Your Future

New Year's is a celebration of the past and the future. We take stock of the past with thanksgiving and sometimes even relief (that it's over), and we look to the future in hope and anticipation, and perhaps with some worry, for what it holds.

The point is that New Year's celebrations remind us of who we are as opposed to who we would like to be, what we have done in comparison to what we want to do. It reminds us of our accomplishments, but mostly it reminds us of our failures. What we've lost. Who we've lost.

New Year's is our own version of Charles Dickens' classic, A Christmas Carol. And we all play Scrooge. We are visited by the ghosts of our pasts, presents and futures.

St. Paul writes: "The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. As it is written, 'He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for all your generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God" (2 Cor. 9:6–15).

St. Paul tells us that the Lord will both supply and increase what we need to give to the church for its work in the world. He tells us that this work God does in us will enrich and bless us in every way, and through this, will produce thanksgiving to God. With this in mind, here is some practical advice to help you take stock of your giving in years past and change what needs to be adjusted, improved, or done away with altogether.

First, attend the Divine Service to receive God's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. If you've not been faithful in attending worship to hear the preaching of God's Word, to receive forgiveness and feast on the rich food of our Lord's body and blood for the eternal benefit of your body and soul, then repent and come to receive the gifts God freely gives. God doesn't want your money. He wants you — all of you (Matt. 22:20–22).

Second, pray for the Lord's help. Your right as a Christian is to speak with your Father, the King of all creation, freely through His Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Go to the throne of grace and ask for strength and wisdom to follow His bidding faithfully (John 15:1–16).

Third, consider what the church is and what the church does. The church is a place of mercy. It inhales the mercy of the Father by the death, resurrection and ascension of His Son through the preaching of the Gospel and the Sacraments. It exhales this mercy in love toward neighbors. You are a member of the church of God's family. Thus, you are not only a recipient of God's mercy, but a bearer of that mercy for the life of the world. You spread that mercy through the generous giving of your income to support the work of the church in the world, as the Israelites did in the Old Testament (Lev. 27:1–34).

Fourth, take stock of your current giving in light of the New Testament's teaching on supporting the work of the church. Are you giving of your first fruits, taking it out of your paycheck first, or does God get what's left over? Are you giving voluntarily and cheerfully? Are you giving proportionally and generously? The Old Testament required a tithe, or ten percent. The New Testament gives freedom to be generous, to give more for the Church's work. Are you relying on God's promise to provide and increase what you need to do His work? If your answer is no to any of these, repent. If God gave you His only Son, will He not provide for you all things, even physical things? Trust Him, His Word, and heed it.

So, don't let your past define your future. Rather, commit for the year a generous proportion of your income, which is God's gift to you for this body and life.

For 9th - 12th Grade Youth

Hosted by
Trinity and Immanuel Lutheran Youth Groups

CIRCUIT YOUTH EVENT

SECRET SERVICE DAY

SESSIONS ABOUT SERVICE TO OTHERS

GAMES FOOD

SERVICE PROJECTS

JANUARY 21, 2023

9AM - 7 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church
803 Swifts Hwy
Jefferson City

Sign up at
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044BAEA728A6FD0-sryouth
or scan the QR code