



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 12, 2024

FROM THE DESK OF MR. KOPP

Cold temperatures are finally here. It is crazy to think that by mid January we are finally looking at some cold temperatures. Up to this point the temperature has been very mild.

With those temperatures please send your child dressed appropriately for school. This coming week we are expected to see negative wind chills close to -30 degrees. That is some very cold temperatures and exposed skin can form frostbite within 10 to 5 mins. We will not go outside for recess during those days but it is still important to bundle up.

If temperatures do get that cold public schools may call off school due to cold temperatures. If that is the case please note that we will not close school for cold weather. We do not have a bus system that involves students waiting outside.

Please remember snow days are unexpected much like a child getting sick. Please have a plan in place incase of a snow day. I do my best when calling snow days and I am wrong sometimes. Know that I am always trying to look out for the safety of the children.

PREPARING FOR CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

As Jesus begins to call His disciples, Nathaniel makes a remarkable statement, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?". Jesus replies, "Behold an Israelite in whom there is no deceit." And then Jesus tells him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

Nathaniel believed because Jesus told him that he saw him under the fig tree. We are to believe because Jesus sees us as well. He sees us when we are not looking for Him and He sees us when we are in the lowest places of our lives. And we will see Jesus when He comes in Glory as "Jacob's Ladder" just as we witnessed at His Baptism when the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in the form of a dove. Jesus is the ONLY way to heaven, and so He calls each of us to follow Him.

PART TIME PRESCHOOL AIDE NEEDED

We are looking for a part time aide working about **25-30 hours per week**. They would work from 7am to 1pm Monday through Friday. Duties would involve helping students with playtime and supervising them. It includes working with students directly. Not required to plan lessons, just be able to follow lessons provided by the lead teacher. It would also involve some light sweeping, cleaning tables, and snack time clean up.

CHAPEL OFFERINGS

Third quarter chapel offerings will go to *Lutherans For Life*.

LOOKING FOR...

Student council is preparing for Lutheran schools week in March. We're looking for anyone who has Thrivent Action Team Grants available. Please reach out to Beth Diener, Ashley Goldammer, or Kari Schulte.

ARCHERY COACHES NEEDED

Brice and Heather Mueller will be stepping down as head coaches for Immanuel Lutheran School Archery after this season. If there is anyone interested in being the head coach for archery next season, please reach out to Brice, Heather, or the school office with questions. The coaches do need to be certified through the Missouri Department of Conservation by taking a free class they offer. You can find details here:

<https://education.mdc.mo.gov/school-programs/monasp>

Thank you for your consideration!

SCHOOL LUNCH

We have received wonderful donations so far this school year and appreciate everything so much!

If you would like to donate any of the following items please know your generosity will be appreciated!

Dill Pickle Slices	Ranch Dressing	Pancake Syrup
Dill Pickle Spears	Brown Sugar	Granulated Sugar
Ketchup	Applesauce	

Gallon Cans: corn, green beans, baked beans, mixed fruit, peaches

Fresh: carrots, cucumbers, bell pepper, broccoli, apples, grapes, oranges

LUNCH MENU (All menus subject to change/milk served with all meals/salad or pbj alternative daily)

1/15 No School

1/16 Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, corn, fruit

1/17 Chicken noodle soup, grilled cheese sandwich, veggies, fruit crisp

1/18 Cheeseburger, fries, veggie, fruit

1/19 Chicken patty on bun, seasoned pasta, veggie, fruit

IMMANUEL CHURCH AND SCHOOL "SAVE THE DATES"

Kindergarten Round-Up	February 22, 2024
Confirmation	March 17, 2024
Drive Thru BBQ	April 07, 2024
Golf Tournament	April 26, 2024
Vacation Bible School	July 21-25, 2024
Fall Turkey & Sausage Dinner	October 20, 2024

Servants for the Lord

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Lector	Elders	Finance Team
Jan 14	Claire Koetting Grant Jobe	Craig Schulte Kaden Schulte	Scott Jackson	Danny Sommerer	Pat & Jane
Jan 21	Brennan Schulte Bryson Schulte	Kelby Doerhoff Troy Bonnett	Jeff Distler	Troy Wolken Brad Engelbrecht	Aaron, Jason & Deven

January Altar Guild: Pat Sommerer and Carrie Wolken

Date	Upcoming Events	Time
1/13	5th Gr. Boys Basketball @ OLLIS (Columbia)	11:00 am
1/14	Pass it On Bible Study- all are invited- The Commons Children's Sunday School - Meeting first in Kindergarten Room Worship Service/Children's Message/Installation of Officers Voter's Meeting and Fellowship Meal after Church - The Commons	8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am
1/15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School (PS-8)	
1/16	Elder's Meeting - Legacy Room Adult Choir Practice	6:30 pm 7:00 pm
1/17	Chapel (<i>Leader: Pastor Lange</i>) Mid-week Bible Study - Book of Leviticus - Church Basement Women's Bible Study	8:30 am 9:15 am 6:30-8:00pm
1/18	Scholar Bowl Practice Varsity Boys Basketball @ St. Peter JC	3:15-5:00 pm 8:00 pm
1/19	Archery Shoot @ IC JC	
1/20	5th Gr. Boys Basketball @ St. Thomas	11:00 am
1/21	Pass it On Bible Study- all are invited- The Commons Children's Sunday School - Meeting first in Kindergarten Room Worship Service/Communion	8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am

Mid-Week Bible Study

Mid-Week Bible Study, Wednesday mornings, 9:15 in the Church Basement. We are extremely blessed and thankful to have Pastor Brandt leading us through the book of Leviticus. All are welcome.

Women's Bible Study

Each Wednesday evening, the Women's Bible Study group meets to encourage one another and study God's Word together in the youth room from 6:30-8:00pm, and unpack the promises found in Psalm 46 that are fulfilled in Christ. 🙏 All ladies are welcome to join us!

✨ When our Lord says, "Be still, and know that I am God," (Psalm 46:10), what does He mean? God's Word promises that in whatever kind of storm we find ourselves in, Jesus always comes to us. He is our refuge and strength; our ever-present help in time of need.

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study is **rescheduled for Monday, January 22, 2024** at Jason Propst's firehouse, 4501 Old Ridge Rd. The Men's Monday night Bible Study will be viewing a film series entitled "That The World May Know". This is a four part series filmed on site in the Holy Land. Each part is divided into "faith lessons" for discussion purposes. The first two parts are from the Old Testament, and the second two parts are from the New Testament. Part One is entitled "Promised Land". Part Two is entitled "Prophets and Kings". Part Three is entitled "Life and Ministry of the Messiah", and Part Four is entitled "Death and Resurrection of the Messiah".

Mom's Bible Study

We have a wonderful opportunity for the moms (and dads) of our congregation to study God's Word and learn practical ways to Pass on the Faith to the next generation. Start the new year right with our 9 week "Pass it On" Bible Study each Sunday in the Commons. We will meet from 8:15-9:15 am from January 7th- March 3rd. We will still have babysitters available in the preschool for children under age 3.

Children's Sunday School

Please join us for Sunday School each Sunday. **We have classes for all ages each Sunday from 8:15-9:15 am** Parents are welcome to attend the Adult Bible Study (commons) or the Mom's Bible Study (youth room) while kids are in Sunday School. We also have several youth group girls who have agreed to babysit those too young for Sunday School in the preschool classroom.

Jr. and Sr. High Youth Events

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN YOUTH GROUP



THE SERVICE PROJECT PORTION OF OUR JANUARY 28TH EVENT WILL BE TO MAKE NURSE'S AND CHILDREN'S GIFTS FOR ST. LOUIS CHILDREN'S HOSPIATAL. THANK YOU TO KARI SCHULTE AND CREW FOR HELPING LEAD US.

JR. AND SR. HIGH YOUTH
Sunday,
January 28th,
2-5 PM

2-3 PM
SR. HIGH SERVICE PROJECT/JR. HIGH
BIBLE STUDY

3-4 PM
GAMES IN GYM

4-5 PM
JR. HIGH SERVICE PROJECT/SR. HIGH
BIBLE STUDY

You can find more information about our youth group events by joining our Band app: [Youth Band App](#)

**Jr. and Sr. High Youth, Save the Date!
More Information to Come! :)**



Cassie Moore



Tanner Olsen

**JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH
DISTRICT YOUTH GATHERING**

NOW 

GALATIANS 2:20

April 5-7, 2024

**CROSS POINTE RETREAT CENTER
LAKE OF THE OZARKS**

AREA NEWS

OSAGE SENIOR CENTER MEETING

The annual Osage Senior Center meeting will be on January 16, 2024 at 6 pm in the Activities Room. You are invited to attend and hear 2023 in review. Both building and financial reports will be available at this meeting.

ANNUAL CHILI & CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP MEAL

Where: Brazito-Honey Creek Lions Club, 3220 Route E, JC, MO 65101

When: Sunday, January 28, 2024

Time: Starts at 11:00

Adult's \$8.00, Kids 6-12 \$4.00, Under 6 Free

Dine in (all you can eat) or Carry Out Available

CALVARY NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to our varsity girls basketball team for a weekend full of hard fought games and great competition at the 13th Annual Calvary Lutheran Basketball Tournament. Our Lady Lions took 2nd place overall. Maddy Sprengel took 1st in the 3-point contest! Maddy & Sydney Morris were named to the All-Tournament team!

CALVARY INSIDER

What happened at Calvary last week, you ask?

- Pastor Heaton led chapel, sharing a message from 1 Corinthians 9:15-27.
- Archers took their best shot at our home archery tournament Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Senior archers were recognized on Friday evening. Go Lions!

WHEELS UP!

Please pray for the Calvary students and chaperones who will be traveling to Washington D.C. this week for the National March for Life.

REGISTER TODAY!

We look forward to having new and returning students join together in the Calvary family next year. The early registration cost is \$100 when you apply or re-enroll for next school year by **Friday, March 1, 2024**. The tuition deposit is waived! REGISTER TODAY!

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AT CALVARY'S GIFT

Do you have a few hours a week and a servant's heart? Calvary's Gift would love to welcome you and your time as a volunteer! While "shopping hours" are Wednesday through Saturday, volunteers are needed Monday through Saturday. Call (573) 821-8875.

NEXT CALVARY BLOOD DRIVE

Mark your calendars for the next Calvary blood drive on Tuesday, February 20 from 1-6 p.m. in the Café at Calvary Lutheran High School. Please consider donating to help save a life!

SEE YOUR GENEROSITY IN ACTION

If you are 72 or older, you can take advantage of a simple way to benefit Calvary Lutheran High School and receive tax benefits in return. You can give up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to a qualified charity such as Calvary without having to pay income taxes on the gift. Your gift will make an impact today, building Christian leaders!


SAVE THE DATE

Jan. 26 Homecoming Basketball Games
Feb. 2-3 Calvary Boys Basketball Tournament
Feb. 6 Discover Calvary Day (*Visit Day for 7th Graders*)

CALVARY COMMITMENT

Immanuel is one of 6 association churches that own Calvary Lutheran High School since 2005. Together with Immanuel, Calvary provides the opportunity for a PreK-12 Lutheran school experience in mid-Missouri. Along with the other co-owner congregations (Trinity, Jefferson City; Faith, Jefferson City; Grace, Holts Summit; St. John, Stringtown; & St. John's, Schubert), Immanuel has committed to supporting Calvary financially with \$15 per communicant member per year. This has never been a burden on Immanuel's budget, since special offerings are received for this purpose. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this support through a designated gift in the offering plate or participating in the monthly dinners - whose proceeds also go toward this commitment. Thank you for your support of Lutheran education!

CALVARY STUDENTS FROM IMMANUEL: **Freshman:** Aubree Lowry, Braylon Schulte and Owen Sommerer. **Sophomore:** Olivia Carrender. **Juniors:** Tyler Loveall and Cole Wolken. **Senior:** Brennan Laughlin

<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>	<u>1-7</u>		<u>Finance Team</u>	<u>Date</u>
Pass it On Bible Study Sunday School Youth Y'ALL Mom's Bible Study Wed. Bible Study Ladies Bible Study Men's Bible Study Offerings	31 24 ** ** ** 18 ** ** \$ 9.00	January	Aaron, Jason & Deven Tim & Terry Heather & Rochelle Mary & John Pat & Jane	Jan 21 Jan 28 Feb 04 Feb 11 Jan 14
Church Attendance Sunday - 9:30 am Communion: 179	237			
Church Offering Plate & Envelopes Electronic Total: <i>Avg Offering Goal (as of 7/1/23)</i> <i>Weekly church/school expense total</i>	\$ 8,215.00 2,979.04 11,194.04 <i>\$ 9,814</i> <i>\$14,000</i>	12-mo avg <i>\$9,326.00</i> <i>per week</i>		
DRC Offering <i>Monthly Building Loan Payment</i> <i>Bldg Loan Balance as of 12/1//23</i>	\$ 510.00 <i>\$ 4,125</i> <i>\$161,127</i>	January \$ 510.00 12-mo avg <i>\$2,752.00</i> <i>per month</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 **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

Please let the office know if any of our members on the prayer list are in need of a call, communion or a visit from Pastor Resner or an Elder.

PRAYER REQUESTS

At Home or Hospital: Quinetta Rutledge, Brennan Schulte, John and Patti Trinklein, John Green, Jane Kesel, Konlee Kempker, Charlie Duenckel, Rebecca Eichelberger, Betty Hoecker, Terri Engelbrecht, Rita Linhardt, Danny Goodman, Dane Steenburgen, Denny Schulte, Ann Shipwash, Megan Limbach, Trevor Burrows, Clay Rolsing, Sandy Sebastian, Kenny Braun, Verna Mae Menteer, Tim Lafser, Judy Meisel, Roger and Ruth Braun, Susan Hill, David Dziadosz, Jeff Propst, Jerry Binkley, Thom Mace, and Alice Troyke

~praying for you~

Praise God For Answered Prayers: Cheryl Herzog

Celebrating Birthdays: Logan Hoffman 1-14, Joyce Kempker 1-16, Terry Carrender 1-16, Tatum Horn 1-17, Joe Hagerman 1-17, Brayden Eads 1-17, John Ager 1-18, Jaxton Beck 1-18, Christopher Mueller 1-20, Willow Garwood 1-20,

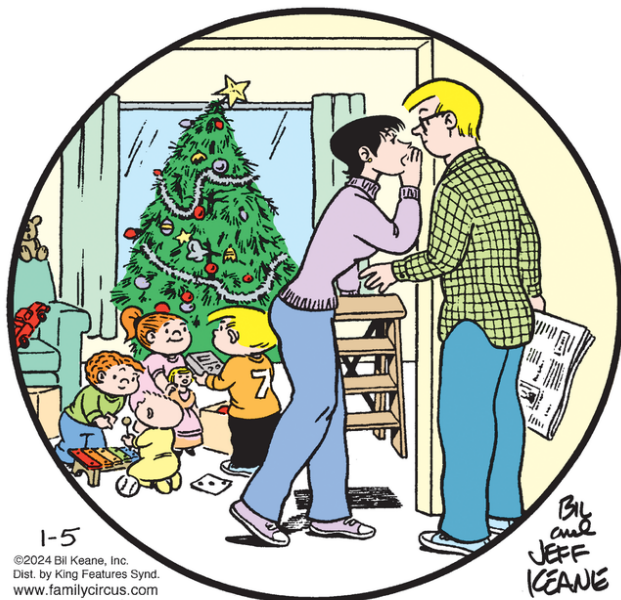
Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Kevin and Roseann Engelbrecht 1-17 26yrs.,

Celebrating (1-5 yrs old) Baptism Anniversary:

Nursing Home Residents/Shut-Ins: Virginia Meier-Heisinger Bluffs

Military Personnel: Jack Schmoeger, Clare Hart, and A. J. Kempker.

Thought For The Day: *When we pray with faith the Holy Ghost can guide our thoughts so that our words harmonize with the will of God.*

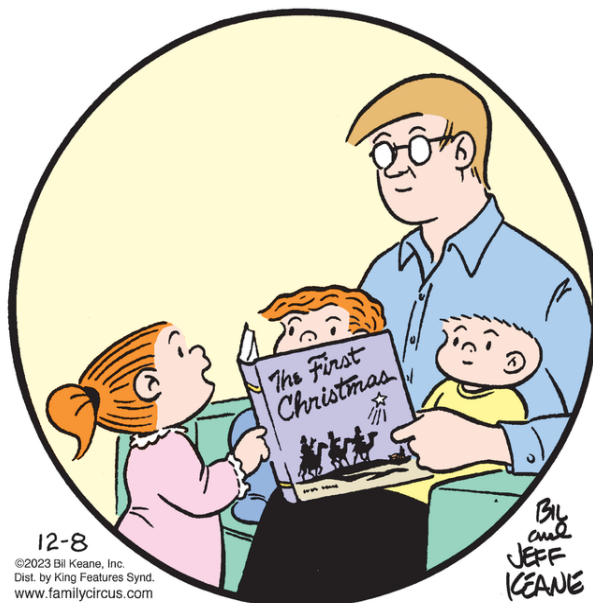


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Bil
and
JEFF
KEANE

**“I’ll start dismantling the tree.
You handle the grief
counseling.”**



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**“Instead of gold, frankincense
and myrrh, I’ll bet Mary wished
they brought diapers.”**

CHURCH IS HARD

Church is hard for the person walking through the doors, afraid of judgement.
Church is hard for the pastor's family, under the microscope of an entire body.
Church is hard for the prodigal soul returning home, broken and battered by the world.
Church is hard for the girl who looks like she has it all together, but doesn't.
Church is hard for the couple who fought the entire ride to service.
Church is hard for the single mom, surrounded by couples holding hands, and seemingly perfect.
Church is hard for the widow and widower with no invitation to lunch after service.
Church is hard for the deacon with an estranged child.
Church is hard for the person singing worship songs, overwhelmed by the weight of the lyrics.
Church is hard for the man insecure in his role as a leader.
Church is hard for the wife who longs to be led by a righteous man.
Church is hard for the nursery volunteer who desperately longs for a baby to love.
Church is hard for the single woman and single man, praying God brings them a mate.
Church is hard for the teenage girl, wearing a scarlet letter, ashamed of her mistakes.
Church is hard for the sinners.
Church is hard for me.

It's hard because on the outside it all looks shiny and perfect. Sunday best in behavior and dress. However, underneath those layers, you find a body of imperfect people, carnal souls, and selfish motives.

BUT, here is the **BEAUTY OF CHURCH**—

Church isn't a building, mentality, or expectation.
Church is a body.
Church is a group of sinners, saved by grace, living in fellowship as saints.
Church is a body of believers bound as brothers and sisters by an eternal love.
Church is a holy ground where sinners stand as equals before the Throne of Grace.
Church is a refuge for broken hearts and a training ground for mighty warriors.
Church is a converging of confrontation and invitation. Where sin is confronted and hearts are invited to seek restoration.
Church is a lesson in faith and trust.
Church is a bearer of burdens and a giver of hope.
Church is a family. A family coming together, setting aside differences, forgetting past mistakes, rejoicing in the smallest of victories.
Church, the body, and the circle of sinners-turned-saints, is where He resides, and if we ask, He is faithful to come.

So even on the **HARD DAYS AT CHURCH**—

The days when I am at odds with a friend, when I've fought with my husband because we're late once again. When I've walked in bearing burdens heavier than my heart can handle, yet masking the pain with a smile on my face. When I've worn a scarlet letter, under the microscope. When I've longed for a baby to hold, or fought tears as the lyrics were sung. When I've walked back in, afraid and broken, after walking away.

I'll remember, **HE HAS NEVER FAILED TO MEET ME THERE.**

By Beverly Palmer



21st Annual
IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN SCHOOL
GOLF
TOURNAMENT

April 26, 2024

REDFIELD GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB – EUGENE, MO

FLIGHTED
TOURNAMENT

Prizes awarded for
all flights

4 Person Teams
\$360 per team

Prizes

Longest Drive &
Closest to the Pin

Registration

9:00 am

Shotgun Start

10:00 am

Lunch

Served during the tournament

Contact Drew Sanning (573) 692-0240 or Jamie Sanning (573) 694-6006 to enter a team.