

Immanuel Lutheran Church & School 8231 Tanner Bridge Road Jefferson City, MO 65101 "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

March 24, 2023

FROM THE DESK OF VICAR RESNER

For a while, we have been making verbal announcements and having the "Sharing of the Peace" right before we start Church. The Elders have decided that we no longer need to make verbal announcements since the screens do that for us. With that said, we no longer are going to announce the "Sharing of the Peace", BUT, by no means, do we want our people to stop this practice. Please continue to greet each other and especially our visitors and guests with the kindness and love that we have in Christ as you enter the Sanctuary and are seated.

We would also like to encourage each one in attendance to quiet their hearts and minds in proper reverence for the start of the service. When the screens are shut off (@ 9:25ish), we would ask that you would also quiet yourself in preparation for worship. For now, we are going to help this along with singing something familiar (like the doxology) to help transition ourselves into worship. Thank you for your patience as we continue to learn how to grow as God's people serving His Church.

PREPARING FOR CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

'Dem bones, 'dem bones, 'dem dry bones, O hear the Word of the Lord" are the words from a popular children's song that has been associated with our Old Testament reading from Ezekiel. Ezekiel's vision of the Valley of Dry Bones tells how God breathes the Breath of Life into His people and His Church. The House of Israel is the Church today. The promise of God in this vision is the Resurrection from the Dead promised to all who believe.

The Gospel reading continues the story of resurrection as Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead. Lazarus had been dead for four days and this miracle sparked intensified hatred of Jesus from the Pharisees. And Jesus tells Martha (and us), "I Am the Resurrection and the Life". We have the hope of our resurrection from the dead as well.

THANK YOU

THANK YOU to everyone who came out to support our church and school at the BBQ last Sunday!! Thank You to all those who worked hard, shining your Jesus light - loving on our Immanuel family and the community!! Thank You to all those who generously donated!! We planned for 1,200 meals and used up pretty much all of the food with a steady stream of kind and generous customers. Please join us in thanking God for all the work He does in and through Immanuel. ~~ In-Joy Dinner Team

CALL COMMITTEE

Please keep the Call Committee in your prayers as we start interviews this coming week for the preschool lead teacher position.

CONFIRMATION CLASS - MARCH 26, 2023

JOSHUA WILLIAM DICK - Birthday: September 23, 2008 Baptism Date: December 14, 2008 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Ephesians 6:13 Parents: John and Jennifer Dick Sponsors: Steffanie and Lucas Carpenter

JAVON DANIAL ENGELBRECHT - Birthday: April 10, 2009 Baptism Date: June 21, 2009 For with God nothing shall be impossible. Luke 1:37 Parents: Jason and Mandy Engelbrecht Sponsors: Jeffrey Engelbrecht, Leesa Peebles, Zachary Koelling

AUBREY JUSTENE KEMPKER - Birthday: October 31, 2008 Baptism Date: November 28, 2021 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13 Parents: Craig Thomas Kempker and Estrellita Flores Sponsors: Abbey Stieferman and Cody Kempker

BRAYLON MATTHEW SCHULTE - Birthday: February 24, 2009 Baptism Date: March 15, 2009 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9 Parents: Matt and Kari Schulte Sponsors: Kimberly Phillips, Kendra Crum, Janel Lueckenotte, Jason & Linette Sommerer

<u>**OWEN RYAN SOMMERER</u> -** Birthday: July 7, 2008 Baptism Date: August 17, 2008 And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. Romans 5:5 Parents: Jason and Linette Sommerer Sponsors: Travis Hart, Jayme Sommerer, Cheryl Schroeder</u>

FROM THE ELDERS

Anyone wanting to attend Vicar Steve's official "Call Service" for his call as Pastor to Honey Creek on Wednesday, April 26th, 7pm at the Seminary in St Louis, please let the office know. There are three places to watch the livestream at 7 p.m. on April 26th:

CSL website: <u>https://www.csl.edu/live/</u>

Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/ConcordiaSem</u>

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/c/ConcordiaSeminary

Folks are encouraged to post on social media with the hashtags #CallDay2023 and #CallDayWatchParty. For more information and for a free event poster, you can visit the webpage: <u>https://www.csl.edu/academics/call-day-services/</u>

PRESCHOOL AIDE

We are looking for a part time aide to work 30 hours per week. They would work from 7:00 to 1:00 Monday through Friday. Duties would involve helping students with playtime and supervising them. It would also involve some light sweeping, cleaning tables, and snack time clean up. Contact Mr. Kopp if interested.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Come join us the morning of April 4 when 5th - 8th grade takes us on the journey of the Stations of the Cross. More details about the start time, etc. will be in next week's newsletter.

SCHOOL KITCHEN WISH LIST

Refried beans Bell peppers Fresh broccoli Lettuce Ketchup Applesauce Pineapples (canned)

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

2022-2023 YEARBOOK ORDERS

Get your yearbook now! You can still send your order form and payment to the office.

<u>THRIVENT MEMBERS</u>

PLEASE take a minute to direct your 2022 Thrivent Choice Dollars. *They EXPIRE March* 31, 2023. Thanks in advance!

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

- 3l27 Turkey tetrazzini, corn, fruit
- 3/28 Lunchable/ham, turkey, pepperoni, cheese stick, crackers, fresh veggies, fruit
- 3/29 Chicken parmesan, spaghetti noodles, broccoli, fruit
- **3/30** Frito pie, lettuce, green beans, fruit
- 3/31 Meatballs, garlic bread, lettuce, fruit

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

There are only 5 projects left on our list. If you would like to make a donation towards these projects, please let the office know. **Thank you so much to those who have already donated.**

- 1. 1 -75 inch TV screen, bracket, wiring and labor for church basement. 75 inch LED, 4K smart LG or Vizio brand TV *estimated cost \$1000.00*
- 2. Microphone in Bell Tower, Mic, cable, labor estimated cost \$425.00
- 3. Fix/Install Sanctuary dimmer switch estimated cost \$750-\$1,000
- 4. 4 overhead Microphones in sanctuary materials, mics, labor estimated cost \$1,200.00
- 5. Security cameras for inside the gym, *getting estimates*.



Servants for the Lord								
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Lector	Elders	Finance Team			
Mar 26	Bryson Carrender Hudson Jobe	Troy Wolken Cole Wolken Tyler Loveall	Jason Sommerer	Don Propst Terry Carrender	Heather & Rochelle			
Apr 2	Ailyn McDonald Claire Koetting	Lance Sommerer Scott Jackson	Scott Jackson	Bill Blochberger Scott Schulte	Mary & John			
March Altar Guild: Doris Engelbrecht, Roberta Engelbrecht and Josie Beck								

April Altar Guild: Tricia Carrender and Kelly Mauzy

Date	Upcoming Events	<u>Time</u>
3/26	Adult Bible Study - The Commons No Mom's Bible Study due to MO District Camp Sunday School- (No Jr/Sr. High Youth SS due to MO District Camp) Worship Service/Confirmation/Children's Message	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am
3/27	Council Meeting	6:30 pm
3/29	Chapel (<i>Leader: Vicar Resner</i>) Mid-week Bible Study/Book of Exodus - Ch. Basement Lenten Meal - The Maker's Dozen - Fish, Chicken Strips, French Fries, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw and desserts Lent Service	8:30 am 9:15 am 5:30 pm 7:00 pm
3/30	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
3/31	Popcorn Fundraiser Kick-off (thru April 14)	
4/2	Adult Bible Study - The Commons Mom's Bible Study Sunday School Worship Service/Communion	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am

Women's Bible Study

Our Women's Bible Study group will be taking a break during the Lenten season, so that we can worship on Wednesday evenings. We would love to have you join us for a new session after Easter on Wednesday, April 12th, at 6:30pm in the youth room.

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study will meet **Monday, April 10, 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.

Children's Sunday School

All children ages 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. **We will not have Youth Group Age (6th-12th Grade) Sunday School on March 26th due to the MO District Youth Retreat.**

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 <u>God Loves Moms</u> 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.* **We will not have Mom's Bible Study on March 26th due to the MO District Youth Retreat.**

Jr. and Sr. High Youth Events



More detailed information is included in our Band App. Click here if you are not connected: <u>Immanuel Youth Band App</u>

Upcoming Events

MO District Jr. High Youth Retreat at the Lake of the Ozarks: March 24-26 Sr. High Escape Room Event: Sunday, April 2 (Leave church at 2:15pm) Jr. and Sr. High Youth Host Easter Breakfast: Between Services on April 9 Jr. and Sr. High Practice with Maker's Dozen for SHINE: Sunday, April 16 (6:30-8pm)

Jr. and Sr. High MO District SHINE Event: Youth and Maker's Dozen singing for nursing home residents on afternoon of **April 23 (Time TBD)**

Family Ministry Event

All parents and grandparents are welcome to join us for a free and fun family ministry presentation (while the children are in Sunday School). We will also have child care, thanks to the Sr. High Youth, for those under age 3. During this presentation, Mandy McDonald will share some ideas for how you can celebrate and reflect on Holy Week as a family. All in attendance will take home an arch book "The Week That Led to Easter" and a packet of activities to share as a family at home. We will meet in the 7th and 8th grade classroom.

Led to Easter

THE WEEK THAT

PRESENTATION OF FAMILY ACTIVITIES FOR

Holy Week

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 2 8:15-9AM 7TH AND 8TH GRADE CLASSROOM

CALVARY NEWS

CALVARY INSIDER

What happened at Calvary in the past week?

- Calvary Archery Team placed 4th in the State for the Bullseye event and 5th for 3D competition at the NASP State Tournament! Congratulations to all Lion Archers, and special congrats to Matthew Johnson for placing 4th as an individual for Bullseye and Sam Sellars was 6th in 3D competition.
- The home opener for spring season baseball kicked off with a win on Monday!
- Pastor Sippy shared a message on Cancel Culture during Wednesday chapel.

LION ATHLETICS

Here are the upcoming Home Baseball Games: Friday, March 31 - Home vs Climax Springs - 4:30PM

SPRING BREAK

Calvary will have Easter Break April 3rd -10th. Please call before making a trip as the office will not be open regular hours.

CRIMSON & SILVER DINNER AUCTION

Tickets are now available for the 2023 Crimson and Silver Dinner Auction at the St. Martin's Knights of Columbus Hall on Saturday, April 29, beginning at 4:00pm. Ticket price is \$50 per person, and tables of 8 are available for \$375. Purchase tickets online at www.calvarylhs.org/auction.

SPRING CLEANING & CALVARY'S GIFT

If you may have the itch to do some spring cleaning, remember to take your gently used items to Calvary's Gift! Store hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 722 Jefferson Street. All profits benefit Calvary students' Christian education. Thank you for making Calvary's Gift one of your weekly shopping favorites and supporting this great ministry.

CALVARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Now that Spring is here, get ready for the 19th annual Calvary Golf Tournament *Friday, June 2, 2023* at Tanglewood Golf Course in Fulton! Whether you're interested in entering a team, sponsoring a hole, or volunteering to help with the event, we would love to have you! Contact John Christman at 573-638-0228 or administrator@calvarylhs.org with your interest. To register your team, go to <u>calvarylhs.org/gofltournament</u> Space is Limited!

THRIVENT CHOICE

Please consider designated Thrivent Choice dollars to Calvary Lutheran High School. Thousands of available dollars in Mid-Missouri go undesignated every year. All 2022 Choice Dollars must be designated by March 31. Contact your Thrivent representative if you are unsure how you can support your favorite ministry.

SAVE THE DATE

- Apr 14-15 Calvary Baseball Tournament
- Apr. 25 Calvary Blood Drive
- Apr. 29 Crimson & Silver Dinner Auction
- May 27 Graduation, 10 AM
- June 219th Annual Benefit Golf Tournament
- June 10 Alumni Basketball Game

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!

STEWARDSHIP	<u>3/15 & 3/19</u>		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	14	March	Aaron, Jason & Devon Tim & Terry Heather & Rochelle Mary & John Pat & Jane	Apr 16 Apr 23 Mar 26 Apr 02 Apr 09	
Offerings	\$ -0-	\$ 18.05			
Church Attendance Wednesday Communion: Sunday Communion: 121	95 158		GIVE THANKS TO THE		
Church Offering Plate & Envelopes Electronic Total: Avg Offering Goal (as of 7/1/22) Weekly church/school expense total	\$ 4,105.00 \$ 2,363.83 \$ 6,882.85 \$9,550 \$14,000	12-mo avg \$8,924.00 per week	FOR GOOD HIS LOVE ENDURES FOR EVER		
DRC Offering Monthly Building Loan Payment Bldg Loan Balance as of 2/21/23	\$ 100.00 \$ 4,125 \$213,285	March 1,685.00 12-mo avg \$3,260.00 per month	PALMIBI		

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

If you have added people to our prayer list, please call the office with updates on their condition and let us know if we can put them on our "Praise God For Answered Prayers" list. Know that this does not mean they are not prayed for in our hearts. Thank You.

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, Theresa Schubert, Gabrielle Ahlefeld, Dana Simmons, Betty Hoecker, Leroy Sommerer, Terri Engelbrecht, Dwight and Rita Linhardt, Danny Goodman, Dane Steenburgen, Susie Case, Denny Schulte, Marilyn Smith, Luke and Lizzie Benke, baby Oliver Benke, Gretchen Junkans, Kenny Braun, Ann Shipwash Donnie Crump, Ronette Schulte, Megan Limbach, and Greg Morrow

For Those Who Mourn:

Praise God For Answered Prayers:

Celebrating Birthdays: Carter Koetting 3-26, Jacie Dick 3-27, Sebastian Bax 3-29, Deven Mueller 3-29, Trent Blochberger 3-30, Haley Braun 3-30, Cora Hargrove 3-30, Tara Mason 3-30, Matthew Morris 3-31, Brees Bishop 4-1, Jayme Eichholz 4-1,

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Danny and Norma Hart 3-27 52yrs.

<u>Celebrating Baptism Anniversary (5 yrs) :</u>

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

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

Thought For The Day: "What a wonderful thought it is that some of the best days of our lives haven't happened yet."

"Lord, help me remember what a difference it makes when I Make time with You, a priority in my day. Amen"



"I hope the Easter Bunny eats it this year. Last year he just put it back in the 'frigerator."



"We finished dying all the eggs, so now we're decoratin' Daddy's golf balls."



"...and just so you know, I had a very good day today, so I'd like more of the same tomorrow."

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

LCMS Stewardship Ministry

March 2023

Lenten Discipline: Denying the Self

We are at the beginning of Lent. During the Lenten season, the church calls to our attention the sufficiency of what God gives. It points to the sufficiency of God's grace in the atoning work of Jesus. It shows us the sufficiency of faith in Jesus' work for us. It makes known the sufficiency of God's Word in faith and life.

But Lent doesn't just remind us of the sufficiency of God's spiritual gifts — the gifts that pertain to our redemption and salvation. Lent also reminds us of the sufficiency of the physical, temporal gifts of God which pertain to this body and life. In other words, it reminds us of the importance of godly contentment and of outward discipline and training of the body.

This outward training of the body teaches us not to give in to every desire of our flesh, but to learn to say no to them. And it does this in such a way that if you fail, it is no sin. It is a way to practice without putting yourself into a compromising situation.

Fasting is a good example of this outward training. When you fast, you are practicing saying no to the desires of your body. But if you fail in this, if you break your fast, you have not sinned. But you have learned something about how your flesh works, how difficult it is to fight against it, and how you need help from above to discipline the desires of your body.

Another example is almsgiving. An increase in giving to the church and its mission during Lent is also a form of outward training. We all know that our flesh finds security in money and stuff. By committing to give more to the church, you are training your flesh. You are, by this outward discipline, training yourself to be content with what God gives. You are practicing saying "no" to your desires. Again, if you fail, you have not sinned. But you've learned just how powerful your flesh is — it leads you instead of you leading it. You've learned how you need help from above in being content with what God gives.

This is why St. Paul instructs young Pastor Timothy in this way:

But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs. (1 Tim. 6:6–10)

Our sufficiency is not of ourselves; it is in God. Let us learn this without sin by training our flesh this Lenten season.

- LCMS Stewardship Ministry: <u>lcms.org/stewardship</u>



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