



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

September 15, 2023

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

"The Chosen" is a film series that has caught a lot of attention in Christian circles. We have decided to show this series as part of our 'Family Movie Nights'. I highly encourage you to come and watch with us. If you cannot make these 'movie nights', we have the series on DVD or you can stream the series on a number of streaming services.

I want to offer some advice on how to watch this series. First, you need to realize this is not Holy Scripture. It is not intended to replace or become the Bible. Second, this series is intended to tell the story of Scripture from a first person perspective of the Disciples and the followers of Jesus. Much of the dialogue is added to the text of the Scriptures and as such, the dialogue is trying to unfold the story. Third, the characters may or may not be how you would picture them, but don't let that distract you from the story. Portraying Jesus is the hardest because the actor is only human. Fourth, let the story unfold before you for several episodes before you pass judgment on it. It takes time for the characters to develop and the story to unfold. And finally, the richest thing to take away from this series is the Jewish traditions, ceremonies, and customs that help us understand the world in which Jesus lived. There is much good in this series as it is intended to make the Scriptures come alive and the story to become more real for us.

PREPARING FOR CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

The Gospel reading for this week is all about forgiveness. The first part is Peter asking how many times we must forgive. Peter offers a very generous number of times - seven. After all, he reasons, seven is quite generous and it is the traditional number of perfection. But Jesus tells him that we must forgive seventy times seven. In other words, we are to be unlimited in the number of times we forgive.

The second part of this reading further expands this "Unlimited Forgiveness". Jesus tells the parable of the "Unforgiving Servant". A slave owed his master 1000 years of wages and begs for mercy. His master unbelievably grants him pardon. The slave finds another slave who owes him four months wages. The slave who had been forgiven by his master then chokes his fellow slave and has him thrown into prison. When the master learns about this slave, he has him thrown into jail to be tortured and calls him wicked. And Jesus delivers some 'chilling' words to us if we cannot forgive - "So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

FELLOWSHIP MEAL/VOTERS MEETING

The September Fellowship Meal and Voters Meeting is this **Sunday, September 17th** after church.

ADULT CHOIR NEEDS YOUR VOICE

Practices will be held in the church balcony on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm. Please call Diane at 573-619-3079 if you have any questions.

DINE-IN TURKEY DINNER

If you would like to donate towards someone making pies there is a box in the church entry. The "Guest Tickets" are also available to pick up. The Food list sign up will be out next week. We will Serve God as we serve others. If you have not signed up yet, we still have some spots open. **THANK YOU!!!**

PART TIME COOK POSITION AVAILABLE

We are looking for a part time cook to prepare lunches for the preschool and school. The position is two 6 hour days a week. You would be responsible for preparing, cooking, and serving lunches for the students. There is someone who helps serve and cleans lunch trays. Limited experience is needed. You don't have to be a chef or head cook, just want to cook. Menus will be planned around your abilities.

If interested, please contact the school office at 573-496-3766 or email Mr. Kopp at principal@midmoimmanuel.com.

EMPTY PAPER TOWEL TUBES

We are in need of paper towel tubes for a craft project. Please drop them off in the office. Thank you!

SCHOOL LUNCH

We have received wonderful donations thus far and appreciate everything so much!

If you would like to donate any of the following items please know your generosity will be appreciated and you will be remembered in our prayers of thanksgiving!

Powdered Sugar	Cucumbers
Strawberry Cake Mix	Broccoli
BBQ Sauce	Lettuce
Butter	Celery
Dill Pickle Spears	

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

9/18 Chicken patty, chicken flavored rice, broccoli w/ cheese, fruit

9/19 Beef taco, lettuce, salsa, sour cream, tomatoes, fruit

9/20 Chef salad, grilled cheese sandwich, fruit

9/21 Spaghetti, lettuce, garlic bread, fruit

9/22 Cheeseburger, chips, fresh veggies, fruit

Servants for the Lord

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Lector	Elders	Finance Team
Sept 17	Mari VanderWert Ailyn McDonald	Kelby Doerhoff Troy Bonnett	Scott Schulte	Troy Wolken Brad Engelbrecht	Heather & Rochelle
Sept 24	Audrey Ahart Claire Koetting	Troy Wolken Cole Wolken Tyler Loveall	Brad Engelbrecht	Donnie Propst Terry Carrender	Mary & Bill
Oct 01	Chloe Hagerman Ailyn McDonald	Lance Sommerer Scott Jackson	Jason Sommerer	Bill Blochberger Scott Schulte	Pat & Jane

September Altar Guild: Sara Allen and Carrie Wolken

October Altar Guild: Trish Carrender and Kelly Mauzy

<u>Date</u>	<u>Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Time</u>
9/15	Outdoor Movie Night- Front Parking Lot	7:30 pm
9/16	Host 5th Gr. Volleyball vs. IC JC Host 5th Gr. Volleyball vs. St. Peter JC	9:00 am 1:00 pm
9/17	Adult Bible Study - Commons New Member Information Classes - 7/8th grade classroom - All are welcome (5 wks) Children's Sunday School - Meeting first in Kindergarten Room Mom's Bible Study - Youth Room Worship Service/Communion Fellowship Meal after Service - Commons - Voter's Meeting will follow Meal	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am
9/18	PTL Meeting Men's Bible Study - Jason Propst's firehouse	6:00 pm 7:00 pm
9/19	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
9/20	Chapel Service (<i>Leader: Calvary Choir</i>) Mid-week Bible Study - Book of Leviticus - Church Basement Women's Bible Study - Youth Room	8:30 am 9:15 am 6:30 pm
9/21	Varsity Volleyball @ St. Thomas	6:00 pm & 8:00 pm
9/23	5th Gr. Volleyball @ St. Martin	9:00 am & 11:00 am
9/24	Adult Bible Study - Commons New Member Information Classes - 7/8th grade classroom - All are welcome (4 wks) Children's Sunday School - Meeting first in Kindergarten Room Mom's Bible Study - Youth Room Worship Service/Children's Message	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study will resume on **Monday, September 18, 2023, 7pm** 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".

Mid-Week Bible Study

The Mid-Week Bible Study is 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 Leviticus. All are welcome.

Mom's Bible Study

If you are looking for a sweet group to make connections with while your child(ren) are in Sunday School each week, this is a perfect opportunity. We connect and share on various issues of motherhood, but more importantly we search the Scripture for guidance on how to raise the children that God has so graciously given us! Our Bible study digs deep into the lives of mothers in the Bible who felt many of the same insecurities, fears, and vulnerabilities that we do. But just like them, we have a Heavenly Father who loves us and promises to guide us with His Word.

Join us each week (and feel free to invite your family and friends) starting Sunday, September 17th, from 8:15-9:15 am in the youth room. If your children are not yet of Sunday School age, we will have Sr. High Youth babysitters available in the preschool room to help babysit.

Starting September 17

MOM'S BIBLE STUDY

8:15-9:15 am
Youth Room

Women's Bible Study



We'd love for you to join us on Wednesday evenings for Women's Bible Study. We'll meet 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.

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.

While we will anchor ourselves in the Bible, we'll continue to use the book, *Be Still and Know: A Study of Rest and Refuge* by Deb Burma, as our guide, and study the narratives from the Gospels as Jesus meets

various women who are experiencing their own storms.

Looking to the biblical and cultural contexts will allow us to better grasp the depth of Christ's care, purpose, and attention to our every need. In the midst of today's storms, may God reveal His refuge for us in Christ, the One who has overcome the world!

Children's Sunday School

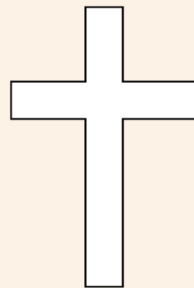
It is time for Sunday School to begin, and we are looking forward to another great year! We have classes for kids of all ages. Sunday School classes have been around for a long time, but our goal remains the same. Our goal is to share God's Word, so the children can hear both Law and Gospel, and come together to connect and grow in their faith.

The first day for Sunday School classes is Sunday, September 17th. Classes will last from 8:15-9:15 am. We have some wonderful teachers who have agreed to teach this year. The following are the classroom and teacher assignments. We will meet in the kindergarten room to sing a couple of songs each Sunday before dismissing into classrooms. Preschool - Kindergarten students (with teacher, Amy Kopp) will stay in the kindergarten room, 1st-2nd grade students (with teacher, Jenna Dick) will meet in 1st-2nd grade classroom, 3rd-5th grade students (with teachers, Sonja and Lucas Bechel) will meet in 3rd-4th grade classroom, and youth group aged kids, both Jr. and Sr. High (with various teachers) will meet in the 5th-6th grade classroom.

Parents are welcome to attend the Adult Bible Study (commons) or the Mom's Bible Study (youth room) while kids are in Sunday School. Our Mom's Bible Study group will resume meeting on Sunday, September 17th. 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



UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15: JR. AND SR. HIGH YOUTH RUNNING CONCESSION STAND FOR IMMANUEL OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT; PLEASE ARRIVE TO SET UP AT **7PM**.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 3-5 PM: JR. HIGH YOUTH BIBLE STUDY, FOOD, GAMES, AND FUN; FEEL FREE TO INVITE FRIENDS!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, AFTER CHURCH IN FELLOWSHIP HALL: JR. AND SR. HIGH YOUTH BAKE SALE; PLEASE BRING A TREAT TO SHARE AND HELP SELL ITEMS AFTER CHURCH.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 6-8PM, THE MCDONALD'S HOME: JR. AND SR. HIGH BONFIRE AND BIBLE STUDY EVENT; BRING YOUR BAG CHAIR.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 4-6PM, BACK PARKING LOT, JR. AND SR. HIGH YOUTH HELP WITH TRUNK OR TREAT GAMES OR DECORATE A TRUNK WITH FAMILY AND/OR FRIENDS AND HAND OUT CANDY.



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN YOUTH FALL BAKE SALE

AFTER CHURCH IN
FOUNDER'S HALL

SUNDAY **OCT** 10:30 AM
8
2023

**CONGREGATION DONATIONS OF
YUMMY TREATS ARE WELCOME
AND GREATLY APPRECIATED!**



Trunk Or Treat

Immanuel Lutheran Church

8231 TANNER BRIDGE ROAD
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023
4-6 PM IN BACK PARKING LOT

*Immanuel Youth Group will host Games
\$2 per child*

AREA NEWS

LUTHERANS OF COLE COUNTY - JEREMY AMICK

We would like to invite your congregation to join us at the Parish of St. John's Lutheran Church in Stringtown **at 3 p.m. on Sunday, September 24, 2023**. Local author and historian Jeremy Amick will share some of the history of Lutheran immigration to Cole County as documented in his upcoming book "Lutherans of Cole County, Missouri: A History." The St. John's Ladies' Aid will be providing refreshments at this event. Additionally, your congregation is featured in this presentation.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Join us Sunday, September 24, 2023, for our 3rd annual GRACEFEST, a German celebration with food, live music, games and fellowship. Doors open at 11:30am and food will be served from noon to 2:00pm. Adults - \$10; Children ages 3-12 - \$5; Family - \$35.

GERMAN DINNER RETURNS

When: Friday, Sept. 22nd at Bethany Lutheran Church, 1000 Grand Ave., Eldon. The menu includes German Beef Rouladen, Gravy, Noodles, Red Cabbage, and German Apple Cake.

Call 815-210-2920 for reservations which must be made by Tuesday, September 19th.

Tickets are \$15.00 per person to be paid at the door. Doors open at 5:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 5:30. Hosts for this dinner will be Martin and Katy Luther and the evening will include door prizes and entertainment.

TRINITY LUTHERAN MEN'S CLUB BBO

When: Saturday September 23rd beginning at 10:00 am.

Where: Schulte's Fresh Foods Parking Lot

What: Pork Steak or Bratwurst Dinners \$14:00. Pork Steak Sandwich \$6.00, Bratwurst on Bun \$5.00.

ColeSlaw and Baked Beans

Proceeds generated from this event will be donated to the Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Program and Calvary Lutheran High School.

CALVARY NEWS

CALVARY INSIDER

What happened this week at Calvary?

Wednesday was a BIG DAY!:

- The Calvary Choir and Mr. Zorena led chapel at Trinity.
- Our Seniors lead Chapel with a message on our theme for the year: “Welcome in His Love” from Romans 15:7
- On Wednesday, Family Groups met for the first time this school year!

CALVARY ATHLETICS HOME GAMES!

Show up! Be Loud! #FeeltheRoar

- **Soccer** - Tuesday, Sept. 19 – vs Rolla Royals @ 5:00pm

Check out our website calvarylhs.org for all events!

MIDDLE SCHOOL NIGHTS at CALVARY HOME GAMES:

Middle school students (grades 6-8) are invited to attend the Calvary soccer game on Tuesday, Sept 19 (5 p.m.) and the Calvary volleyball game on Monday, Sept 25 (6 p.m.). Students wearing a Calvary shirt OR a shirt representing their current school will receive free admission. Come out, rep your school and cheer for the Lions!

FALL MUMS!

Certificates for mums can be purchased at the school office (573-638- 0228), or from a Calvary student.

Certificates can be redeemed at Trinklein’s Greenhouse now through September 30. The cost is \$12 each for a 9” Mum pot. Trinklein’s is open Mon - Sat, 10 am - 4 pm, and they are located at 7518 Tanner Bridge Road, Jefferson City, MO. Funds raised will be used by Calvary students for their senior class gift toward school improvement.

SURVIVE & THRIVE

High school is a time of great anticipation and perhaps great anxiety. Calvary is here to help! As 8th graders look forward to high school, Calvary will equip them for the next step at Survive and Thrive – a half-day event focused on high school readiness as a redeemed child of God – to not only survive high school, but to thrive! Contact John Christman or Abby Luebbert for interest in attending this event 11:30-2:30 on Tuesday, October 3.

JOIN THE CALVARY TEAM:

- **BOOKKEEPER POSITION AVAILABLE** – Calvary is seeking a mission-minded individual to serve immediately in the *part-time* position of bookkeeper/accountant. A job description for the position can be found on Indeed.com when searching for bookkeeper in Jefferson City. Applications can be submitted through Indeed.com or directly to John Christman at administrator@calvarylhs.org or 2525 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101.
- **OUR CHEERLEADERS NEED YOU!** - Are you a fun, energetic team leader looking to cheer on our Calvary team? The CLHS cheerleaders are seeking a **varsity cheer coach**, ready to lead the charge in school spirit this 2023-2024 winter season. Resumes may be submitted to Calvary Lutheran High School, 2525 Rte. B, Jefferson City, MO 65101

STEWARDSHIP	9-10		Finance Team	Date
Adult Bible Study Sunday School Rally New Member Class Youth Y'ALL Mom's Bible Study Wed. Bible Study Ladies Bible Study Men's Bible Study Offerings	11 50 13 ** ** ** 20 14 ** \$ 5.00	September	Aaron, Jason & Devon Tim & Terry Heather & Rochelle Mary & John Pat & Jane	Oct 08 Oct 15 Sept 17 Sept 24 Oct 01
Church Attendance Sunday - 9:30 am Communion:	224			
Church Offering Plate & Envelopes Electronic Total: <i>Avg Offering Goal (as of 7/1/23)</i> <i>Weekly church/school expense total</i>	\$ 6,802.26 2,407.74 9,210.00 <i>\$ 9,814</i> <i>\$14,000</i>	12-mo avg <i>\$8,924.00</i> <i>per week</i>		
DRC Offering <i>Monthly Building Loan Payment</i> <i>Bldg Loan Balance as of 8/21/23</i>	\$150.00 <i>\$ 4,125</i> <i>\$187,535</i>	September \$ 720.00 12-mo avg <i>\$2,994.00</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 keep the office updated on the progress of our members on the prayer list.

PRAYER REQUESTS

At Home or Hospital: Quinetta Rutledge, Brennan Schulte, John and Patti Trinklein, John Green, Jane Kesel, Brian Kempker, Konlee Kempker, Charlie Duencel, Dana Simmons, Rebecca Eichelberger, Betty Hoecker, Terri Engelbrecht, Rita Linhardt, Danny Goodman, Dane Steenburgen, Denny Schulte, Gretchen Junkans, Ann Shipwash, Megan Limbach, Trevor Burrows, Cheryl Herzog, Clay Rolsing, Bruce Nilges, Harold Luebbering, Sandy Sebastian, John Mueller, Creed Sommerer, Kenny Braun and Verna Mae Menteer.

~praying for you~

Celebrating Birthdays: Bernie Dusheke 9-17, Glenda Bax 9-17, Allie Phillips 9-17, Wayne Welschmeyer 9-17, Jessica Mosier 9-18, Frank Walker 9-19, Michelle Frey 9-20, Baylee Angerer 9-20, Darice Voss 9-20, Leroy Propst 9-21, Allison McDonnell 9-21, Jason Sommerer 9-22, Kendra Crum 9-22, Josh Dick 9-23, Paul Beck 9-23,

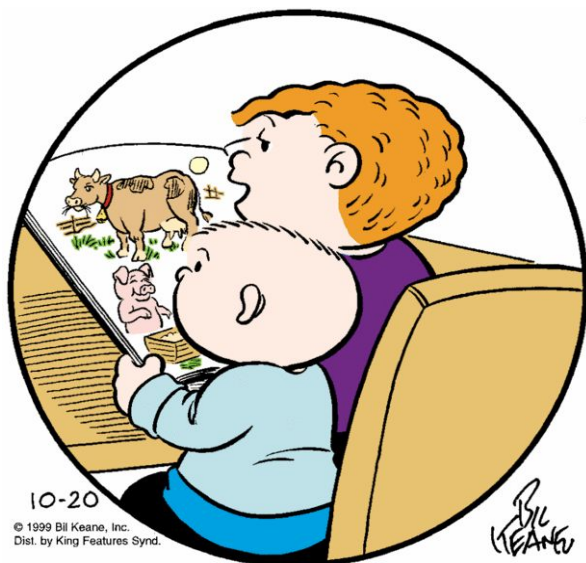
Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Tracy and Heather Peters 9-17 18yrs., Travis and Melissa Hart 9-19 14yrs., Doug and Dawn Matthews 9-21 27yrs., Perry and Robyn Carrender 9-21 38yrs., Scott and Melanie Blochberger 9-23 28yrs.

Celebrating (1-5 yrs old) Baptism Anniversary: Ethan Frey 9-23-18 5yrs.

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

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

Thought For The Day: Jesus is the open door to everything we need in our lives. *His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.* 2 Peter 1:3 **Think about it.**



“Cows say ‘Moo,’ pigs say ‘Oink’ and rabbits say ‘What’s up, Doc?’”



“Was it a very big shoe or were they just tiny people?”

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

LCMS Stewardship Ministry

September 2023

Stewardship in the First Commandment

The greatest gift that Martin Luther gave to us was his Small Catechism. The word “enchiridion” is part of the original title of this work. This is the Greek word for “handbook.” The Small Catechism is a handbook of the Bible. All the basic knowledge that a Christian needs to understand the faith and live a godly life has been taken from the Bible and distilled into this beautiful little book of Christian piety.

Luther starts with the Ten Commandments.

The First Commandment:

You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean? We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things. (SC I)

We have a God above us. He is the Lord God and we are not. He is Almighty and in control. He is righteous and good. And therefore, we should fear Him.

This God is also our heavenly Father. He wants us to be saved. He does not want us to suffer His just wrath. He has provided salvation for us in His Son, Jesus Christ. And therefore, we should love Him.

Our heavenly Father will never leave us nor forsake us. He has promised as much — and the Bible shows us that He always keeps His promises. So, we should trust Him.

In the Large Catechism, Luther explains how money and possessions form one of the greatest temptations against the First Commandment:

This I must unfold somewhat more plainly, that it may be understood and perceived by ordinary examples of the contrary. Many a one thinks that he has God and everything in abundance when he has money and possessions; he trusts in them and boasts of them with such firmness and assurance as to care for no one. Lo, such a man also has a god, Mammon by name, i.e., money and possessions, on which he sets all his heart, and which is also the most common idol on earth. He who has money and possessions feels secure, and is joyful and undismayed as though he were sitting in the midst of Paradise. On the other hand, he who has none doubts and is despondent, as though he knew of no God. For very few are to be found who are of good cheer, and who neither mourn nor complain if they have not Mammon. This [care and desire for money] sticks and clings to our nature, even to the grave. (LC I 5–9)

These words of Dr. Luther should call us to repentance; sometimes, we live and act like we don't have a Father in heaven. We seek our comfort and peace outside of His gracious promises. But we do have a Father in heaven. He does love us. All His promises are true. And the Lord will surely provide. If that is our belief, then our outward lives will reflect our belief in our acts of generosity and mercy. We will see money and possessions not as gods but rather as tools for doing God's work.



You're invited to
Immanuel Lutheran School
Family Fun Night

When: Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Where: Fischer Farms - 1905 Mokane Rd, Jefferson City, MO
65101

Time: 6:00 – 8:30 pm

Pizza and drinks will be provided!

The cost will be \$5 per person that attends. Ages 2 and under are free. Price includes all activities, except pumpkins/mums. If you do plan to attend, please fill out and return the bottom portion of this flyer to the school office with money by October 2, 2023.

Please label the envelope PTL Family Fun Night. For any questions please contact Stephanie Phillips (573-619-0386 sphillips0924@gmail.com) or Heather Mueller (573-338-0016 hmueller2323@gmail.com).

Family Name _____

Number of adults: _____ Number of kids: _____