#### **Immanuel Ladies Travel to CAMP**

A group of women from Immanuel Lutheran Church will attend the Women's Retreat sponsored by Camp Lakeview. The retreat is scheduled to take place from Sept 29-Oct 1, 2023. The cost is \$110-125 per person, including basic lodging + meals + activities. This is not your typical women's retreat. You're going to spend an incredible fall weekend at camp going on adventures that range from the extreme (like zip lining) to the relaxing (like hot tubbing under the stars). You will experience a huge faith boost through intentional times of worship, campfire devotions, speaker sessions, and personal quiet time. Get away from the stress of ordinary life to enjoy a change of pace and scenery. Travel alongside your sisters in Christ and leave with new-found connections and friendships. Registration opens on February 8th and fills quickly. Please contact Michelle Downey (920) 248-2640 or Anne Stahl (812) 528-2429 for further information.

Remember to call the church office in plenty of time if you would like to sponsor the Broadcast (\$80), Informer (\$50), or Altar Flowers.

We appreciate our sponsors.

<u>9:00 am</u> Greeters: Judy McKain, Ron & Joan Preloger, Jason & Cori Vaughn Elders/Communion: Dennis Maxie, Joe Bullard, Dave Boggs, Jeff Schile, Glenn Benter, Blake O'Haver, Todd Behmlander Ushers: Kurt Fenneberg, Larry Harlow, Troy Hehman, Cary Bell, Dave Boggs, Chris Stahl, Corey, Zaring, Charlie Tungate, Andrew Bell, Ryan Willams, Caleb Williams, Eli Williams, David Pollert, Wes Baker, Luke Baker Counting: Bill Siefker, Mary Lou Siefker, Dale Siefker Altar Guild: Laverne East Acolyte: Kaylen Turmail Audio/Video: Kelly Luecke, Aaron Bloch

<u>11:15 am</u> Greeters: Betty Chastain, Sharon McAllister Elders: Ralph Wischmeier, John Bowen Ushers: Joe Brooks, Marcus Brooks, Michael Brooks, Mike Stuckwisch, Jeff Schneider Acolyte: Jaici Vaughn Audio: Jeff Hopkins

7:00 pm Elders: Steve Bobb, Monty Siefker Acolyte: Lucy Williams Altar Guild: Linda Schoenfelder

10:15 SS/Bible Classes/AIC of I 11:15 Worship 2:00 Baby 4:3 Shower Me 6:00 Voter's 5:3	35 Chapel 2:00 Gospel Mark 15 7th OYR 30 Parish	7:00 Men's Bible Study 9:30 Bible Study 3:15 8th OYR 7:00 ChristLight	25 3:30 Sr Hi OYR 6:15 Brass 6:30 Women's Bible Study 7:00 Woodwinds	26 12:00 Lunch w/ Pastor 6:00 Handbells 6:00 Orientation 7:00 Holy Hops	27 7:00 Campaign Cabinet 10:30 Bible Study	28 9:00 Training
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Lutheran Schools Week						

#### **Additional Spiritual Support:**

- **Dial a Meditation:** call 812-522-1345 anytime for a devotion by one of our pastors or vicar.
- Know Your Bible: You can hear it each weekday at 6:55 a.m. on AM 1390 and FM 99.3

  Bulletin and Resource Pick-up

Is available at door number 5 on Oesting Street. Drop in Monday- Friday from 8am - 5pm.

Bulletins and Informers for the upcoming week are available on THURSDAYS after 12 noon.

Join us for Worship Online at: <a href="http://immanuelseymour.com/worship/">http://immanuelseymour.com/worship/</a>

You can also view services on the Immanuel YouTube channel at Immanuel Lutheran Seymour and at 3pm & 8pm on CinergyMetro Cable Channel 2 and Comcast Channel 96.

Listen to WZZB 99.3 and streaming at www.wzzb1390.com



# **INFORMER**

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#### **January 22, 2023**

#### **Celebrating Lutheran Schools!**

For nearly 150 years, Immanuel has sought to provide Christian education through a grade school to assist parents in their God-given duty to bring children up "in the nurture and love of the Lord." This coming week, we join with congregations across the country to celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week!

National Lutheran Schools Week provides more than 1,800 preschools, elementary schools and high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God's work among us in schools of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve. We are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families. Our schools are amazing incubators for faithful witness of God's love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike.

## **Bible Classes Welcome You**

Pick up coffee and donuts in the Fellowship Hall, then attend the class of your choice today:

- Journey through God's Word—Acts
- Partners in the Gospel—Our Missionaries
- Exiles—Recovering a Biblical Experience
- What do Lutherans Believe, and Why?
- The Words of Martin Luther
- Heroes—Mr. Nieman in the Youth Room.

#### Voters Meeting January 22, 6 p.m.

The Voters usually meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of January, but in order to provide time needed to get statements to prepare financial reports, the meeting is to **be January 22 at 6.** We are meeting an hour earlier to take a little more advantage of the short daylight hours.

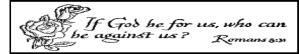
Among agenda items:

- Applying for a vicar
- Nominations for Synod President and vice presidents
- Update on Campaign and School Improvement Project
- Financial and Board reports

#### **New Chaplain for Lutheran Home**

Sunday, January 22, Rev. Jacob Sutton will be installed as the new Chaplain at the Lutheran Community Home. Having lived in Seymour as a boy, Pastor Sutton will serve part-time to bring the hope of Christ to the residents in Word and Sacrament. The installation will take place at the 2:00 service in the chapel and the public is invited to attend. Welcome back, Pastor Sutton!

<u>Please Register your attendance using</u> the booklets in each pew. Visitors, please use the Guest Registration form. Thank you, and thanks for the teams that gather this information!



But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matt 6:33

Totals from January 15, 2023				
Unified Budget	\$29,518.48			
Plate Offerings	\$1,222.98			
Other Income	\$240.00			
Total	\$30,981.46			
Income & Gifts To Date	\$618,376.42			
Donations to ILS 2022-2023	\$3,235.00			
Total Gifts	\$621,611.42			
Budget Needs to Date	\$681,200.92			
Benevolence	\$100.00			
Sunday Attendance/Communed	732/158			
Monday Attendance	67			

**Epiphany 3** 

Matthew 4:12-25: God keeps calling and our calling is to keep witnessing. God called to Adam and Eve in the cool of the afternoon; Ezekiel by the river Chebar; Isaiah in the temple; Samuel while he slept; and Peter, James and John while they were fishing. From God's call comes His direction, guidance, correction, instruction, enlightenment, loving relationships, new missions, acts of care and fellowship bearing His name. So we pray: God, keep calling. Help me to hear Your call. Please don't ever quit calling just because I don't answer, or when I'm slow to respond or when obedience to Your call involves discomfort or trouble. God's call means so much to our witness in this life and for eternity. We belong to Him. We have life now and for eternity through Him. And because of His calling, our life and witness have significance. So, God keep calling - and we'll witness always!

#### Corner

## Official Acts

**Dr. Roland Ahlbrand** entered eternal life on December 20, 2022 and was given Christian burial on January 10, 2023.

## **Acknowledgements**

**Today's Broadcast** is sponsored by Jerry & Betty Hall in celebration of their 65th wedding anniversary, January 18.

**Today's Informer** is sponsored in memory of our brother, Donnie Wischmeier, on the 20th anniversary of his passing on January 19, by Brent & Sandy Kilgas.

**Today's Altar Flowers** are sponsored in celebration of Elvira Preuss' 100th birthday, January 23, by her nieces and nephews.

## Elvira Preuss' 100th Birthday

Elvira Preuss, former Lutheran School teacher, will turn 100 on January 23. We would like to surprise her with 100 birthday cards!

Her address is: 1503 S. Walnut St., Apt. 504 Lutheran Community Home Seymour, IN 47274

#### 11:15 Ushers Needed

If you would like to help usher please talk to one of the ushers after service today or call the church office for more information.



Your congregation is invited to host a Champions for Religious Liberty event. See <a href="https://www.lcrlfreedom.org/index.php/">https://www.lcrlfreedom.org/index.php/</a>

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## **Bible Readings**

1/22 Genesis 30-31	1/26 Genesis 41-42
1/23 Genesis 32-34	1/27 Genesis 43-45
1/24 Genesis 35-37	1/28 Genesis 46-47
1/25 Genesis 38-40	_,, _,

## 23/24 New Immanuel Lutheran School Family Information Night

January 23, 6:30 p.m. New kindergartners and families of children in grades 1-8 are welcome to attend this information/registration night to learn about the enrollment process, fees, and curriculum. Tours will be provided, and staff will be on hand to answer questions. Questions call 522-1301.

## **Young Adult Ministry**

Immanuel Young Adults will be hosting a Family Game Night as the next family event on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-8:00 PM. We had a change in location and it will now be held in the big gym at Immanuel. We plan to have games for all ages, even parents—volleyball, basketball, board games, etc! Wear appropriate clothing for playing games and being on the move. Pizza and soft drinks will be provided. RSVP on the Facebook page of you plan on attending.

# **Embracing Life**

The overturning of Roe vs. Wade returned to the states decisions concerning the legality of abortion instead of legalizing it nationally. Since life is God's gift, including the unborn, we need to continue to be advocates for the unborn and to support those who are facing unwanted pregnancies with better alternatives.

This past weekend, a number of Marches for Life were held, including in Washington, D.C., where members of the LCMS joined with others to show support for life. The following is an excerpt from LCMS Life Mission. Many other resources are available at www.lcms.org

"We rejoice that the truth of God's desire for His creation was reflected in the court's consideration and decision issued in Dobbs v. Jackson. God's Word and natural law together teach that life is precious and death is the enemy of all living things. Killing violates our being as humans and cannot be sought as a solution or option for individuals. The lie of abortion has caused immeasurable harm to our society and reinforced a utilitarian view of life at the expense of our children. God sent His Son, Jesus, to be born as a human. His baptism, perfect life, death and resurrection on behalf of every sinner gives eternal life to all who believe and drives Christians to love and treasure our neighbor with the same love from the heavenly Father."

#### **TLHS Dinner Auction**

Preparations for the 20th annual Trinity Lutheran High School Dinner Auction are in full swing! This year's event will be held on February 25, 2023, at TLHS. The auction steering committee is currently seeking donations of items such as desserts, one-of-a-kind items, event tickets, memorabilia, handcrafted items, experiences, gift cards/gift certificates, and more for our live and silent auctions. For more information or to donate items contact Erin Brooks at ebrooks@trinitycougars.org or 812-524-8547.

# **Baby Shower**

The Immanuel Young Adults are hosting a baby shower honoring Pastor & Charlea Fredstrom, who is due with a baby girl in March, on **Sunday, January 22, at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**. All are invited. One small request, please bring a book instead of a card. They are registered at Babylist.com and Target.

# **Spotlight on Life**

Join us Saturday, January 28, at W.R. Ewing in Brownstown for a full day of adult conversation and understanding surrounding life's toughest topics from beginning to end. This is presented by Lutherans for Life and hosted by St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Brownstown. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

## **LWML Surpasses Goal!**

LWML Mission goal for the 2021-2023 biennium is \$2,150,000. We are filled with gratitude and joy as we announce that God has worked through your generosity and stewardship to surpass this goal. The Mite offerings you have shared now total \$2,154,511. Every time you choose to give to LWML mission grants you are directly pouring God's mercy and message into the lives of others. The people you are helping range in age from little children to the elderly across the globe. God knows the needs of every single person. Please keep collecting those mites for they add up and really make a difference. Thank you!