

OGT Needing Volunteer

After many, many years of volunteering to mow the grass at Orphan Grain Train, Dave Murphy is retiring his mower. This presents an opportunity for someone to share their time and mower to keep OGT property looking well groomed. If you are interested, or have questions, contact Gene Ernst at indianaogt@gmail.com or call 812-405-2045. The new grass season is soon to be upon us.

Opportunities to Serve!

We are seeking willing and enthusiastic volunteers to help in welcoming to worship members and guests as **Greeters**. This can be a single person, a couple, or even a family. Greeters are scheduled in a rotation, and we especially could use some folks at the **11:15 am** service. Requirements: a handshake, smile, and friendly greeting! We are also updating our **Registration Helpers** and could use some volunteers to serve in this capacity as well. These teams meet on Tuesday mornings are responsible for gathering attendance registrations, separating, and alphabetizing names, and replenishing items in the pew racks for the services each weekend. If you can help, please call the Church office at 812-522-3118 and sign up!

9:00 am Greeters: Glenn & Carolyn Benter, Mary Lou Stockamp, Bill Nolting **Elders/Communion:** Steve Hoene, Greg Prange, Carl Emily, Wes Baker, Dave Martindale, Jay Hubbard, Matt Nieman **Ushers:** Kurt Fenneberg, Larry Harlow, Troy Hehman, Cary Bell, Dave Boggs, Chris Stahl, Corey Zaring, Charlie Tungate, Andrew Bell, Ryan Williams, Caleb Williams, Eli Williams, David Pollert, Wes Baker, Luke Baker **Counting:** Craig Moore, Luke Nolting, Brian Rohr, Mark Nolting, Chad Cooper, Parker Wiethoff **Altar Guild:** Donna Moore **Acolyte:** Carter Stein **Audio/Video:** Emma Wichman/Lance Hubbard

11:15 am Greeters: Marsha Abraham, Sandra Burbrink, Amanda Arnold **Ushers:** Joe Brooks, Michael Brooks, Jeremiah Clay, Jeff Schneider, Mike Stuckwisch **Acolyte:** Liza Vaughn **Audio:** Jeff Hopkins

7:00 pm Elders: Monty Siefker, Steve Bobb **Acolyte:** Brooklyn Whipker **Altar Guild:** Linda Schoenfelder

12	13	14	15	16	17	18
9:00 Worship 10:15 SS/Bible Classes/AIC 11:15 Worship	8:35 Chapel 12:00 Bible Study 3:15 7th OYR 5:15 Trustees 5:30 TL/AHG 7:00 Worship	7:00 Men's Bible Study 9:30 Bible Study 3:15 8th OYR 5:30 School Bd 5:45 LWML Prayer Walk 5:45 Evangelism 6:00 Handbells 7:00 ChristLight 7:00 Woodwinds	4:30 Worship 5:00-6:30 Meal 6:30 Brass 7:00 Worship 7:50 Choir 8:00 Conf./AIC	11:30 Adult Senior Ministry 5:30 ILCCM Staff 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Council	10:30 Bible Class	

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: <http://immanuelseymour.com/worship/>

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



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March 12, 2023

Commitment Weekend
Is Here!

For months we have been organizing and sharing information about a special plan to bless children now and in generations to come through the Faith in our Future Campaign. This Campaign seeks to raise funds over a three-year period to make much-needed improvements in our School and increase capacity for our childcare ministry.

Thanks to gifts already received from the campaign leadership and other members, last Sunday it was announced that pledges had grown to more than \$2.58 million toward our ultimate goal of \$4 million! We thank God and these faithful members for that blessing!

This weekend, March 12-13, is when we ask all members who have not yet done so to prayerfully consider a three-year commitment over and above what they already give to the church and school. If possible, we encourage you to do that during the service today during the designated time later in the service. May the Lord bless our efforts to bless His children!

Lenten Services Continue:

Besides “I’m sorry,” what else does repentance mean? Our Lenten services help us to explore the life-altering blessings of true repentance. This Wednesday we will see the sometimes shocking impacts of repentance.

Midweek services are at 4:30 and 7:00. Our youth will serve meals between services again, and there will also be Lent for Little Ones between services. Lenten devotions are available. Join us and invited a friend!

Lenten Devotions Available

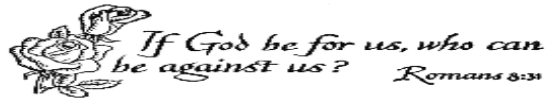
“Man of Sorrows, People of Joy” is the Lenten devotion booklet prepared by Lutheran Hour Ministries that is available to you free. It is in booklet and large-print sizes. Be sure to pick up your copy and one for a friend or neighbor!

Please Register your attendance using the booklets in each pew.

Visitors, please use the Guest Registration form. Thank you, and thanks for the teams that gather this information!

Children’s Campaign Prayers

Be sure to check out the Campaign prayers by our ILS students in the hallway.



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

Totals from March 5, 2023	
Unified Budget	\$50,979.50
Plate Offerings	\$1,252.73
Other Income	\$903.00
Total	\$53,135.23
Income & Gifts To Date	\$911,894.57
Donations to ILS 2022-2023	\$6,495.00
Total Gifts	\$918,389.57
Budget Needs to Date	\$979,226.33
Benevolence	\$50.00
Sunday Attendance/Communed	725/142
Monday Attendance	104
Wednesday Attendance	346

John 4:5-26 (27-30, 39-42): Do you find yourself parched in the middle of this Lenten season? If you do, think of what the world that doesn't regularly taste the living water of God's Word must be going through. The Bible has what we have been thirsting for, and God's Spirit quenches our thirst with the life-giving sustenance of Himself. Do we know who is offering us the gift of living water? Or are we like the Samaritan woman looking everywhere else but the true fountain? The post-Christian world in which we live is either not looking at all, or they are looking in all the wrong places for something to quench their thirst. The spiritual thirst mechanism is a gift from God. But Satan looks to satisfy the thirst with the things of this world rather than that which truly satisfies: Christ alone. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you draw from the only well that gives life, Jesus Christ Himself. Draw living water from this Well during your daily living and satisfy the thirst of those around you by sharing Jesus Christ, freely pouring out His love and saving grace without limit.

Official Acts

Nancy Lipka transferred to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Columbus, on March 2.

Jennifer (Tatum) Brown transferred to Faith Lutheran Church, Madison, on March 2.

Acknowledgements

Today's Broadcast is sponsored by Norma L. Thomas in celebration of her 97th birthday, March 11.

Today's Informer is sponsored in loving memory of Don, Margaret and Clarence Trimpe, by Tami.

Today's Altar Flowers are sponsored by Hugh & Jeanie Schneider in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary today, March 12.



If you would like to sponsor an Easter Lily, please call the church office by April 1. They are \$19.00 each.

We Need Bus Drivers!

Would you consider driving the bus on Sunday mornings so that our shut-ins can ride to church? We need drivers. No CDL is required, just the willingness to help others. Call the church office for more information at 812-522-3118. Thanks!

Bible Readings

3/12 Deuteronomy 5-7
 3/13 Deuteronomy 8-10
 3/14 Deuteronomy 11-13
 3/15 Deuteronomy 14-16
 3/16 Deuteronomy 17-20
 3/17 Deuteronomy 21-23
 3/18 Deuteronomy 24-27

Adult Senior Ministry

Adult Senior Ministry will meet Thursday, March 16, 2023 in Fellowship Hall at 11:30. Program will be a talk by Dr. Stephanie Williams on "Staying well--living a healthy life." The meal will feature a loaded potato with sides. Cost is \$5.00, payable at the door. Transportation is available if you call the church office (812-522-3118) to request a ride. This will be an excellent program for all. Why not invite a friend?

Shrek Jr.

The Immanuel Lutheran School drama students will present Shrek Jr. on March 16th and 17th at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale now or can be purchased at the door. \$5/adults or \$3/ students ages k-8th grade.

Easter Candy Donations

The Board of Parish Education invites you to donate candy for the Easter Egg Hunt this year! You'll find marked baskets around the church to bring in individually-wrapped candy for us to stuff in the Easter Eggs. Donations will need to be collected by Sunday, April 2nd. Thank you!



Mark your calendars for
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 5-9, 2023

Online registration for children and volunteers will begin on April 1.

Exciting times ahead!

LWML Prayer Walk

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League will have a Hope, Affliction & Prayer Walk on March 14 at 5:45 in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies of the congregation are invited to join us.

The LWML Quarterly's are in, you can pick yours up at the LWML display in the hallway leading to the Atrium.

Bringing Back the Welcome Center!

The Evangelism Board is looking for individuals who would like to welcome people to church by volunteering 15 minutes before and directly after services. If you are interested in working in the Welcome Center please contact Lisa in the church office.

Blood Drive

March 23, 2023 12:00 - 6:00 p.m.

To Schedule an appointment please go to www.redcrossblood.org and search sponsor keyword "immanuelutheran" or call 1-800-RED CROSS. *If you would like to help donors check-in or work the canteen, please call Lisa in the church office.* Thank you!

College Bound? Lutheran Fraternity

Beta Sigma Psi is a national Lutheran fraternity with chapters at Purdue, IU, and other Big 10 and Big 12 universities. With high academic standards and a great community environment, you will want to consider this option. Check out www.betasigmapsi.org or pick up information at the Welcome Center.