

News and Notes of Interest

DIVINE SERVICES are on Sundays at 9:00 am with Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible classes from 10:15-11:15 am. The service is livestreamed on Facebook live.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is helpful for the hearing of Bible stories in which one sees the grace of God in Christ Jesus. We hope you will bring your children to the Divine Service each week, and to Sunday School. If you have any questions, speak with Pastor or a member of the Board of Education.

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING: There will be a Special Voters' meeting Sunday, March 8, after the Divine Service, for the purpose of evaluating and approving additional flooring options for the Sanctuary.

TUESDAY MATINS & BIBLE CLASS: will not meet this week. They will resume March 3rd.

CATECHESIS CLASSES will meet from 5:30-6:30 pm during the Season of Lent.

LENTEN DINNERS will be served at 5:45 p.m. before each midweek Lenten Service. The Board of Evangelism will be serving soups on February 25. Please sign up to bring food for these dinners. Sign-up sheets are located in the parish hall by the kitchen.

LENTEN DINNER DONATIONS: The Board of Evangelism has decided the free-will donations will be divided among multiple groups. The first group that will be receive a portion will be the Eagle Food Bank.

LENTEN DINNERS AND GROUPS SERVING:

February 25 – soups – Board of Evangelism

March 4 – casseroles – LWML

March 11 – enchiladas – Youth Group

March 18– lasagna – Men of the Congregation

March 25 – potato bar – Youth Group

ANNIVERSARY BOOKS: The anniversary books have arrived and are ready for pickup. There is still time to order a book, with the next round arriving next week. Please complete a form and leave payment in the office or in Rachel Hrabik's box. If you have received your book and notice any binding issues, please contact Rachel Hrabik.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for Jan-March are available on the Guest Book table in the narthex.

HIGHER THINGS DEVOTIONALS: A booklet of daily *Reflections* for Lent are available on the guest book table. Go to <https://higherthings.org/reflections> to see other formats that are available.

ISSUES, ETC. ... is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



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WELCOME TO IMMANUEL: We are glad that you are here as we gather around the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you have not already done so, we ask that you would sign the guest book at the entrance to the church. If you do not have a church home, we would love for you to find a home here at Immanuel. If you have questions about the Christian faith and Lutheranism, please contact Pastor Porath, 781-2190.

THE LORD’S SUPPER IS A GIFT ... and as with all our Lord’s gifts, we desire to give and receive them as He intends. The Lord’s Supper is given for our benefit, but God’s Word also says: “Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord” (1 Corinthians 11:27). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord, and in love for you, Immanuel follows the historic practice of closed communion.

ALL GUESTS are therefore asked to visit with our pastor before coming to the altar to receive the Lord’s Supper. If you do not have opportunity to visit with him prior to the service, he is more than willing to visit with you during the week.

Prayers of the Church

+ **Military** + Thomas Roberts (Reimer’s nephew), Konner Lamb (Karle’s nephew)
 + **Hospitalized, Suffering, Ill or Recovering** + Beth Knipe (Leslie Graphenteen’s mom), Carl Althouse, Tom Hohman, Rhae Werner (Jolene McLaughlin’s sister), Eldon Hestermann, Amanda Stine (Sheryl’s sister-in-law), Gary Linden (Carol Boller’s brother), Jen Vaughn (Lisa Schmidt’s sister), Bonita Severson, Gary Sindelar (Suzanne Yelkin’s brother-in-law), Renee Holland (Ken Nowak’s daughter), Marcus Schmidt, JoAnn Schmidt (Marlene Schroder’s friend), Roger Hestermann (Kati Yelkin’s step-father), Cindy Ortlieb (Art’s daughter), Kim Tatum (Baker’s friend), Lori Koepsel (Obenland’s friend), Larry Harschfield (Marlene Schroder’s brother-in-law).

We ask that you would include these people in the prayers during your home devotions. Also include all Christians, our families, the governing authorities, and all who suffer in body or soul.

Please call 781-2190 if you have a petition to be included in the prayers.

In His Service

Pastor: Rev. Scott T. Porath (Cell: 440-4965; Parsonage: 781-2776)
 Organist: Barbara Hohman
 Acolyte: Lucas Yelkin
 Altar Guild: Debbie Kuebler and Tina Luedders
 Elders: Terry Kuebler (314-3171) and Ron Graphenteen (314-5424)
 Ushers: Birk Baker, Kevin Schroder, Shawn Luedders, Jameson Hofker

Gifts of Time and Treasure

Divine Service:	105	Sunday School:	9
<u>Last Week’s Offerings</u>		<u>Year To Date Offerings</u>	
*Sunday Divine Service	\$ 3,823.00	General Fund Offerings	\$ 35,342.15
Sunday School	\$ 4.00	Sunday School	\$ 45.90
Building Fund	\$ 120.00	Building Fund	\$ 1,450.00
Other Offerings	\$	Other Offerings	\$ 50.00
**Total Offerings	\$ 3,947.00	Offerings Received	\$ 36,888.05
<u>Last Week’s Budget</u>		<u>Year To Date Budget</u>	
General Fund Needed	\$ 4,347.21	General Fund Needed	\$ 30,430.48
Difference	\$ (524.21)	Difference	\$ 4,911.67

*Includes only General Fund Offering towards the Budget

**Total Received includes all offerings-General Fund, Building Fund, & other offerings (special funds)

The Lord’s Week

Sunday, February 22 nd	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	SS/Youth/Adult Bible Study
Monday, February 23 rd		
Tuesday, February 24 th		
Wednesday, February 25 th	5:30 pm	Catechesis
	5:45-6:45 pm	Lenten Dinner
	7:00 pm	Midweek Lenten Service
Thursday, February 26 th		
Friday, February 27 th		
Saturday, February 28 th		
Sunday, March 1 st	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	Joint Opening
	10:30 am	SS/Youth/Adult Bible Study

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are Monday – Thursday, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and closed Friday. The office may be closed on other occasions, so please call ahead.

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