

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 very beneficial for our children because it is a time spent hearing and studying God's Word, through which the Holy Spirit creates and sustains saving faith in Jesus Christ. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to lead your children in the way of the Lord.

TUESDAY MATINS & BIBLE STUDY: Join us for a Matins Service of prayer, Scripture, and hymns at 9:00 a.m. A Bible study follows from 9:30-10:30 a.m. We are currently studying the Book of Exodus.

INSTRUCTION IN THE CHRISTIAN FAITH: Didache is the name of our adult instruction class. A new class has begun. If you, or someone you know is interested, please let Pastor Porath know. This is also a good refresher for members of the congregation.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN: The ladies of LWML will again be sponsoring this fundraiser for the Pregnancy Center of Lincoln. Baby bottles will be available on a table in the parish hall. These can be taken home and filled with spare change, or a check. Please return the bottles, filled or unfilled, by **TODAY**. If you have questions, please visit with Sharon Hestermann.

PROFESSIONAL CHURCH WORKER FUNDS are available for those who are studying to become a pastor, teacher, DCE, etc. The deadline for applying is November 15th. Contact a Board of Education member for an application.

YOUTH GROUP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE work planned for November 19th during Sunday School time. The group will be making blankets to donate to children in need this upcoming Christmas Season. Asking for monetary donations from the congregation to support the project, these can be given to a Board Member (*Abbie, Leah, Rachel, Bobbi*).

PORTALS OF PRAYER for Oct-Dec are available on the Guest Book table in the narthex.

SOUP SUPPER: The Board of Stewardship would like to thank the congregation for volunteering to work, bringing salads and pies for the soup supper. Proceeds were \$1,033.36, which were split between the Eagle Food Bank and the Ft. Wayne Seminary Food Bank.

A CHRISTMAS PROGRAM DIRECTOR is needed for our Christmas program this year. If you are interested in volunteering, we would like to talk to you. Please contact a Board of Education member for further details ~ *Abbie Porath, Leah Obenland, Bobbi Hohman or Rachel Hrabik*.

LWML CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE: The LWML cookie sale will be on-site and in person this year, and will be held on Saturday, December 9, from 8:30 to 10:30 am. No pre-sale orders like the past few years. Cookies will be \$5/dozen. Come early for the best selection. We hope to see you all there!

EAGLE FOOD BANK: LWML continues to collect food for the Eagle food bank. Donations can be left in the tote by the church entrance. Thank you for your donations!

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

DAILY LUTHERAN CHAPEL SERVICE: You can listen to live chapel services from Concordia Theological Seminary (Ft. Wayne, IN) at 8:35 a.m. CST and on-demand at issuesetc.org and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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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** + Alily Kliewer (Dallas & Becky Obenland's niece), Konner Lamb (Mike & Leila Karle's nephew), Matthew Brynsted (Kevin Bolin's friend) + **Hospitalized, Suffering, Ill or Recovering** + Randy Sweley (Carolyn Jensen's cousin), Carolyn Jensen, Linda Maloy (Bonita Severson's sister), Dale Brynsted (Kevin Bolin's friend), Rich Husman (Bonita Severson's brother-in-law), Brian (Bonita Severson's nephew), Kim Tatum (friend of the Bakers), Jay Berry (friend of the Bakers), Larry Kimble (Frank & Gloria Umland's son-in-law), Siouxsee Taylor (Bonita Severson's cousin), Lori Koepsel (Obenland's friend), Maverick Roland, John Rader (Kenny's brother), Michael Gay (friend of the Colemans), 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: Miles Kuebler
 Altar Guild: Charity Baker and Tina Luedders
 Elders: Birk Baker (419-8008), Tom Cosby (659-2618)
 Ushers: Joe Yelkin, Dallas Obenland, Marcus Schmidt, Nathan Hohman

Gifts of Time and Treasure

Divine Service:	91	Sunday School:	15
<u>Last Week's Offerings</u>		<u>Year To Date Offerings</u>	
*Sunday Divine Service	\$ 4,319.50	General Fund Offerings	\$ 151,916.97
Sunday School	\$	Sunday School	\$ 186.90
Building Fund	\$ 100.00	Building Fund	\$ 4,710.00
Other Offerings	\$	Other Offerings	\$ 435.00
**Total Offerings	\$ 4,419.50	Offerings Received	\$ 157,248.87
<u>Last Week's Budget</u>		<u>Year To Date Budget</u>	
General Fund Needed	\$ 4,218.15	General Fund Needed	\$ 189,816.92
Difference	\$ 101.35	Difference	\$ (37,899.95)

**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, November 12 th	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Study
Monday, November 13 th	10:00 am	Circuit Pastors' Conference
Tuesday, November 14 th	9:00 am	Matins
	9:30 am	Bible Study
Wednesday, November 15 th	6:30 pm	Catechesis
Thursday, November 16 th	7:00 pm	Didache
Friday, November 17 th		
Saturday, November 18 th		
Sunday, November 19 th	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Study

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are Monday-Friday 9 to 12 pm. The office may be closed on occasion, so please call ahead.

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