News and Notes of Interest

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

ADAPTED SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE: Beginning this week (12/4) Sunday School will run from 10:15-11 a.m. Then the students will practice for the Christmas Eve Service from 11-11:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday School on Christmas Day.

TUESDAY MATINS & BIBLE STUDY: All are welcome to join us on Tuesday mornings for a Matins Service (prayer, Scripture, hymns) at 9:00 a.m., following with a Bible study from 9:30-10:30 a.m. We are currently studying the Book of Exodus.

<u>CATECHESIS CLASSES DURING ADVENT</u> meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

MIDWEEK ADVENTS SERVICES will be held on Wednesdays during Advent (December 7, 14, 21) at 7:00 p.m.

ADVENT FELLOWSHIP: After the Advent Services, the Evangelism Committee sponsors a fellowship time with refreshments. Please consider signing up to bring cookies, bars, or other treats for one of the Wednesday services held December 7, 14, or 21.

CHRISTIANS IN A WOKE WORLD is the title of a new bible study that will begin around the first of the year. If you would like to have your own copy of the study booklet to keep, you can turn in \$13 to the church office with a note that it is for the bible study booklet. All are welcome to attend.

HIGHER THINGS DEVOTIONALS: A booklet of daily *Reflections* through Christmas are available on the guest book table. There are also other formats available at https://higherthings.org/reflections.

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

<u>USHERS FOR 2023</u>: The sign-up sheet for 2023 Ushers is posted the bulletin board. Please sign up for the months you are able to usher.

GIFT: If you would like to contribute to the Christmas gift for Pastor and Catherine, please make sure to give it to one of the Elders by Sunday, December 18. Thank you, your Elders, Dallas Obenland, AJ Reimer, Birk Baker, Shawn Luedders.

<u>ISSUES</u>, <u>ETC.</u> ... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Decision Theology; The Incarnation of God & the Value of Man; 4th-Century Bishop Nicholas of Myra; Man & the Metaverse and more. You can listen on-demand at <u>issuesetc.org</u>, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

EAGLE FOOD BANK: LWML continues to collect food for the Eagle food bank. Items needed include, toilet paper, canned pasta, hearty soups, fruits, shelf milk, hot chocolate, coffee, toothpaste, deodorant, dish soap, detergent and cleaning supplies. Donations can be left in the tote by the church entrance. Thank you for your donations!

<u>"DID YOU KNOW?</u> Immanuel has funds available to encourage and support those pursuing or seriously considering professional church work (i.e. pastor, parochial school teacher, deaconess, etc.). If you've ever considered pursuing professional church work, know someone who is or have other ideas about how these funds can be used to support these goals, please see the Board of Education or email the church office."

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT



IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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DECEMBER 4, 2022

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.

<u>ALL GUESTS</u> 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

Death + Larry Ikenberry + **Military** + Alily Kliewer (Dallas & Becky Obenland's niece), Ryan Merrill (Scott & D'Ann Washington's relative), Jonathan Umland (Bill & Verda's grandson) + **Hospitalized, Suffering, Ill or Recovering** + Terrie Bowder (Bonita Severson's relation), Owen Hestermann, Rev. Dale Brynestad (friend of Bolins), Denise Ortlieb (Art's wife), Larry Kimble (Frank & Gloria Umland's son-in-law), Hudson Vrbka, Siouxsee Taylor (Bonita Severson's cousin), Lori Koepsel (Obenland's friend), Carol Luedders, Greg Bauer (friend of the Bakers), Maverick Roland (Dan & Cheri's son), Bill Umland, John Rader (Kenny's brother), Michael Gay (friend of the Colemans), Jenny Henderson (relative of Larry Severson), Larry Harschfield (Marlene Schroder's brother-in-law).

We ask that you would include these people in the prayers during <u>your home</u> <u>devotions</u>. 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: Brooklyn McDowell

Altar Guild: Audra Yelkin and Paula Persinger

Elders: Dallas Obenland (786-7277), Shawn Luedders (960-0659)

Ushers: Tom Hohman, Andy McLaughlin, Cliff Schildt, Terry Kuebler

Gifts of Time and Treasure

Divine Service:	88	Sunday School:	11
Last Week's Offerings *Sunday Divine Service Special Service Sunday School Building Fund Other Offerings	\$ 2,349.50 \$ 409.00 \$ 5.10 \$ 100.00 \$	Year To Date Offerings General Fund Offerings Sunday School Building Fund Other Offerings	\$ \$ 151,296.71 \$ 180.09 \$ 4,700.00 \$ 595.00
**Total Offerings <u>Last Week's Budget</u> General Fund Needed Difference	\$ 2,863.60 \$ 3,957.02 \$ (1,198.52)		\$ 156,771.80 \$ 189,936.92 \$ (38,640.21)
*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, December 4 th	9:00 10:15 11-11:30	am Sunday School/Yo	uth/Adult Bible Study as Program Practice

Tuesday, December 6th
9:00 am Matins
9:30 am Bible Study

Wednesday, December 7th 5:30 pm Catechesis

7:00 pm Midweek Advent Service

Thursday, December 8th

Monday, December 5th

Friday, December 9th

Saturday, December 10th 11 am—1 pm LWML Cookie Sale Pick-up

Sunday, December 11th 9:00 am Divine Service

10:15 am Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Study

11-11:30 am Children's Christmas Program Practice

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

The office may be closed on occasion, so please call ahead.

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