

## *News and Notes of Interest*

**DIVINE SERVICES ON SUNDAYS** are at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. The 9:00 a.m. service will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook live. Once again, we ask that you would contact the church office ([immanueloffice@windstream.net](mailto:immanueloffice@windstream.net) or 402-781-2190) to sign up for one of the two services.

**EPIPHANY SERVICE** will be held on Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMORIAL GIFT FOR PASTOR ALBERS:** We will be sending a sympathy card to the family of the Rev. Ken Albers (pastor of Immanuel from 1980-1985). If you would like to give a donation in memory of Pastor Albers, place it in the canister in the parish hall and we will send it to his family.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** for 2021 are on a table in the parish hall. Please pick yours up and begin considering your offering gifts for next year.

**USHERS:** Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway to serve as an usher in 2021.

**THANK YOU TO LWML!** “Thank you to the LWML for their work on the Christmas Eve program costumes this year. Your time and monies spent sewing new costumes and mending and cleaning the existing ones are very appreciated!” *Board of Education*

**GIVING TREE:** The LWML has again set up a "giving tree" in the parish hall. Please take a clothespin ornament with a tag, or two, or three, and buy the item listed! These items will be donated to the Pregnancy Center in Lincoln after Christmas. Please have your donations under the tree by Sunday, January 3rd. Thank you! If you have questions please ask an LWML member.

**CATECHESIS CLASS SCHEDULE:** Classes will meet again on January 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30 p.m. (because of the Epiphany Service that evening).

**NEW LIBRARY BOOKS** are on display on the table in the narthex. Check them out (and check out the books in the library)!

**YOUTH GROUP:** All youth who desire to attend a Higher Things conference next summer need to reply to Pastor with your first and second conference choices.

**CHURCH REMODEL LOAN:** The projects for the church remodel have been completed. There is still an outstanding loan balance of \$13,069.44. You can help to pay off the loan by giving an offering to the Building Fund (please mark your donation accordingly).

**IF YOU NEED HELP** in these days (finances, help with groceries, pick up medications, a ride, etc.), please contact Pastor or the church.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for January-March are available on the guest book table in the narthex. Take one for your family devotions, or take one to a friend.

**ISSUES, ETC.** ... A Daily, 15-Minute, Verse-by-Verse Bible Study....The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a podcast hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. You can listen on-demand at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS



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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** + Daniel Yslas (Dan & Susan Vrbka's grandson), Jonathan Umland (Bill & Verda's grandson) + **Hospitalized, Suffering, Ill or Recovering** + Melissa Fulton, Carolyn Jensen, Stuart & Jenny Henderson (Larry Severson's cousin & wife), Duane Arends, Mike Johaneck (Sheryl Stine's cousin), Baby Anselm (Suzanne Yelkin's relative), JoAnn Schmidt (Marlene Schroder's friend), Ron Miller, Kristy Johaneck (Sheryl Stine's cousin), John Foede (friend of the Colemans), Jordon Powell (Lisa Schmidt's brother-in-law), Peggy Pauley (Jodi Manley's friend), Larry Ikenberry, Raven Curtis (Gregg Fusselman's granddaughter), Alma Schroder (Verda Umland's sister-in-law), Colleen Boekenhauer (Suzanne Yelkin's cousin), Diane Bolin, 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 the governing authorities, those in medical professions, those suffering because of the coronavirus, and all who mourn the death of loved ones. 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: Lydia Baker  
 Altar Guild: Audra Yelkin and Paula Persinger  
 Elders: Frank Maurer (580-2585), AJ Reimer (515-0748),  
 Dallas Obenland (786-7277), Tom Cosby (659-2618)  
 Ushers: Aidan Schmidt, Marcus Schmidt, Tom Hohman, Cliff Schildt

## Gifts of Time and Treasure

Divine Service:	83	Sunday School:	n/a
<u>Last Week's Offerings</u>		<u>Year To Date Offerings</u>	
*Sunday Divine Service	\$ 1,926.00	General Fund Offerings	\$ 148,984.90
Special Service	\$ 536.00		
Sunday School	\$ 0.00	Sunday School	\$ 75.73
Building Fund	\$ 55.00	Building Fund	\$ 14,205.00
Other Offerings	\$ 85.00	Other Offerings	\$ 6,530.00
**Total Offerings	\$ 2,602.00	Offerings Received	\$ 169,795.63
<u>Last Week's Budget</u>		<u>Year To Date Budget</u>	
General Fund Needed	\$ 3,615.87	General Fund Needed	\$ 184,409.13
Difference	\$ (1,153.87)	Difference	\$ (35,424.23)
<small>*Includes only General Fund Offering towards the Budget</small>			
<small>**Total Received includes all offerings-General Fund, Building Fund, &amp; other offerings (special funds)</small>			

## The Lord's Week

Sunday, December 27 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	SS / Youth / Adult Bible Study
	11:00 am	Divine Service
Monday, December 28 <sup>th</sup>		
Tuesday, December 29 <sup>th</sup>		
Wednesday, December 30 <sup>th</sup>		
Thursday, December 31 <sup>st</sup>		
Friday, January 1 <sup>st</sup>		<i>New Year's Day-Office Closed</i>
Saturday, January 2 <sup>nd</sup>		
Sunday, January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	SS / Youth / Adult Bible Study
	11:00 am	Divine Service

**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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