



IMMANUEL HAPPENINGS

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A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”-- something every true Christian desires.

In the words of a framed prayer hanging on my bedroom wall,

O Dear Lord

Three Things I Pray

To see Thee more clearly

Love Thee more dearly

Follow Thee more nearly.....

Day by Day

God is already close to us. And He wants us to know it.

He has promised to come to each of us individually and together through Word and Sacraments. We call those things “means of grace”-- something which our confirmands are studying as they prepare to make their Confirmation vows, one of which goes like this:

Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord’s Supper faithfully?

I do by the grace of God.



We discuss why our chief worship is called a Divine Service. Amazingly, it's not so much about what we do, but what our almighty and most merciful God does in stooping to serve US! Do we need any better reason than that for being faithful?

We are also discussing personal Bible reading as we discuss choosing a "Confirmation Verse."

We are reviewing how the Holy Scriptures are the very written Word of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit works through the Word and the Word in the sacraments

- to bring us to faith,
- to keep us in faith,
- and to empower us to live in faith.

Nothing is more important than our faith, which opens our lives to receive all the abundant and eternal blessings God would give us by His saving Presence.



Regular personal Bible reading allows the Spirit to work in our lives as the Scriptures themselves testify:

- There we have words written so that we may believe and have life in Jesus' name. (John 20:31)
- Holy Scripture teaches and equips us. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- The Word of God is the "sword of the Spirit" that we can use to fight temptation. (Ephesians 6:17)
- The Holy Scriptures offer instruction, encouragement, endurance and hope. (Romans 15:4)
- Their center and focus is Jesus Christ Himself, who is God's Word in flesh. (John 1:1-14)

Dr. Martin Luther compared the Holy Scriptures with the manger where the Christ-Child was found-- unimpressive looking, but holding the greatest treasure there is.

Again, could we have any better reason to "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them" in a regular, faithful, expectant way?

In many places Christian worship is illegal and very dangerous. In many places, copies of the Holy Scriptures are illegal to possess-- subject to harsh penalties.

Let's not make the very dangerous mistake of allowing the blessings of God's Presence for us go to waste by minimizing or even ignoring the importance of the means of grace. Let's instead made good use of the freedoms God has granted us, and for which many have given their lives to preserve. God Himself DOES yearn to have a closer walk with us all!

May we join with our confirmands not only in praying for them, but in renewing our own commitment to make faithful use of the means God has given us for closeness with Himself, day by day.

Pastor Bauman

Our Confirmands

Brooke Franzen
Jake Franzen
Elijah Guerra
Isaiah Guerra



God's Blessings on our confirmands as they are received into full communion with The Evangelical Lutheran Church by the solemn Rite of Confirmation during our 9:30 AM service on Sunday, October 28, 2018. Please keep these young people in your prayers.

October Birthdays

10/2 William Bayes
10/3 Gale Schroeder
10/7 Noah Guerra
10/10 Mike Ongchangco

10/16 Sally Hover
10/20 Pastor Perry
10/25 Cassandra Murray-Verley
10/27 Jayden Hoffman



VISIONPATH: Your Board of Directors has begun a process called Vision Path. What is God's vision for us here at Immanuel? Later this month you will be asked to complete a survey. Please prayerfully consider how you would answer these questions. Would you like to learn more?

Come Sunday!

1. What do you think is the one thing Immanuel - Bartlett does best?
2. If resources (time, money, and people) were not an issue, what could Immanuel - Bartlett add to its ministry?
3. If Immanuel - Bartlett did not exist today, how do you think the immediate community would be impacted?
4. Think of the community surrounding Immanuel - Bartlett. What do you see as the greatest need in the community? Include any links or studies to affirm this need.
5. Why do you suppose someone new would want to join Immanuel - Bartlett?
6. What do you believe is the most critical issue facing Immanuel - Bartlett at this time?
7. What do you think is the greatest opportunity facing Immanuel - Bartlett at this time?
8. What do you think that Immanuel - Bartlett most needs to stop or change?

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

If you should ever have to miss church due to illness, vacation, or any other reason you are now only a search away from having the opportunity to still hear Pastor Bauman's sermon. Thanks to John, who has been re-recording each Sunday sermon you are now able to go on the Internet and view the sermon on You-tube. Please use the following link to do so:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsTwT4fDUDlpSND6SRayeHg?view_as=public

If you do not have access to the Internet we also have the capability to record it on DVD for you. Please tell Pastor or John and they will get a copy to you.

Thank you John for this valuable service!

Coming Soon: You will soon have the opportunity to purchase Immanuel Lutheran Church polo shirts with our newly designed logo on it. It will be so exciting to wear them to baseball games, picnics, pot luck dinners, Senior Ministry breakfasts to Denny's and anywhere else out and about in the community.

Look for additional information coming very, very soon!

Transportation to Church Events: With October already here and November right around the corner please consider attending Thanksgiving Eve Service and Advent Services. We know we may have some members not comfortable driving in the dark and might like a ride with a caring friend. If this is the case please call: Sally Hover @630-276-3298 and she will arrange a ride for you.



FOOD DRIVE

Food Pantry Sundays - On the last Sunday of the month, pick up a "blue bag" to take home. Bring it back the next Sunday, filled with non-perishable foods for the food pantry.

Following is a list of the **Top Food Pantry Items Needed:** White Rice, Spaghetti Noodles/Sauce, Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup, Instant Potatoes, Peanut Butter/Jelly, Cereal, Cooking Oil, Canned Tuna/Chicken, Canned Vegetables/Fruit.

The Food Pantry also accepts personal toiletries, cleaning products and paper goods. These items will be donated to the Hanover Township Food Pantry.

CHURCH PROPERTIES

It has been a busy summer for the Church properties Team this year. Many things got accomplished and many things still to be done. Of course there were the normal things like preparing for annual fire safety inspections and taking care of any items that needed to be corrected. We are happy to report that this year there were very few items that needed to be corrected. One of them was that we had to replace the rechargeable batteries in five of our emergency ceiling lights. These are the lights that come on automatically if we should lose electricity to the building for any reason. The cost of batteries was about \$45 and they should last for several years. You may have noticed that the emergency exit light on the right side of the Alter has been lit up recently. This exit light has been nonoperational for many years due to no power going to it and has been on our list of things to do. It is operational now because we have finally been able to run a new power circuit to it. So as of today we are in good standing with our local Fire Inspectors.

We installed a string of low wattage lights in the pavilion so that it can be used later into the evening during the hours when it's starting to get dark. They have worked out so well that it has been requested that we add two more strings. We will do so as time permits.

As you know, one of the biggest projects this year was the replacement of the heating and air conditioning systems for the office / library and Narthex areas. We are happy to say that these units have been replaced and are operational and that all that remains is a little touch up / clean-up work that needs to be done. You may recall that these replacements had to be done and we had to withdraw funds from our reserve account in order to cover the \$10,600 needed. So far to date donations of \$3,775 have been received to help offset this expenditure and replace those reserved funds. This is about 35% of the total funds needed. We are thankful for these donations and pray that they continue so that the total amount can be replaced. You can designate funds to help payback these dollars by simply writing the word HVAC or CAPITAL on your weekly offering envelope on the "OTHER" line. That way these dollars will be sure to be allocated towards this project.

As a closing item of note, Immanuel has once again been asked to be a local polling place for the upcoming November elections. We are happy to serve our community in this civic responsibility and encourage everyone to get out and vote on Nov. 6th.

Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves and the only way they could do this is by not voting.

Franklin D. Roosevelt



Terry Kainz
Director, Church Properties

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Eligible Thrivent Financial members: Show your appreciation for Immanuel Lutheran Church by directing Choice Dollars.

The individual recommendations you make through Choice Dollars directions can make a profound impact.



Choir News—Choir meets in the balcony at 8:30 a.m. Sunday mornings.

Anyone high school age and older is welcome to join.
Contact Julie Sawusch at 847-220-0318 for more info.



Dear Friends in Christ,

For the past 40 years we've had the privilege of supporting Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations, schools, organizations and rostered church workers with loans that fit ministry needs.

We invite you to invest in a special note we are making available for a limited time: our **40-month note at 4%**. You can invest as little as \$500 up to \$40,000 (per tax ID). This investment would allow us to support the growing needs of even more LCMS individuals, organizations, schools and churches.

Furthermore, when you invest with Lutheran Church Extension Fund, you know how your investment is being used: to serve churches, organizations and church workers and help further the mission to make known the love and forgiveness of Christ and new life found in Christ.

We need to reach \$100 million in investments to meet future loan demand projections. We are ending this limited-time offer once we reach this goal.

This is a time to celebrate the wonderful work done by LCMS organizations. If you have any questions, call 800-843-5233 or visit lcef.org/40month to learn more.

Peace,

Rev. Bart Day
President and CEO
Lutheran Church Extension Fund

The primary owner on the account must be 18 years or older.

The State of Washington has adopted a regulatory position that currently prohibits residents of Washington State from opening a new investment unless they are already an LCEF investor.



Thank you to all Thrivent members for making it possible for us to apply and be approved for a \$250.00 grant to help support "The Rose of Hope" relay team fight cancer in our families, church, and community. Few of us have not been touched by the suffering of a friend or family member. We appreciate Thrivent for making it possible to bring people together to make a positive change in our community of Bartlett and surrounding areas.

Bonnie and Marcie are the contact people in this endeavor and will welcome any and all participants in their quest for helping The American Cancer Society find a cure and support families of survivors and victims' themselves. Won't you please consider joining our Rose of Hope Team this year. Bonnie can be reached at bhulke2362@wowway.com or Marcie at: moo4068se@aol.com. They will also be available after church on Sunday, near the Thrivent banner, to offer additional information about how you are able to help support this venture.

A paint party is scheduled to help raise funds at: Pinot's Palette in South Barrington on Sunday October 21st from 2:00-4:00 pm. Please register and help support this worthy event.

Join the fun and fellowship and create your own Owl painting to take home. There will be an instructor to direct us all the way through. Also raffle prizes and snacks will be available. Beer and wine is available for purchase, while water and pop is provided. The fee is \$38 fee to attend and \$10 per attendee will be donated to Relay for Life as well as 100% of the raffle prize monies. Bring your friends and let's all have fun together while also doing a great deed for those who have been touched by this disease. Click on the link below to register for this event or copy and paste in your browser. Hope to see you there!

<https://www.pinotpalette.com/southbarrington/event/243421>

Blessings, Bonnie and Marcie...



Schwan's Cares fundraising campaign continues to raise money for Relay for Life of Northern Dupage-NW Cook.

Relay for Life of Northern Dupage-NW Cook

ID: 40782

Link: <https://www.schwans-cares.com/c/40782>

Thanks for your support!

*~Relay for Life of Northern Dupage-NW Cook—Bonnie Hulke
630-479-0174—Email—bhulke2362@wowway.com*



TREASURE HUNTER CLUB meets on Sundays from 5pm – 7pm (for ages 3 – 14) during the school year. More information is available on the wall next to the spiral staircase. See, call or text Pastor Bauman (847-924-6360) or Rebecca Hedberg (630-945-2570) to find out more.

LCEF Difference

LCEF has served as the financial extension of [The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod \(LCMS\)](#) since 1978, offering funding and resources in support of the Church. When you invest with LCEF, you're providing for the creation and growth of congregations and ministries across the country.

Investing in a strong LCMS community

LCEF empowers LCMS ministries with every dollar invested. And with nearly 60,000 investors, we've been able to make a difference for thousands of ministries. We provide customized loans and support services to new and growing ministries as well as loans for Rostered Church Workers who dedicate their lives to sharing the Gospel.

Information packets for investing and for the Y-I Club are available on the table in the narthex.

Treasurer's Report
September 2018

Great news! The HVAC units installation has been completed. The air conditioning has been operating through most of the summer and now the furnaces are ready just in time for the heating season. Everything is done EXCEPT to pay the \$5,300 balance to our HVAC contractor. Let's see if we can make a special effort to fund this balance.

Income

Monthly income need \$12,175

July income \$11,425

August income \$ 9,246 including \$172 from Thrivent Choice Dollars, but exclusive of the \$10,600 withdrawal from our Lutheran Legacy Fund investment (LLF/Pauline Zoellick account)

September income \$ 9,000 to date (with \$11,000 projected for the month)

This makes our income almost \$5,000 less than our budget need for the first three months of our current fiscal year. A continuation of our summer vacation activities???

Expenses

September expenses to date are \$11,000. We started September with a balance of \$11,103 but that included the \$10,600 withdrawal from the LLF slated for the new HVAC systems, so in reality we only had \$500 to pay early September expenses.

Our efforts to fund the \$5,300 balance of the HVAC replacements has grown to \$3,775 and it would be ideal if we were able to replace the initial \$5,300 down payment as well.

On a positive note, LLF has extended an offer to Immanuel to provide a 20% match on future donations. What a great opportunity to replace those withdrawn funds. This is also a great opportunity to memorialize loved ones, or special events in our families, like the birth of a child or a marriage or major birthdays or wedding anniversaries. The LLF Pauline Zoellick Fund was established in just this way and those funds continue to grow because this is an investment account.

So please keep this and the 20% matching funds in mind. The Board of Directors is watching our monthly Income and Expense activities closely to determine when Immanuel may be in a position to replenish at least \$5,000 into this account and reap the benefit of the 20% match for an additional \$1,000 in funds.

Blessings to all.

Bob Brinkman
Treasurer

Malachi 3:10 – "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it."

A thought to ponder – Have you experienced the Lord's blessings as indicated in the Bible passage above? Please give this some thought in your daily lives. It is indeed mind – provoking.

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INCOME & EXPENSE STATEMENT
JULY - AUGUST 2018

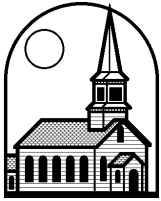
	<u>Jul-18</u>	<u>Aug-18</u>	
BALANCE FORWARD	\$ 569.19		
INCOME			
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 9,230.00	\$ 7,331.00	
MORTGAGE	270.00	210.00	
CTR CHURCH	1,600.00	1,600.00	
THRIVENT			
TREASURE HUNT CLUB		25.00	
PARKING LOT RENOVATION [R]		25.00	
AMAZON SMILE			
HVAC RENOVATIONS	325.00	55.00	
LLF WITHDRAWAL FOR HVAC		10,600.00	
PARKING FEE (p)			
	<u>\$ 11,425.00</u>	<u>\$ 19,846.00</u>	
	\$ 11,994.19	\$ 20,963.62	
EXPENSES			
MORTGAGE	\$ 2,347.04	\$ 2,347.04	
LCMS - NID PLEDGE	N/A	N/A	
PAYROLL (net)	4,175.94	4,175.94	
NICOR	180.54	177.99	
AT&T	317.39	44.82	
COM ED	406.84	526.30	
HVAC			
TREAS HUNT CLUB		26.00	
NID		150.00	
IRS	1,565.20	1,728.24	
IDOR	282.26	287.81	
OTHER	<u>1,601.36</u>	<u>505.36</u>	
	\$ 10,876.57	\$ 9,969.50	
BALANCE FORWARD			
	\$ 1,117.62	\$ 10,994.12	

[R] RESTRICTED FUNDS

Parking Lot Renovation [R] Balance \$2,485
Consecrated Stewards [R] Balance \$ 163 (corrected)
HVAC Replacements [R] Balance \$3,725

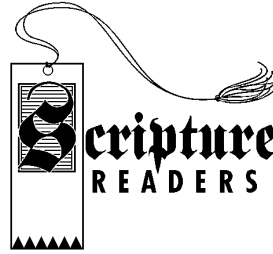
(p) Alex - \$400 POA (Apr-17) (Pd thru 9/30/17) + \$25 POA
\$ 75 POA (Nov-17) (Pd thru 10/30/17)
\$225 POA (Jan-18) + \$25 elec (Pd thru 1/31/) + \$25 POA
\$225 POA (Feb-18) + \$25 elec (Pd thru 4/30/) + \$50 POA
\$400 POA (Mar-18) + \$25 elec (Pd thru 9/30/18) + \$50 POA
\$225 POA (Apr-18) + \$25 elec (Pd thru 12/31/18) + \$50 POA

October 2018 Schedules



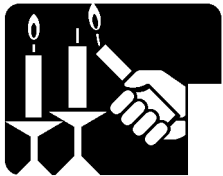
Lay Minister Schedule

October 7 - Dave Schroeder & Brad Kuehn
October 14 -
October 21 - Al Thilk & Mike Tellin
October 28 - Al Thilk & Dave Schroeder



Reader Schedule

October 7 - Becky Hedberg
October 14 - Sally Hover
October 21 - Mike Tellin
October 28 - Dave Schroeder



Acolyte Schedule

October 7 - Isaiah & Malaiah Guerra
(Rehearsal at 9:00 a.m.)
October 14 - Brooke, Jake & Kate Franzen
(Rehearsal at 9:00 a.m.)
October 21 - Elijah Guerra
October 28 - Kate Franzen & Malaiah Guerra
(Rehearsal at 9:00 a.m.)



AV Equipment Schedule

On Hiatus



Usher Schedule

October 7 - Terry Kainz & Becky Hedberg
October 14 - Mike & Sonia Ongchangco
October 21 - Bev Bayes & Barb Platter
October 28 - Bob & Brenda Brinkman

*If you cannot make it on your scheduled day,
please contact the church office.*

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
7 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:30 a.m. Worship Service (HC) 10:45 a.m. Bible Class	8 7:30 p.m. Board of Lay Ministers	9 7:15 p.m. Board of Stewardship 7:30 p.m. Board of Evangelism	10	11	12	13 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
14 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Bible Class 5-7 p.m. Treasure Hunter Club	15	16	17	18	19	20 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
21 Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:30 a.m. Worship Service (HC) 10:45 a.m. Bible Class 5-7 p.m. Treasure Hunter Club	22	23	24	25 1:30 p.m. Clare Oaks Service	26	27 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
28 Reformation Sunday 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Bible Class 5-7 p.m. Treasure Hunter Club	29 7:30 p.m. Board of Directors	30 Newsletter Deadline	31		Iglesia Apostolica Cristo La Roca (CTR)- Every Sunday 12-5 Every Tuesday 7-9 Every Friday 7-9	