

## Immanuel Lutheran Church & School 8231 Tanner Bridge Road Jefferson City, MO 65101 *"What's Happening"*



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The mission of Immanuel Lutheran School is to partner with parents and Immanuel Lutheran Church in providing a quality education that nurtures life-long learners who are rooted in Christ, built in faith, and growing in love.

Worship: Sunday 9:30 am Deadline to submit newsletter articles: Wednesday at the end of the day Tune in to 104.1 for drive-in worship service

## <u>April 19, 2024</u>

## FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR RESNER

We are going to host a meeting in the Commons to lay out where we are headed for our future here at Immanuel. It has been nearly ten years since we adopted "The Master's Plan". We have grown since then in both the Church and the School. As such, we need to reconsider our needs for this growth. We have new needs for facilities and logistics. This is indeed an exciting time for us and we need to plan.

On **Saturday**, **May 4**, Pastor Peter Kirby from the District Office is going to lead us in a workshop that will help us to adjust and develop a 'Strategic Plan'. We will be meeting in the Commons from **10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.** with lunch provided. We are asking for all Church Officers and members of Boards and Committees to attend. Other members who are interested in this process are also encouraged to attend. In order to figure out our lunch plans for this event, it would be kind of you to let us know in the Church Office if you plan to attend. God has richly blessed us with this growth and we wish to honor Him by planning how to properly Steward His resources.

## PREPARING FOR CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

The fourth Sunday of Easter is 'Good Shepherd' Sunday. Jesus said, "I AM the Good Shepherd." In the Gospel of John, we have 7 "I AM" statements from Jesus. Each of them begins with 'I AM'. John is telling us that Jesus is the Great 'I AM' of the Old Testament. He is *Yahweh* in the flesh. But there is more to the story. In the original Greek, John uses this phrasing -*'Ego Emi'*. Each of these words are translated as 'I AM'. By doubling up, John is telling us in no uncertain terms that this Jesus is 'I AM who I AM' who is from the beginning.

Jesus is the 23rd Psalm in the flesh. He feeds us the 'green pastures' of His Word. He leads us to the 'still waters' in Holy Baptism. We walk 'through the valley of the shadow of death' as we pass from this earth to heaven. His 'rod and staff' are His Law and Gospel to teach and direct us. His 'prepared table' is Holy communion. 'Goodness and Mercy' is His love and compassion coming into the flesh to redeem us in our flesh.

## CALL COMMITTEE

The call committee for the seventh & eighth grade teacher needs your help. If you have any names to submit for the committee to consider, please email them to Mr. Kopp at principal@midmoimmanuel.com or call the school office. It can either be someone we call or contract. Hopefully within the next few months we will have a call meeting to issue a call. Please keep the call committee in your prayers.

## POPCORN FUNDRAISER

Popcorn Orders are due *Monday*, *April 22<sup>nd</sup>*. Please have your child's name on the order form and all money turned in on Monday.

Families, you do not need to separate each child's sales. You can keep them together if you'd like.

### VOTER'S MEETING

Voter's Meeting has been changed from May 12th to the first Sunday, **May 5th** immediately following worship service in the sanctuary. Please plan to attend.

#### 2024-2025 ENROLLMENT

Enrollment is open for the 2024-2025 school year. Please turn the registration form and fee into the office as soon as you are able. It helps us to plan better the earlier we know. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

#### END OF SCHOOL YEAR ACTIVITIES...

Student council is preparing for the *end of the school year activities*. We're looking for anyone who has Thrivent Action Team Cards available.

Please reach out to Beth Diener, Ashley Goldammer, or Kari Schulte.

#### **DUMPSTER**

The scrap metal dumpster is back! Thank You Shannon Loveall, Rock Island Iron and Metal Recycling, The dumpster is by the big white building for anyone that would like to donate any scrap metal or old appliances. This is available for all, not just Immanuel members.

#### SCHOOL LUNCH

We have received wonderful donations so far this school year and appreciate everything so much!If you would like to donate any of the following items please know your generosity will be appreciated!Dill Pickle SlicesRanch DressingBoxed Instant Vanilla PuddingApplesauceKetchupPancake Syrup

Gallon Cans: baked beans, mixed fruit, peaches Fresh: carrots, cucumbers, bell pepper, broccoli, apples, grapes, oranges

**LUNCH MENU** (All menus subject to change/milk served with all meals/salad or pbj alternative daily)

- 4/22 Mozzarella sticks, scalloped potatoes, veggie, fruit
- **4/23** Chicken ranch wraps, flavored rice, veggie, fruit
- 4/24 Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, garlic bread, fruit

**4/25** Corn dog, veggie, fruit

4/26 Pizza, veggie, fruit

#### **IMMANUEL CHURCH AND SCHOOL "SAVE THE DATES"**

Golf Tournament **VOTER'S MEETING** 8th Gr. & PS Graduation Vacation Bible School Fall Turkey & Sausage Dinner Holiday Mart Cookies for the Cause

April 26, 2024 **MAY 5, 2024** May 19, 2024 July 21-25, 2024 October 20, 2024 November 10, 2024 December 07, 2024

Servants for the Lord								
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Lector	Elders	Finance Team			
Apr 21	Bryson Carrender Kaden Browner	Kelby Doerhoff Troy Bonnett	Scott Schulte	Troy Wolken Brad Engelbrecht	Mary & John			
Apr 28	Carson Laughlin Kaden Browner	Troy Wolken Cole Wolken Tyler Loveall	Pastor Steve Resner	Donnie Propst Terry Carrender	Pat & Jane			

April Altar Guild: Trish Carrender and Kelly Mauzy

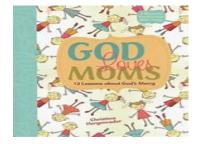
<u>Date</u>	Upcoming Events	Time
4/21	Adult Bible Study - Commons Mom's Bible Study - Youth Room Children's Sunday School - Meeting first in Kindergarten Room Worship Service/Communion SHINE Servant Event - Singing at Heisinger East and West	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am 1:15 pm/2:30 pm
4/24	Chapel <i>(Leader: Baptismal Remembrance, Pastor Resner)</i> Mid-week Bible Study - Book of Leviticus - Church Basement Women's Bible Study - Youth Room	8:30 am 9:15 am 6:30 pm
4/26	Golf Tournament	
4/28	Adult Bible Study - Commons Mom's Bible Study - Youth Room Children's Sunday School - Meeting first in Kindergarten Room Worship Service Pastor Mark Resner/Children's Message	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am

## **Mid-Week Bible Study**

Mid-Week Bible Study, Wednesday mornings, 9:15 in the Church Basement. We are extremely blessed and thankful to have Pastor Brandt leading us through the book of Leviticus. All are welcome.

## Mom's Bible Study





#### Women's Bible Study

Our Women's Bible Study meets each Wednesday evening at 6:30pm in the youth room. We would love for you to join us! We'll meet to encourage one another as well as study God's Word, pray together, and unpack the promises found in Psalm 46 that are fulfilled in Christ.

When our Lord says, "Be still, and know that I am God," (Psalm 46:10), what does He mean? God's Word promises that whatever kind of storm we find ourselves in, Jesus always comes to us. He is our refuge and strength; our ever-present help in time of need.

Note: This is the last session for the Be Still study. If you would like to join us but don't have the book, we will have copies of the chapter available.



## Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study is **Monday, May 13, 2024** at Jason Propst's firehouse, 4501 Old Ridge Rd. The Men's Monday night Bible Study will be viewing a film series entitled "That The World May Know". This is a four part series filmed on site in the Holy Land. Each part is divided into "faith lessons" for discussion purposes. The first two parts are from the Old Testament, and the second two parts are from the New Testament. Part One is entitled "Promised Land". Part Two is entitled "Prophets and Kings". Part Three is entitled "Life and Ministry of the Messiah", and Part Four is entitled "Death and Resurrection of the Messiah".

## **Children's Sunday School**

Please join us for Sunday School each Sunday. We have classes for all ages each Sunday from 8:15-9:15 am. Parents are welcome to attend the Adult Bible Study (commons) or the Mom's Bible Study (youth room) while kids are in Sunday School. We also have several youth group girls who have agreed to babysit those too young for Sunday School in the preschool classroom.

## JR. AND SR. HIGH YOUTH EVENTS

You can find more information about our youth group events by joining our Band app: Youth Band App

## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN YOUTH GROUP







- APRIL 21- 1:15 AT HEISINGER EAST & 2:30 AT HEISINGER WEST- SINGING WITH MAKER'S DOZEN FOR MO DISTRICT SHINE EVENT - ICE CREAM AFTER AT CENTRAL DAIRY
- SATURDAY, MAY 11, YOUTH VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT/FUNDRAISER
- YOUTH SUMMER EVENT- MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 2ND- MORE INFO TO COME



Join us for the MO District SHINE Servant Event Who: Youth Group and Maker's Dozen and anyone interested in joining us!

What? Singing at Heisinger

When? Sunday, April 21, 1:15pm at Heisinger East and 2:30 at Heisinger West

Why? To SHINE our Gospel Lights and Serve Others

All who participate will get free ice cream at Central Dairy following our event and a free red SHINE t-shirt!



#### AREA NEWS

#### SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Saint Paul Lutheran High School's Servants of the Saints are having their Spring Rummage Sale April 17-20. This is a great sale to purchase adult and children's clothing, shoes,toys, home goods, tools, antiques, books and more at great prices. The sale is located in Weis Gym Annex at 205 S. Main Street, Concordia, MO.

#### PREGNANCY HELP CENTER

Bubbles & Bounces 5K Walk/Run at Memorial Park Saturday, April 20, 2024 at 8:30

#### TRINITY ALUMNI ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

The Trinity Lutheran School Alumni Association will hold their Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 4, 2024, at Trinity Lutheran School. Registration begins at 3pm, business meeting and award presentation at 3:30pm, social time at 4:30pm, and dinner (Sweet Smoke BBQ) will be at 5pm. Adults \$13.50, Children 5-12 years \$6.75 (children under 5 are free).

Reservation deadline is April 29th. Checks may be mailed or dropped off at the church office at 803 Swifts Hwy, Jefferson City MO.

We hope to see you there!

#### **MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE**

When: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 Where: Missouri State Capitol Lawn Activities start at 8:00, Rally starts at 9:30, March Immediately Following

# HAVE A HAPPY SPRING

This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and *be glad in it*.

PSALM 118:24 NKJV

#### CALVARY NEWS

#### CALVARY INSIDER

Wondering what went on at Calvary this week?

- Pastor Scheperle led Wednesday chapel with a message on Washing Feet.
- The Senior PE class took a trip to Strikers as part of their bowling unit.
- Friday afternoon, Calvary students and staff served in small groups around the community as a way to shine God's light.

#### THANK YOU!!

Many, many thanks to all who made the Annual Crimson & Silver Dinner Auction a success yesterday evening! This fundraiser would not be possible without a dedicated planning committee and volunteers, generous donors and attendees! Thank you for your continued support of Calvary Lutheran High School and our mission of Building Christian Leaders!

#### LION ATHLETICS

Upcoming **Home** baseball games:

Tuesday, April 23 – Home vs. New Bloomfield @ 4:30 Thursday, April 25 – Home vs. Jamestown @ 4:30 If you would like information about Away contests for all sports, please check <u>calvarylhs.org/calendar</u> or call the office to be put on an email list.

#### **TWENTY YEARS OF CALVARY GOLF TOURNAMENTS!**

Assemble your team and shine your clubs! The **20**<sup>th</sup> annual Calvary Benefit Golf Tournament is *Friday, May 31, 2024* at Tanglewood Golf Course in Fulton! Consider entering a team, sponsoring a hole, or volunteering your time to help! We would love to have you! Contact John Christman at 573-638-0228 or administrator@calvarylhs.org with your interest. To register your team, go to <u>calvarylhs.org/golftournament</u> Space is Limited!

#### **BLOOD DRIVE THIS WEEK**

The last Red Cross blood drive of the school year is this coming week on Friday, April 26. Register your donation online at redcrossblood.org/give

#### SAVE THE DATE

- Apr. 26 Calvary Blood Drive
- May 2 FFA Petting Zoo
- May 3 Spring Concert, 7PM
- May 25 Graduation of the Class of 2024
- May 31 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Golf Tournament

calvarylhs.org/golftournament

STEWARDSHIP	<u>4-14</u>		<u>Finance Team</u>	Date
Adult Bible Study Sunday School Youth Y'ALL Mom's Bible Study Wed. Bible Study Ladies Bible Study Men's Bible Study <b>Offerings</b>	13 21 15 ** ** 21 8 11 \$ 9.00	April \$ 9.00	Aaron & Jason Tim & Terry Heather & Rochelle <b>Mary &amp; John</b> Pat & Jane	May 05 May 12 May 19 <b>Apr 21</b> Apr 28
<u>Church Attendance</u> Sunday - 9:30 am Communion: ( )	220		Give therefore to Caesar	
Church Offering Plate & Envelopes Electronic Total: Avg Offering Goal (as of 1/1/24) Weekly church/school expense total	\$ 7,554.60 786.39 8,340.99 \$ 9,550 \$14,000	<b>12-mo avg</b> \$10,174 per week	the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.	
<b>DRC Offering</b> Monthly Building Loan Payment Bldg Loan Balance as of 1/1//24	\$ 200.00 \$ 4,125 \$149,821	\$ 520.00 12-mo avg \$2,611 per month		

#### **Offering Options Available**

We have several eGiving options if you would like to give a one-time or recurring offering electronically: 1) Set up an **online donation** from our website: <u>https://www.midmoimmanuel.com/online-giving</u>

2) Download the **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement** app for your smart-phone and search for "Immanuel Lutheran Church and School" (several churches will display from just "Immanuel", so be sure to type in the full name - there are still at least three on the list that have the same name as us - be sure to select the one with our address - 8231 Tanner Bridge Road). Set up your profile and manage your offerings.

3) Text your offering through **Text Giving** by texting a whole number for the offering amount (i.e. "10" for a \$10 gift) to 1-573-267-5706. Follow the link that is replied back.

4) Contact Jason Sommerer (573-338-2441 or summertime\_99@hotmail.com) for assistance and we can set up an **auto-draft from your bank** directly to Immanuel.

5) Vanco also offers to accept gifts **over the phone** for our congregation. Vanco's Client Services team will take donations if you call them at 800.675.7430

## Please let the office know if any of our members on the prayer list are in need of a call, communion or a visit from Pastor Resner or an Elder.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

**At Home or Hospital:** Quinetta Rutledge, Brennan Schulte, John and Patti Trinklein, John Green, Jane Kesel, Konlee Kempker, Charlie Duenckel, Rebecca Eichelberger, Betty Hoecker, Jeff Propst, Rita Linhardt, Danny Goodman, Dane Steenburgen, Denny Schulte, Ann Shipwash, Megan Limbach, Trevor Burrows, Clay Rolsing, Sandy Sebastian, Kenny Braun, Norman Menteer, Tim Lafser, Judy Meisel, Roger and Ruth Braun, David Dziadosz, Jerry Binkley, Thom Mace, Alice Troyke, Brennis Horstmeier, Terri Engelbrecht, Gail Duenckel, Nathan Gladstone, Leroy Propst, Bridget Menteer, Deb Leech, Shirley Dusheke, Shannon McCreany, and Judy Masters.

~praying for your

**Celebrating Birthdays:** Peyton Duncan 4-21, Molly Wolken 4-22, John Slicker 4-22, Katie Engelbrecht 4-22, Shannon Schmoeger 4-22, Claire Prohaska 4-23, Heather Peters 4-24, Delbert Hoelscher 4-24, Emelyn Doerhoff 4-25, Mary Schilpp 4-26, Nate Propst 4-27.

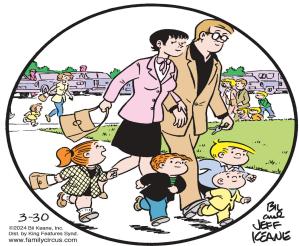
#### **Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries:**

Celebrating (1-5 yrs old) Baptism Anniversary:

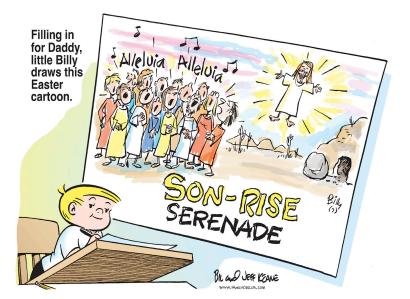
Nursing Home Residents/Shut-Ins: Virginia Meier-Heisinger Bluffs

**<u>Military Personnel</u>**: Jack Schmoeger, Clare Hart, and A. J. Kempker.

**Thought For The Day:** Life is not always straight and direct to the point, like an explanation Mark "!". Trust God in the questions and curves of life, like a question mark "?". Win Battles in Prayer Job 23:1-10 Job's Reply to Eliphaz Then Job answered: "Even today my complaint is still bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. O that I knew where I might find him, that I could come to his place of residence! I would lay out my case before him and fill my mouth with arguments. I would know with what words he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. Would he contend with me with great power? No, he would only pay attention to me. There an upright person could present his case before him, and I would be delivered forever from my judge. "If I go to the east, he is not there, and to the west, yet I do not perceive him. In the north when he is at work, I do not see him; when he turns<sub>Id</sub> to the south, I see no trace of him. But he knows the pathway that I take; if he tested me, I would come forth like gold. "Think about it"



"I like it in church on Easter when we sing Easter carols."



#### The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

#### LCMS Stewardship Ministry

March 2024

#### Cherish What God Has Given

In the Small Catechism, Luther follows a pattern when explaining the Ten Commandments. With each commandment, there is something prohibited, and something commanded. There is something wrong which must be avoided, and there is something right which must be done.

The one time this pattern is not followed is with the Sixth Commandment.

"You shall not commit adultery. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other" (SC I).

Here, the catechism focuses solely on the positive: we should live in a chaste and decent manner in both word and deed, and husbands and wives should cherish and honor one another.

Keeping this commandment, and all of the commandments, is a lot easier if you see your chastity and your spouse as a gift from God that is to be protected and cherished. In the same way, you will find keeping the Fourth Commandment easier if you see your parents and other authorities as a gift from God, given to you for your blessing.

This is the key stewardship insight that runs through all of the Christian life: Everything that we have has been given to us by God. We deserve none of it. All of it comes to us by God's fatherly kindness and open-handed generosity. If I know that everything I have — every possession, every relationship, every ability — is a gift from God, then my perspective changes. All of these things are both gifts to be cherished, and things that I should direct towards God's purposes. My possessions should be shared generously according to how God has called me in my family, church and community. My spouse should be cherished, loved and encouraged in faith. My children are on loan from my own Heavenly Father, and I have but a brief time to show them the path of righteousness. My neighbor is a gift from God so that I can imitate His kindness toward me.

No matter the gift, everything has been given to me by God so that I may participate in His own goodness and open-handed generosity.