

Immanuel Messenger

GOD WITH US

January 2021

"And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb." – Luke 2:21

What's in a name? Names are an important part of our identity. They are some of the first things that we learn either to say or respond to, and how you address someone can be indicative of the level of intimacy you have with that person. So, what's in a name?

While we did not, and traditionally do not, have a service to ring in the new year you may not know that this is the appointed Gospel lesson for New Year's Day. That's it, one single, solitary verse from St. Luke telling us that everything was done according to the Lord's announcement to Mary and Joseph. Now Luke seems to make a big deal about names in the opening chapters of his Gospel; Gabriel tells Mary what her son's name is to be, and Zechariah is left unable to speak until he writes the name of his son on a writing tablet. Given all of this, it would seem that names are important things.

So, why all of this focus on names, in particular the naming of Jesus? Well, I think it is appropriate that this is the appointed Gospel lesson for New Year's Day. Because there is a lot to the name of our Lord. The name Jesus means, literally, "He saves" indicating that this child, born in this most miraculous way, was something special. In this child, the Son of God Himself, we witness the salvific promise of God, now born in human likeness, being fulfilled. This is an important name, because it shows us just how God accomplishes His plan of salvation. For no one else could do what even the name of our Lord implies. No other human could save themselves from their sin, let alone the entire human race. But Jesus does, and in doing so He accomplishes all that we never could.

It is also fitting that this lesson is appointed for the beginning of a new year. While we typically use this time to start working on new habits and making resolutions, this Gospel lesson serves as a reminder for us that there is one thing that will never

change. No matter how tumultuous the past year has been, and no matter what the new year may hold for any one of us, Luke's Gospel reminds us that it is God who is the one who controls all things. He is the One whose plan is perfect, who fulfills His promises, and who guards and protects us from all harm and danger. This God, who took on human flesh, came to save His creation. More than that, He came to save you from your sin and the death that comes from it! This is the reason that Paul makes the incredible and beautiful proclamation that "at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord."

No matter what 2021 has in store for us; virus, pandemic, illness, or disease, never forget that the One who guards and protects you is Him who saves you from your sins in His death and resurrection. Your Lord, Jesus Himself, came once to save you from your sins, and now makes Himself known to you in His word and sacraments. So, if you are one of the many Americans who makes New Year's resolutions, I pray that you would resolve this year to spend more time with the Lord's Word, more time in the Lord's house, and more time receiving the myriad blessings that your Lord comes to give you every day. For no matter what the devil, the world, or the sinful flesh may throw at you, your Lord will always be the Jesus who saves you from sin and death and gives you new life in and through His blood. May this promise of your God uplift you, comfort you, and sustain you as you begin a blessed New Year in His everlasting love and with His eternal blessings!

I pray that each of you had a blessed celebration ringing in the new year, and that you will continue to receive the abundance of your Savior's blessings each and every day. If you've not been able to make it to church these past few months, I look forward to being able to see you again and spend Sundays with you soon. If you have been able to make it, I look forward to spending this new year with each and every one of you as we continue to receive our Lord and Savior in our ears and on our lips. Lord's blessings on your 2021!

Soli Deo Gloria,

Pastor Callahan

SPECIAL DATES IN JANUARY:

- New Year's Day, **Jan. 1**
- LWML Mite Collection Sunday, **Jan. 3**
- The Epiphany of our Lord, **Jan. 6**
- The Baptism of our Lord, **Jan. 10**
- Pulled Pork Lunch to Go, **Jan. 10**
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, **Jan. 18**
- Lutheran School's Week, **Jan. 24 – 30**
- ILS Sunday, **Jan. 31**



HELP US CARE FOR YOU: *Your well-being is important to us and we want to pray for you!* When you or a family member is hospitalized, we want to serve you with prayers and visits. Unfortunately, we are no longer notified by the hospital; please call the church office when you have any medical/surgical procedure or in any time of spiritual need at **217-442-5675**.



Prayer requests: we are certainly pleased to pray for your (non-member) family and friends alongside our Immanuel members. Please keep us informed of their needs.

LUTHERAN LEGACY: The church has two endowment funds (one for the general fund and one for building and grounds). To donate directly to Lutheran Legacy, go online to lutheranlegacyfoundation.org and click on the "funds" link on the top of the page, then on "churches" for Immanuel or "parochial schools" for ILS. The funds are listed in alphabetical order, scroll down until you find Immanuel in Danville and click on the "donate" button to the right. You can choose to donate by credit card or check. If you do not have a computer, simply pick up a donation form from information table in the hall and mail a check.

FROM THE CORRECT PERSPECTIVE: A child sat at his grandmother's feet as she embroidered. Looking up, he saw a mishmash of threads and ugly knots but no discernible picture or words. "Nana," he said with concern, "that's not very pretty." "Come up here," Grandma invited, "and look at it from this side. You have to see it from my perspective." "Oh!" the boy exclaimed then. "It's beautiful!" Seeing the world from our human, earthly viewpoint, we can't grasp the masterpiece that God is completing. But when we finally see it from his perspective, we'll discover that the threads and knots all contribute to a beautiful work of art. That work won't be finished until Jesus returns, but in the meantime, may God grant us an occasional glimpse of the work in progress — from God's side!

2021 ENVELOPES: *Please use your new offering envelopes now*, as your envelope number may have changed. This will help us accurately acknowledge your contributions. If you did not receive giving envelopes, but would like to begin using them, just let us know in the church office; we have a box of envelopes for you!

WORSHIP: I like Christmas, always have. (Maybe some of that is because my birthday is Christmas Eve.) To me one of the saddest times is when we take down all the Christmas decorations in the sanctuary — everything seems so bare. But if we think back on the joy we felt during our Christmas celebrations, we keep the love of Christ in our hearts, and that gives us the strength to continue in our daily lives.

To everyone that helped make our Christmas celebrations special — Pastor Callahan, soloists, altar guild members, those who donated poinsettias, Sunday School teachers and children, those that helped put up and take down our decorations, readers, ushers, acolytes, communion assistants and everyone that attended and sang "glory to God in the highest" — we say a big Thank You!

On another note, we continue to stream our Sunday morning worship services on YouTube — thanks to Dwain Dixon and the tech crew for this commitment to our members. If you are unable to access the Internet and would like to receive a DVD of our services, please contact Kim in the church office and we'll make arrangements to get them to you.

Tom Fricke, Worship Chairman

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS for your 2020 offerings will be distributed in your church mailbox by the end of January. If you do not have a mailbox, we will mail your statements to you. Contact Kim in the church office if you have any questions regarding your statement. *Thank you for your generosity!!*

STAY CONNECTED with the Central Illinois District: CID's website: <http://www.cidlcms.org/>
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Kindness is like snow. It beautifies everything it covers.

WOMEN'S GUILD: The January meeting of the Women's Guild is a day time meeting at 1 pm on Tuesday, **Jan. 12**. Since a carry in luncheon is not allowed at this time, we will just have our regular dessert time after the meeting. At the meeting, we will discuss bazaar surveys and results. Thank you to everyone who brought cookies for the homebound in December. The cookie bags were greatly appreciated. Thank you to those who brought shoes or money for our VA ingathering. At this time, we have 15 pair of men's shoes, and a Thrivent action team to purchase more. Women's Guild will not have ingatherings in 2021, but rather support the ingatherings for our church anniversary.

CAPITAL FUND DRIVE: Our current bank balance is \$11,477 which includes the Honey Sunday and Chili-to-go fundraisers (\$307.50) and the Christmas tree gifts. Our current projects are school guttering and completely redoing the north portion of the parking lot. The school guttering appears to be the original guttering when the school was built in the early 1950's and is leaking very badly. This is special 8" guttering which we will replace with 8" seamless gutters. The north portion of the parking lot has deteriorated to the point that it cannot be repaired and must be milled up and replaced from the base up. There is a Capital Fund Drive bulletin board in the hallway between the coat room and the parish mailboxes. Prior generations worked and sacrificed to build the school/church building, and it is up to us to preserve and improve our church home just as we would our own household's. All donations from large to small are equally appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Van Hoveln or any of the committee members.

CAPITAL FUND DRIVE FUTURE EVENT: We are planning to have another carryout meal in late April. The planning for this fundraiser will begin in late January. We will decide what type of meal etc. then.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: After studying the Epiphany story, students in Sunday school will be learning how God answered Gideon's prayer with dew from Judges 6:36-40. Like Gideon, we have doubts and fears and sinfully demand signs from God. God, in his love, knows our weaknesses and gives us his Word and Sacraments, which assure us that Jesus has saved us from our enemies: sin, death, and the devil.



GIFT (SCRIP) CARDS: The next Scrip order is due to the church office by 9:00 am on **Jan. 11**. Scrip cards are *good anywhere in the USA*. Order blanks are on the table in the chapel hallway. Orders are not limited to the vendors listed on the order blank. There is also a vendor list on the bulletin board or at www.shopwithscrip.com. If your vendor is available write the name, denomination of the gift card, number of cards wanted, and total amount on a blank line of the order form. This order will be available for pickup on **Jan. 17** or in the church office after that.

PULLED PORK LUNCH TO GO: ILS will once again host a pulled pork Lunch to Go on **Jan. 10**. For just \$5.00, grab a sack lunch that includes a sandwich, sides, and dessert!

SUPERBOWL SUBS are on sale now! For just \$6.00, pick up a delicious sandwich to enjoy while you watch the big game. You'll have your choice of a variety of meats and cheeses. There is a table in the hall where you can pick up order forms and a basket to place your orders along with the payment. Sandwiches are available for pick-up after the Service on **Feb. 7** – *Superbowl Sunday*!



Super Bowl Sub Sale

Cost: \$6.00

Name: _____

Please circle which items you would like on your sub.
Subs can be picked up after church on **Feb. 7**. If this time does not work for you, please speak with Sue Heidle for a different pick up time.

BREAD: WHITE WHEAT

MEAT: HAM TURKEY

CHEESE: WHITE YELLOW

TOPPINGS: LETTUCE ONION PICKLES

MUSTARD MAYO

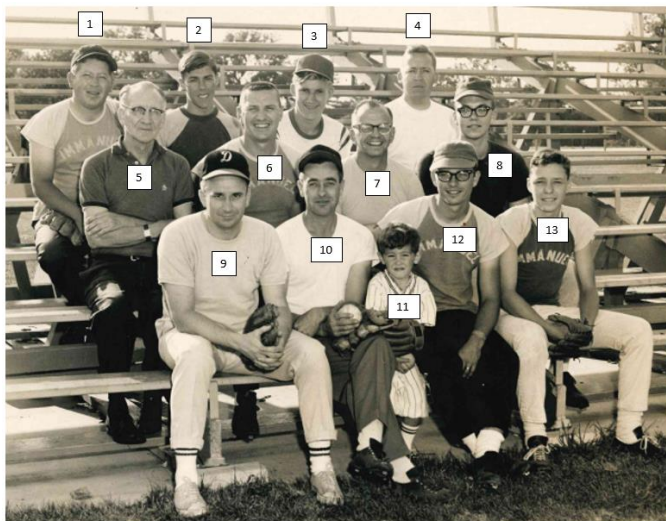
Thank you for your order!

DONATIONS NEEDED: The food pantry could use a little help stocking their shelves. They are currently low on canned fruit, jelly, spaghetti noodles and sauce, and cereal. Donations can be placed on the cart in the coat room. *Thanks for your help!*

DIRECTORY UPDATES: Please note the following changes in your copy of the church phone directory: **Mike & Sue Heidle** have moved to 103 W. Raymond in Danville; **Janice Mann's** new address is 6612 E. Lincoln Trail Road, Fithian, IL 61844; **Angie Lucas** has moved to 201 S. H Street, Tilton, IL 61833; and **Ashley Gondzur's** new address is 8 W. Conron, Danville. We will continue to update new or corrected contact information in the newsletter each month as it becomes available. Please contact Kim in the church office if your information changes or is listed incorrectly. *Thank you!*

MEMORIES: Thank you to all of you that have shared your memories with us! It has been fascinating to read through the things that stand out in your memory about Immanuel's past. Please keep sending in any memories you would like to share. Send us just one or as many as you would like! We would encourage the younger members to share your favorite memories, too!

Thanks for your help! Almost everyone in the picture published in the December newsletter has been identified.



1. Bill Schendel
2. Phil Johnson
3. Mike Borgwald
4. Rich Schendel
5. Boots Zepelin
6. Kermit Radloff
7. Pete Erickson
8. Terry Berthold (Pastor's grandson or great nephew)
9. Ron Leisch
10. (First name unknown) Gildersleeve
11. (Troy?) Paul Puckett's son
12. Paul Puckett (ILS Teacher)
13. Larry Courson

CONFIRMATION PICTURES: The Anniversary Committee continues to sort through the pictures, records, and other historical items of Immanuel. We are looking for Confirmation pictures from 1922, 1923, 1924, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1931, 1932, 1939-1944, 1947, 1949, 1953, 1956, 1962, 1965, 2002, 2005, and 2006. If you were a part of one of these classes, or happen to have a copy, would you be willing to share it with us? We can scan the picture for our records and return it to you. Thanks!!

ALTAR FLOWERS / BULLETIN SPONSORS:

The new 2021 Altar Flowers signup poster and Bulletin Sponsor signup sheet is up! Both are great ways to celebrate special occasions and remember loved ones. The cost is just \$30.00 per Sunday. You can take the flowers home to enjoy following the service.



Do you know you can request certain flowers or colors? For example, request your wedding colors when you celebrate an anniversary to make them special to you on your special day! If you would like to make such a request, please contact Mary Powell by the Tuesday before to allow the florist time to prepare them for you. Checks should be made payable to the Women's Guild for flowers; envelopes for this purpose are available on the hall bulletin board next to the signup sheet. For bulletins, please make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church.

COVID: We are asking everyone to please wear a mask



while in the narthex and hallways. To help keep the heat inside, we will only use the narthex entrance and the canopy doors. Please continue to sign up for services either in the Narthex, using the online registration program, or for those without internet access, please call the church office. We kindly request that you inform the church office if you test positive for Covid and have recently attended church services. We are keeping attendance so we can inform any one at risk of exposure as they will need to monitor themselves for symptoms.

THRIVENT MEMBERS: Thrivent Action Teams make it easy to live generously. There are many events and activities right here in our church and school that could benefit from an Action Team. Thrivent will donate \$250 to jumpstart a fundraiser, service project, or event of your choice. You get two per year – don't let them go to waste! Talk to Sue Heidle or Dwain Dixson to learn more or for help starting an Action Team today!



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January 3 (Isaiah 60:1-6)

“Your Light Has Come!”

By Rev. William Mueller, Suburban Bethlehem Church~Fort Wayne, IN

Centuries before the magi brought gold, frankincense, and myrrh, the prophet Isaiah prophesied nations would come from afar to worship this Light. This Light – Jesus Christ – shines upon us as well. Royalty and peasants alike receive and rejoice in this Light!

January 10 (Mark 1:11)

Our Servant King”

By Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer, Holy Cross Lutheran Church~Fort Wayne, IN

Jesus Christ is both our Lord and our Savior. As *Our Servant King*, He reveals God as commanding enough to be our Sovereign while caring enough to be our Servant.

January 17 (John 1:51)

“Your Connection to Heaven”

By Rev. Dr. Walter A. Maier III, Concordia Theological Seminary~Fort Wayne, IN

We tend to think of heaven as far removed from this earth, as a place we will go to someday. Indeed, we are not yet in heaven, but we are right now joined to heaven. How is this so, and what does this mean for us here on earth?

January 24 (Jonah 3:10)

“God’s Call”

Rev. Thomas Eggold, Emmanuel Lutheran Church~Fort Wayne, IN

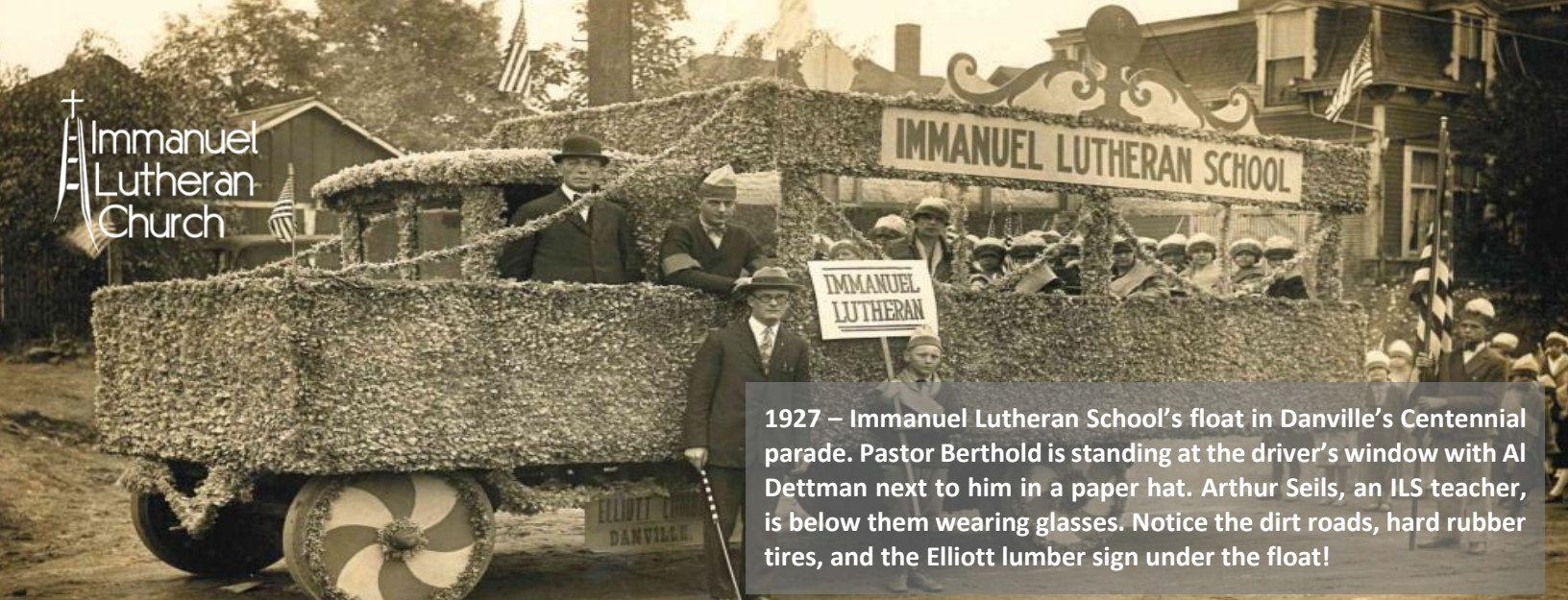
God’s call cannot be ignored. Through the call of His gracious Word, He puts our sinful nature to death, so that He can raise us to new life. And that is what the story of Jonah is all about.

January 31 (Deuteronomy 18:15)

“Authority of God”

Rev. Shayne Jonker, Faith Lutheran Church~Roanoke, IN

Jesus Christ is Lord, the Holy One of God, and He says you are forgiven and holy and justified. And that’s a Word you can count on. That’s a Word you can die with. That’s a Word with the authority of God.



1927 – Immanuel Lutheran School's float in Danville's Centennial parade. Pastor Berthold is standing at the driver's window with Al Dettman next to him in a paper hat. Arthur Seils, an ILS teacher, is below them wearing glasses. Notice the dirt roads, hard rubber tires, and the Elliott lumber sign under the float!

Celebrating 125 years

1896 - 2021

Happy Anniversary Immanuel! Our 125th celebration year is here! The Anniversary Committee has been hard at work planning memorable celebrations. This Anniversary page of our monthly newsletter will be included in *The Messenger* throughout the year. Each month, we will publish *Did You Know* facts, memories, and pictures from Immanuel's deep and interesting history. This month, coinciding with National Lutheran Schools Week, we are highlighting Immanuel Lutheran School. We look forward to a great year honoring our past 125 years and celebrating what is to come in the next 125 years.

TRIVIA QUESTION

How many former teachers from Immanuel Lutheran School are still members of Immanuel today?

Extra Credit: Can you name them?

Did You Know?

- In 1911, the cornerstone was laid and the school was dedicated on the corner of Griffin and Fairchild. Cost: \$12,938.00.
- In 1958, ground was broken for a new Education Center on North Bowman Avenue. At the time, it was about the only building in the area, besides farms.
- The same shovel was used in breaking ground for the Education Center and for the new church. It can be seen in the trophy case in the school lobby.
- The cost for the new school building was a little over \$400,000.00.
- The mortgage for the Education Center was burned in 1969.
- The butcher block table in our present school kitchen came from the old school on Fairchild.
- Our school gym is actually named Berthold Hall. Check out the plaque on the wall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 125th Anniversary Service, **March 7**
- Saints Service and Cemetery Walk, **May 30**
- Homecoming Service, **September 12**
- Cornerstone Service, **October 10**



THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US. AND WE ARE FILLED WITH JOY.

PSALM 126:3

MEMORIES...

In 1959, Kindergarten was optional and only half day. My parents were undecided as to whether I would go to Kindergarten until Pastor Bartz paid a personal visit to our home to say that I should attend at the new Educational Center on Bowman, and so it was! My Kindergarten class was taught by Zora Drews.

My first grade was taught by Ruth Ranzenberger. We learned Spanish, which I still remember today. Teaching second grade was Frances Drews and third grade was Ruth Wendling (Roderick), who was also our cheerleading coach. Fourth grade was taught by Paul Puckett and 5th and 6th grade by Ted Meyer. He was the model to me in becoming a teacher.

Clarence Goldenstern was my 7th and 8th grade teacher. He was also the principal, so we were sometimes left alone while he did principal duties. His office was attached to the classroom, so he could watch us through the window. There were 36 students in that classroom, in tank top desks. Mr. Goldenstern has a pretty good aim, so if you had the desk top up, talking behind it, a chalkboard eraser just might hit it.

Our 8th grade examination and Confirmation took place on the stage in the gym before the new church was built.

Diana Pratt



The class of 1951 (5 girls, 4 boys) of Immanuel Lutheran School met in a basement room of the school in the morning for Confirmation instruction. Most classes were taught by Pastor Theodore Krause, assistant pastor to Pastor Berthold who would sometimes teach class. Before our Confirmation on March 18, 1951, we were given an oral examination before the congregation on Luther's Small Catechism. We had to be able to recite the Ten Commandments, the three articles of the Apostle's Creed, the Lord's Prayer with the petitions, and Bible passages to support the questions we were asked. I slept with my Catechism under my pillow the night before hoping my brain would absorb the material while I was sleeping.

Carol Johnston



ZORA DREWS began working with preschool aged children in 1945 when she worked at a playschool at Garfield Park. In 1947, the playschool was turned into a kindergarten. In 1951, she started a private kindergarten in the basement of her home. Three years later, 'ABC Kindergarten' closed its doors and Mrs.

Drews went to start a kindergarten here at Immanuel Lutheran School. In an article written by the Commercial News about her retirement in 1972, Zora recalled that as a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, she went to the leadership of Immanuel about the church's need for a kindergarten – *"and I ended up over there, teaching it myself."* She taught approximately 1,060 children in her career. In that same article she is quoted saying:

"I think I've collected love from every one of them. I like teaching children that age, because it's a loving age. I've received gifts of every kind, from expensive presents to an apple with a bite out of it. But mostly, I received the love of those children."

There have been many changes over the years, but some things have remained the same. Immanuel Lutheran Church and School remains committed to providing a Christ-centered learning environment where children are valued, receive a quality early childhood academics, and development that will prepare them for a lifelong commitment to God and family. Many years ago, a scholarship was started in Zora Drews' name in honor of her love and commitment for the children in our community. Funds go directly towards the tuition of families struggling financially, and keeps them in our school where we share the Good News every day.

ANNIVERSARY OUTREACH: As part of our Anniversary Celebration, we are reaching out to the community with quarterly gatherings for not-for-profit help organizations in the area with a goal of 125 items each quarter. There is an orange box in the chapel hallway designated for these donations. For the first quarter (January through March) we are supporting the Feed the Children Backpack Program directed by Rose Gates of Trinity Lutheran. The items they are requesting are 4 packs of individual fruit cups (any kind of fruit), 4 packs of individual pudding cups (all flavors), cans of soup (10.5 oz.) in tomato or chicken noodle, beef ravioli (standard size can), and macaroni and cheese in cups—no box mixes. They feed about 400 children a week, so the need is great. She requested that the donations be restricted to the above items since they can get other food items much cheaper than individuals can.



ILS Connections

A monthly Newsletter Connecting
our school families, teaching staff, school leaders,
congregation, and community!

Sent to Serve! January 2021



From our School Director:

Happy New Year! Happy New School! We did it!! It has been a long task to get our permit under DCFS, with changes in our facility, and lots of work for our staff; but we now have our permit issued by DCFS to open our Two's class! YAY! We also received word that DCFS is expanding classroom numbers that had been reduced under covid-19 restrictions, so if you know someone who is looking for preschool we do have a few openings now!

I know as you look at our school you may not be able to sense how new it seems to us in the new year (and unfortunately we still cannot allow visitors/guests in our school to see the neat changes; but we'll try to post things on our facebook page); but the newness is there! Kind of similar to the newness of being in Christ. When we're baptized or even living our Christian faith for decades, others may not see the "new creation" we are; but *"if anyone is in Christ he is a new creation"* (2 Cor. 5:17)! We are new *in Christ*! And even on our darkest days we have a hope and joy that cannot be diminished! As the newfallen snow gives a pure covering, so are we *in Christ*, and so is our school in His grace! Sent to Serve!

If you have questions or suggestions about our school please contact me in the school office: 217-442-5036; or: ILS.MichaelHeidle.Director@gmail.com

My NEW Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday, 8 am to 5 pm

Miss Kirsten's Class

Hello everyone! My name is Kirsten Hammer and I am the new Two's teacher. I am so excited for this new journey here at Immanuel Lutheran. Many of you know my mom Tabby Hammer as she has taught here for many years and I used to also go to school here! My goals for the month of January are to get the children used to the daily routine in the classroom and to familiarize them with their classmates. I also plan on starting a winter theme in January and work on lots of art that consist of snowmen, penguins and snowflakes! I can't wait to see what this month brings us!

Mrs. Hammer's Class

Happy New Year! The class is getting back into the routine. In the month of January, we will be learning the letters L, M and N, the color blue, #5 and the oval shape. The themes we will be the winter season and winter animals. In Jesus time, we will learn about the flight to Egypt, Jesus in the temple and Jesus' baptism. The class wishes everyone a Happy 2021!

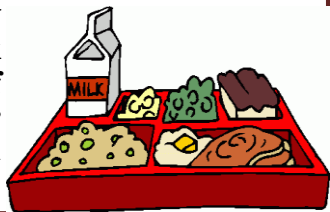
Mrs. Heidle's Class

Happy New Year! We are excited to be back to school after our Christmas break! January will bring a snow/winter unit. We will talk about penguins, polar bears and all things snow! We will also be talking about the visit of the Magi and the early life of Jesus. We pray 2021 is a great year for everyone!



HOT LUNCH

What's that yummy smell from the cafeteria? ...our Hot Lunch program returns! That's right, students can get hot lunch for just \$3/day. We can add the cost of lunches your child eats this month to next month's billing for your convenience; rather than you sending in lunch money day by day or week by week (which you can do if you prefer). Look for our January menu in your child's book bag!



BoxTops

We still collect BoxTops for education; rather than cutting the BoxTop coupon from food packaging, get the BoxTop app and scan each receipt to automatically earn BoxTop points (\$\$) for ILS!

NLSW

National Lutheran Schools Week

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod has more than 1,100 early childhood centers / preschools and 750 elementary schools! This month we join in celebrating Nation Lutheran Schools Week January 24 – 30! We will promote our school in our community and celebrate in school with special activities. Dress up days include:

- Monday (1/25): Movie Character Day
- Tuesday (1/26): Pajamas Day
- Wednesday (1/27): Crazy hat/sock Day
- Thursday (1/28): Mismatch Day
- Friday (1/29): Nerd Day

Get ready for the FUN of NLSW!!

School Mission

October to December brought in \$246 for the Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch, a ministry that helps troubled teens learn to make better life decisions.

Our new School Mission will be to support the local Hope Center as they care for children of Fair Oaks as we bring in healthy snacks for them week by week, January through March!

Tuition Payments!

Tuition billing statements went home with your child Jan. 4; so for this month tuition payments are due Friday (1/8) to avoid late fee. Thank you to all our families for staying current on tuition! Thanks for supporting our ILS!!

"Sent to Serve"

Prepare for the **2021 NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK**
JAN. 24-30 **2021**
Immanuel Lutheran School, Danville, IL



Emergency Closings!

Since we do not rely on busing, we do not follow the closings of public schools. Listen for "Immanuel Lutheran School, Danville" (note: not Immanuel Lutheran Preschool – there is another in our region) on WCIA, D102, KRock, WDAN, WITY, KISS, KOOL for closing information in case of severe weather.



A COLORFUL body

Melt crayons to show how the body of Christ works together.



What you need:

- Crayons
- Metal baking sheet
- Adult help
- Metal gingerbread man cookie cutter

What you do:

1. Remove labels and break crayons into 1-inch pieces.
2. Scatter pieces on the baking sheet, about two layers thick.
3. Bake for 10 minutes at 350 degrees until melted. Allow to cool 15 minutes.
4. When melted crayons are the consistency of playdough, press the cookie cutter through them (while still on pan).
5. Cool the pan in freezer for 15 minutes until crayons are hardened.
6. Remove from pan and break apart the shapes.



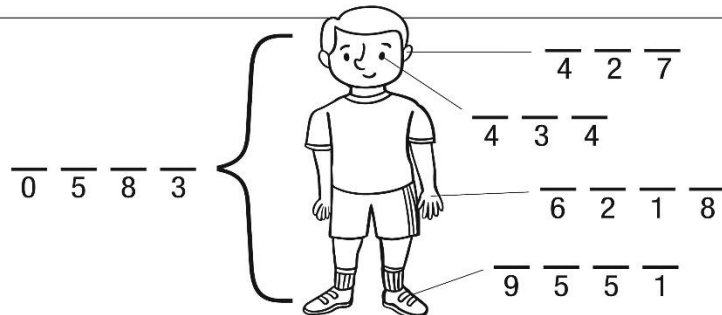
PUZZLE



WORKING IN UNISON

Just as body parts work in unison, the church — the body of Christ — is to work together for God's purposes.

Directions: Fill in the letters for each body part. Add up each part's number total, and use those totals to complete the Bible passage.



Now if the ²⁰_____ should say, "Because I am not a ¹⁷_____, I do not belong to the ¹⁶_____, " ... And if the ¹³_____ should say, "Because I am not an ¹¹_____, I do not belong to the ¹⁶_____, " it would not for that reason stop being part of the ¹⁶_____. If the whole ¹⁶_____ were an ¹¹_____, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole ¹⁶_____ were an ¹³_____, where would the sense of smell be? ... As it is, there are many parts, but one ¹⁶_____.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:15-17, 20, NIV



Elders

Jan. Don DeMoss, Ken Kuhn, Kurt Thornsborough

Communion Assistants

Jan.	8:30 am	3	Josh Christensen
	5:00 pm	3	<i>Volunteer needed!</i>
	8:30 am	17	Al Julian
	5:00 pm	17	Kurt Thornsborough
	8:30 am	31	Wayne Mann
	5:00 pm	31	Dwain Dixon

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 Capt. Don DeMoss, Pete Rudolph, Randy Wilkinson,
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3	Nancy Purviance	Marah Showers
10	Janet Terry	Kurt & Debbie Thornsborough
17	Bob & Kathy Wakeley	David & Tina Ammermann
24	Carrie Farrell	Al Julian
31	Carol Johnston	Gail & Barb Garner

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Jan.	3	Narthex	John & Marcy Heeren
		Chapel	Kitty Lee
	10	Narthex	Charles Vollmer family
		Chapel	Charlotte Schendel
	17	Narthex	Bill & Joyce Martin
		Chapel	Walter Harbison
	24	Narthex	Gary & Sarah Stuhr
		Chapel	Carol Johnston
	31	Narthex	Dianne Seibert
		Chapel	Roger Seibert

Acolytes

Jan.	8:30 am	5:00 pm
3	Josey Clem	<i>Volunteer needed!</i>
10	Rhylie Beauvois	Deegan Culotti
17	Noah Christensen	Tiffany Walters
24	Zachary Davis	<i>Volunteer needed!</i>
31	Hannah Christensen	<i>Volunteer needed!</i>

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Bible Quiz

In the story of the Magi, what word is used to give a sense of Jesus' age when the wise men visited? What does it tell us?

- A. "baby"; Jesus was still a newborn in a manger
- B. "child"; when the wise men visited, Jesus had grown past infancy
- C. "youth"; Jesus was probably between 10 and 14
- D. No word is used to suggest Jesus' age at the time of the wise men's visit.



Answer: B (See Matthew 2:1-12.)



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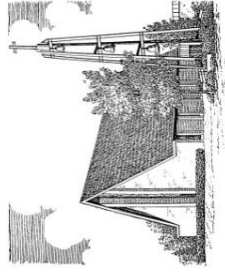
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