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SERVING TODAY: Organist/Bell Choir Director: Tom Fricke; Pianist: Darlene Collins; Choir Director: Lisa Burgess; Elder: Ken Kuhn; Communion Assistants: Kurt Thornsborough, David Ammermann; Ushers: Team F: Cpt. Bruce Huff; Altar Guild: Terri Albers, Carrie Farrell, Mary Powell; Lector: Al Julian; Greeters: Narthex: John & Marcy Heeren, Hall: Kitty Lee; Acolyte: Shamiah Cope; Counters: Team C: Dianne Seibert, Mary Powell.

SPIRITUAL CARE: If someone in your family needs spiritual care (e.g. if you enter the hospital, are facing surgery, or wish to discuss a spiritual problem), please call our Church Office (442-5675); Pastor Heidle (Office: 442-5675; cell: 516-0085); or contact an elder. **We no longer receive phone calls from the hospital to inform us when a member is admitted - please call us when you or a loved one is hospitalized or having a procedure so we can pray or visit with you!**

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Janet Terry in loving memory of her sister, Norma Fehr.

PRAYER WARRIORS: We pray: *O Lord, how shall I meet You, How welcome You aright? Your people long to greet You, My hope, my heart's delight!*

HOSPITALIZED: We pray for those hospitalized this week: **Howard Ohl, Connie Damery.**

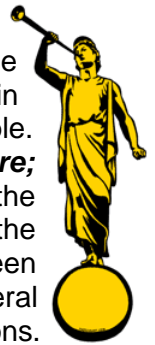
HOMEBOUND/HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Mike Borgwald, Ruth Buress, Sandra Courson, Barb Dawless, Marsha Malivuk, Clarice Wahlfeldt, and Erna Vanderploeg.**

TUNE IN THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (12/9) "**Redeemer with a Capital R**" by Rev. Michael Zeigler. When people use the word "*redeem*" outside of religious context, they tend to use it commercially - redeeming points from purchases or casino tokens for cash. In the Bible, the word "*redeem*" is used in a family setting. In the story of Ruth, Boaz is a "kinsman redeemer," who points to Jesus, our capital R Redeemer. Jesus has done more than pay our points. He redeems by bringing us into his clan, his people, his household, that we might be with him forever. (Ruth 3-4) Tune in any time: www.lutheranhour.org

THRIVENT MEMBERS: Do you have a Thrivent Action Team or two left for this year? Consider applying for one to give a year end gift to any of our programs, such as the food pantry. You don't want to lose them - they expire at the end of the year! Talk to Sue Heidle with any questions. *Thanks!*

SUNDAY SCHOOL: *Sound the bells! The Savior's born!* The Sunday School children are busy preparing for their Christmas service coming up on **Dec. 23**. This worship service will feature the sounds of various bells to retell the Christmas story. It is not too late for children to be a part of this service. We practice each Sunday at 8:30 am in Sunday School and will have a special practice on **Dec. 21**. *There is no Sunday School on Dec. 30.*

ADULT BIBLE CLASS: Join us on Sundays at 8:30 am in our Multipurpose Room for our Adult Bible Class as we grow in our understanding of God, faith, and the Bible. Our current topic: "**Mormons: Who They Are; What They Believe!**" Dr. Paul Maier leads the discussion by video to help us examine the group's origins and the discrepancy between Mormon beliefs and Christian teaching. Several ex-Mormons will testify in each of the sessions. **Come & Grow with us!**



ADVENT IS COMING! Today is the *First Sunday of Advent*. Midweek **Advent Services** are at 6:30 pm (*please note the time change!*) on the three Wednesdays in December before Christmas: **Dec. 5, 12, & 19**. Join us prior to Service at **5:00 pm** for an **Advent supper** - this week is sponsored by Parish Education, then come to worship our coming King to prepare for Christmas. Please join us as we prepare for the Advent - or *Coming* - of Christ! The Children's Christmas Program is Sunday, **Dec. 23** at 9:30 am. The Christmas Candlelight Worship with Communion is **Dec. 24** at 7 pm.

NIGHT OF LIGHTS PARADE: Join us this Friday, **Dec. 7** in Downtown Danville for the Night of Lights Parade! Immanuel has a float and we invite one and all to come and ride! The parade begins at 6:30 pm, so please meet with us by 6:15 pm - *dress warm!*

OPEN HOUSE: The Heidle family will again open the Parsonage for you to stop by **next Sunday** afternoon **Dec. 9** from 1 to 4 pm. There will be cookies, treats, snacks, and time to share some Christmas cheer with our Immanuel family!

SCRIP: December Scrip orders are due to the church office by 1:30 pm on **Dec. 10**. ***They make great Christmas gifts and stocking stuffers!***

THE MEN'S CLUB CRISTMAS POTLUCK is **Dec. 10** at 6 pm in the multipurpose room. The meat, drinks, and table service are provided; please bring a dish to share. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board on the hall. All members of Immanuel are welcome: men, women, couples, and singles. DLS children will sing carols – and we'll enjoy singing some too! Call Ken Kuhn at 446-8440 with questions.

WEIHNACHTSGOTTESDIENST: Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, 645 Poplar Street, Terre Haute, IN invites you to their annual **German Christmas Service** on **Dec. 16** at 4:00 pm. There will be German hymns and carols, hearing the Gospel and sermon in German, and afterwards, enjoying some *Gemutlichkeit*. They are having pastries, cookies, German Kaffe. An English translation of the liturgy will be provided as well as a sermon synopsis. One need not know German to enjoy this Service! Call 812-232-4972 for more info.

LET'S GO CAROLING the afternoon of **Dec. 16** to some of our shut-ins! We'll meet and leave from the church at 3 pm, then head out to sing for a couple of hours. We'll return for a soup supper. *Please join us!*

CHRISTMAS COOKIES: Remember Immanuel home bound members & friends with Christmas cookies. Please consider helping by baking cookies or helping with delivery. Cookies will be packed on Monday, **Dec. 17** and ready for delivery by noon. Please sign up on the bulletin board to help with this project and spread Christmas joy! *Thank you!*

DLS TSHIRTS: DLS Tshirts are available for purchase! These shirts would make great Christmas gifts for your children or grandchildren enrolled in DLS! Order one for you too – you can wear it to our many events, such as programs and athletic events, or wear it out and about any day to market and show your support for Danville Lutheran! You can place your order through the church office. Call us and let us know what design and size (youth medium – adult 5XL) you need and you can make a check payable to Danville Lutheran School. *Place your order by this Tuesday, Dec. 4! Thanks!!*



2019 ENVELOPES are coming soon! Please do not use your new envelopes until 2019 as your envelope number may have changed; likewise, do not use leftover 2018 envelopes after Jan. 1 (they can be dropped off for school chapel use). This will help us accurately acknowledge your contributions. If you do not currently have envelopes, but would like some, please call Kim in the church office. Thanks!

A MESSAGE FROM TJ MANN: *“Thank you all who donated to Wreaths Across America. On behalf of our veterans and myself, I appreciate it. The cemetery looked so nice last year after we placed the wreaths on the graves. Drive by it later in December, it is a beautiful sight!”*

CAN YOU HELP? Our Immanuel Twos room is in need of some art supplies! Any craft supplies would be helpful, especially construction paper, crayons, markers, and children's paintbrushes. *Thanks!*



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Attendance Sunday (11/25)	111
Sunday School/Bible Class	26
Attendace Wednesday (11/28)	11
Communed Wednesday	11

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$6,244.⁰⁰
Needed Weekly	\$10,869.⁰⁰
Checking Account Balance	\$220.⁰⁰
Bills Due This Week	\$10,378.⁰⁰

BIRTHDAYS:

Dec. 5 Kimberly Davis 8 Diana Pratt

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (2)	8:00 am	Coffee Hour
	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
Monday (3)	6:00 pm	Elders Meeting
	Tuesday (4)	9:30 am
9:45 am		Manor Bible Study
5:30 pm		Adult Confirmation Class
Wednesday (5)		8:45 am
	9:30 am	Craft Group
	5:00 pm	Advent Supper
	5:45 pm	Choir
	6:30 pm	Advent Worship
	7:30 pm	Handbells
Thursday (6)	9:30 am	Men's Bible Study
	6:00 pm	DLS Basketball at Trinity
	6:00 pm	DLS School Board Meeting
Friday (7)	6:30 pm	Immanuel float in Danville's Night of Light's Parade
Next Sunday (9)	8:00 am	Coffee Hour
	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship
	11:00 am	Youth Confirmation Class
	1 – 4 pm	Parsonage Open House

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Dec. 5,12,19** Advent Midweek Services
- Dec. 23** Children's Christmas Program
- Dec. 24** 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship with Communion