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SERVING TODAY: Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Phillip Callahan; Organist: Tom Fricke; Pianist: Darlene Collins; Elders: Don DeMoss, Kurt Thornsborough, Ken Kuhn; Ushers: Team E: Cpt. Don DeMoss; Lay Readers: (8:30) Janet Terry, (5:00) Kurt & Debbie Thornsborough; Altar Guild: Sue DeMoss, Kim Davis; Greeters: Charles Vollmer Family, Charlotte Schendel; Acolyte: (8:30) Rhyllie Beauvois, (5:00) Deegan Culotti; Counters: Team A.

SPIRITUAL CARE: *Your well-being is important to us and we want to pray for you!* Please call us at 442-5675 when you or a loved one is hospitalized or having a procedure, or in any time of spiritual need, so we can pray or visit with you! We are pleased to pray for your (non-member) family and friends alongside Immanuel members. Please keep us informed of their needs.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE: The Old Testament reading is 1 Samuel 3:1-20 (The Lord calls Samuel.); The Epistle reading is from 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 ("You are not your own; you were bought with a price."); The Holy Gospel is John 1:43-51 (The calling of Philip and Nathanael).

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Larry Fredericks.

HOSPITALIZED: We pray for those hospitalized this week: none known.

WITH SYMPATHY we pray for the friends and family of Cheryl Bonebright; and for Mike Ferris and family at the death of his father. *May the good Lord comfort all who mourn with the hope of the resurrection of all who believe in Christ Jesus!*

HOMEBOUND/HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Mike Borgwald, Joanne Johnson, Bonnie Lazzell, Larry McCoy, Mickey Seidler, and Diana Stage.**

TUNE IN THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (1/17) "**Lost in Wonder, Love, and Praise!**" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. The word of Jesus turns us out from ourselves and our problems to the faith, hope, and love that He brings. (Mark 3) Tune in any time at: www.lutheranhour.org

8:30 AM SERVICE ONLY: Please note that there is only one service today at 8:30 am. There is no 5:00 pm service. Pastor Callahan is unable to be here, so Pastor Morrow has graciously come to fill in today.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS Please join us as we continue with the study of **Echo: Unbroken Truth. Worth Repeating. Again.** Christianity is not the ability to memorize or recite from books of Scripture or doctrine. It is not magic. It is not a social club, counseling group, or self-help support group. It does not promise that you will be healthy, wealthy, wise, or even happy. Christianity is a truth—a truth first heard at the beginning of time that has echoed to this present age. A truth so profound that no man can master it, yet even a child can learn it.

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.

2021 ENVELOPES are here – pick up your box from the table by the mailboxes! Please do not use your new envelopes until 2021 as your envelope number may have changed; likewise, do not use leftover 2020 envelopes after Jan. 1 (they can be dropped off for school chapel use). If you do not currently have envelopes, but would like some, please call Kim in the church office. *Thanks!*

PULLED PORK LUNCH TO GO TODAY! A pulled pork take home lunch with sides and dessert will be available for a donation. Proceeds will benefit the Women's Guild. YUM!



SCRIP CARDS: The next Scrip order is due by 9 am **tomorrow, Jan. 11.** Order blanks are on the table in the chapel hallway. **Please place them in Jo Van Hovel's mailbox.** These orders will be available for pickup on **Jan. 17** or in the church office after that.

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 each. You can take the flowers home to enjoy following the service. Please make checks for flowers out to the Women's Guild, and checks for bulletin sponsors payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church. *Thanks!*

125th Anniversary News

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IMMANUEL! Our 125th celebration year is here! This month, coinciding with National Lutheran Schools Week, we are highlighting Immanuel Lutheran School. Check out the Anniversary page of our January newsletter (they went out in the mail this past Thursday), and the historical display cabinet down the hall. There are some great pictures of the school – even a copy of the our current Educational Center's Dedication Service from August 30, 1959. We look forward to a great year honoring our past 125 years and celebrating what is to come in the next 125 years!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Each quarter of 2021, we will have an ingathering with a goal of 125 items to a help a local organization; for the first quarter (January through March) we are supporting the *Feed the Children Backpack Program* directed by Rose Gates of Trinity. The items requested are: 4 packs of fruit cups, 4 packs of individual pudding cups, cans of chicken noodle or tomato soup in the 10 oz. cans, beef ravioli cans, and macaroni and cheese in cups (no box mixes). Please place the items in an orange box in the chapel hallway designated for these donations.

ANNIVERSARY CALENDARS are here! There is a table in the hall before and after church where you can pay for and pick up your preordered calendars. The cost is \$25.00, please make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have a limited number of copies available if you did not preorder.

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!

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 will be available for pick-up after the Service on **Feb. 7 – Superbowl Sunday!**

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!*



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.



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Attendance Sunday (1/03)	80
Communion Attendance	76
Bible Class / Sunday School	13
Attendance Wednesday (1/6)	6

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$4,542.00
Needed Weekly	\$9,925.00
Checking Account Balance	\$42,634.00
Bills Due This Week	\$5,611.00

BIRTHDAYS:

Jan. 13	Blaine Burgess	14	Bonnie Walker
14	Sarah Stuhr	16	Douglas Seymour

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK...

Sunday (10)	8:30 am	Worship
	9:45 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
Tuesday (12)	1:00 pm	Women's Guild Meeting
Wednesday (13)	5:00 pm	Worship
	6:15 pm	Handbells
Thursday (14)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	9:30 am	Social Ministry Meeting
	6:00 pm	Christian Education Board Mtg
Next Sunday (17)	8:30 am	Worship with Communion
	9:45 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
	5:00 pm	Worship with Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- National Lutheran School's Week, Jan. 24-30
- ILS Sunday with Zora Drews Door Offering, Jan. 31
- Superbowl Sub Pickup
- Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17
- 125th Anniversary Service, Mar. 7
- Saints Service & Cemetery Walk, May 30
- Homecoming Service, Sept. 12
- Cornerstone Service, October 10.