

Celebrate!

Happy Birthday to...

31-Dec: Melissa Nolte, Mark Proctor, Patrick Stapleton
 1-Jan: Lauren Christl, David Gieseke, Robin Manarik, Tim Myjak, Ann Schultz, Addison Stollendorf, Cassandra Szot
 2-Jan: Toni Held, Carter Klisz, Aiden Lossman, Karl Schneider, Renate Wiltgen
 3-Jan: Jason Pratt, Josh Pratt, Leeann Slack, Sophie Webb, Connie Westphal
 4-Jan: Mandy Biggar, Raisa Pate, Cheney Wright
 5-Jan: Mike Boho, Stephanie Macro, Rita Parrish, Brent Riemer
 6-Jan: Anne Boho, Peg Hepperlen, Daniel Kerber, Philip Tieman, Alayna Trimmingham, Gloria Wine

Happy Anniversary to...

31-Dec: (18 yrs) Tony & Dayle Beyer
 (44 yrs) Shirley & Thomas Bianco
 (34 yrs) Michael & Susan Fessler
 1-Jan: (59 yrs) Bud & Sandra Bruce

In Our Prayers

Family & Friends

Bottcher, Sabrina	Pfeifer, Norma
Dorsett, Maida	Rasmussen, Blanche
Kahl, Bonnie	Schumacher, Jeri
Meier, Ed	Seegers, Lill
Nolte, Nova	Shipbaugh, Keith
Nerby, Ron	Williams, Roy

Military Personnel

Annand, Elizabeth	Lyster, Geoffrey
Bernero, Justin	McDonald, Matthew
Bickley, Chad	Neumeier, Eric
Blasy, Bryan	Page, Daniel
Blum, Todd	Picard, Michael
Chan, Mike	Reed, Bill
Connelly, Christopher	Rizzo, Robert
Erickson, Brandon	Shulfer, Erin
Fessler, Julia	Sylvester, Clayton
Hanson, Erik	Vargas III, Ramon
Helsom, Tyler	Wood, Jeremy
Katzenberger, KC	Wood, Nick
Kearley, Kevin	Yentsch, Alex
Lowe, Andrew	Yentsch, Randy

Connecting through Praise & Worship:

December 20 Advent 7 pm: 205
 Saturday 6 pm: 50 Sunday 9:30 am: 268
 Christmas Eve 3 pm: 367; 8 pm: 376; 10 pm: 184
 Christmas Morning 10 am: 69
 Total: 1,519

In Other Business

Contributions: (Dec 21 —27, 2017)

Contributions: \$36,501

Budgeted Contributions: \$22,704

Mission - Northern Illinois District: \$172

Capital Reserve: \$162

City on a Hill Giving Campaign: \$14,745

City on a Hill Giving Campaign (12/27/17):

Participating Families: 217

Total Pledged: \$3,317,992

Total Received: \$1,995,595

Contribution Summary: Jan-November 2017

Actual: \$835,689

Budget: \$838,455

Thrivent Choice Dollars (November 2017):

Immanuel Lutheran Church: \$406

Immanuel Lutheran School: \$731

Share the News!

We look forward to hearing what's happening here at Immanuel

- Deadline:** Wednesday noon
- Size of Announcement:** 50 words or less
- Must Include:** Contact Name, Phone & eMail Address

E-mail submissions to:

announcements@immanuelcl.org

Announcements are subject to approval, may be edited, and must be Immanuel related, reflecting the mission of the church and school. Announcements may run up to two weeks prior to an event, depending on space, calendar and timing.



"Touching Hearts and Transforming Lives with the Light of Jesus Christ"

Dec 31, 2017 — Jan 6, 2018

Today . . .

"When The Fullness of Time Came"

Rev. Stewart Schulz, Guest Pastor

Happy New Year!!

From the Staff of Immanuel Lutheran Church & School

January 7—February 4, 2018

Sunday at 9:30 am

Tot Time (1 & 2 Year Olds w/Parents)	Gym
Sunday School (Age 3—5th Grade)	Classrooms (Sign in by computer Lab)
Verge (6th Grade)	Room 203
Confirmation (7th - 9th Grades)	Multi-Purpose Room
High School (10-12 Grades)	Youth Room
Adult Opportunities:	
God Connects	Art Room
Parenting: The Early Years (Carole Fiesman & Kelly Nanos)	Room 201
Leading Generously (Chris & Amy Morgan)	Music Room
Prodigal God (Pastor Bob)	Library
Nursery is available	

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6 pm Sat. Evening Traditional Service
Historic Church

8 am Sun. Traditional Service
Commons

9:30 & 11 am Sun. Contemporary Service
Commons

9:30 am Sun Sunday School, Student Ministries
and Adult Bible Studies
Commons

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www.facebook.com/immanuellutherancl (Church)

Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran
Congregation, Inc.

This Week...

SUN Dec 31:
8, 9:30 & 11 am Worship
No Sunday School or Adult Education

MON Jan 1: No School
Offices Closed

TUES Jan 2: No School
Offices Closed

WED Jan 3: No School

THURS Jan 4: No School

FRI Jan 5: No School

SAT Jan 6:
6 pm Worship—Historic Church

SUN Jan 7:
8, 9:30 & 11 am Worship
9:30 am Sunday School & Education Hour
5—7 pm Jr. High Youth Group
7—9 pm Sr. High Youth Group

Plugging In

TIJUANA MISSION TRIP 2018 — Immanuel's annual mission trip to Tijuana will be June 8—14. Save the date! Please prayerfully consider joining Pastor Tieman on this life changing mission trip. The first informational/organizational meeting will be January 7 in the library after the 11 am service. Please contact Paul or Beth Schneider for more information. paul_beth_schneider@msn.com or 815-404-0263.

INTERESTED IN JOINING IMMANUEL? Learning more about Lutheran teachings? A new God Connects Class will be taught January 7—February 11. To register, contact Sharon Tieman at stieman@immanuelcl.org.

NEW YEAR....NEW STUDY! As the New Year rolls in and we get back into our routines, Immanuel will be doing a new Sermon Series and Small Group study. We are excited to return to and complete the final, third installment of the Living and Loving Generously series with a study called, Leading Generously. This 5 week series will run Jan. 7-Feb. 3 and will encourage all of us to lead by serving others through the power of generosity. Check out the bulletin boards at both the Commons and Historic Church for options for Small Groups or to add your group to the list. For more information, contact Laura Gilleland at lgilleland@immanuelcl.org.

CHOIR CANTATA HOAGIE SALE — During the month of January, the Chancel Choir will be taking orders for homemade Hoagie Subs. You can order your choir member made Hoagie Sub after our January church services. Hoagies are made for Super Bowl Sunday, February 4. Hoagie pick-up will be at the church on Saturday, February 3 from 10:00am-noon. Hoagies are \$7 each and will be delicious. Perfect for your Super Bowl parties! Proceeds will help fund next year's Cantata music and musicians. You can also donate hoagies to our area PADS organization.

POINSETTIAS — Thank you to the many generous individuals and families that donated poinsettias to decorate the Altar areas this Christmas season. Please take your flower(s) home after services this weekend. If you'd rather not keep it for yourself, consider giving it away to a friend, relative or neighbor!

LADIES, 'SAVE THE DATE'. Immanuel's next Women's Retreat will be on **MAY 11-12, 2018**. We will gather at The Geneva Bay Centre in Lake Geneva, WI.

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TRIVIA NIGHT will be February 16, [Mark Your Calendars Now!](#) Trivia Night proceeds go to the Tijuana Mission Trip and this year to the ILS 7th and 8th graders Washington trip! Watch for sign up tables in January between services. New this year, an option to order pizza and beverages for sale. Any questions, contact Amy Moeller amoellerc3f3@gmail.com or Lora Anderson ljanderson.5@comcast.net.

KIDS OF THE KINGDOM — We went on a field trip to Sunrise Assisted Living Facility. We sang carols and brought cards and gifts to the wonderful residents. Our Kids LOVE to share the GOOD NEWS and spread CHRISTMAS joy! AFTER ALL, IT'S STILL ALL ABOUT JESUS!!

BACKYARD BBQ — Save the Date for the ILS Spring Gala on **Friday, April 27th!** Join us for an evening of BBQ, beverages, and bidding. A live and silent auction will take place, and childcare will be provided. Interested in joining the fun of planning such a delightful event? Please contact Chris Becker at chrismbecker@att.net.

MISSING MEN'S TRENCH COAT — During one of the Cantata services on December 10 a men's trench coat was mistakenly taken while the other was left behind. Wraparound sunglasses were in one pocket and the coat was originally hung relatively close to the computer room, whereas the remaining coat was in the middle of the coat rack. Please contact Caryl Wenzel at 847-458-5767 if you are missing a gray trench coat with dark blue or black collar. The missing coat in question does not have a contrasting collar.

SHOE DRIVE — Immanuel is partnering with Hillside Running Club to sponsor a shoe drive. Bring your gently used shoes to ILS or the Historic Church January 7—14. Monies raised will be donated to the CL Food Pantry. For questions, please contact Anne Haseman at anne.haseman@gmail.com.

COOKIES! COOKIES! AND MORE COOKIES! The last day of school before Christmas break, the Immanuel students enjoyed a morning baking cookies for the prison ministry. The NJHS from Immanuel and two other area Lutheran schools have a goal of baking 1,000 dozen cookies for this cause. We are still approximately 100 dozen short. If you can help out with the baking of some cookies (specific recipe provided), please contact Amy Moeller at amoeller@immanuelcl.org.

Other News

PRAYER SHAWL group will resume meeting again after the holidays on January 8 at 9 am at The Pointe! Please join us!

THRIVENT CHOICE PROGRAM allows you to direct your "Choice Dollars" charitable funds to our congregation. Please consider choosing "Immanuel Lutheran" when selecting your recipient choice. March 31 is the last day to direct monies for the fiscal year. Immanuel has been blessed by this program. Go to www.thrivent.com, click on "Choice Dollars" or call 1-800-847-4836.

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES — Are now available for pick up in the back of the Commons worship area. Please refrain from using these 2018 envelopes until the new year begins. If you have any questions, please contact Lynette Mobley in the church office or at lmobley@immanuelcl.org.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS — The church and school offices will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, January 1 & 2 in celebration of the New Year!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW for our annual Voters' Meeting on Sunday, January 14, following the 11 am worship service.

How Can We Help?

Rev. Larry Tieman, Senior Pastor

Rev. Bob Pudell, Executive Pastor

Bob Dorn, Invite Leader

Sharon Tieman, Connect Leader

Edward Bower, School Principal

Lynette Mobley, Business Manager

Julie Kearley, Office Manager

Robert Blazek, Director of Music

Laura Gilleland, Dir. of Children & Family Ministries

Shelly Davidson, Director of Upward Sports

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