

## Celebrate!

### Happy Birthday to...

7-Jan: Brandon Flynn  
 8-Jan: Alan Feltes, Chloe Irwin, Shannon Jameson, Brad Kottke, Dave Otto, Madison Tousey, Scott Weichle  
 9-Jan: Nicole Dorko, Clayton Gieseke, Sue Koedoot, Fe' Lapp, Amber Maro, Jim Matthei, Faith Wheaton  
 10-Jan: Julie Frankel, Charles Orosz, Jacob Page  
 11-Jan: Ben Lawin, Jamie Petrakovitz, Lauren Sroka  
 12-Jan: Sandra Bruce, Rebecca Dennis, Missy Kapalin, Grace Morgan  
 13-Jan: Joey Coriaci

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### Happy Anniversary to...

None

### Connecting through Praise & Worship:

Saturday 6 pm: 58      Sunday 8 am: 93  
 Sunday 9:30 am: 163      Sunday 11 am: 102  
 Total: 416

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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## In Our Prayers

### Family & Friends

Bottcher, Sabrina	Pfeifer, Norma
Curtiss, Diane	Rasmussen, Blanche
Dorn, Jean	Ratcliff, Bob
Dorsett, Maida	Schneiderwind, Joy
Glasshagel, Steve	Schumacher, Jeri
Holsten, Annie	Seegers, Lill
Kahl, Bonnie	Shipbaugh, Keith
Meier, Ed	Stegeman, Eleanor
Nolte, Nova	Storz, Beverly
Nerby, Ron	Westphal, Robert

### 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
Lucich, Russell	

## In Other Business

### Contributions: (Dec 28, 2017—Jan 3, 2018)

Contributions: \$54,473

Budgeted Contributions: \$20,817

Mission - Northern Illinois District: \$445

Capital Reserve: \$204

City on a Hill Giving Campaign: \$110,701

### City on a Hill Giving Campaign (1/3/18):

Participating Families: 217

Total Pledged: \$3,317,992

Total Received: \$2,106,296

### Contribution Summary: Jan-December 2017

Actual: \$991,748

Budget: \$939,000

### 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](mailto: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"*

January 7—13, 2018

## Today . . .

### "God's Promises Are Secure"

Rev. Dr. Larry Tieman, Senior Pastor

### January 7—February 4, 2018

#### Sunday at 9:30 am

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

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## This Week...

### SUN Jan 7:

8, 9:30 & 11 am Worship  
9:30 am Sunday School & Education Hour  
12 noon Tijuana Mission Trip Meeting—Library  
5—7 pm Jr. High Youth Group  
7—9 pm Sr. High Youth Group

### MON Jan 8:

9—11 am Prayer Shawl—The Pointe  
2:30—4 pm Var Girls Basketball Practice  
5 pm JV Boys Basketball Game at Home  
6 pm Var Boys Basketball Game at Home  
7—8:30 pm JV Girls Basketball Practice @ Faith

### TUES Jan 9:

9—11 am MOPS  
2:30—3:30 pm Adult Bells—Music Room  
2:30—4 pm JV Boys Basketball Practice  
4:30 pm Var Girls Basketball Game at Home  
5:30 pm Var Boys Basketball Game at Home  
7—8:30 pm JV Girls Basketball Practice @ Faith  
7 pm Choir

### WED Jan 10:

8:30 am WePray—Conference Room  
12:45 pm Chapel  
2:15—3 pm Kids of the Kingdom  
2:30—4 pm JV Boys Basketball Practice  
4:30—8:30 pm Upward Practices

### THURS Jan 11:

9:30 am Bible Study at The Pointe  
2 pm Bible Study at The Pointe  
5 pm JV Girls Basketball Game at Home  
6 pm Var Girls Basketball Game at Home

### FRI Jan 12: No Bus Service K—5

Grades 6—8 Only—No School  
4:30—8:30 pm Upward Practices

### SAT Jan 13:

6 pm Worship—Historic Church

### SUN Jan 14:

8, 9:30 & 11 am Worship  
9:30 am Sunday School & Education Hour  
12 noon Voters' Meeting—Commons  
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](mailto:paul_beth_schneider@msn.com) or 815-404-0263.

**GOD CONNECTS** class starts today (Jan 7) 9:30 am in the Art Room. You are welcome to attend this class to learn more about Lutheran teachings. Missed class today, but would like to attend, contact [stieman@immanuelcl.org](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## Plugging In

Friday, January 12

**No School for Grades 6—8 Only due to a Middle School Teachers' In-service.**

**No bus service for Grades K—5**

Monday, January 15

**No School— Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

**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](mailto:amoellerc3f3@gmail.com) or Lora Anderson [ljanderson.5@comcast.net](mailto:ljanderson.5@comcast.net).

**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](mailto:chrismbecker@att.net).

**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 Haseaman at [anne.haseaman@gmail.com](mailto:anne.haseaman@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](mailto:amoeller@immanuelcl.org).

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL'S FACEBOOK** sites will be posting daily in 2018. Like us on Facebook for news, updates, and encouragement in 2018!

**SAVE THE DATE**—Ministry Fair February 11 9-11 AM

## Other News

**TO ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS** — Our Prayer Shawl Ministry starts in the New Year, **January 8 from 9—11 am at The Pointe**. All are welcome to relearn or continue on with shawls, baptism blankets, and lap robes. Come 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](http://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 discard any remaining 2017 envelopes and be sure to use from the newly assigned box. If you have any questions, please contact Lynette Mobley in the church office or at [lmobley@immanuelcl.org](mailto:lmobley@immanuelcl.org).

**ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING** — 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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