Celebrate!

Happy Birthday to...

25-Feb: Sandy Bennin, Lucas Fontana, Zachary Fontana, Madison Lynch, Sherry Staudt

26-Feb: Ava Kardaras, Mike Picard

27-Feb: Scott Duncan, Teresa Fugatt, Emma Grindstaff, Trina Helsom, Anne Larson, Nate Popp 28-Feb: Lindsey Hillers, Colin O'Connor, Nella Robinson, Abby Siefken, Linda Wallace

29-Feb: Sophie Robinson

1-Mar: Laura Gilleland, Kole Henke, Dawn Kiolbassa.

Nikki Shaffer

2-Mar: Scott Illich, Tim Mitsven, Rick Pennington 3-Mar: Sue Bower, Wesley Greenhill, Liam Marvel, Joe

Shulfer

Happy Anniversary to...

27-Feb: (64 yrs) Bob & Lillian Seegers 28-Feb: (31 yrs) Jeff & Laura Dykstra 1-Mar: (21 yrs) Michael & Kristin Siefken

Connecting through Praise & Worship:

Ash Wednesday (2/14): 156

Sunday 8 am: 119 Saturday 6 pm: 54 Sunday 9:30 am: 150 Sunday 11 am: 117

Total: 596

Education Hour: Adults: 182 Children & Youth: 142

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 Nerby, Ron Caruso, Carol Pfeifer, Norma Curtiss, Diane Rasmussen, Blanche Dorn, Jean Schneiderwind, Joy Dorsett, Maida Schumacher, Jeri Frett, Liam Seegers, Lill Glasshagel, Steve Shipbaugh, Keith Holsten, Annie Stegeman, Eleanor Kahl, Bonnie Storz, Beverly Meier, Ed Tuit, Jon Nelson, Bruce Westlund, Lucas Nolte, Nova 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

WE PRAY — This week we prayed over the prayer concerns on the Connection Cards. We prayed for the Upward Ministry. We prayed for our Pastoral staff. We lifted up Pastor Tieman and Sharon in prayer for safety as they head to Phoenix for a conference. We prayed for Parkland School in Florida. We prayed for each shooting victim and their families, by name, as well as continued healing for those victims hospitalized. We prayed for all high school students around the country. Prays for God's guidance for our government officials in moving forward. For all the families mourning, the community, staff, Pastoral staff and churches. We also prayed for the heroic efforts of Coach Aaron Feis, Chris Hixon and Scott Beigel who gave their lives to save their students.

In Other Business

Contributions: (Feb 15 −21, 2018)

Contributions: \$24,900

Budgeted Contributions: \$20,562

Mission - Northern Illinois District: \$745

Capital Reserve: \$292

City on a Hill Giving Campaign: \$7,890 City on a Hill Giving Campaign (2/21/18):

Participating Families: 221 Total Pledged: \$3,328,762 Total Received: \$2,140,819

Contribution Summary: January 2018

Actual: \$74,432 Budget: \$79,050

Thrivent Members — Choice Dollars can be directed to various charities each year including Immanuel Lutheran. The 2017 FREE money needs to be directed before March 31. Questions about this opportunity can be directed to our Thrivent Representatives Amy Green 847-204-7250 and Stan Kottke 847-903-4146. This is a great opportunity to bless our church and school with this benefit.

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"

February 25 — March 3, 2018

Today . . .

"Limitless: God's Love for Us"

Rev. Robert Pudell, Executive Pastor

February 18—March 25, 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)

Confirmation (7th - 9th Grades)

Multi-Purpose Room

High School (10-12 Grades) Youth Room Library

First Communion

(Marty & Norma Viets)

God Connects Intentional Parenting (Missy Berg)

Passover, the Lord's Supper & The

Jewish Seder

Music Room

Art Room

Room 201

(Dave Eskoff & Don Kearley)

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This Week...

SUN Feb 25:

8, 9:30 & 11 am Worship 9:30 am Sunday School & Education Hour 12:30—2 pm Family Service Day 6—8 pm Jr. and Sr. High Youth Group

MON Feb 26: Scholastic Book Fair Begins!

5 pm JV Boys Basketball Game at Elgin 5 pm JV Girls Basketball Game at Home 6 pm Var Girls Basketball Game at Home

TUES Feb 27:

2:30—4 pm Varsity Girls Basketball Practice 2:45—3:30 pm Adult Bells—Music Room 5—8 pm Dinner Night Out at Portillo's, Crystal Lake 7 pm Choir

WED Feb 28: Early Release—1 pm

8:30 am WePray—Conference Room 12:15 pm Chapel 2:30—4 pm Varsity Girls Basketball Practice 4:30—8:30 pm Upward Practices 5:30 pm Soup & Dessert—Commons 7 pm Lenten Worship—Commons

THURS Mar 1:

9:30 am Bible Study at The Pointe
2 pm Bible Study at The Pointe
6:30 pm Praise Team Practice—Commons

FRI Mar 2:

4:30—8:30 pm Upward Practices

SAT Mar 3:

6 pm Worship—Historic Church

SUN Mar 4:

8, 9:30 & 11 am Worship9:30 am Sunday School & Education Hour6—8 pm Jr. and Sr. High Youth Group

DINNER NIGHT OUT!! Mark your calendars for the February Dinner Night that will be held on Tuesday, Feb 27 from 5—8 pm at Portillo's in Crystal Lake. Fliers are needed to present at time of purchase and are available for pick up.

EASTER EGG HUNT — Mark your calendars....invite your family and friends.....grab your Easter baskets and join us for Immanuel's annual Easter Egg Hunt. Sunday, March 25th (Palm Sunday) from 12:30-2:00 pm Immanuel opens its doors for a free, open-house style event. We'll have crafts, filling snacks, pictures with the Bunny and most importantly, Bible story time to hear the great story of Easter. The hunt portion of the event will be outdoors so remember to dress appropriately. For more information, contact Laura Gilleland at lgilleland@immanuelcl.org

Plugging In

SINGING SAINTS IN CONCERT – Mark your calendar for **THURSDAY**, March 22 at 7 PM. This 50 person high school choir from Concordia, MO will lead our Lenten service (note day change that week). We will need 25 host families volunteers to house them. Contact stieman@immanuelcl.org if you can house students after the concert and serve them breakfast.

INTERESTED IN IMMANUEL MEMBERSHIP and learning more about the Lutheran teachings? You can still join the God Connects Class this week Sunday mornings in the Art Room 9:30—10:30 am. Contact Sharon Tieman at stieman@immanuelcl.org.

LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFAST — On March 3, Immanuel will cohost this event at Holy Cross in Cary. Help is needed to donate coffee cakes and in gathering of paper products. Contact Jan Smith at 815-455-2110 for more information.

ALTAR GUILD would like to invite you to sign up for Altar flowers. We all love to see a beautiful Altar adorned with flowers of the season. Sign your name and phone number on the chart in the foyer next to the date and you will be contacted for further details.

CHOIR CANTATA HOAGIE THANKS! Thank you to everyone that supported our First Annual Hoagie Sale. We made 550 sandwiches! 111 hoagies were donated to PADS, Turning Point, and CL Police and Firefighters. All of us in chancel choir appreciate your generous support for our Christmas Cantata. We look forward to singing many more future cantatas. Blessings! Robert Blazek

IMMANUEL EVENTS ON YOUTUBE! Did you know you can view many Immanuel events including worship services on YouTube? As the service or event is in progress, it can view it at http://live.immanuelcl.org. After the event, it can be found in the previously recorded events at http://videos.immanuelcl.org. Examples of events that can be found

are: Upward games, ILS Home Games, Chapel Services, Concerts, etc. Any questions? Contact John Gray at jgray@immanuelcl.org.

SOUP & DESSERT LENTEN MEAL Wednesday, Feb 28 — Sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran School. Don't miss the delicious soups and dessert before worship, 5:30—6:45 pm.

VBS 2018 – REGISTRATION OPEN: Come sail away with us this summer and learn about Jesus through a "Shipwrecked" theme. Vacation Bible School will be June 18 – 22, 2018 with a worship service and celebration on Sunday, June 24. For more information and to find the Registration and Volunteer Forms, go to Immanuel's website at www.immanueld.org/family/vacation-bible-school or contact Laura at lgilleland@immanueld.org for questions.

Plugging In

EARLY RELEASE—WEDNESDAY, FEB 28 1 PM — BUS AND EXT CARE AVAILABLE

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 at chrismbecker@att.net.

LIBRARY CORNER — I wonder if your student has mentioned that the Scholastic Book Fair will be in our school this coming week. We are excited to see the new books and supplies that are always available for purchase. My students love the new graphic novels and would like to see some new non-fiction books on our shelves. Please stop by and select one or two for your child, maybe one will fit in their Easter Basket. Mrs. Rutzen and Mrs. Gottschalk and their volunteers bless this school with their time and effort. Please stop in and help to make this effort another success! Thank you!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR — Volunteers are needed to help set up (Feb 25), help our little shoppers find the perfect book and cashier February 26—March 3 (M-F 9 am—3 pm). If you would like to help, contact Gina at schalk3@gmail.com or 847-373-1537.

KIDS OF THE KINGDOM — Our Kids are always in service mode! We have the LOVE of JESUS in our hearts after all! We are participating in the LWML breakfast in March by making table angels for the attendees. Thank you to Mrs. Jan Smith for giving us this opportunity.

DADDY-DAUGHTER DANCE is fast approaching on April 13, 2018. The dance will be held at The Pointe in the evening. Official invitations will be coming in the next month. If you would like to volunteer or make food, please call Janet Rudsinski at 847-366-8832 or e-mail at janetrudsinski@yahoo.com.

MOTHER/SON BUNCO NIGHT — Friday, March 23 6—7:30 pm at The Pointe. Come enjoy pizza and rolling the dice for a night of Bunco fun! \$10 per mom/son(s). If you would like to attend, please contact Shanna Laird at slaird1637@gmail.com.

MANY THANKS to everyone who attended the Annual Trivia Night! 8 rounds of trivia had 15 tables of people thinking and laughing as we delved into the mind-boggling topics of Hollywood Trivia, the A,B,C's of History, Acronyms, Architectural Structures/Buildings, Tribond, Olympics, Game Boards, and Chicago Facts. A great time was had by all and the monies raised will go to support the Tijuana Mission Trip and the 7th and 8th Grade Class Trip to Washington D.C. (\$1680 for each group). A special thanks goes to Georgio's Pizza, Marlene McGinnis from Mar's Homemade Popcorn, and Matt Moeller from Outback Steakhouse for making donations towards the evening, and an extra special thanks to Ron Burke for being our emcee for the evening!

Other News

SUMMER CAMPS AT IMMANUEL! Camp Brochures are now available. Grab yours today as registration will fill up fast and closes on May 15, 2018. We have some great new camps that we are offering, take a peek. Any questions, please contact Nikki Rutzen at nrutzen@immanuelcl.org.

INTRODUCING Give+ Mobile — You can now make a contribution to our church through a mobile app! To get started, download Give+ Mobile for free from the App Store or Google Play. Simply search for "Give+ Mobile" to quickly find and download the app today. Then, you can easily make donations directly from your smartphone using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account. You can also choose to donate as a guest or set up an account that allows you securely and conveniently scheduled recurring donations and manage and review your giving history. We hope you enjoy this new way to contribute to our ministry, and thank you for your support.

SAVE THE DATE—Family Fest—September 21—23, 2018! Carnival, bands, games and food!! To get involved, contact Sharon at stieman@immanuelcl.org.

COUNT UP TO EASTER - Check the *Immanuel Facebook* pages during Lent to COUNT UP TO EASTER!

FAITH LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL — Registration for the 2018-19 school year at FLHS is now open. Registration materials can be found on the website at www.faithlhs.org/forms, or through the school office.

How Can We Help?

Rev. Larry Tieman, Senior Pastor
Rev. Bob Pudell, Executive Pastor
Rev. Stewart Schulz, Discipleship Leader
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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