Celebrate!

Happy Birthday to...

4-Mar: Joshua Reese, Marcus Schumacher, Alex

5-Mar: Kara Brodzeller, Mylee Dotlich, Wendy

Hargraves, Ryan Marts, Fave Radeni

6-Mar: Skyler Cochran, Cory Eskoff, Jack Johnson,

Nova Nolte

7-Mar: Tommy Olson, Norma Schroeder 8-Mar: Fiona Fitzgerald, Asher Haupt, Mike Hepperlen, Janet Rudsinski, Evan Swift

9-Mar: Allison Hadad, Danielle Hadad, Lindsay Hadad, Andrew Hickey, Jannah Peterman, Gavin Sromek,

Michael Staudt

10-Mar: Cathy Flynn, Jay Klauser, Margaret Morgan, Brenna Szot, Kathryn Tegel, Julia Walter, Nola Wenzel

Happy Anniversary to...

4-Mar: (18 yrs) Brian & Laura Gilleland 6-Mar: (26 yrs) Jan & George Soderberg 7-Mar: (48 yrs) Tom & Ginger Karnatz

Connecting through Praise & Worship:

Wednesday (2/21): 198

Saturday 6 pm: 66 **Sunday 8 am: 136** Sunday 9:30 am: 196 Sunday 11 am: 199

Total: 795

Education Hour: Adults: 148 Children & Youth: 176

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

WE PRAY — This week we prayed over the prayer concerns on the Connection Cards. We prayed for Pastor Tieman, Pastor Bob and Pastor Schulz. We prayed for the Pastor Bob and family in the passing of his uncle. We prayed for safe travels for Jon Tieman. We prayed for the Slack family in the loss of Steve's mother. We prayed for the health concerns of Steve Glasshagel, Homer Verseman, Rich Ringel, Jean Dorn, Maida Dorsett, and Phil Bickel (Kelly Nano's Dad). We prayed for Sherri's friend, Bernie, who is having surgery and a prayer of thanksgiving for the birth of Inge's great-granddaughter, Ariel. We lifted up the family and students of Parkland, Florida as the students head back to school. We prayed for the LWML NID prayer breakfast. We prayed for Mrs. Lapp's and her class along with the 4th grade Sunday School class. We also prayed for the Robinson family.

Lucich, Russell

In Other Business

Contributions: (Feb 22-28, 2018)

Contributions: \$19,709

Budgeted Contributions: \$20,562

Mission - Northern Illinois District: \$258

Capital Reserve: \$143

City on a Hill Giving Campaign: \$3,385 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—February 2018

Actual: \$148,774 Budget: \$161,300

Thrivent Members — If you haven't directed your Thrivent Choice Dollars for 2017, please call 800-847-4836 and direct the FREE \$ to Immanuel! Deadline is March 31, 2018. THANKS!

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"

March 4 — 10, 2018

Today . . .

"Our Foolishness—God's Reality"

Rev. Stewart Schulz

February 18—March 25, 2018 Sunday at 9:30 am

Tot Time (1 & 2 Year Olds w/Parents) Sunday School (Age 3—5th Grade)

Classrooms (Sign in by

Gym

computer Lab) Multi-Purpose

Confirmation (7th - 8th Grades) High School (9-12 Grades)

Room Youth Room Library

First Communion

(Marty & Norma Viets)

God Connects Art Room **Intentional Parenting** Room 201

(Missy Berg)

Passover, the Lord's Supper & The

Jewish Seder (Dave Eskoff & Don Kearley)

Music Room

Holy Week Worship Services

Maundy Thursday 7 pm Pathway Court Good Friday 12 noon & 7 pm Historic Church Easter Vigil 6 pm Historic Church Easter Sunday (Pathway Court) 6:30 am Music Room (Sunrise) 8, 9:30 & 11 am Gym

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This Week...

SUN Mar 4:

8, 9:30 & 11 am Worship 9:30 am Sunday School & Education Hour 6—8 pm Jr. and Sr. High Youth Group 8 pm Men's Basketball

MON Mar 5:

9—11 am Prayer Shawl—The Pointe 2:30—4 pm Spring Musical Rehearsal—Commons

TUES Mar 6:

9-11 am MOPS

2:30—4 pm Spring Musical Rehearsal—Commons

2:30—3:30 pm Adult Bells—Music Room

7 pm Choir—Music Room

7 pm Praise Team Practice—Commons

WED Mar 7:

8:30 am WePray—Conference Room

12:45 pm Chapel

2:15-3 pm Kids of the Kingdom

2:30—4 pm Spring Musical Rehearsal—Commons

4:30—8:30 pm Upward Practices

5:30 pm Soup & Dessert—Commons

7 pm Lenten Worship—Commons

THURS Mar 8:

9:30 am Bible Study at The Pointe 2 pm Bible Study at The Pointe

7 pm "You Be the Chemist" Event —Commons

FRI Mar 9:

4:30—8:30 pm Upward Practices

SAT Mar 10:

8 am—5 pm Upward Games—Gym 6 pm Worship—Historic Church

SUN Mar 11:

8, 9:30 & 11 am Worship 9:30 am Sunday School & Education Hour 6—8 pm Jr. and Sr. High Youth Group 8 pm Men's Basketball

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 25 (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 info, contact Laura at Igilleland@immanuelcl.org.

EASTER EGG HUNT DONATIONS — We will be collecting donations of individually wrapped candies for the egg hunt. Please drop them off in the church office or in the labeled basket in the main hallway.

Plugging In

SINGING SAINTS from St. Paul's High School Concert on March 22 at 7 pm. Can you host two high school students, feed them breakfast, and return them to Immanuel on Friday morning? Contact stieman@immanueld.org to meet some talented students.

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 adomed 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 details.

SOUP & DESSERT LENTEN MEAL Wednesday, March 7, 5:30—6:45 pm — Sponsored by Immanuel Chancel Choir to benefit the Tijuana Mission trip. Come sample delicious soups and support a great cause!

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY — Immanuel's Community Groups (small groups) resume after Easter, with many linking up with a sermon series based on Max Lucado's recent book, Anxious About Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World. If you are interested in connecting through a Community Group at Immanuel, please check the box on the reverse side of your Connection Card. For more information about Immanuel's Community Groups, or about this series, contact Pastor Schulz at sschulz@immanuelcl.org.

2018 WOMEN'S RETREAT—"This Old House" — May 11 and 12! All Immanuel women and their guests are invited to our 6th annual Women's Retreat at the Geneva Bay Centre, Lake Geneva, WI. This overnight experience planned by women you know will encourage, inspire and pamper you! Reservation tickets will be available next Sunday, March 11 and March 18 between services. Final ticket sales will be on Sunday, April 8 and 15.

A MIGHTY UPWARD THANK YOU to Lee Brenner, Don Kearley, Joe Marco, Ryan Hartz, Bret t Ricci, Steve Dam, Randy Helm and Tom Christl for mentoring Upward Student Referees this season and stepping up to fill big shoes during the deployment of Upward's Lead Referee, Steve Smith. We also give great thanks for Steve's safe return and love seeing him back on the court. Come check out Upward on March 10 and 17 and see what all the fun is about!

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

Plugging In

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 — Thank you all for supporting the Scholastic Book Fair! Thank you for our Walmart friends who came and read to our students today as part of the Read Across America program. Thank you to all of our volunteers who made these fine events possible. All of our students benefit from these efforts.

KIDS OF THE KINGDOM — We plan to celebrate the Lutheran Women's Missionary League which meets March 3 at Holy Cross by making prayer angels for them. Our next meeting is next week Wednesday at 2:15 pm in the library.

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.

"YOU'RE A GOOD MAN CHARLIE BROWN" is being performed at Faith Lutheran High School (Crystal Lake) Friday March 9 - Sunday March 11 (Friday and Saturday at 7pm, Sunday at 2pm), and you are all invited! Tickets are \$7.50 each, and can be bought ahead of time at the school office of Faith Lutheran, or at the door.

IT IS BUTTER BRAID TIME! The annual Butter Braid Sale has begun and will run through Sunday, March 11. Pick up will be Friday, March 23rd.... just in time for your Easter breakfasts. You may pick up order forms in the school office or order from any Immanuel middle school student. Proceeds from the sale go to help offset the cost of upcoming class trips.

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.immanuelcl.org/family/vacation-bible-school or contact Laura at lgilleland@immanuelcl.org for questions.

EXTENDED CARE is hiring! Part time, flexible hours. If interested, please contact Emily Wheaton at (8.15) 735-2250 or ewheaton@immanueld.org.

THANK YOU to all the volunteers at the Scholastic Book Fair. Your time and service was a blessing to many.

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.

ATTENTION SENIORS! Make plans to see a free matinee performance of "Kiss Me Kate" at CL Central on March 14 at 1 pm. Free coffee and dessert to follow.

TIDY UP TUESDAY at the Pathway Campus, Tuesday, March 13, 9:30—11:30 am. Bring your lunch, a friend, and lots of energy!

SPECIAL THANKS to all the nursery workers each Sunday! Immanuel loves how you spend time caring for the children each week!

MARCH SENIOR FELLOWSHIP — The Senior Fellowship for March will be "Irish Fest" and it will be on March 18 from 1:30-3:30PM at The Pointe. Lunch will be served along with Irish surprises! Please join us!

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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