



Today's Message

“Becoming a New Person”
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New Here... Welcome!

If you are new to Immanuel Lutheran Church and School, we would love to meet you! Be sure to stop by our “Connection Center” where a **welcome gift** is waiting for you, and thanks for sharing worship with us today!

What's Happening:

You can always keep in touch with what's happening by checking in at our website: www.immanuelcl.org

Connecting

A Connection card helps us to get to know you! We like to send a thank you for visiting us, and to help you find classes or connections that might best fit what you are looking for.

I'd like to Know More

We would love to answer your questions! Call the church office or email: stieman@immanuelcl.org

Service Times: Saturday Evenings, 6:00pm Historic Church • Sunday Mornings 8:00 - 9:30 - 11:00 Pathway Court *

SERMON NOTES

Series theme verse: “Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.” (Romans 12:2)

Memory verse for this week: “If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come.” (2 Cor. 5:17)

The parable of the Lost Son is a wonderful example of how transformation takes place:

I. GET F_____ WITH YOUR LIFE

A. He was d_____ and hungry. (vv. 13-16)

B. God loves you j_____.

C. But He loves you too much to let you s_____.

1. So he sends a little r_____...

2. Or even some s_____ to get your attention.

II. O_____ TO YOUR SIN

A. He finally c_____. (v. 17)

“Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.” (v. 18)

B. You are as close to God as you c_____ to be!

C. When we own up to our sin, God’s response is to r_____!

“Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as now.” (Isaiah 1:18)

III. O_____ YOURSELF TO GOD

A. The son drifted away saying, “G_____...” (v. 12)

B. He returned saying, “M_____...” (v. 19)

“Because God is merciful to you, offer yourselves as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.” (Romans 12:1)

C. Take a Spiritual Health Inventory (p. 220 “Transformed” Workbook)

D. The Father’s Response is to have c_____ and give His best!

E. Not the g_____ life, but a b_____ life than you can imagine. (John 10:10)

IV. L_____ YOUR PRAISES TO GOD

MY NEXT STEPS . . .

- *Reflect on Romans 12>2 this week.
- *Meet with your small group this week.
- *Take a spiritual Health inventory as soon as possible

Coming Up at >>



Immanuel

>> Sunday, August 27, 2017 - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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

TODAY IS RALLY DAY!!

Sundays 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 (6th Grade Classroom)
Confirmation (7th - 9th Grades)	Multi-Purpose Room
High School Transformed (10-12 Grades)	Youth Room
Lifetree Café	Library
Transformed Groups	Art Room Music Room Conference Room
Nursery is available	



Altar Flowers are in celebration of Jim & Anne Larson's 35th wedding anniversary.

***SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 14, 2017 FREE COMMUNITY CLINIC**



SENIOR FELLOWSHIP will present our annual Oktoberfest at The Pointe on Sunday, September 10 from 1:30—3:30 pm. All are welcome! Any questions, please contact either Tass or Gerda Lawin at 815-455-5186 or email at lawtage2@aol.com.



CALLING ALL BELL RINGERS past, present, and future! The adult bell group (open to anyone high school aged and up) will start rehearsals on Tuesday, September 5. We have been practicing from 2:30-3:30, but are considering adding a 6:00 rehearsal time as another option (ringers would only have to attend one). We are scheduled to play 7 times during the year, so it's not a very strenuous commitment, but a wonderful way to add to worship. No bell ringing experience is necessary, just a willing spirit! Contact Amy Moeller at 630-667-7869 or amoellerc3f3@gmail.com if you have any questions or are interested in joining us!

rightnow MEDIA

Quality Kids Christian Programming: RightNow Media is a free, Netflix like Christian resource for adults and kids alike, which has age-appropriate kids' programming. All church members will be receiving an invitation to access RightNow Media. But, this free resource is open to *anyone*, so if you would like an invitation contact Laura at lgilleland@immanuelcl.org or in the church office.

Get the latest weekly Announcements, event postings, and information at: www.Immanuelcl.org

* **Families with Young Children:** Changing tables are found in the washrooms down the hall on the left of the worship area. Nursing Mom's room is located behind the desk in the Library (doors on the back wall of worship area).