



Today's Message

“Rejoice Always?”
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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 *

REJOICE ALWAYS?

“Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!”
(Phil. 4:4)

- A. Was Paul out of touch with r_____?

 - 1. It is one thing to rejoice when life is g_____.
 - 2. It is quite another when the o_____ are against us.

- B. Be anxious for nothing?

 - 1. The p_____ of anxiety is unavoidable.
 - 2. The p_____ of anxiety is optional.

- C. There will be trouble in this world.

Jesus said, “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” (John 16:33)

II. PEACE BEGINS AS WE RELINQUISH CONTROL TO JESUS

- A. You can't run the world, but you can e_____ it to God.

 - 1. “Rejoice in the Lord” is a call, not to a feeling, but to a d_____.
 - 2. Be confident that God exists, He is in c_____, and He is g_____!

“[Our God] works out everything in conformity to the purpose of his will.” (Ephesians 1:11)

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to his purpose.” (Romans 8:28)

- B. Your anxiety de_____ as your understanding of God in_____.

“[He] is the Creator, who is blessed forever.” (Romans 5:1)
“[He] is the same yesterday, today, an forever.” (Heb. 13:8)
“[His] years will never end.” (Psalm 107:27)

- 1. Our biggest fears are sprained ankles to God!
- 2. Others see the problems of the world and w_____.
- 3. We see the problems of the world and b_____.

C. The mind cannot at the same time be full of God and fear!

D. We can be C.A.L.M with God in control.

“You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You.!” (Isaiah 26:3)

- 1. C_____ God's goodness.
- 2. A___ God for help.
- 3. L_____ your concerns with God.
- 4. M_____ on good things.

MY NEXT STEPS . . .

- ✠ Sign up for a community group today!
- ✠ Quietly reflect on what is causing you anxiety and worry and then turn it over to God.
- ✠ Return next Sunday to learn more about the gentleness that can rule your heart.

Coming Up at >>



Immanuel

>> Sunday, April 15, 2018 - Third Sunday of Easter

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



1st ANNUAL IMMANUEL SPRING GALA — Backyard BBQ-FRIDAY, APRIL 27 from 6—10 PM
ILS Spring Gala and Auction tickets for our 1st Annual Gala are now on sale! You can purchase your tickets on line, <http://immanuel.gesture.com> by the order form in the invitation via US mail, or stop by the office and buy yours. Tickets are \$25.00 each or you can buy a table for 10 for \$200.00. Questions regarding ticket sales can be directed to Monica at mwolowiec@immanuelcl.org. Childcare to be provided.



This weekend we celebrate the Baptism of Alexander Julian Franzen



AN EVENING OF JAZZ!!

This evening at 4 pm in the Immanuel Commons. Featuring the **Youth Jazz Ensemble of DuPage**. Robert Blazek, Director and Dana Robinson, Vocalist. Freewill donations accepted.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

Immanuel's Community Groups (small groups) now beginning, 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, sign up at the ministry table, sign up online or contact Pastor Schulz at sschulz@immanuelcl.org.

April 8—May 20, 2018

Sunday at 9:30 am

Tot Time (1 & 2 Year Olds w/Parents)	Gym
Sunday School (Age 3—5th Grade)	Classrooms
Verge (6th Grade)	Room 203
Confirmation (7th - 8th Grades)	Multi-Purpose Room
High School (9-12 Grades)	Youth Room
The Reason for God (Pastor Bob)	Library
God Connects	Art Room
Anxious for Nothing (Begins 4/15) (Nicole Storz)	Room 201
The Book of Acts (Steve & Laura Wright)	Music Room
Nursery available	

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* 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).