



# Today's Message

## NEW YEAR'S EVE/DAY

*"A New You in a New Year"*

Rev. Dr. Larry W. Tieman • January 1, 2017

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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](http://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: [mwolowiec@immanuelcl.org](mailto:mwolowiec@immanuelcl.org)

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

## SERMON NOTES

I. Choose a P \_\_\_\_\_!

***"Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you, as well." (Matthew 6:33)***

- A. Do not let anything deter you from your p\_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Paul's life was to be lived for the M\_\_\_\_\_.
- C. What about you?

***"This one thing I do." (Philippians 3:13)***

- D. Say "this I will do" rather than "someone ought to do something around this place!"

II. F\_\_\_\_\_ What Lies Behind!

- A. We could all benefit from a good mental t\_\_\_\_\_ basket.
  - 1. C\_\_\_\_\_ your sins.
  - 2. Place them under the b\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.

***"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)***

- B. Forget both your past s\_\_\_\_\_ and s\_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Spend your time and energy looking f\_\_\_\_\_.
- D. Don't let 2017 be a p\_\_\_\_\_ party, let it be God's party!

III. A New Year is P\_\_\_\_\_ Because You are a New Creation!

- A. You don't need to be more r\_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Ask God to make you more f\_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Most Christians live e\_\_\_\_\_ lives.
  - 1. Either because their mind is on e\_\_\_\_\_ things.
  - 2. Or because they don't rely on God's p\_\_\_\_\_.
- D. We don't know w\_\_\_\_\_ lies ahead, but we do know w\_\_\_\_\_!
- E. And that is all that matters!

### Memory Verse

***"Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me" (Philippians 3:12).***

### MY NEXT STEPS...

- Memorize Philippians 3:12
- Choose your priorities for 2017 and leave those things that are less important to God.
- Join us next week for a new sermon series called, "Living a Life of Significance."

# Coming Up at >>



Immanuel

>> Sunday, January 1, 2017 - A New Year of Grace

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

## *Sunday School - Children & Youth Ministries*

*Resumes Jan 8  
Sundays at 9:30 am*

*Tot Time for Parents and Toddlers in the gym  
Sunday School (3 yr old through 5th grade)  
Registration table located in front of computer  
lab*

*The Verge (6th Grade) in Room 211  
The Path (7th Grade) in Room 210  
The Path (8th & 9th Graders) in MP Room  
Cup of Joe w/John (Grades 10-12) in Youth Room*

## *Adult Studies*

*Sundays at 9:30 am  
Classes beginning Jan 8  
unless otherwise noted*

*Lifetree Café—Library  
The Gospel of John—Room 203  
God Connects — Room 204  
It Starts At Home — Room 202  
Joseph: Carpenter of Steel (Men's Study) —  
Room 201  
Book of Matthew — Music Room (Begins Jan 15)*



*Altar Flowers are provided by Altar Guild donations. Poinsettias can be picked up following all services this weekend.*



## Adult Choir Welcome!!

We are pleased to announce that Mr. Robert Blazek will be joining our staff as the new Director of Music in January. He is excited to announce that adult choir rehearsals will begin on **Tuesday, Jan 10** from 7—8:30 pm in the Music Room. All are welcome! We look forward to welcoming Robert and his wife, Cheri, to our Immanuel family.



## High School Handbells

Join us on Sunday, January 8 to play at the 8 am worship service. We will meet at 7 am to rehearse and breakfast will be provided!! Bring a friend! No previous bell ringing is necessary. Contact Amy Moeller at [amoellerc3f3@gmail.com](mailto:amoellerc3f3@gmail.com) or call or text 630-667-7869.

**\*PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING PASTOR BOB PUDELL AS OUR NEW EXECUTIVE PASTOR!!!**

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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).