

# Today's Message

## *"Do You Like Family Reunions?"*

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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. JESUS REDEFINED THE MEANING OF FAMILY

- A. It seems like Jesus didn't get along very well with his family.
- B. It seems like he is disavowing his family ties.
- C. The family of God takes precedence over all other human ties.
- D. God's family includes every single human being without regard to:
  1. Sex
  2. Age
  3. Status
  4. Color
- E. God's new kingdom brought into being a new set of requirements:
  1. All those who entered become Jesus' brothers or sisters.
  2. Every single person is included.
  3. The only folks outside are those who choose not to be.

### Memory Verse

***"Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."*** (Mark 3:35)

### II. JESUS WAS THE FAMILY CIRCLE

***"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."*** (Gal. 3:28)

- A. In the Church we are thrown together with all sorts of people.
  1. Many we would not come into contact with if not for the Church.
  2. We may not even love all of them...
  3. But we are bound together by our love for the gospel.
- B. The New Testament knows of no "unbelievers" Christians.

***"The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body."*** (1 Cor. 12:12-13)
- C. Even if we stray we are always welcomed back home.
  1. We can choose to stand on our own. OR
  2. We can return home where the party is.
  3. Let the party begin!

***"Who are my mother and my brothers?"*** (v.33)

### **MY NEXT STEPS...**

- ✚ Reflect on Mark 3:31-35
- ✚ Invite someone to join our extended "Immanuel family" for worship next week!

# Coming Up at >>



Immanuel

>> Sunday, June 4, 2017 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

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



**FAMILY LIFE TOGETHER -Summer Worship** - Join us every week this summer as Immanuel zeros in its focus on families. Family Life Together is not just a sermon series, but a way of equipping and encouraging families to make faith, family and fun your passion for the summer. Each week's worship will have a new, relevant parenting or relationship topic as well as take-home conversation starters for you to continue the talks at home. Kids, teens, young adults, grandparents, aunts & uncles... everyone who is part of a family is encouraged to be a part of this meaningful worship experience!

*Adult Studies*  
Sundays at 9:30 am  
*Lifetree Café—Library*  
*The Gospel of Luke — Room 201*  
*God Connects — Room 204*



**DON'T FORGET!** VBS is right around the corner! The best week of the summer is June 19-23 with the VBS ice cream celebration on Sunday June 25th. Register at [immanuelcl.org](http://immanuelcl.org) today!



## IMMANUEL MINISTRIES 2017 GOLF OUTING!!

Wednesday, June 7th at Whisper Creek Golf Club at Del Webb in Huntley. 2:00pm Shotgun start. Cost is \$125 per golfer—this includes 18 holes of golf with cart, goodie bag and Awards Dinner at Jameson's! 19th Hole Cash Bar available. Contests include—Longest Drive, Longest Putt and closest to the pin—Prizes for each contest hole!!

Contact Greg Rutzen at 847-204-0903 or email at [grutzen03@gamil.com](mailto:grutzen03@gamil.com) for more info!



## GRADUATION RECOGNITION—JUNE 11

Sunday, June 11 at all Sunday services! Graduates of 8th grade, high school and college are invited to attend Immanuel. We will recognize each graduate and pray for them as we celebrate their accomplishments. Please e-mail information about degrees awarded and future plans to [jkearley@immanuelcl.org](mailto:jkearley@immanuelcl.org). A cake reception will be held following the 9:30 am service.

## 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](mailto:lgilleland@immanuelcl.org) or Monica at [mwolowiec@immanuelcl.org](mailto:mwolowiec@immanuelcl.org) in the church office.

Get the latest weekly Announcements, event postings, and information at: [www.immanuelcl.org](http://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).