



# Today's Message

*"Fatherhood: It's Not Just a Job, It's an Adventure!"*

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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. GOD HAS A GREAT FAMILY PLAN FOR US!

A. Since before creation, God's plan for us has been:

1. Faith in Jesus as our Savior is the only means of s\_\_\_\_\_.
  2. F\_\_\_\_\_ are to teach their children to know and love Him and walk in His ways.
  3. Fathers are to be the s\_\_\_\_\_ l\_\_\_\_\_ of their families.
- B. For God's plan to be effective, GOD has to be **FIRST** in our lives.
1. **F:** God is first in our f\_\_\_\_\_.
  2. **I:** God is at the top of our i\_\_\_\_\_.
  3. **R:** God is at the head of our r\_\_\_\_\_.
  4. **S:** God has greatest importance in our s\_\_\_\_\_.
  5. **T:** God is the first one we turn to when we're in t\_\_\_\_\_.

### II. JESUS EXEMPLIFIES THE BEST TRAITS FOR FATHERS

- A. Jesus had c\_\_\_\_\_ on everyone (even His enemies) and loved them s\_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Jesus remained connected to His Father through frequent and meaningful p\_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Jesus knew what His o\_\_\_\_\_ was and remained committed and focused, no matter what the circumstances were.
- D. What Jesus said and His actions were true and c\_\_\_\_\_. He lived with complete i\_\_\_\_\_.

*"These are the commands, decrees and laws the Lord your God directed me to teach you to observe... so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the Lord your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life. Hear, Israel, and be careful to obey so that it may go well with you and that you may increase greatly... just as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, promised you." Deut. 6:1-3*

### III. THE IMPACT FATHERS HAVE ON THEIR FAMILIES

- A. Fatherhood is both a p\_\_\_\_\_ and an awesome r\_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Fathers significantly impact their family's p\_\_\_\_\_ life.
- C. Fathers also significantly impact their family's s\_\_\_\_\_ life.

### IV. SIX KEY ATTRIBUTES OF A GODLY FATHER

- F:** F\_\_\_\_\_
- A:** A\_\_\_\_\_
- T:** T\_\_\_\_\_
- H:** H\_\_\_\_\_
- E:** E\_\_\_\_\_
- R:** R\_\_\_\_\_

*"Fatherhood is a vocation in God's service, not to be held lightly or frivolously, but with the serious determination of serious men."*

Lawrence Lovasik

*"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6*

### MY NEXT STEPS...

- \*Reflect on God's plan and how that is working in your family.
- \*Consider the impact you have on your family and how you can better influence their lives.
- \*Next week: *Identity*, who we are in Christ! (theme for VBS)
- \*Stay connected to God's will for you as a parent through regular time in God's Word and through prayer.

# Coming Up at >>



Immanuel

>> Sunday, June 18, 2017 - Second Sunday after Pentecost

*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 — Music Room

God Connects — Room 204



Altar Flowers this week are in celebration of wedding this weekend of Delaney Anderson and Logan Kinster.



## IMMANUEL VOLUNTEER WORKDAY

Our next Immanuel volunteer workday for the Crystal Lake Food Pantry is **Monday, June 19, 8:30 am—2 pm at 42 East Street**. We are in need of replacements for recently lost volunteers. For information about volunteering, contact Linda Mader at 815-459-3349 or Kathy Schulz at 815-459-4894.



## MOM'S MEET AT THE PARK BIBLE STUDY

It's a win, win! Your kids get to play while moms get to study God's word in the fellowship of other moms. Join us on Tuesday mornings beginning June 27 from 10—11 am at the Prairie Grove Village Hall Park, 3125 Barreville Road in Prairie Grove. Contact Stephanie Kuligowski for more information, 847-308-0550 (call or text) or email to [skkuli@comcast.net](mailto:skkuli@comcast.net).

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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).