

Today's Message

"Living a Lasting Legacy of Loving"

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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

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

SERMON NOTES

"But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ." Philippians 3:7-8

I. OUR LEADERSHIP - FOR LEGEND OR LEGACY? A. Doing things to grow our legend is all about up and our
A. Doing things to grow our legend is all about u and our reputation. It means increasing our fame, our fortune, and
our s sometimes at the expense of o
B. Living a legacy of love is all about others and their g
C. Living a legacy means living our faith as a s I
D. It's a constant struggle between the w way and G way.
II. SERVANT LEADER FUNDAMENTALS
L others like Christ loves me.
E others to persevere through their trials.
G others spiritually who need it.
A in the best interest of others and for their benefit.
C to building up others and staying focused.

to God's authority and leading, always.

III. LLADENS SEL & LIVE WITH A DITTENENT VISION
A. The first job of a servant leader is to properly define r
B. Living as a servant leader means seeing others in a different light, a s light.
C. B with the end in mind and keeping that as our focus, helps us to invest ourselves in the growth of others.
IV. OUR MISSION AS CHRISTIANS-LEAVE A LEGACY
A. Our mission is to m disciples and help them to m in their faith.
B. As we grow in our understanding of S and in our connection to God through p , our ability to be a servant leader also grows

"That is why we never give up. Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day. For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever."

MY NEXT STEPS . . .

- ⊕ Reflect on and celebrate the *gifts* to lead God has blessed you with and identify those in your life that you can lead generously.
- ⊕ Be alert for *opportunities* to serve God by being a servant leader and to be a blessing to others by investing yourself in them.
- ⊕ Stay connected to God's will for you through regular time in God's Word, through worship, and through prayer.
- ⊕ Next week: Our *Ambitions*-the what, the why, and the how.

Coming Up at >>

>> Sunday, January 14, 2018 - Second Sunday after Epiphany



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



CONCORDIA SEMINARY INFORMATION — Have you ever considered being a pastor or deaconess? If so, Rev. Bill Wrede from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis would like to meet with you at Immanuel Lutheran Church (300 S. Pathway Ct) on Mon, Jan 22 between 3—7 pm. Rev. Wrede is interested in meeting with prospective students of all ages — elementary school through adults. Conferences are individual, informal, and family/friends are welcome. Reservations are not necessary, but strongly encouraged. If you are interested in scheduling a specific conference time, please call Rev. Wrede at 314-505-7221 or email him at wredew@csl.edu.

TODAY!! ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING FOLLOWING THE 11 AM WORSHIP SERVICE HERE IN THE COMMONS.



A great big Immanuel hug to our Altar Guild for the beautiful decorations this Christmastide. The warmth and joy of the season were truly brought to life!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018 — SAVE THE DATE!! Are you already marking up your calendars for 2018? Then why not add in VBS? This summer's theme is "Shipwrecked" and will be held June 18—22, 2018 with a worship service and celebration on Sunday, June 24. Registration and volunteer forms will be available in mid-February. For more information, contact Laura Gilleland at lgilleland@immanueld.org.

January 7—February 4, 2018 Sunday 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

Confirmation (7th - 9th Grades) Multi-Purpose Room

High School (10-12 Grades) Youth Room

Adult Opportunities:

God Connects Art Room
Parenting: The Early Years Room 201

(Carole Fiesman & Kelly Nanos)

Leading Generously Music Room

(Chris & Amy Morgan)

Prodigal God Library

(Pastor Bob) Nursery is available

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Quality Christian Programming: RightNow Media is a free, Netflix like Christian resource for adults and kids alike. This free resource is open to *anyone*, for a free subscription to the RightNow Media Library, visit our website at http://immanuelcl.org/resources/rightnow-media-library. Any questions, contact Laura at ligitleland@immanuelcl.org or in the church office.

Get the latest weekly Announcements, event postings, and information at: www.lmmanuelcl.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).