



Today's Message

"The Meaning of Life"
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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: mwolowiec@immanuelcl.org

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

SERMON NOTES

INTRODUCTION: WHAT IS THE ULTIMATE QUESTION?

A. Does God Really Exist?

"Since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities — his eternal power and divine nature — have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse." (Romans 1:20)

B. Why Do I Exist? (See Memory Verse)

1. To have a r_____ with God.
2. And His Son, Jesus Christ! That's it!
3. Jesus prays for two key things:

I. JESUS PRAYS FOR OUR P_____ FROM THE WORLD

- A. The world can s_____ life from us.
- B. Life is too l_____, too h_____, and too b_____!
- C. When life becomes o_____ . . .
 1. We can lose our Christian h_____ and j_____.
 2. And begin to look for meaning in other things besides God.

D. Life can be divided into two factors.

1. The m_____ by which we live.
2. And the e_____ for which we live.

"Many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is on earthly things." (Philippians 3:18-19)

E. What do you want most out of life?

1. "Have enough m_____, be s_____, be happy, have a little fun."
2. It is an improved m_____ to an unimproved e_____.

II. JESUS PRAYS THAT WE MIGHT K_____ GOD

- A. Not like you know you're _____s.
- B. But p_____ and intimately!

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." (Deut. 6:4-7)

C. His desire is for you and your family to love and serve Him forever.

Memory Verse

*"And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent."
(John 17:3)*

MY NEXT STEPS...

- ✚ Reflect on John 17:3 this week.
- ✚ Spend some quality time this week with God getting to know Him and with your family getting to know them.
- ✚ Join us again next week as we begin a summer of Family Life Together!

Coming Up at >>



Immanuel

>> Sunday, May 28, 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



This weekend we celebrate the Baptisms of Ethan Mark Lemley and Connor Jeffrey Lemley at the 11 am worship service.



VETERANS, ACTIVE ADULTS & FRIENDS - Enjoy an afternoon of entertainment, patriotism, and good ole' fashion summer picnic style refreshments at Immanuel's next "Senior Social".

Where: The Pointe!

When: Sunday June 4 from 1:30pm—3:30 pm.

Why: Celebrate, Fellowship, Encouragement, and Fun!

We're looking forward to spending time with you!



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. 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 or Monica at mwolowiec@immanuelcl.org in the church office.

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