



# Today's Message

## ***"Be Prepared"***

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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: [stieman@immanuelcl.org](mailto:stieman@immanuelcl.org)

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

## SERMON NOTES

### I. BE R\_\_\_\_\_!

1. Ten Virgins Were Friends of the B\_\_\_\_\_
  - A. Five are w\_\_\_\_\_ because they have oil.
  - B. Five are f\_\_\_\_\_ because they do not have oil.
  - C. They are present to help c\_\_\_\_\_ the marriage!
2. The B\_\_\_\_\_ is Christ
  - A. This is a most i\_\_\_\_\_ day, the Second Coming of Christ.
  - B. He is d\_\_\_\_\_.
  - C. Some will enter the f\_\_\_\_\_, some will not!
3. What lessons can we learn?

### II. SOME THINGS IN LIFE CANNOT BE B\_\_\_\_\_

1. You and I cannot live on someone else's o\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Nor can you live on the preparations you made \_\_\_\_\_ years ago.

***"Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil." (Ephesians 6:10-11)***

### III. SOME THINGS CANNOT BE P\_\_\_\_\_

1. When it comes to e\_\_\_\_\_ decisions in our homes, we understand this.
2. Why is it that we wait so long to make life's most important decisions?
  - A. Because we are f\_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. All too often people believe that h\_\_\_\_\_ can wait.

### IV. IF NOT PREPARED, WE CAN MISS GREAT O\_\_\_\_\_

1. There is an element of j\_\_\_\_\_ to this parable.
2. The door was s\_\_\_\_\_.
3. But there is an even greater element of h\_\_\_\_\_.
4. The bridegroom is d\_\_\_\_\_.
5. Use the time to prepare y\_\_\_\_\_ and en courage o\_\_\_\_\_!

### MY NEXT STEPS . . .

- ✝ Examine your life to see if you are ready for the return of Christ.
- ✝ If not, then repent and prepare yourself.
- ✝ If you are, then let your light shine and encourage others who may not be ready or even know they should be.
- ✝ Join us again next week as we learn more about being prepared for Christ's second coming.

### Memory Verse

***"Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." (Matthew 25:13)***

# Coming Up at >>



Immanuel

>> Sunday, November 12, 2017 - Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

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

## Sundays at 9:30 am

<b>Tot Time</b> (1 & 2 Year Olds w/Parents)	Gym
<b>Sunday School</b> (Age 3—5th Grade)	Classrooms (Sign in by computer Lab)
<b>Verge</b> (6th Grade)	Room 203 (6th Grade Classroom)
<b>Confirmation</b> (7th - 9th Grades)	Multi-Purpose Room
<b>High School</b> (10-12 Grades)	Youth Room
<b>God Connects</b>	Art Room
<b>Equipping Kids to Face Today's World</b> (Missy Berg and Nicole Storz)	Room 201
<b>Lifetree Café</b>	Library
<b>Book of John</b> (Laura and Steve Wright & Don Kearley)	Music Room
<b>Nursery is available</b>	

## FOOD PANTRY COMMUNITY HARVEST



It is time for our participation in the Community Harvest Food Drive. Please look for the bags that will be handed out at all services this weekend. Please return to school the weekend of November 18 & 19.



We celebrate the confirmation of Zach Bach and Faith & Bobby Wheaton at the 11:00 service today!



**GIVING TREE!** As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving and the many things we are thankful for, let us also remember those in need. Gift cards with a \$25 limit are needed to give to people with limited resources so they can have a Merry Christmas! Return cards by November 30. Stop by the ministry table today for additional information. Questions? Contact Sue Holtz at 815-459-7976.



## Advent by Candlelight!

**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT** — Ladies of Immanuel are invited to attend the 11th Annual Advent By Candlelight! Join us for a festive evening of dessert and fellowship as we prepare our hearts for the Christmas season. Caryn Rivadeneira will be our guest speaker. She will be sharing her talk of "Women of Christmas" at The Pointe on Friday, December 1 at 7 pm. Admission is only \$5.00!! Sign up as a hostess or as a participant. Invite your friends! RVSP to Debbie Risner by Nov. 24 at 815.347.6855 or [risnerfam27@sbcglobal.net](mailto:risnerfam27@sbcglobal.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).