

Today's Message

"Blessed Sheep and Clueless Goats!"

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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

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

SERMON NOTES I. CLUELESS GOATS 1. Why is Jesus so hard on the goats? A. He l ___ them. (John 3:16) B. But they are clueless! 2. Do you believe in hell? A. The poll says %. B. Hell was initially prepared for the d . C. And now remains for his f . 3. What had the goats done? A. N ! "I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me." (v. 45) B. F , not works is what truly counts. "Everything that does not come from faith is sin." (Romans 14:23)

Memory Verse

"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'" (Matthew 25:40)

II. BLESSED SHEEP
1. Why is Jesus so g to the sheep?
A. They are blessed
"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world" (v. 34)
B. They have been given an inheritance
1. No one e an inheritance.
2. Someone must d for you to receive an inheritance
C. Wh you are, not wh you do, separates the sheep and goats.
2. The Parable is not a prescription, but a dof sheep's life.
A. Doing for the "b" is the same as doing for Christ.
"Pointing to his disciples, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers." (Matthew 12:50)
B. Should we show h only to Christians?
"As we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." (Galatians 6:10)
C. Apple trees do not produce w

MY NEXT STEPS . . .

- Be thankful you are a sheep, and not a goat.
- Do something good for your "brothers" this week.
- ♣ Invite some "goats" to our Christmas worship.

Coming Up at >>





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



ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT — Ladies of Immanuel are invited to attend the 11th Annual Advent By Candllight! 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!! RVSP to Debbie Risner at 815.347.6855 or risnerfam27@sbcglobal.net.



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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — The 2018 Budget Q & A Presentation will be held in the Commons on Sunday, December 10 following the 11:00 service.



Altar Flowers are in gratitude for God's blessings by Russ and Cathy Seegers



UPWARD WINTER BASKETBALL & CHEER Registration Deadline DECEMBER 3. Upward is a nurturing sports program that helps kids grow in character, confidence, faith, sportsmanship, and athletic ability. Registration is currently open for Boys Basketball grades 2nd – 8th and Cheerleading grades Kindergarten – 5th. For more information and to register, visit www.immanuelcl.org. For questions, contact Shelly Davidson at sdavidson@immanuelcl.org



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT IMMANUEL

Mid-Week Advent Worship

December 6, 13 & 20, 7 pm, Commons

Christmas Cantata

December 10 8 & 9:30 am, Commons

Christmas Eve

December 24, 9:30 am & 3 pm, Commons

Candlelight Services

December 24, 8 & 10 pm, Historic Church

Christmas Day

December 25, 10 am, Commons

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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).