



# Today's Message

Reformation Sunday  
"Salvation by Faith"

Rev. Dr. Larry W. Tieman · October 30, 2016

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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. LUTHER STRUGGLED IN HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

- He wondered if he was a \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
- He was so fearful, he made a v\_\_\_\_\_ to become a monk.
- That's not so un\_\_\_\_\_.
- What p\_\_\_\_\_ have you made to God in times of distress?

### II. GOD TURNED LUTHER'S PAIN INTO HIS PURPOSE

- "It was as if the gates swung open and I entered into p\_\_\_\_\_."
- Luther's transformation shook the w\_\_\_\_\_ forever.
- We can give thanks for that providential s\_\_\_\_\_.
- What pain in your life can God redeem for His purpose?

### **Memory Verse**

*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus." -Romans 3:23-24*

***"And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)***

### III. GOD USED LUTHER TO REFORM THE CHURCH

- Too many people still miss the j\_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel.
- The Gospel is not about us reaching o\_\_\_\_\_ to God.
- It is all about our God reaching d\_\_\_\_\_ to us.
  - In l\_\_\_\_\_ and m\_\_\_\_\_ and f\_\_\_\_\_.
  - Our p\_\_\_\_\_ won't save us.
  - Our perfect a\_\_\_\_\_ won't save us.
- Only one p\_\_\_\_\_ in heaven or earth can save us.
- Spread the Word!

### **MY NEXT STEPS...**

- Memorize Romans 3:23-24.
- Make a list of painful episodes in your life that God has used either for your good or for the good of others.
- Attend worship next week to celebrate "All Saints" Sunday.

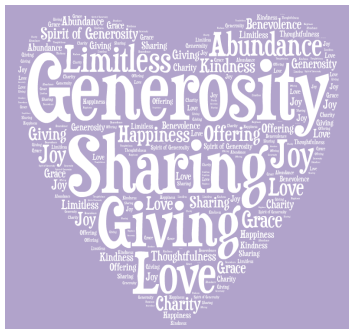
# Coming Up at >>



Immanuel

>> Sunday, October 30, 2016 - Reformation Sunday

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



## **Experiencing the Joy of Generosity**

In two weeks, we begin our stewardship emphasis "Experiencing the Joy of Generosity." We hope and pray that you will be blessed by the three weeks of sermon messages and worship. Joy is a beautiful word that seems to bring a smile in saying it. As God's people, we know that Jesus is the source of our joy. We have the deep and abiding joy of being loved by God through Jesus. Our stewardship emphasis will encourage us to experience the joy that God gives us through our generosity in sharing with others and extending his kingdom. *May God bless us as we honor the Lord through our generosity.*



Altar Flowers this week are in Celebration of the Baptism of Nora Elizabeth Wright by her parents, Darren and Jennifer Wright



It is time to pack your shoe boxes! Each shoe box full of hygiene items, school supplies, and toys goes to a child who does not know Jesus as their Savior. Can't pack a shoe box? Purchase some items for packing and leave them in the donation box in the narthex, or donate money to cover the \$7 shipping costs to send a box. Labels, shopping ideas, and more info are available in the narthex. Questions? Call or email Jennifer 815-459-4894 or [jennyschulz@juno.com](mailto:jennyschulz@juno.com).



Faith Lutheran High School Gala  
*Friday, November 11, 2016*

**13TH ANNUAL FAITH LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL GALA** — Friday, November 11 at D'Andrea's in Crystal Lake at 6 pm. To order tickets please go to [www.flhsgala.org](http://www.flhsgala.org).



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**VOTERS' MEETING** — There will be an important Voters' Meeting to call an Executive Pastor on Sunday, November 13, 2016, following the 11 am worship service.

## **UNSHAKABLE STANDING STRONG WHEN THINGS GO WRONG**

New Sermon Series continues! This new book will meet you in the eye of whatever storm you are facing and give you the Biblical tools you need to find peace and joy on the other side of your struggle. Sign up on the bulletin board in the back of the commons.

*Get the latest weekly Announcements, event postings, and information at: [www.Immanuelcl.org](http://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).