

Vicarage Assignment and Call Service News

Spring is an exciting time for students at our seminaries looking forward to their assignments as vicars and calls as pastors! That includes former vicar Tyler Werner, who will receive his call as pastor. This year's Call Day service at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, will be a joint service for all assignments and calls on Tuesday, April 28, 2020, at 8 p.m. Indiana time. Stream the Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, call services online: csl.edu/academics/call-day-services.

Online Resources on the Immanuel Website

Be sure to check in weekly to the Immanuel website at www.immanuelseymour.com. You will find online Bible Studies, prayers, links to devotional materials and children's activities, weekly Worship... and more. How blessed we are to have these tools to keep us connected in Spirit during this time of physical distancing. To God be the Glory!

Do YOU have a favorite Hymn?

Email the Church at info@immanuelseymour.com or comment on one of our Facebook posts and let us know what hymns you would like to hear posted on our website.

St. John Lutheran School Sauer's is seeking a highly qualified person to fill the position of principal. Do you have the desire and skills to serve God through this position? Potential candidates must hold all the required licenses. For a job description, more information, or to submit a current resume, please contact Doug Jaynes @ 812-498-0131

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Additional Spiritual Support:

- **Dial a Meditation:** call 812-522-1345 anytime for a devotion prepared by one of our pastors or vicar.
- **Know Your Bible:** You can hear it each weekday at 6:55 a.m. on AM 1390

Bulletin and Resource Pick-up

Is available at door number 5 on Oesting Street. Drop in Monday- Friday from 8am - 5pm.

Bulletins and Informers for the upcoming week are available on Wednesdays after 12 noon.

Join us for Worship and Bible Studies Online at these Locations:

Bible Studies: <http://immanuelseymour.com/grow/bible-studies/>

Worship: <http://immanuelseymour.com/worship/>

You can also view services on the Immanuel YouTube channel at Immanuel Lutheran Seymour. Watch the service on your smart TV and pull up a bulletin in your hand on your phone or tablet. Search YouTube for Immanuel Lutheran Seymour and subscribe to our FREE channel.



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Short Term, Long Term

Teams sometimes feel like coaches or players use them as a steppingstone to where they really want to be. As soon as that better opportunity comes along, they move on.

The disciples learned that Jesus was not like that. Even after they had abandoned Him at his arrest and trial, He came looking for them following His resurrection. He made it clear that He would be with them always, even to the end of the age, no matter what.

The risen Jesus abides with us also now. While people speculate what life will look like once the current pandemic passes, this much is clear: Jesus will remain with us in our homes, in our church, in our community. He is no fair-weather friend! He is present to forgive, comfort, strengthen, listen, and help. Alleluia!

Making the Best of It?

Romans 8 tells us that "in all things, God is at work for the good of those who love Him." While we know that does not mean everything that happens is good, or caused by God (He is certainly never the cause of evil), it means He can turn for the good things that are harmful.

There are many opinions as to whether or not the current pandemic is God's trying to get our attention, or His judgment for us loving things more than Him. Unless God chooses to share His mind on this, we may not know.

The better question is, what are we doing? It is not only God's activity to work for the good, whatever the circumstances might be. That is also to be our approach. Though there are some good things we cannot do, there is also extra time to study the Word, to pray, to have devotions with family, to reconnect with people we have neglected, and to help our neighbors who need us. As we look back on these days, may we see the good that was accomplished through the challenges!

Easter Worship Continues:

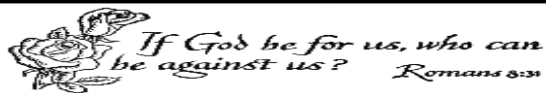
When we do get back together in person, we will celebrate Easter again, joyfully! Until then, join us again Sunday on the radio or online to sing Easter hymns and celebrate Jesus' resurrection: **AM 1390 FM 99. or www.immanuelseymour.com**

Questioning and Confirmation

This was to be the day when our 8th grade students answered questions concerning the Christian faith they have learned and believe. Unfortunately, that has been postponed, but we hope you continue to pray for them as they grow in faith as children of God. Watch for further details.

Blessing Seed and Soil

Today we continue our tradition of blessing containers of seed and soil at the altar, seeking God's blessings of safety, good weather, and a good harvest.



If God be for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31

But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matt 6:33

Totals from April 19, 2020

Unified Budget	\$34,887.20
Plate Offerings	\$101.00
Other Income	\$1,657.00
Total	\$36,645.20
Income & Gifts To Date	\$996,853.98
Donations to ILS 2019-2020	\$3,492.50
Total Gifts	\$1,000,346.48
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,088,284.74
Benevolence	\$1,045.00
Sunday Online Views from Website and YouTube	1076

Easter 3

Luke 24:13-35: Once again, today, we celebrate the blessings of Easter with one another, focusing on Jesus' resurrection appearances. Did you notice that none of the resurrection appearances were marked by dramatic settings? Jesus was mistaken for a gardener. He showed up on a dusty road. He walked along the shoreline, watching His disciples' fish. We notice the ordinary, everyday sights and sounds of Jesus' appearances and the usual routines which He blessed with His abiding presence. The resurrected Jesus comes to us in Word and Sacrament, ordinary means, and He appears to us at mealtimes, in fun times, amid our work and in the face of our worries. He comes to people of faith and those plagued by doubt and anxiety. Did you miss Christ's presence with you today? Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the eyes to see Jesus' abiding presence on your walk of life today, and then celebrate it, but also boldly share this truth with others. Jesus is alive! He is present with and for you! And He is alive for the world around you!

Great Commission

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Official Acts

Avalynn Erma Koop, daughter of Nicholas & Dacia (Ping) Koop, was baptized on April 19.

Acknowledgements

Today's Broadcast is sponsored in memory of our parents, Melvin & Emy Lou Wischmeier, on their 70th wedding anniversary, by Brent & Sandy Kilgas and family.

The Tribune Daily Prayers for the month are May are sponsored by Edna Kellermeier.

Keeping in Touch

One way to make sure you get timely news from Immanuel is to sign up for our weekly e-blast sent personally to you. Just click the box our homepage, www.immanuelseymour.com, send an email to info@immanuelseymour.com, or call the office, 812-522-3118.

Bulletins, Informers: These can be picked up during the week in the lobby area near the Chapel and Office entrance on Oesting Street. You can also find them at www.immanuelseymour.com

Devotions: Portals of Prayer and My Devotions can be picked up in the lobby by the office.

Office hours: The church office hours will continue as normal, but access is restricted. If possible, call ahead if you need something: 812-522-3118

Lenten Coin Boxes: Lenten coin boxes can be deposited in the large marked box in the office entrance. These gifts support Bethania and other missions!

Offerings Thank you for your faithful support! You can bring your offering envelopes during the week and deposit in the secure box in the office entrance lobby, mail to the church, or give online on our website, which is easy and secure.

Bible Readings

4/26 1 Chronicles 6	4/30 2 Samuel 5:1-10; 1 Chronicles 11-12
4/27 Psalm 81, 88, & 92-93	5/1 Psalm 133
4/28 1 Chronicles 7-10	5/2 Psalm 106-107
4/29 Psalm 102-104	

Share the 4!

The Stewardship Board encourages members to add to your weekly offering dollar bills that has a number matching the month. Each dollar bill has four identical numbers inside of the "1" on each corner. These numbers range from 1-12, corresponding to the months of the year. In April the 4th month, consider saving any dollar bills you find with the "4" on them and sharing them as an additional offering. It's fun, and it helps support our work together. Thanks!

Scholarships Available

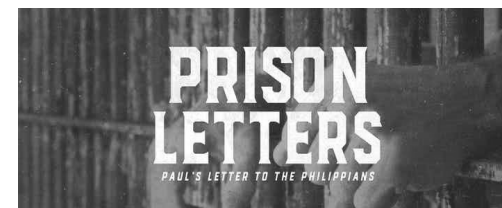
Scholarships are available through the Immanuel Foundation to help local students prepare at one of the Concordia Universities or seminaries for a church-work career, such as pastor, teacher or youth worker. For an application form, please check with Lisa at the church office. **DEADLINE MAY 1.**

Stained Glass Window Progress

Three historic stained-glass windows have been moved to the sanctuary. To the left side of the chapel is the beautiful window of Jesus the Good Shepherd. The windows picturing Jesus holding a little child in his arms and Jesus knocking at the door are now in the glass wall separating the narthex from the sanctuary. Thanks for making this project possible!

150th Anniversary Plates

Ladies Aid 3 and Immanuel Guild will be taking orders from those wanting to purchase a 150th Anniversary Plate. Price is \$20 each, any profit made will go into the 150th Anniversary Fund. To pre-order your plate call Tammy Swindell at 812-525-4820 or the church office



A Zoom Study for Youth!

The last few weeks you may have felt like you've been locked up! Isaac Newton, William Shakespeare, and Frida Kahlo all produced amazing work while isolated in a quarantine. And the apostle Paul wrote some of his epistles while being isolated in a prison cell. So what better to do than to study about the wonderful things that can happen when a lot of the world is taken out of the picture. Every Friday at 2 PM Immanuel High School youth (even if you're not an Immanuel member you're welcome!) will be gathering virtually in the Youth Room to study the book of Philippians as well as talk about what we have been feeling and accomplishing in our time apart. If you want to be a part of these awesome Zoom Fridays just contact the church office to get on the text/email list for our Friday hang outs!

Be a Part of "Feeding Seymour"

Immanuel is partnering with other churches and agencies in town to provide meals for a vulnerable population of Jackson County – the "unsheltered" (homeless) and the "sheltered to some degree" (those who occasionally stay in a hotel room provided by another). We will be cooking and distributing up to 200 meals every Sunday, beginning this Sunday, April 26, and for the next 10 weeks. We will need 3-4 volunteers to work in the kitchen of the school, cooking and packaging the meals. We will need 4 – 5 volunteers to help distribute the meals in a safe setting. And we would love to have members make "ration packs" – a gallon zip lock bag with one protein (peanut butter, cans of Vienna sausage, tuna, etc.), a fruit cup or Jell-O cup, a sleeve of saltines, a chewy granola or breakfast bar, and 2 – 3 pieces of hard candy. You may call the office and schedule times to volunteer. You may drop fully packaged "ration packs" or ingredients to make the "ration packs" to Door #5 at the church (right outside the church office). Thank you for prayerfully considering this opportunity to serve...Pastor Rodriguez