



Blood Drive

January 19, 2021
2:00 - 7:00 p.m.

To Schedule an appointment please go to

www.redcrossblood.org and search sponsor keyword “immanuel.lutheran” or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

We need Volunteers

If you would like volunteer to help donors check-in or work the canteen, please call Lisa in the church office. Thank you!

ILS Concerts Go Virtual

To provide for safety as Covid cases rise, the three Christmas concerts scheduled for ILS bands and choirs are online instead of in person. Be sure to check them out and enjoy their talents as they share Christmas music!

Go to www.immanuelseymour.com.

Remember to call the church office in plenty of time if you would like to sponsor the Broadcast (\$80), Informer (\$50), or Altar Flowers. We appreciate our sponsors.

9:00 am Elders: Corey Zaring, Troy Hehman **Ushers:** Kurt Fenneberg, Larry Harlow, Gordon Kovenor, Troy Hehman, Nathan Nichols, Cary Bell, Dave Boggs, Chris Stahl, Corey Zaring, Charlie Tungate, Andrew Bell, Ryan Williams, Caleb Williams, David Pollert **Counting:** Jeff Hubbard, Kevin Foster, Charles Fox, Greg Hackman, Ron Pollert, Grant Schneider, Craig Flinn **Acolyte:** Payton Barlow **Audio/Video:** Mike Patmore/Jay Hubbard

11:15 am Elders/Communion: Mark Rudzinski, Adam Behmlander, Ben Stahl **Ushers:** Max Whitsett, John Bowen, Marcus Brooks, Joe Brooks, Michael Brooks, Mike Stuckwisch, Jeff Schneider **Altar Guild:** Carol Hill **Acolyte:** Dylan Fields **Audio:** Brandon Hubbard

7:00 pm Elder: Steve Bobb **Acolyte:** Chase Bode

17 9:00 Worship 11:15 Worship/ Communion 7:00 Voter's	18 8:35 Chapel 5:30 AHG/ Trail Life 6:00 Missions 7:00 Worship	19 2:00-7:00 Blood Drive 10:00 Circuit Pastors 5:30 TL/AHG Committee	20 6:15 Brass 7:00 Woodwinds 7:00 Confirmation 7:30 Choir	21 6:00 Handbells	22	23
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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 and FM 99.3

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 THURSDAYS after 12 noon.

Join us for Worship Online at: <http://immanuelseymour.com/worship/>

You can also view services on the Immanuel YouTube channel at Immanuel Lutheran Seymour and at 3pm & 8pm on CinergyMetro Cable Channel 2 and Comcast Channel 96.

On the Radio 99.3 and Live Stream from anywhere in the world at www.wzzb1390.com



Immanuel
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INFORMER

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Member, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

January 17, 2021

Synod, District Request Convention Delay

Every three years a convention is held for each of the 35 districts of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, with the Synod convention taking place the following year. Districts adopt resolutions to be acted on by the Synod convention.

2021 is the year for district conventions, some of which would occur in early spring. Many states have set limits on gatherings which could make conventions difficult or impossible. To prevent some districts from being excluded from sharing our work together, Synod President Harrison has recommended delaying District and Synod conventions by one year. This requires approval by the congregations of Synod and will be on the Voters agenda for Sunday.

Voters Meeting January 17

The next quarterly meeting of the congregation is set for 7:00 p.m. Sunday, January 17. **We plan to meet in the sanctuary to have plenty of space to spread out.** All confirmed members are encouraged to attend and eligible to vote. The agenda includes:

- Recommendation to apply for a vicar for 2021-2022
- Recommendation to approve delaying District and Synod conventions by one year
- Financial reports for Church, School, Foundation, and entities
- Reports of boards and personnel

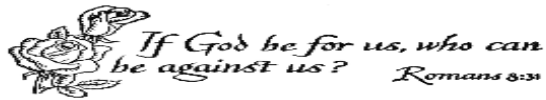
Keeping in Touch

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 at www.immanuelseymour.com, send an email to info@immanuelseymour.com, or call the office, 812-522-3118.

Planning Conference Changes

Originally scheduled for January 16, our annual Planning Conference usually brings together all the elected leaders of Immanuel for a great breakfast, Bible study, discussion of our Long-Range Plan, and setting of goals for the new year. Due to the present circumstances, we are conducting the planning process differently, providing materials for boards to work through individually, coordinated by the Council.

While a different process, planning is still important to help us focus on our current needs and how we can best fulfill God's missions under the current circumstances. Please keep this process in your prayers!



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 January 10, 2021

Unified Budget	\$28,987.45
Plate Offerings	\$774.55
Other Income	\$195.00
Total	\$29,957.00
Income & Gifts To Date	\$587,934.81
Donations to ILS 2020-2021	\$3,250.00
Total Gifts	\$591,184.81
Budget Needs to Date	\$571,164.30
Benevolence	\$5.00
Sunday Attendance/Communed	426/241
Monday Attendance/Communed	54/37
Online Views Sunday 1/10/2021	525
Scottsburg Mission	
Attendance	5
Sunday Offering	\$290.00

Sunday, January 17, 2021

Epiphany II – “Can anything good come from Nazareth?” (John 1:46). Can anything good come from chronic illness? Can anything good come from surprise pregnancy? Jesus is both promise, and proof of the wonders that come from just such contexts. Miracles come from Nazareth. Forgiveness comes from Calvary. Almighty God put them there. And He also created, redeemed, and called both worth and purpose into every human body (1 Corinthians 6:19), no matter what size, skills, or circumstances.

Great Commission

Corner

Acknowledgements

Today's Informer is sponsored by Jerry & Betty Hall in celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary.

Official Acts

Received by Transfer from other LCMS Congregation on January 7, 2021: Jane Shoemaker from Good Shepherd Lutheran, Medora

Transferred to other LCMS Congregation on January 7, 2021: Abigail Hackman to Zion Lutheran, Seymour

Our Sincere Thanks

Our family would like to thank all those who shared personal condolences, cards, phone calls, and text messages at the passing of our loved one, Daniel. We appreciate your kindness, concern, and expressions of sympathy at this time of loss. We look forward to the day when we will see our loved ones again in heaven!

*God's Blessings to you all,
Pastor Bloch & Pauline Bloch, and family*

Even More Thanks!

I wanted to thank all of you for your cards and well wishes as I celebrated 30 years in ministry, 25 of them among you! It has been a pleasure to serve, and I pray God's blessings on each of you in the days and years to come!

In Christ Jesus, Pastor Bloch

Bible Readings

1/17 Genesis 16-18 1/20 Genesis 25-26
1/18 Genesis 19-21 1/21 Genesis 27-29
1/19 Genesis 22-24 1/22 Genesis 30-31
1/23 Genesis 32-34

LIFE Lessons: Images of Glory A Virtual Sunday School for Families During Epiphany

Life Lesson for 1/17/2021:
“God Gives New Life”

**PARTICIPATE ONLINE AT
WWW.IMMANUELSEYMOUR.COM**
There are still supply kits in the Atrium for pick up and by door 5. One kit per child.

During the season of Epiphany all Sunday School Children and Youth and their families are invited to take a creative and artistic journey through Scripture to hear and discover God's purpose and care for life. Each lesson will include a short art lesson and together we will draw images that remind us of God's great love for the world and all that He has created, redeemed, and continues to protect. We will discover also how God strengthens and equips us, who are made in His image, to be the Life of the world to share His Love with all people. A special packet of art supplies and further instructions on how to participate are available to Sunday School Children and Youth ages 3 and up.

Communion Options

Many of our members share in worship online or on the radio, but do not yet feel safe coming to church in person. We know the Lord's Supper is a wonderful blessing. Our pastors provide for families and individual to receive the Lord's Supper either here at church or at their home by appointment. We wear face coverings to provide for safety. Call 812-522-3118.

Trinity Lutheran High School Dinner Auction

After prayerful consideration and with the input from the Jackson County Health Department, the Leadership Team and Auction Committee at TLHS has decided to change the date of the 2021 Trinity Lutheran High School Dinner Auction to April 24, 2021. We believe this adjustment will provide us with the greatest opportunity to host an in-person event. If you have any questions, please contact Erin Brooks. ebrooks@trinitycougars.org

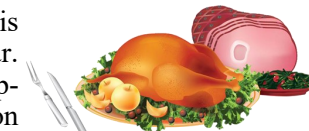


Bible Class and Sunday School

The Board of Parish Education is keeping a close eye on when it will be safe to resume our in-person Sunday and weekday classes for children and adults. Until then, check the online resources at www.immanuelseymour.com!

Turkey & Ham Dinner

Zion Lutheran Church at 1501 Gaiser Drive, Seymour will hold their annual Turkey & Ham Dinner on Sunday, February 14, 2021. Serving will be from 4:00-7:00p.m. This is Drive-thru only. Go to the Zion Lutheran Church website for the menu and drive-thru directions. There will be a free will offering when the food is delivered to your car. Monies raised will support various mission activities.



Help for Givers!

A tax deduction for charitable giving is now available, even if you don't itemize! Normally, charitable donations aren't tax-deductible unless you itemize on your tax return. But due to the coronavirus pandemic and the CARES Act that was passed in March to provide relief for it, charitable donations of up to \$300 can be deducted for, even if you don't itemize on.