Scout Troops in Search of a Fundraising Chairperson

Our Trail Life USA and American Heritage Girls scouting troops at Immanuel are seeking a faithful and excited volunteer to help assist these groups in fundraising for their programs to ensure they have adequate funds for outings, badges, and awards and other necessary program costs. Below is a brief description of what is involved and the time commitment is flexible depending on the kind of fundraisers supported. If you are interested in helping the youth of Immanuel and our community in this way, please contact Pastor Bloch (812-522-3118), or Steve or Peggy Stark (812-569-3387, 812-528-3831) for more information. Come and serve the Lord in this way!

Troop Fundraising Chair (CM-FUND) | Organizes and supervises fundraising events and ensures that every youth member has the opportunity and tools necessary to participate. Coordinates exciting kickoffs of your one or two focused fundraisers each year

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 preorder your plate call Tammy Swindell at 812-525-4820 or the church office.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to sponsor an Easter Lily, please call or stop by the church office. They are \$17.50 each.

Progressive Euchre Tournament Redeemer Lutheran Church Parish Hall 504 North Walnut, Seymour April 19th, 2020 2:00pm — 5:00pm \$6/person \$10/couple Snacks and a light meal will be provided.

22 9:00 Worship online and Radio	23 3:15 7th OYR 6:00 Parish Media	24 7:00 Men's Bible Study 3:15 8th OYR 5:00 ILCCM 5:30 Evangelism	25 7:00 Worship	26	27	28
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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, <u>www.immanuelseymour.com</u>, send an email to <u>in-</u><u>fo@immanuelseymour.com</u>, or call the office, 812-522-3118.



INFORMER

Immanuel LUTHERAN CHURCH

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March 22, 2020

Our Current COVID-19 Plan

Responses to COVID-19 have changed daily and even hourly. Immanuel is working to protect the vulnerable and contain the potential spread of the virus while also attending to needs that continue and even increase during times like this. Here are a few of our current plans:

Worship: Until further notice, we plan to conduct services by radio and on our website, we encourage everyone to stay home and listen on the radio (AM 1390/FM 99.3) or live-stream at <u>www.immanuelseymour.com</u>

Visitation: While visitation at hospitals, nursing homes, jails, and other facilities are restricted, we will continue to work with these entities to provide pastoral care as needed. We will use discretion in making home visits.

Child Care: Since many workers, including those at Schneck, rely on ILCCM for the care of their children, we plan to stay open as long as we have healthy staff to do so.

Office hours: The church office hours will continue as normal.

Updates: we plan to use Eblast, Facebook, and our website to update these plans.

Let My People Go!

God in mercy freed His people from slavery and brought them to freedom and life. Along the way, He did many miracles! God is still delivering His people from powerful captors. Tune in week by week we see from Exodus how He brings deliverance to us.

This week: "Mine!"

Confirmation Anniversaries

As part of our 150th Anniversary, we plan to celebrate confirmation anniversaries starting April 19. If you were confirmed here or at another Lutheran church during the following years, we hope you will be available for special recognition on the following Sundays.

April 19: confirmed 50+ years, up to 1970

May 17: confirmed 40-49 years, 1971-1980

June 14: confirmed 30-39 years, 1981-1990

You are also encouraged to get your class together for an event to celebrate and reminisce during that weekend!

On-Line Options

Not only do we offer the options of viewing the services online at our website; you can also support your church financially that way. If you are not able physically to bring a donation, but want to continue to support the church, call the office or check the website at the top right, where it says "Give online." It is free, secure, and easy. Thanks for supporting us in these challenging times!



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

Totals from March 15, 2020

Unified Budget	\$21,469.48		
Plate Offerings	\$1,031.50		
Other Income	\$792.00		
Total	\$23,292.98		
Income & Gifts To Date	\$832,954.79		
Donations to ILS 2019-2020	\$2,562.50		
Total Gifts	\$835,517.29		
Budget Needs to Date	\$900,649.44		
Benevolence	\$13,386.34		
Sunday Attendance	480		
Sunday Communed	102		
Monday Attendance	35		
Wednesday Attendance	354		
Scottsburg Mission			
Attendance	9		
Sunday Offering	\$411.00		

Official Acts

Harmony Nicole Baughman, daughter of Travis Baughman and Karley Elsner, was baptized on March 11.

Brook Brianna Neidige and her son, Quillon Knightley Waggoner, were both baptized on March 15.

Jennifer AnnMarie Jones, daughter of Jason & Denise Jones, was baptized on March 16.

Painting in the Atrium

The Property Board approved painting the Atrium ceiling and walls and making minor repairs to drywall. The project was delayed due to Spring Break. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Mulch Day April 7

To get the church and school looking good for Easter, our Property Board is scheduling a workday Tuesday, April 7, starting at 4 to put down new mulch. If you can help for an hour or two, bring gloves and a willing heart! We will have wheelbarrows, but if you can bring your own wheelbarrow and shovel, that will make the work go even faster! If it is a rain-out, we will postpone to the next day at 4.

<u>Bible Readings</u>

3/26 Joshua 16-18

3/27 Joshua 19-21

3/28 Joshua 22-24

3/22 Joshua 1-4 3/23 Joshua 5-8 3/24 Joshua 9-11 3/25 Joshua 12-15

Lent 4

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John 9:1-41: Jesus is the Light of the world! Paul gives you your life story in a nutshell once you were in darkness, but now you are to walk as children of Light. (Eph 5:8) You are salt. You are light. God has no plan B if we fail. You are His A plan to share the Good News of salvation with the world. You are His means for bringing His Kingdom of life to a dying world. And the One who calls you to be salt and light makes you this promise: I will be with you to the very end of the age. His presence is LIGHT. While we remain distinct from the ways of the world, we dare not lose sight of the fact that we are called to permeate that very same culture with the grace and love of Jesus. How? By being who we are: God's people through and through where we live and living as Light because we live in Christ. That's Christ's mission - and because it's His mission, it is our mission. He lives in us and His light shines through us in our thoughts, words, and deeds. May God bless you as children of the Light! Go shine!

FROM STEWARDSHIP: Action Reaction: Devotion Books

Thanks to your gifts, Portals of Prayer and My Devotions are given out free of charge for all members. These booklets provide excellent resources for personal and family devotions and are provided to promote spiritual health and growth. Thank you for your support! Be sure to pick up your new copy for April.

Share the 3!

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 March the 3rd month, consider saving any dollar bills you find with the "3" on them and sharing them as an additional offering. It's fun, and it helps support our work together. Thanks!

A Holy Week Experience Wednesday, April 8, 2020, 5-7pm

Come experience 7 unique stations of spiritual growth set up within the Parish Hall and classrooms at Immanuel. Each station will allow individuals, on their own or with their families, to read a devotion and prayerfully consider topics such as forgiveness, salvation, compassion and more. There will also be several "take home" items to serve as a reminder of Jesus' finished work upon the cross and His ongoing work in our lives even now. The time you spend at each station is open ended and you are welcome to come and go during the hours of 5-7pm. This Holy Week Experience is a personal time of refection, prayer and spiritual growth leading up to Easter. Join us and be sure to invite your family and friends for this special Holy Week event.

Easter Candy Donations

The Board of Parish Education invites you to donate candy for the Easter Egg Hunt! Please bring your **individually-wrapped candy donations** to the Church office. Donations will need to be in by Monday, April 6th. Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

individuals and/or groups, weekly and/or monthly! ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN Jonesville could use help in working down the donated clothing inventory. So much to do so many places to send shipments, so we need you to help as you are able. Please call 812-405-2045 to set up a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday time for you or your group to come. Other times are by appointment, please call to discuss options. Thank you.

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.**

Host a Former Vicar?

We have gotten a great response so far from former vicars and their families returning for the first-ever "Vicar Reunion" June 14, 2020 as a part of our 150th anniversary celebration! Some of them have expressed the preference of staying with a host family instead of a hotel. If you would be interested in being available, or would like to know more, call the church office or Don Luecke.

Just a Few Spots Left!

We have nearly reached our goal of having 150 members contribute \$150 to support our celebration of Immanuel's 150th anniversary! If you can help, just stop by or mail to the church office. These funds support expenses involved with guest speakers, the vicar reunion, yard signs, food for meals and receptions, giveaways, and other expenses. Thank you!

The Board of Evangelism is short a few volunteers to help pick up visitor slips after 11:15 services. If you'd like to volunteer for this easy task in April (or another month) please call, text, or email Charlie Smith at (812) 525-9756 or <u>csmith.ils@aol.com</u>. This volunteer opportunity is perfect for a family or on your own and doesn't take very long (less than 20 minutes most weeks). Thank you for your prayerful consideration.