

### Cancellations

- **Immanuel Guild** Cookie Walk.
- **Immanuel Guild** December Christmas Party.
- **Ladies Aid 3** Christmas dinner/meeting.
- **LWML** Christmas luncheon/meeting.
- **Sr. Adult Ministry** December meeting.

**Trinity Lutheran High School** is looking to partner with church workers from around the country and world who desire a Christian education for their children, but do not have a local Lutheran high school. Our plan is to reach out to military chaplains, overseas missionaries, and other church workers domestically and overseas. To help us facilitate this program we are looking for local families who would be willing to house students during their time at Trinity. For more information please contact Ryan Cremeans at [rcremeans@trinitycougars.org](mailto:rcremeans@trinitycougars.org) or Clayton Darlage at [cdarlage@trinitycougars.org](mailto:cdarlage@trinitycougars.org). Thank you and God Bless you as you prayerfully consider this service to the church.

### Christmas Cookie Tray and Bake Sale

**Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Redeemer** Trays of various sizes and assortments will be available. Items will be marked with price. All proceeds from both events will go towards Redeemer missions.

### Advent Devotions for Adults and Kids

Be sure to pick up your **free** Advent devotion book, one for adults, and another for children. The children’s version includes a book with stickers and a display to put them on, so be sure to get both of them.

### Advent Wreaths and Candles

Need an Advent Wreath for your family devotions, or new candles (\$4) for your wreath? Check at the Welcome Center in the narthex or call Lisa at the church office: 812-522-3118.

**9:00 am Elders:** Troy Hehman **Ushers:** Kurt Fenneberg, Brent Kilgas, Ben Thompson, Brian Burbrink, Baron Bullard, Dale VonDielingen, Greg Wehmiller, Roger Wehmiller, Mitchell Kilgas, Will Borchering, Dustin Nichols, Tony Combs, Gary Schneider, Jay Hubbard, Daniel Luecke, Jed Strange **Counting:** Mark Nichols, Matt Lambert, Joe Bullard, Kevin Lister, John Thomas, Kyle Gentry **Acolyte:** Conner VonDielingen **Audio/Video:** Stu Silver/Kevin Foster

**11:15 am Elders/Communion:** Drew Storey, Bob Hartman, Andy Gillaspay, Charlie Smith **Ushers:** Max Whitsett, Larry Stahl, Robert Allman, Randy ‘Dude’ Dittmer, Dennis Klinge, Karl Anderson **Altar Guild:** Carol Hill **Acolyte:** Emma Wichman **Audio:** Bob Emily

**7:00 pm Elders:** Steve Bobb, Tony Combs, Mike Sterling **Acolyte:** Elliott Fraizer

6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:00 Worship 10:15 Bible Study/AIC 11:15 Worship/ Communion	8:35 Chapel 3:30 7th OYR 5:30 Trail Life/ AHG 7:00 Worship	3:30 8th OYR 5:30 School 6:00 Heritage	4:30 Worship 5:30 Stewardship 7:00 Worship 8:00 AIC/Conf	5:30 Human Care 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Council	6:00-8:00 Drive Through Live Nativity	6:00-8:00 Drive Through Live Nativity

### 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](http://www.wzzb1390.com)



**Immanuel**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

# INFORMER

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December 6, 2020

## Drive Through Live

### Nativity Friday, Saturday

Join us here at Immanuel Friday December 11 and Saturday December 12 for our live, “drive-through” nativity from 6-8 PM both evenings. The drive-through begins in the school parking lot, where volunteers will welcome you. The line proceeds through the school lot on Oesting street and then into the Church parking lot and then exits onto Jackson Street. See the Holy Family in the stable surrounded by the animals. Hear the Christmas story unfolding through readings of God’s promise and its fulfillment in Christ. Listen to music proclaiming the joy of the Christmas message. Come out and drive through as we celebrate this Christmas season!

### 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.

*If you would like to sponsor a poinsettia for our altar, please call or stop by the church office to purchase one, they are \$17.50 each.*

## Wednesday Advent Series Continues

“Advent—A Time of Hope and Healing” is the special Advent worship series for our Wednesday evening services at 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. It seeks to apply words from Isaiah that sound like they were written for this very time.

*Dec. 9: “Brought to Our Knees, then to Our Feet”*

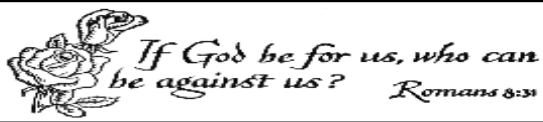
Even if you are not able to be with us in person, tune in by radio (AM 1390/FM 99.3) at 7:00 p.m. or watch Boxcast or youtube ([www.immanuelseymour.com](http://www.immanuelseymour.com)).

## Bible Classes and Sunday School Suspended

All Sunday and Midweek Bible studies and Sunday School are suspended until further notice due to the “red” condition of the county relative to Covid 19. We will keep you posted on when we can safely resume. Check the website for online resources. Thanks for your understanding.

## Kitchen Door Gets Power Assist

When you enter the Fellowship Hall by the kitchen, you now have the option to press or wave at the button to open the door. This should be a great help for parents bringing babies to our childcare, ladies carrying dishes of food, and people carrying umbrellas or using walkers. Funds for the project are provided by a bequest from Sheila Toppe.



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

Totals from November 29, 2020	
Unified Budget	\$24,899.86
Plate Offerings	\$826.42
Other Income	\$1,124.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$26,850.28</b>
Income & Gifts To Date	\$249,123.41
Donations to ILS 2020-2021	\$2,133.00
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>\$251,256.41</b>
Budget Needs to Date	\$342,698.58
Benevolence	\$1,358.00
Sunday Attendance/Communed	272/101
Monday Attendance/Communed	35/21
Online Views	590
<b>Scottsburg Mission</b>	
Attendance	10
Sunday Offering	\$170.00

### Sunday, December 6, 2020

**Mark 1:1-8:** An elderly man had been fitted with a hearing aid and returned to his doctor's office a week later for a checkup. "How do you like your new hearing aid?" the doctor asked. "Just fine," the man replied. "How does your family like it?" inquired the doctor. "Oh, I haven't told them yet," the man answered, "but I have changed my will three times already." How's your hearing? If we are hearing God's Word, well...it may not be just our will that we change, but our entire lives. God's voice was proclaimed loud and clear through the voice of Isaiah, Peter, and John the Baptist, who all speak the Law and Gospel, calling for us to repent of our sin, to be forgiven, and to walk the way of God. By the grace of God, your hearing has changed your life! Ask someone, "How's your hearing?" and tell them what a difference hearing the Word of God has made for you!

Great Commission

**Corner**

### Acknowledgements

Today's Broadcast is sponsored in memory of Lincoln Hoevener's birthday, by Mom, Dad, Logan, Lane, Grandma & Grandpa and Aunt Kelly.

Today's Altar & Chapel Flowers are sponsored in loving memory of Brenda Williams on what would have been her Birthday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, by Mike & Brooke.

### Thank YOU!

Thank you for setting aside a portion of God's gifts for His work in our church and school. You are providing the essential means to preach and teach the Word of God here and around the world. Remember God's promise: "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38

### Christmas Food Drive

Due to COVID-19 the Board of Human Care feels compelled to keep our members as safe as we can from exposure. Beginning November 22 through December 13 there will be envelopes in the bulletin to accept monetary donations for the purchase of 50 gift cards that families can use to purchase the food they need for the holidays. This is in lieu of the food baskets we normally assemble as a group. We still would like volunteers to help deliver the gift cards and other items to foster the spiritual needs of the families. The deliveries will take place the afternoon of December 20<sup>th</sup>. If you're interested in helping deliver, please call the church office - 812-522-3118. *The Board of Human Care*

### ILS Concerts Go Virtual

To provide for safety as Covid cases rise, the three Christmas concerts scheduled for ILS bands and choirs will be online instead of in person. You can view these online on the church's website [www.immanuelseymour.com](http://www.immanuelseymour.com) beginning December 11.

### Bible Readings

- 12/6 Romans 4-7    12/10 Acts 20:4-23:35
- 12/7 Romans 8-10    12/11 Acts 24-26
- 12/8 Romans 11-13    12/12 Acts 27-28
- 12/9 Romans 14-16

### Christmas for Haitian Students

Immanuel is collecting donations in order to purchase 250 Christmas gift boxes for the Haitian students. Pastor Thomas Bernard's church will be giving each child, Prek - 9<sup>th</sup> grade, a small gift box with an age appropriate toy and a book for the student to enjoy. The cost of each box is \$10. If you and your family would like to participate in this project, please send your gift to Heart4Haiti, c/o Immanuel Lutheran Church, 605 South Walnut Street, Seymour, IN 47274. You may also donate online at [www.immanuelseymour.com](http://www.immanuelseymour.com) or drop a check by the church office. Thank you for your support of this very important giving ministry.

### Advent Hope and Healing Activity Kits for Kids!

Our Advent theme this year is "Advent: A Time of Hope and Healing." The colors in the church are blue for Advent, the season of anticipation. We anticipate with joy the celebration of the birth of our Savior, and we also anticipate at time when we can be together again in-person for many of our activities that have been put on hold or cancelled. What is not cancelled is fun, creativity, and learning, and as always the opportunity to share the love Jesus. This year we will offer "Hope and Healing Activity Kits" for the children to come pick up in between the 4:30 and 7pm Midweek service. This will be a "grab and go" art activity for home. The kit is designed to be fun, full of learning, and give families with children the opportunity to share with each other, and also with a friend or neighbor, the love of Christ during the season of Advent.

### Who loves cookies!?

Well, you're in luck because Immanuel Youth Ministry is taking us back in time to when Immanuel served cookies at their Advent services! In lieu of our traditional meals and to help keep everyone healthy and safe, Immanuel's youth will be serving delicious cookies from 5-6:30 PM every Wednesday in Advent (December 9, & 16, 2020). Just swing through the Fellowship Hall, pick up your individually wrapped cookies and a cup of your favorite beverage (fruit punch, coffee, milk).

Donations of cookies (brownies, Rice Krispie treats, etc), cookie dough, or your favorite recipes would really help us out so please consider donating. Free will offerings will also be accepted to help support the youth ministry of Immanuel.

### Financial Peace at Immanuel:

**Sign up NOW!** A great start for 2021! Financial Peace University (FPU) is the nine-lesson class that will teach you how to pay off debt, save and invest for your future. You'll also connect with others, just like you who can hold you accountable, encourage you, and celebrate your progress. Sign up at this link: <https://www.financialpeace.com/classes/1129121> to attend the class here at Immanuel that begins January 10<sup>th</sup> and runs through March 7, 2021!

### Sunday School Teachers Needed

Our Sunday School children are always excited to share the love of Jesus and learn more about Him and His Word, and they need you to help lead the way! Please consider being a Sunday School Teacher here at Immanuel. A meeting will be scheduled soon for all those who are interested in teaching our children ages 3 years old - 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Even if you have never taught before, or taught way back when, we have materials and lessons for you that will make this a joyful and learning experience. You and the children you lead will grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior. Email Patti Miller at [pmiller@immanuelseymour.com](mailto:pmiller@immanuelseymour.com) or call the church office and let her know you can teach a month at a time, a day a month, or every other week. A flexible schedule will be put together and all safety precautions will be in place so that we may safely re-open Sunday School soon. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this very important ministry.

### 150th Anniversary Ornaments

If you did not purchase your 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary ornament this past year, we still have a few left. This is a Tom Pollard custom design gold-plated brass ornament and is a special design to commemorate Immanuel's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The cost of the ornament is \$10.00 and comes gift boxed with a stand for display. An information sheet about Immanuel's history is also enclosed. This ornament is beautiful and looks great on your tree and can be displayed on its stand year round. Makes a great Christmas gift or stocking stuffer. These are available while they last at our church office.