

Spotlight on Life

Join us Saturday, January 28, at W.R. Ewing in Brownstown for a full day of adult conversation and understanding surrounding life's toughest topics from beginning to end. This is presented by Lutherans for Life and hosted by St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Brownstown. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

LWML Grants

Lutheran Bible Translators travels to remote areas in Ethiopia and Sierra Leone to provide Bibles translated into the people's local or heart language. Robust vehicles are needed to travel on the rough, washed-out roads. This LWML grant will help purchase two vehicles to make travel easier. For more information, go to lwml.org/2021-2023-mission-grant-22.

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 Greeters: Bob & Pat Nicholson, Terrence & Angie Tracey **Elders/Communion:** Corey Zaring, Dennis Maxie, Joe Bullard, Dave Boggs, Tim Meyer, Jeff Schile, Todd Behmlander **Ushers:** Kurt Fenneberg, Brent Kilgas, Ben Thompson, Brian Burbrink, Baron Bullard, Dale VonDielingen, Greg Wehmiller, Roger Wehmiller, Mitchell Kilgas, Will Borcharding, 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 **Altar Guild:** Sandee Helwig **Acolyte:** Samantha Reed **Audio/Video:** Kelly Luecke, Aaron Bloch

11:15 am Greeters: Betty Chastain, Sharon McAllister **Elders:** Ralph Wischmeier, John Bowen **Ushers:** Max Whitsett, Larry Stahl, Robert Allman, Randy "Dude" Dittmer, Dennis Klinge, Karl Anderson **Acolyte:** Kathryn Roark **Audio:** Jeff Hopkins

7:00 pm Elders: Steve Bobb, Monty Siefker **Acolyte:** Jackson Self **Altar Guild:** Linda Schoenfelder

25 Christmas Day 9:00 Worship 11:15 Worship	26 Church Office Closed 7:00 Worship	27 7:00 Men's Bible Study 3:15 8th OYR	28 3:30 Sr Hi OYR	29	30	31 New Year's Eve 7:00 Worship
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Additional Spiritual Support:

- **Dial a Meditation:** call 812-522-1345 anytime for a devotion 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.
Listen to WZZB 99.3 and streaming at www.wzzb1390.com



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December 25, 2022

Blessed Christmas and Joyous New Year!

Thank you for the prayers, gifts, and support you have provided to us all year long. A very Blessed Christmas to you and a joyous 2023!
The Church Office staff:

Lisa Roberson, Bethany Hubbard, Lindsey Montgomery, Vicar Jarney, Matt Newman, Pastor Rodriguez, Pastor D. W. Wenzel, Paul Schneider, Pastor Fredstrom, Pastor Bloch, Kathryn Schnitker, Mike Patra

Christmas Continues!

We continue to use Christmas decorations and hymns to celebrate our Lord's birth through the Epiphany January 6. Thanks for all who made the church so beautiful!

New Year's Eve Service Planned

Join us to give thanks to God for his blessings in 2022 and to commend the New Year to His gracious care. Our New Year's Eve service will be at 7:00 p.m. Saturday evening. It will be broadcast live on AM1390 FM99.3 as livestreamed on www.immanuelseymour.com

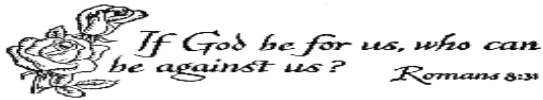
Portals of Prayer

The new *Portals of Prayer* and *My Devotions* booklets for the first months of 2023 are available free to pick up. There is no better way to start the New Year than by being devoted to God's Word.

Office Closed

December 26, January 2:

In keeping with our policy regarding holidays occurring on Sundays, the church office will be closed Monday, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2.



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

Totals from December 18, 2022	
Unified Budget	\$44,276.48
Plate Offerings	\$988.71
Other Income	\$728.00
Total	\$45,993.19
Income & Gifts To Date	\$446,348.39
Donations to ILS 2022-2023	\$2,445.00
Total Gifts	\$448,793.39
Budget Needs to Date	\$510,900.69
Benevolence	\$3,870.00
Sunday Attendance	980
Monday Attendance	64
Wednesday Attendance	325

John 1:1-18: The Word of God has come not to scold or punish us. He has come to take the punishment we deserve. He has come to live with us that He may redeem us to live with Him in glory for eternity. The Word became flesh to take our sins and deal with them in His death on our behalf. Merry Christmas! The Word has become flesh so that you may not be called "sinner," but "beloved, spotless child of God!" That is worthy of celebrating and sharing!

Acknowledgements

Today's Broadcast is sponsored in loving memory of Melvin & EmyLou Wischmeier and Delbert Kilgas, by Brent & Sandy Kilgas and family

Today's Altar Flowers are sponsored in memory of loved ones by Janet Copper, Jerry & Beckie Anderson and families.

Official Acts

Amy Ludwig entered eternal life on October 28 a memorial service was held on December 18.

Darrell Hacker entered eternal life on December 12 and was given Christian burial on December 19.

Betty and I thank the Immanuel family for the prayers, sympathy cards and kind words extended to us at the time of my brother, Tom's death. Jerry Hall

Please Register your attendance using the booklets in each pew. Visitors, please use the Guest Registration form. Thank you, and thanks for the teams that gather this information!



All at the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty thank you for your support and pray that you have a blessed celebration of the Birth of the Savior.

Bible Readings

12/ 25	2 John; 3 John	12/28	Revelation 1-5
12/26	Revelation	12/29	Revelation 6-11
12/27	2 John; 3 John	12/30	Revelation 12-18
		12/31	Revelation 19-22

End-of-Year Donations Can Help ILS Students

Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) tax credits are still available to provide financial aid for ILS students. Your end-of-year donation to the SGO provides scholarship money for ILS students and gives you a 50% credit on your IN State tax return. Your gift of \$100.00 only costs \$50.00 after you file IN taxes. Don't owe state taxes? You'll still get 50% of your donation back in a tax refund. Learn how you can prudently help ILS students by visiting www.lutheransgo.org or call the school office.

Offering Envelopes Still Available

Please pick up your new box of offering envelopes today. Boxes are arranged alphabetically in the north hallway. These envelopes allow you to give privately, while allowing us to account for your gifts and report them to you. If you choose to give online and do not need envelopes, please call the office or email hfooster@immanuelseymour.com. Thanks!

ILCCM is Hiring

Immanuel Lutheran Child Care is hiring a part-time assistant teacher for the afternoon shift. The hours would be 12:00-5:30 PM Monday- Friday. Call Katlynn at 812-522-3118 or email kschnitker@immanuelseymour.com for questions. Stop by the church office to apply!

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.

Year-end Giving

In a season of gift-giving and receiving, your year-end gifts to support the work of making Christ known are truly essential. The financial support of each member truly makes a difference. Thank you! Not all have the same from which to give, but all of us have received the priceless gift of faith in Christ and the privilege to be partners in His work to make disciples of all nations.

See the Impact of Your Generosity

If you are 70 ½ years old or older, you can take advantage of a simple way to help Immanuel Lutheran Church or Immanuel Lutheran School and receive tax benefits in return. You can give up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to a qualified charity such as Immanuel Lutheran Church or School without having to pay income taxes on the money. This law no longer has any expiration date so you are free to make annual gifts to Immanuel Lutheran Church or School this year and well into the future.

Why Consider This Gift?

Your gift will be put to use today, allowing you to see the difference your donation is making.

You pay no income taxes on the gift. The transfer generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction, so you benefit even if you do not itemize your tax deductions.

If you have not yet taken your required minimum distribution for the year, your IRA charitable rollover gift can satisfy all or a part of that requirement.

Talk with your Financial Advisor or Tax Professional to see the power of the direct gift on your tax return. Thank you!