

## Traveling Lutherans and Friends

Traveling Lutherans and Friends will be returning to Trinity Lutheran High School in Seymour on Thursday, December 12, for a Christmas concert by the Trinity Lutheran guitar class, band, and choir. The concert will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Music Room of the school – located in the north hall, last classroom on the left. There is no charge for the concert but a donation to the Music Department would be a nice gesture. Following the concert we will meet at Poplar Street Restaurant for lunch. Please notify Joyce Stuckwisch (812-525-7138) or John Stuckwisch (812-216-1855) by Monday, December 9 of your plan to attend so that both locations may be informed about seating needed.

### ILS 7th Grade is selling Rada Cutlery

All proceeds go towards their 8th Grade Washington D.C. trip. To see a catalog, contact an ILS 7th grader or Leah Gillaspay at 812-521-9220. Money is due when ordering. Orders will arrive before Christmas. Thank you

## Christmas Concert

On Sunday, December 22, 7:00 PM. The Second Presbyterian Church Beecher Singers & Orchestra will present their sixth Christmas concert at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Columbus. The program will include the third cantata from Bach's Christmas Oratorio. Indy harpist Jill Pitz will begin her pre-concert recital at 6:40 PM

### Military Christmas Packages

Operation: Centurion Shield is putting together care packages for active military members. Please bring in helpful essentials such as toilet paper, sunblock, socks, underwear, lip balm, etc. Non-crushable snacks are also welcomed. There will be a box in the hallway for donations, or you can bring them by the church office during the week. We plan on packing our packages on the 18<sup>th</sup>, so please have all items in by then. Also, if you know of a military member that you would like us to send a package to, call the church office and ask for Vicar so we can get their information.



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### Cantata Next Sunday

The sounds of Christmas are as welcome as the sights of beautiful lights, trees, and manger scenes! Join us next Sunday at 9 or 11:15 as choirs and instrumentalists help us celebrate the reason Christ was born and the gifts he has brought for us. Due to the placement of the orchestra, there **will** not be Communion at 11:15 on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Live Nativity, Friday & Saturday

Join us here at Immanuel Friday December 13 and Saturday December 14 for our live nativity from 6-8 PM both evenings. See the Holy Family in the stable surrounded by the animals, shepherds, and angels. 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 on out and bring a friend or two to celebrate this Christmas season!

### Advent—A Time of Peace

Jesus came to a world in desperate need of peace. The Prince of Peace still comes in His Word to bring peace to hearts troubled by the guilt of sin and anxious about the future. While it is a busy time, additional times of worship can help keep us focused on His gifts.

Midweek Advent services at 4:30 and 7 will be held December 11 and 18. Our youth will serve a soup and sandwich meal between services. The ADVET-URE Cookie Corner for children will also be provided during the meal. Join us!

### The Gift of Life

At a time when many of us are looking for the right gift to let others know we care, our gifts to support our church and school help to share the gift of Christ with children and adults. We are thankful for those whose gifts made it possible for us to learn of Jesus and we are blessed to be able to support that work for this generation too! God's action of giving His Son has given life to us and the privilege of bringing joy to others. Thank you!

### Anniversary Ornaments are Here!

The Anniversary Committee will be selling the new 150th Anniversary Ornament **today and Monday** after all services in the atrium. They are also available for sale during the week in the church office. This is a Tom Pollard custom designed gold-plated brass ornament and is a special design to commemorate Immanuel's 150th Anniversary. The cost of the ornament is \$10.00 and comes gift boxed with a stand for display. This ornament will look beautiful on your tree and can be displayed on its stand year round. Makes a great Christmas gift or stocking stuffer.

### Receive Your 150th Anniversary Calendar TODAY and Verify Your Contact Info

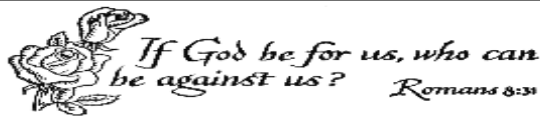
Members of the Pictorial Directory Committee will be in the hallway to verify information for each family regarding address, phone number, etc. As you complete the verification process you may also pick up your free 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration 2020 Calendar.

**9:00 am Greeters:** Michael & Ashley Hancock, Carol Boyer, Terrence & Angie Tracey **Welcome:** Mary Lou Stockamp **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 **Elders:** Mike Patmore, Lucas Wehmiller, Doug Nichols, Tim Hamblen, Doug Borcharding, John Hill, Randy Cockerham **Communion:** Matt Nieman, Mark Rudzinski **Altar Guild:** Prima Heideman **Counting:** BJ Sinclair, Ryan Sinclair, PJ Stein, Jason Skidmore, Chad Hageman, Gerry Sinclair, Eric Fish **Acolyte:** Paige Smith **Audio/Video:** John Fox/Conner Sims **Nursery:** Pat Nicholson, Jozie Nicholson

**11:15 am Greeters:** Ester Becker, Tom & Jerretta Bullard, Jane Schepman **Welcome:** Vicki Newkirk **Ushers:** Max Whitsett, Larry Stahl, Robert Allman, Randy 'Dude' Dittmer, Dennis Klinge, Karl Anderson, Clayton Engel **Elders:** Richard Pollert, Jeff Fields **Acolyte:** Eli Meyer **Audio:** Bob Emily

**7:00 pm Elders:** Mike Sterling, Monte Siefker **Altar Guild:** Linda Schoenfelder **Acolyte:** Maely Schrader

<b>8</b> 9:00 Worship/ Communion 10:15 Bible Class Sunday School 11:15 Wor- ship/ Communion 6:00 Youth Bible Study	<b>9</b> 8:35 Chapel 12:00 Gospel of Mark 3:15 7th OYR 5:00 Caroling 5:15 Trustees 5:45 ILCCM 7:00 Worship/ communion	<b>10</b> 7:00 Men's Bi- ble Study 9:30 Bible Study 11:30 LWML 3:15 8th OYR 5:30 Parish Ed. 5:30 School 7:00 Safety and Security	<b>11</b> 3:15 Sr. Hi OYR 4:30 Worship 5:15 Advent 5:30 Trail Life/ Heritage Girls 5:30 Stewardship 6:15 Brass 7:00 Worship 7:45 Choir 8:00 Confirma- tion	<b>12</b> 12:00 Lunch with Pastor 5:30 Human Care 6:00 All Mu- sicians Re- hearsal 7:00 Council	<b>13</b> 10:30 Life- light 6:00—8:00 Live Nativity	<b>14</b> 9:00— Instrumental- ists 10:00 Choir 6:00—8:00 Live Nativity
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*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 1, 2019

Unified Budget	\$64,478.45
Plate Offerings	\$1,959.00
Other Income	\$1,439.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$67,876.45</b>
Income & Gifts To Date	\$315,116.50
Donations to ILS 2019-2020	\$912.50
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>\$316,029.00</b>
Budget Needs to Date	\$337,743.54
Benevolence	\$1,707.10
Sunday Attendance	798
Sunday Communed	172
Monday Attendance	101
Thanksgiving Eve Attendance	180
Lutheran Home Attendance	84
<b>Scottsburg Mission</b>	
Attendance	13
Sunday Offering	\$545.00

### Advent 2

**Matthew 3:1-12:** John the Baptist was sent by God to prepare the way for the first coming of His Son as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. We, like John the Baptist, have the opportunity to give a bold witness to Jesus, our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth. May the Holy Spirit bless our witness and use it to change hearts for eternity.

Great Commission

Corner

### Acknowledgements

**Today's Broadcast** is sponsored by Bertha Jackson.

**Today's Informer** is sponsored in celebration of Russ Byrnett's 94th birthday, December 10, by his family.

**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.

### Official Acts

#### Confirmed on December 1

**Matthew & Carmen Pumphrey, Kasey Motsinger, Miriah Emily, Kelley Gillaspay, Jason & Denise Jones, Joey & Terry Hendrix, Ethan Chandler**

### Christmas Poinsettia

If you would like to sponsor a poinsettia for our altar, please call the office. Cost is \$16.50. Thanks!

### Cantata Sept-up Needed

**Help is needed** in setting up for the Cantata on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Set-up will be in the morning at 9:00 AM. Please let Paul Scheiderer know if you would be interested in helping.

**Jackson County Clothing Center** is in need of sheets, blankets, coats, and men's hats and gloves. Thanks!

### This Week in Krazy Kinfolk

Do you know what is crazy? The fact that this Sunday is our final session of Krazy Kinfolk! This Sunday we will conclude our study with a discussion about God's will for our families and the unique roles of husbands, wives, and children from a guy who was single his entire life. Join us for our final session!

### Bible Readings

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

### Share the 12!

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 November, the 12th month, consider saving any dollar bills you find with the "12" on them and sharing them as an additional offering. It's fun, and it helps support our work together. Thanks!

### Looking For A Place To Serve?

Lutheran Community Home is in need of some volunteers to serve getting our residents to and from Sunday Chapel services. This involves assisting residents in wheelchairs and being at LCH from 1:15 pm to around 3:00 pm on Sundays.

Contact Pastor Neuman at 812-522-5927 or [pneuman@lutherancommhome.org](mailto:pneuman@lutherancommhome.org). Thank you.

### PHOTO DIRECTORY UPDATE

As we approach the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Immanuel we are planning the newest pictorial directory. This edition will be a special one in that it will include a historical documentation of the first 150 years of the congregation. It will be a keepsake for many families.

**The opportunities to be photographed for this directory is as follows:**

**December 13 & 14; January 7-11; February 4-8 & 18-22; March 5-7**

**Photo Times: Weekdays 2-9; Saturday 10-5**

**You may register for your seating on the Immanuel website under the events tab.**

If you're not comfortable registering online you may call the church office, 812-522-3118, and we will help you with the process. When you sit for a photography session you will receive an 8 X 10 print of what will be included in the directory PLUS you will receive the actual directory when they are printed. We desire all families to be included in this sesquicentennial edition of our directory. And we look forward to seeing you at one of the sessions.

### Join in the Caroling MONDAY

The Board of Fellowship/Assimilation is planning a caroling visit to the residents of Lutheran Community Home on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. We invite you to join us to spread the joy of Christ at Christmas with those residents. Meet in the Fellowship Hall at 5:00 and we will make our way there. Wear your Christmas duds! Snacks will be served afterwards back at the church. Join us for this fun, and meaningful family activity!

### Christmas Food Baskets

**The Board of Human Care** is collecting monetary donations for food baskets for those in need in our church and community. Donation envelopes are included with the church bulletin today and you may put them in the offering drop slots in the narthex or drop them off in the church office. Food basket assembly will be December 15, and we request volunteers to help with that. Sign-up sheet is available in the hallway.

**LWML Christmas luncheon** will be December 10th at 11:30. The committee will furnish lunch. Please plan to come.

### Save the Date!

If you did not get one last Sunday, stop at the Welcome Center or Atrium to get a "Save the Date" card for our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Put it in your calendar and on your refrigerator, so you can plan to be available for all the special celebrations planned for Immanuel's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2020! The Kick-Off Sunday is 0202-2020, February 2, 2020. Spread the word!

### Special Service Schedule

In addition to our regular Sunday and Monday services and Advent worship at 4:30 and 7 December 11 and 18, plan to join us for these special times of worship:

**12-24, 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service led by our ILS children**

**12-24, 10:30 p.m., Candlelight Communion**

**12-25, 9:00 a.m., Christmas Communion**

**12-31, 7:00 p.m., New Year's Eve**