

Lakeview Women's Retreat

For only \$110, spend an incredible fall weekend at Camp Lakeview on **September 27-29th**. Get ready for adventures, hiking, crafts, campfires, naps, laughing, coffee, zip lining, sunsets, hot tubing, new friends, truth, love, and more. Our main speaker, Amy Meyer, will be helping us explore this year's theme: **Worth Full Value**, based on Luke 13:10-13. For more details and to sign up, go to lakeviewministries.camp/women.

15th Annual Jim Schneider Memorial Golf Scramble

On Saturday, September 28th, the 15th Jim Schneider Golf Scramble will be held at Shadowood Golf Course. Proceeds from this event will provide tuition assistance for the students attending Trinity Lutheran High School and Zion Lutheran School, tuition for students attending a trade school, as well as funding CrossLife Ministries (a faith-based counseling ministry to the community provided by Rev. Ed Keinath). Tee Time is 1:00 pm. Entry is \$65 per participant and includes green fees, golf cart, and dinner. Dinner only is \$15. Call for more information or to RSVP (812-521-3990).

9:00 am Greeters: Ryan & Kelly Williams, Tony & Michelle Combs, Karen Habenicht **Welcome:** Audrey Luecke **Ushers:** Kurt Fenneberg, Larry Harlow, Gordon Kovener, Troy Hehman, Nathan Nichols, Cary Bell, Chris Stahl, Corey Zaring, Charlie Tungate, Andrew Bell, Ryan Williams, Caleb Williams **Elders:** Scott Whipker, Wes Baker, Ryan Williams, Greg Wehmiller, John Hill, Doug Nichols, John Watson **Altar Guild:** Elinor Brown & Laverne East **Counting:** Craig Moore, Luke Nolting, Gary Darlage, Brian Rohr, Mark Nolting, Chad Cooper **Acolyte:** Kiley Zabel **Audio/Video:** Kelly Luecke/Don Luecke **Nursery:** Lisa, Kendal, & Jenna Robertson

11:15 am Greeters: Glen & Carlana Able, Bob & Karen Allman, Dennis & Barbara Ramsey **Welcome:** Theresa Vondielingen **Ushers:** Max Whitsett, George Spray, Jeff Nicholson, John Bowen, Marcus Brooks, Joe Brooks, Grainger Pollert, Richard Pollert **Elders:** Jim Lucas, John Bowen **Acolyte:** Carmyn Wilson **Audio:** Jeff Hopkins

7:00 pm Elders: Mike Sterling, Tim Hamblen **Ushers:** Steve Bobb, Bill Hubble **Altar Guild:** Linda Schoenfelder **Acolyte:** Payton Barlow

22 9:00 Worship/ Communion 10:15 Bible Class and Sunday School 11:15 Worship 4:00 FPU 6:00 Youth Bible Study	23 8:35 Chapel 12:00 Gospel of Mark 3:15 7th OYR 7:00 Worship 7:00 150th Committee	24 7:00 Men's Bible Study 9:30 Bible Study 12:00 VIP 3:15 8th OYR 5:30 Evangelism 7:00 Life Light	25 3:15 Sr. Hi OYR 5:30 Trail Life/ Heritage Girls 6:15 Brass 6:30 Women's Bible Study 7:00 Woodwinds 7:00 Confirmation 7:00 AIC 7:30 Adult Choir	26 12:00 Lunch with Pastor 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Holy Hops	27 10:30 Lifelight Bible Study	28
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TRAVELING LUTHERANS AND FRIENDS TRIP TO NEW HARMONY

We will be going to New Harmony, IN by vans on Monday, September 23. The cost of the trip is \$30 per person. It includes the tour of the town and transportation and will be paid to Barbara before we leave that day. Note: there will be very little walking on the tour. We will be leaving now from St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Brownstown at 8:30 a.m. and going west through Bedford. Lunch will be an additional expense. We will be having a late lunch since New Harmony is on Central time, so be sure to eat a big breakfast of bring a snack. If you are planning to go or want more information, contact Barbara Shoemaker at 812-358-3198 *AS SOON AS POSSIBLE*. If there is no answer please leave a message with phone number.

St. Paul Organ Concert

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend the next St. Paul Concerts event on Friday, October 4, 2019, 7:00 PM. You will have an opportunity to meet pipe organ builder, Mr. Lynn Dobson.



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Traffic Control: Keeping Safe!

Traffic lights can be inconvenient when they take too long to change! Ignoring them can be more than inconvenient, though, leading to accident and injury or worse. The Ten Commandments are given not to make life inconvenient, but to protect us and others from harm and to help us go the right way. We'll talk more about this subject in the Adult Instruction Class this morning in 203.

This Week in Crazy Kinfolk

NOAH'S FAM: Noah saved his family from the flood and then got naked and plastered. Evidently, sailing around on a flooded earth in a barge full of animals was a bit stressful. He didn't appreciate the fact that one of his boys (Ham) mocked him for his naked drunk condition. So Noah cursed his son. There is no record that Ham attended Thanksgiving dinner with the family that year.

Oktoberfest Help

Would you be willing to help out at Immanuel's Suppenhaus during Oktoberfest? We need some additional volunteers to work and also to take charge of a day. A sign-up sheet is available for you on the card table in the hallway. Please add your phone number to the shift and day you would be willing to help so we can make easy contact. Like to know more? Contact us at info@immanuelseymour.com or call the church office. Thanks!

Commitments: Why?

Each year we ask our members to count God's blessings and make a commitment as to what part of them we will use to support God's work in our congregation. Why do we ask?

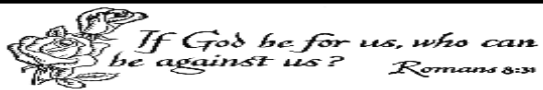
Since we adopt our budget in July, it is obviously not based on the commitments we make in September! The annual decision is to help each of us to be good stewards.

Taking time each year to count our blessings can help make sure we are not taking them for granted.

Planning what we intend to return to God's work puts it on the level of priority that we give to other financial commitments.

Unlike mortgages or car loans, your commitment to the church is not legally binding. If circumstances change for the better or worse, it can change, too! But without a plan, God's work may become an afterthought to support with what is left over, not a first fruit.

Watch for your commitment form in the mail. Please bring it with you next Sunday! It is a blessing that we have something to give and a cause as important as God's work. *"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."* 2 Cor. 9:6-7



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

Totals from September 15, 2019	
Unified Budget	\$60,829.74
Plate Offerings	\$1,678.51
Other Income	\$90.00
Total	\$62,598.25
Income & Gifts To Date	\$1,662,258.84
Donations to ILS 2018-2019	\$11,983.33
Total Gifts	\$1,674,242.17
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,853,814.50
Benevolence	\$814.00
Sunday Attendance	897
Sunday Communed	171
Monday Attendance	111
Lutheran Home Attendance	86
Scottsburg Mission	
Attendance	8
Sunday Offering	\$135.00

Luke 16:1-15: When it comes to using our finances, most times we don't think of it in an evangelism sense. The Lord uses a parable to teach His disciples about being shrewd in the age in which we live. What if the world knew that your finances were dedicated to the sharing of the Gospel? How shrewd would that be? Jesus talks more about money in His parables than any other medium because He knows that money can get between us and Him. Knowing this, the Good News should be applied to our money. We are to be devoted to God rather than to money. Our priority is to be right with God. We cannot serve two masters. Our "shrewdness" can be best applied to the world as they see us live the good News in how we apply it to the use of our money. Isn't it wonderful that we can proclaim the Good News and use our money at the same time?! Thanks be to God for all the riches He has given to us.

Acknowledgements

Today's Informer is sponsored by the Confirmation Class of 1969.

Today's Altar Flowers are from the wedding of Mitchell Kilgas and Lindsey Wetzel.

Official Acts

Landon Mark Spieker, son of Mark & Jordan (VonDielingen) Spieker, was baptized on September 15.

Sloane Elizabeth Meyers, daughter of Matt & Stephanie (Kilgas) Meyers, was baptized on September 15.

Carol Bobb entered eternal life on September 12 and was given Christian burial September 16.

To the saints at Immanuel: *Please accept my sincere thanks for prayers, and cards, and phone calls, and texts, and face-to-face conversations as I went through surgery recently. I met with the surgeon on Tuesday for follow up, and all is well. The tumor was benign, and I only need to wait for the healing process. You were a blessing and an encouragement to Pam and I, and our family, and we are deeply grateful for your care and concern. All glory to God alone... Pastor Rodriguez*

Bus Drivers are Needed for our Oktoberfest Shuttle

Our Board of Evangelism is looking for drivers to take Oktoberfest-goers from the Immanuel Parking Lot to/from Oktoberfest. Find the sign up sheets at church and offer to fill in one or more of the 2-3 hours shifts! Call the office with any questions.

St Johns Sauers Men's Club Soup and Sandwich Supper will be Sunday, October 6th from 4-7PM. Carryouts available.

Bible Readings

9/ 23 Esther 1-5	9/ 28 Nehemiah 8-10
9/ 24 Esther 6-10	9/ 29 Nehemiah 11-13
9/ 25 Ezra 7-10	Psalms 126
9/ 26 Nehemiah 1-5	9/ 30 Malachi
9/ 27 Nehemiah 6-7	

Share the 9!

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 September, the 9th month, consider saving any dollar bills you find with the "9" on them and sharing them as an additional offering. It's fun, and it helps support our work together. Thanks!

7th Grade Selling Marion-Kay Spices

All proceeds go towards their 8th Grade Washington D.C. trip. The sale will run from Sept. 11 - Sept. 24th. If you would like to purchase spices, please place an order with any 7th grader or contact Amy Braman at 812-521-1079 or Megan Blomenberg at 812-528-2220.

LWML Fall Rally Bethania Kids

It will be on September 29th at 2:00pm. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Leesville, IN. Our speaker will be Kate Hennig Teece telling us about the mission in India for Bethania Kids. She is coming all the way from Minnesota to be with us so we hope to have a good turnout. 100% of every donation goes directly to the ministries of India. Refreshments will be served. We will have a car pool to help with transportation to Leesville. We will leave from the South parking lot at 12:30 since registration is at 1:30. Please be aware that the only restrooms for the church are in the basement. Come see what God is doing for the Bethania Kids. Please call Janis Mundt at 812-519-1592 if you are planning to attend so we can make sure we have enough drivers.

Needed to Finish:

With two Sundays left in the fiscal year, we need your help to catch up. We will share each week what we "need to finish" the fiscal year. Our estimate today is \$189,000.

Each gift makes a difference. Thank you for helping us teach children, visit the sick and homebound, provide worship services, support missionaries, minister to our youth, and so much more! Remember the promise: "God loves a cheerful giver, and God is able to make all things abound to you so that you may be generous on every occasion." 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

Trinity Dinner Auction News!

The Trinity auction steering committee is looking for congregational volunteers to assist with asking/collecting items for the 2020 dinner auction next February. The work is easy and includes contacting local people/families/businesses and asking them to once again provide a donation to our event next February. If you have any questions, or would be interested in helping out with the Trinity auction in this manner, please contact David Probst at dprobst@trinitycougars.org.

Trinity News: Trinity Lutheran High School currently has 140 students this academic year and can provide a total of \$348,134 in Lutheran SGO tuition assistance scholarships for our students. Your donation to the Lutheran SGO program in the name of Trinity will provide you with a 50% Indiana State tax credit and assist us in raising the \$348,134 scholarship money we need. To donate please go online to lutheransgo.org and hit the donate now button to begin the process or contact Dave Probst at Trinity via email (dprobst@trinitycougars.org). Please consider helping us cover the cost of tuition for our students.

Trunk or Treat Coming in October

The Board of Parish Education will be sponsoring "Trunk or Treat" on October 31st from 6:00 – 8:00pm. Make plans now to attend and be thinking about how you, your family, or group can decorate your trunk for a fun and festive night! This event, designed to reach out to our entire community and neighborhoods, will offer a fun and safe candy collecting experience for families and will also offer our neighbors the opportunity to know more about Immanuel and it's mission. Sign ups for the "Decorate your Trunk" contest will be posted in October. Please refrain from scary decorations and costumes.