Announcements

For the week of Sunday, January 28, 2024

Divine Calls – Mr. Putz has received a divine call to serve as 4th grade teacher for Emanuel School in New London, WI and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson have received calls to serve as Principal and 5-8th grades and 1/2 grades for Divine Grace in Lake Orion, MI. Because our teachers hold multiple calls from the Holy Spirit – to either continue serving here at Immanuel or elsewhere in His kingdom, over the next few weeks, they will be consulting with God's people at both ministries to decide where they might best serve the Lord with their gifts and abilities. Please keep Mr. Putz and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson in your prayers as they deliberate and feel free to share any thoughts or insights you might have with them.

Christian Parenting Classes begin Jan 29 - Children aren't born with an instruction manual attached. So how do I raise my child in the Lord? Come join us for a 5-session Christian Parenting Class beginning Mon. Jan. 29 from 6-7:30pm and continuing every following Monday for 5 weeks total. We'll study and discuss all the instruction God gives for how to raise the young souls He has blessed you with. Because these classes will run at the same time as God and Me class (G&M will be downstairs in the Bible Class room, Parenting will be upstairs in the church sanctuary), childcare will be provided.

The God + Me Class – Make a resolution to be closer to God this year! Beginning Mon, January 29, this course will explore the basic truths of the Bible and briefly compare simple differences between religions and Christian denominations. Most importantly, it will answer the questions every person needs to answer in life... who am I?... what's my purpose in life?... how can I get to heaven?... how can I be certain I am loved and forgiven?... how does the Bible apply to me?

This class can serve as a **membership** class or simply a good **spiritual refresher** and a further step to understanding God and self. We promise: *there are no strings attached and there is no cost* – all materials and **childcare** are provided. "Try it before you buy it!" If, after 2-3 weeks you decide to step away, you won't be made to defend your decision to leave. So, as those cold winter months begin to take over, consider taking in the warmth of the God who loves you so much! To learn more or register please go to ilutheran.org/intro-class.

School Open House - On Saturday, February 3, from 10:00 AM to noon, we are hosting a preschool through 8th grade open house to give prospective families and students a chance to meet with our teachers and tour the school. We especially invite all families who will either have a child of preschool or kindergarten age to attend.

We could also use your help! If you know of a family with a child who is not currently part of our church or school family, but might be interested in being part of it, we would like to get in touch with them. Please forward their names to either Mr. Wilson or Mrs. Lemke, our secretary, and we will be sure they get an invitation. You are our best promoters! Thanks for your help!

Ladies of Immanuel News All men and women are invited to our meeting on **Thursday, February 8, at 1:30 P.M**. to hear our guest speaker, author **Sue Fink, talk about the topic of self-care**. Is the concept of loving ourselves as important as service to others? Come find out! Members of Ladies of Immanuel are reminded to bring \$12.00 for our annual dues.

Mornings with Mommy: Valentines! Join us for our February session. This month's theme is



Valentines + Love! We'll meet **TUESDAY** (not Thursday), Feb 13 from 10-11am in the church lower level. Scan the QR code to RSVP + claim your spot! New faces always welcome. (Geared toward children ages birth - 5.)

Family Photos Orders Are Here - If you purchased any photos from InFocus Photography during our recent Immanuel **Photo Directory** sessions in October and November, please stop at the church office during regular office hours.

Hat, Mittens, Scarves, Gloves - The Immanuel Evangelism Team is collecting new: homemade or store bought hats, mittens, scarves and gloves to be shared with those caught in the cold. The items will be bagged along with little tags attached, letting those in need know that they have warm friends here at Immanuel. The items will be tied to our parking lot fence, and also distributed throughout the community. **Please help warm our community.**

Have a passion for serving our seniors? Especially during these cold months, we're looking for people to visit our homebound members with a recorded worship service. Some of our members know how to or have someone helping them worship using our online services, but there are those who don't. Could you load an archived service and then sit to worship with them? What a blessed interaction — two people gathered in the Word and striving to make our homebound members still feel a part of this church family. If you are interested in volunteering, please let the church office know! *Laptops will be provided*.

An Opportunity: The Immanuel Lutheran Endowment Fund (ILEF) - Committee continues to offer an opportunity for all Immanuel organizations to request funds from the ILEF. The grant amount from 2023 funds (awarded in March of 2024) will be \$11,000.

These requests should align well with the mission of Immanuel: *Immanuel is a family glorifying God, growing in faith, and leading others to Christ.* Primary consideration will be given to requests for projects or ideas that are non-budgetary, innovative, and outreach focused. If your group has a ministry idea or project in need of special funding, please pick up a grant request letter and form (available on the information center at the back of church). Please complete the form and forward it to the ILEF Committee no later than February 29, 2024. Contact Greg Schmill for additional information (920-323-0440 or gschmill@sbcglobal.net).

New Monitor - Have you noticed the new monitor on the face of the balcony? This was generously donated by anonymously so that preachers and presenters can see what is showing on the screens.

Coming Up at MLHS

Friday, February 9 | Night to Shine @ MLHS Tuesday, March 5 | Board of Control Meeting

MLHS Dance Camp Registration Open Girls K-8 Dance Camp is Sat, Feb 17 from 8:30-11AM at MLHS. If you want a dance camp T-shirt you MUST register before Jan 31. Cost \$10. To learn more or register scan the QR code or visit www.mlhslancers.org/kids



Weekend Host Families Needed MLHS is excited to host the East Regional WELS Band Festival on March 14-17. 71 students from 11 WELS high schools around the country will be coming for the event. Would you have space and are you willing to host 2 or more students for 2-3 nights? (Please note that the dates are at the end of the MLHS spring break.) If you can help or have questions, please go to www.mlhslancers.org/finearts.com to sign up as a host or learn more information. Hosting students is very rewarding and helps make the event possible for these talented musicians! Thank you for considering! Deadline to sign up to host is January 31.

Job Opportunities at MLHS: Regular Part-Time; Hourly <u>Assistant International Coordinator</u> works with the international coordinator with all tasks related to our international students. Regular Part-Time; Hourly. For more information about job openings at MLHS call the office (920-682-0215), visit www.mlhslancers.org/jobs or email David Uhlhorn duhlhorn@mlhslancers.org

Bethany Ev. Lutheran Church and School is hiring a full-time custodian. Duties: vacuuming, sweeping, trash and recyclable removal, and restroom cleaning. Light maintenance. Snow removal by entrance doors. Coordination with teachers and pastors for the setup of special projects or events. Various other tasks as assigned. Work hours are 7:30 am - 4:00 pm, these hours are flexible. Please pick up an application at the church office or call 920.684.9620 to have an application sent to you electronically. Submit completed applications to the church office by noon on Friday, January 31. Applications can be dropped off Monday – Friday from 7:30 – 3:30 or sent to churchoffice@bethanyeagles.org

WORSHIP *NEXT WEEK* – You may wish to prepare for worship next week by meditating on the Scripture lessons for the Fifth Sunday in Epiphany.

Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 40:27-31, 1 Peter 5:6-11, Mark 1:29-39

Prayer for Worship: 1st page in blue Christian Worship

Our Thanks for God's Love

Last Week's Attendance: 45 + 155 + 143 = 343

Thankful Gifts Offered (last wk): \$ 15,560 Thankful Gifts Needed (weekly): \$15,610

This Week at Immanuel – January 28, 2024

Monday, Jan 29	6:00pm	God+Me #1	
	6:00pm	Christian Parenting Class	
Tuesday, Jan 30	3:00pm	Men's Group	
Wednesday, Jan 31	4:30pm	Public School Confirmation	
Thursday, Feb 1	NOON DIS	NOON DISMISSAL SCHOOL, Parent-Techer Conferences	
	2:30pm	GriefShare	
	6:30pm	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper	
Friday, Feb 2	NO SCHOO	NO SCHOOL	
Saturday, Feb 3	8:00am	Men's Bible Study – Grace	
	9:00am	Imm School Open House	
Sunday, Feb 4	8:00am	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper	
	9:30am	Bible Study (lower level)	
	10:30am	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper	



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Worship Schedule: Thursdays at 6:30 PM Sundays at 8 AM & 10:30 AM

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