Announcements

For the week of Sunday, September 24, 2023

We'd love your feedback! The School Expansion Planning Committee has been working the past few months (with direction from our church council) to crystalize some building plan options. The name chosen for our building expansion study is called *Preparing for God's Blessings*. It's time to engage with you, our fellow members, by asking for your ideas and input. This will help develop a clearer picture of next steps and the ability of Immanuel to move forward with any proposed plans. The reason for this study is to address needed classroom space due to increased enrollment.

Members of the School Expansion Planning Committee include:			
Dennis Steinbrenner, Chair	Dawn Welnicke	Jason Muench	
Andrea Dolan	Jamie Zastrow	Nate Reis	
Jaimie Carlson	Advisors: Principal Dave Wilson, Pastor		
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This week you should receive an invitation to attend one of the Group Presentations in October. During each presentation attendees will be invited to share ideas and hopes as well as reactions to our current expansion plan. We have developed a booklet to answer many key questions about this plan and now every member will be asked to assess the next steps by completing a **Response Sheet**. These are exciting times for Jesus' kingdom and Immanuel's role in it. We pray that the Lord's will for our congregation might be realized through this process!

After each service this weekend Dennis Steinbrenner will make a short presentation overview of where we have been and next steps moving forward. We also are handing out an invitation post card to each member which will list the dates for the Group Presentations. This card is your personal reminder.

Thank you in advance for planning to attend one of our *Preparing for God's Blessings* Group Presentations:

September 28, Thursday, 7:30 PM October 3, Tuesday, 8:00 AM October 8, Sunday, 11:30 AM October 1, Sunday, 11:30 AM October 5, Thursday, 2:00 PM October 9, Monday, 6:30 PM

See you then!

GriefShare Session – GriefShare is a support ministry to help people who are grieving the loss of a loved one whether recent or in the past. Each session is about 2 hours long. There is a short video on various topics presented by mental health experts who have also gone through the grieving process. This is followed by group discussion time. Between each weekly session there is a workbook that has daily exercises that point you to God's Word and help you work through your grief. A new session of GriefShare has just begun and will continue meeting Wednesdays thru November 22nd. We meet at Immanuel from 5:30 to 7:30 PM in the church Conference Room. We will be meeting at Immanuel from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the church Conference Room. If you are interested in getting more information or know someone who we should personally invite, please contact Larry Verlinden at 920-323-2297 or verlinden@comcast.net. More information and registration is available online at the GriefShare website, griefshare.org. There is a charge of \$20 per person which is to cover the cost of workbooks. Please register by August 21st so we can ensure that we have a sufficient number of workbooks. Anyone is welcome to join the group at any time during the new session. Please share this information with a family member and/or friend who is grieving the loss of a loved one.

Scrapbooking Crop Day - Saturday September 30th, in the Church Basement from 8 am to 8 pm. Come for part of the day or all of the day. Snacks & Meals are potluck (bring dish or snacks to share), bring own beverages. Bring a friend, make new friends. Bring your supplies & photos and have your own table, plenty of room to spread out. Questions: Toni @ 920.901.2725 * this is not a class, it's a work on your own kind of day.

WE NEED YOUR HELP with Immanuel's Family Photo Directory!!! - The dates for the Immanuel Family Pictorial Directory are October 19th thru 21st and October 23rd-24th. Times start at 2:00 PM during the weekdays and at 10:00 AM on Saturday. In order to make this project a success, we need people to greet our members and to help fill out a simple form for the photographers. We would like to have people work in teams of two per shift. The shifts would be from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM, and 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM during the weekdays and from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Saturday, the 21st. If this is something that you are interested in helping with, please call or text Judy Fuerbringer at 920-973-3355. This is a wonderful way to get to know your Immanuel family better!!!

Handbell Ringers Needed - Ring your praises to the Lord! Seeking ringers to join Handbell Choir. Don't know how? We will gladly teach you. If you are unsure come and try it out. Practice is starting up again **Sunday, October 1st, after second service at 11:45 AM** for about an hour. Please speak with Kathy Gast or send an email to <u>gkgast@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in joining us!

The LWMS Shoreline Circuit Rally will be Saturday, Oct. 14 at 9am. Lunch to follow. The Presenter will be Pastor Mark Zondag who will talk on bringing God's Word to Asia, and specifically, Thailand.

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK – You may wish to prepare for worship next week by meditating on the Scripture lessons for the eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost.
Scripture Lessons: Ezekiel 18:1-4 & 25-32, Philippians 2:1-11, Matthew 21:23-32
Prayer for Worship: 1st page in blue Christian Worship

Our Thanks for God's Love

Last Week's Attendance: 55 + 196 + 127 = 378Thankful Gifts Offered (*last wk*): \$18,620Thankful Gifts Needed (*weekly*): \$15,610

This Week at Immanuel – September 24, 2023

Monday, Sept 25	6:00pm	God + Me Class #5
Wednesday, Sept 27	4:30pm	Public School Confirmation Class
	5:30pm	GriefShare
Thursday, Sept 28	6:30pm	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper
Friday, Sept 29	Immanuel	Men's Group Retreat at Camp Phillip
Saturday, Sept 30	8:00am	Scrap Booking (8am-8pm)
	9:00am	Women's Bible Study
Sunday, Oct 1	8:00am	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper
	9:15am	Bible Study
	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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