



The Immanuel Informer

Immanuel Lutheran Church's Monthly Newsletter
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The mission of Immanuel Lutheran Church is to preach Christ crucified and risen from the dead for the salvation of the world. We also reflect God's love by spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ through a caring ministry of reaching, teaching, and serving our congregation and the community.

January 2022

The Epiphany:

Epiphany means: Manifestation – God was manifested “made known” in Jesus Christ. God took up His dwelling in the flesh of Christ to redeem all flesh. This manifestation “Epiphany” was made known not only to the Children of Israel, but also, to the Gentiles. That is why the wise men, the magi, came. Jesus Kingship and Lordship was made known, revealed, to them by faith through the Holy Spirit. Notice the gifts they bring: Gold – because Christ is a King. Frankincense – because Christ would be the one true Sacrifice for the sins of the world. And Myrrh – because Christ would die for the sins of the world and Myrrh was used to preserve the body upon death. The three gifts were an Epiphany “manifestation” of who Jesus was and what He came to do for our salvation.

The Flower Chart

For 2022 is now up on the wall

New Sign-Up Sheets for 2022, are on the wall

Communion Attendants, Jan to March

Sunday Morning Bible Class Snacks, Jan to March

College Refreshment Tuesday, Jan to May

Altar Guild Schedule, Still need people for June,

The Altar Guild will be taking Christmas decorations down on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 @ 10:00 am. Please come and help.



Poinsettia's

We would like to thank the following people who order Poinsettia's:

Dotty Wolf: In honor of Faithful Sunday School Teachers,
David & Carla Roedemeier: In memory of Milton & Virginia Roedemeier
and Carl & Mignon Webb,
Wayne & Kay Beasley: In memory of Patrick,
Don & Connie Swetnam: In honor of all our many blessings
Emmette & Sharon Swyres: In honor of Christs blessings to our families,
Jim & Sue Perry: In memory of our parents,
Lydia Holzerland: In memory of Arnold Holzerland,
Tim, Christy & Nikki Rush: In memory of Mary Goddard and Dan Rush,
Jim Mesko: In memory of Pat Mesko
Martha & J.D. Cox: In memory of Paul & Frieda Munger,
Jean Kramme: In memory of her parents,
Helen Hoertel: In memory of Martin & Flora Schake and
Fred & Julia Hoertel
Daughters & Michael Beasley: In memory of Emily & Lola Mesko and
Ginny Beasley.

Come join us for Bible Study on Sunday at 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. We are studying the Book of Romans.

Sunday School is at 10:15 a.m. at the Lutheran student center.

Lutheran Student Fellowship Bible Study is being held every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Lutheran Student Center. We are currently studying Jeremiah. Volunteers are needed to provide snacks. A signup sheet is located in the narthex.

Come join us every **Thursday at Noon for Bible Study**: will meet in Fellowship Hall. We are studying The Gospel of Matthew.

Free will offering this Sunday January 2,2022 for the victims of the tornado That swept thru Missouri, Illinois, and Kentucky.



Confirmation – Confirmation classes Wednesday from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Looking forward to seeing you there.

We are working to update our membership directory to ensure we have the most up-to-date information for everyone. On Sunday mornings, beginning January 2nd and running through January 16th, copies of the current membership directory will be available before and after the church service in the narthex to review and update. Please stop by the table and check to see if we have your correct information, including your address, phone number(s), and email address(es). If you would like to add your birthdays and anniversaries to the Secretary's information, you can do so at the same time. You may also send your information to Christy Rush at treasurer@ilcrolla.org to be sure it's updated appropriately.

DORCAS/LWML

DORCAS/LWML activities for January include:

Mite collection on Sunday, January 2. The collection box will be located on a table in the narthex. District and national LWML mission projects are funded through the mite offerings. Please check the bulletin insert on Sunday, January 2 for a featured mission project.

Servant Workshop will be held on Tuesday, January 18, 1-3 pm and 7-9 pm. Projects include tying quilts for World Relief, marking Bibles for prison ministry and sewing pillowcase dresses for Orphan Grain Train. Please contact Carla Roedemeier or Mary Wittmaier with any questions or a desire to request a Thrivent Action Team Grant to support these projects. Grant monies are used to purchase quilt batting for the quilts and fabric for the pillowcase dresses.

The backpack committee assembles backpacks of food for weekends to benefit children in the Rolla School District. Sue Kamprath is seeking Thrivent Action Team Grants to fund this project. Please contact Sue with any questions or for information.

The Servant Workshop projects will begin to convert gently used t-shirts into baby diapers for Orphan Grain Train. Cotton knit shirts, without plastic printing are preferred. Cotton print knit fabric is also ideal for this project. Please contact Mary Wittmaier with any questions or drop-off information.

The Mission is accepting gently used, washable blankets for the warming station. Please contact Sue Kamprath for information or drop off donations at The Mission, 708 North Main Street.

Join other life supporters by participating in a new multi-generational online and in-person opportunity: "Life Week 2022: God Chose You". Plan to join us each day from Sunday, January 16, through Saturday, January 22, 2022, to learn about, share and build excitement For Life in your home, church, school, and community! Each themed day will explore a distinct aspect of life ministry through local activities, online educational events, and interviews. The week will conclude with recognition of Life Sunday, January 23. Watch for more news on our Facebook page and lutheransforlife.org!

Servant Workshop: Workshops will resume January 18, Monthly Bible Study will resume January 24, 2022

Monday Bible Class will be held January 24, 2 p.m. in the church Fellowship Hall. Studies from the LWML Quarterly are utilized. All supplies are provided. Everyone is welcome.
To God be the glory.

Thrivent has set up a Relief Fund for the victims of the tornado that ripped across six states earlier this month.

When disaster strikes, Christians are among the first to roll up their sleeves, open their wallets and look for ways to help neighbors in need. Thrivent clients and others in your church can help in the following ways:

- **Donate online; Thrivent will boost it.**

For every \$2 donated through Thrivent's online giving platform to specific organizations helping with the recovery efforts, Thrivent will add \$1.* Thrivent will also pay all online processing fees so 100 percent of the donation will go directly to the organizations to support victims in need.** Eligible clients can also direct Thrivent Choice Dollars®.

- **Lend a hand.**

Thrivent clients can give of themselves to help recovery efforts by leading a Thrivent Action Team. Clients can use promo code "Tornadoes 2021" to have their Thrivent Action Kit expedited.

As the Christian community comes together to pray for, and reach out to, the victims of the recent tornadoes, Thrivent is mobilizing its financial resources and clients to help those in need.

Sincerely,
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Lutherans for Life:

January 23, 2022 will be recognized as Life Sunday by Lutherans for Life providing opportunities to learn about, share and build excitement for Lutherans for Life ministry in our home, church, school and community. "God chose you...and that changes everything!" is this year's theme encouraging those of us with the promise of eternal life to join a new online daily message from Sunday, January 16, through Saturday, January 22, via Lutherans for Life Facebook page or www.lutheransforlife.org with the culmination on Sunday, January 23.

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Leisure Lutheran Cards and Games every Thursday at 1:00 pm after Bible Class. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Refreshments for College Students please sign up to bring treats for the College students signup sheet is in the Narthex

**HAPPY NEW YEAR, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN
WHO LOVE THE LWML!!**

**EIGHTY YEARS OLD!! THAT'S THE LWML, AND ME, AND MANY OTHERS WHO ENJOY AND APPRECIATE
THE WORKINGS OF THE Lutheran Women's Missionary League!!!**

To show our joy for 80 years of Missions distributed locally and world wide, it was urged at the Fall Rally in Salem to do/give 80 somethings to someone in need.. That's our goal=MISSIONS!! Maybe you have a food pantry in your church/area for which to gather 80/800 non-perishables. Or a Pregnancy Resource Center? Or a family in need? Anyone have a fire? Gather 80 something and then send a brief message and a picture in to mcas@embarqmail.com for Myra to put in the Missouri District newsletter. OR email it to me kgzboorom@windstream.net and I'll share it with her and/or combine everyone's and submit it to National LWML.

Have you signed up to usher for the LWML Missouri District Convention? Please call Flori Scheuermann at 573-836-6886 or email her at 47flori65@gmail.com . We will be needing about 25 ushers to assist attendees, give directions, gather offerings, help the pastors serve communion, etc. That many will be needed Friday evening June 3 and all and various parts of all day Saturday June 4. The Convention will close about noon on Sunday with a worship service including the 3rd and final offering. The Convention will be held at the Sheraton Chateau at the Westport Plaza. More information will be forthcoming.

REMEMBER PRAYER SERVICE AT IMMANUEL IN ROLLA ON MARCH 5. LUNCH IS PROVIDED.

Thank you for your service to Jesus through the LWML,
Karen Boorom, Rolla Zone President

GREETER ASSIGNMENTS:

First Week: Erma Jean Haas and Bill Wuenscher

2nd Week: Sue Perry and Jim Perry

3rd Week: Carla Roedemeier and Jana Wassilak

4th Week: Nancy Anderson and Andy Anderson

5th Week and Subs: Arlene Marr and Lee Beckwith

**IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO BE A GREETER, LET THE
CHURCH SECRETARY KNOW**

Elders: for January

Jan. 02: Bob Lemen

Jan. 09: Bob Gorrell

Jan. 16: Ed Hoertel

Jan. 23: Jim Perry

Jan. 30: Matt Banholzer

Ushers/Teams for January

Jan. 02: Team 1

Jan. 09: Team 2

Jan. 16 Team 3

Jan. 23 Team 4

Jan. 30 Team 1

Organ Schedule for January:

Jan. 02 Berniece Strandberg

Jan. 09 Phil Thiem

Jan. 16 Berniece Strandberg

Jan. 23 Phil Thiem

Jan. 30 Berniece Strandberg

Altar Guild for the month of January:

Mary and Ed Hoertel

Flowers for the Month of January:

Jan. 02 Sue Nardi: In memory of all our friends that we lost this past year due to Covid and Cancer.

Jan. 09^t Charles Horn: In memory of Mary Jo

Jan. 16 Andy and Nancy Anderson

Jan. 23

Jan. 30

Sunday School Lesson Summaries

Unit 7

Jesus Comes For Us:

Lesson 13

Jan .2

Today, we will study “A Mountaintop Wonder,” Jesus takes His inner circle -- Peter, James, and John -- up on a mountain. There, they see Jesus in His heavenly glory as Moses and Elijah appear alongside Him, discussing His upcoming departure. In his excitement, Peter offers to build three tents so they can remain on the mountaintop. Suddenly, a cloud -- a sign of God’s presence -- appears and a voice speaks out from it: “This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!”
(Luke 9:15)

Lesson 14

Jan. 9

In today’s lesson, “Mission Wonders,” Jesus gathers seventy-two followers and sends them out to the surrounding towns and villages. Taking nothing with them, those disciples depend on the willing welcome of local residents. There they remain, healing and spreading God’s Word. Returning from their mission, the seventy-two rejoice in the many miracles they witnessed, Jesus reminds them to rejoice in their salvation.

Sunday School Lesson Summaries

Unit 8

Jesus Saves the World

Lesson 1

Jan. 16

Today, we begin a new unit with “A Welcome Truth.” Jesus and His disciples visit the home of sisters Mary and Martha. Mary sits at the Lord’s feet to hear His words. Martha, busy with meal preparations, ask Jesus to tell Mary to help. Instead, Jesus gently tells Martha that Mary has chosen the more important thing.

Lesson 2

Jan. 23

This week’s lesson is “Lost and Found Wonders.” Jesus shares three parables demonstrating our heavenly Father’s concern for the lost. The shepherd leaves the ninety-nine sheep to seek one that was lost. A woman sweeps the house to find one of ten silver coins. In the parable of the lost son, a young man squanders his inheritance, ending up in squalor. Determined to plead for his father’s mercy and beg to return as a servant, the son instead receives a celebration. Angered at his father’s welcome for the prodigal, the older son confronts his father. The father’s gentle response reassures the young man of the father’s everlasting love and care.

Lesson 3

Jan. 30

“The Seeing Sign” in the title for this week’s lesson. When Jesus encounters a man born blind. His disciples wrongly assume the man’s sin or his parents’ sin is the cause of the blindness. Jesus corrects their assumption, telling them the man’s blindness was so the works of God might be displayed in him. Sight restored, the man and then his parents find themselves before the Pharisees, who try to claim the man was never blind. When the man asserts the truth of his healing the Pharisees cast him out. Encountering Jesus once again, the man confesses his faith in the Son of Man.

Junior Youth Sunday School

We'll be learning about the greatest story ever told as shared by the Chosen T.V. series.

This Week's Episode's

Jan. 2 Invitation (1)

Jan. 9 Invitation (2)

Jan. 16 I Am He (1)

Jan. 23 I Am He (2)

Jan. 30 Thunder (1)