

THE IMMANUEL INFORMER

MISSION STATEMENT

**Building Strong Relationships in Christ,
And Making Him Known to All.**

March 2013

Celebrating our 115th Anniversary in 2013



Immanuel Lutheran Church
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Ministers - All Members

Senior Pastor - Stephen Anenson

Associate Pastor - Kurt Jensen

YMT - Michelle Becker

Office Secretary - Sheila Schaefer

Custodian - Shelly Nibe

Missionaries:

Tim & Paula Tjernagel, Spain

Pastor Randy Hansen, ISU

Gene & Ginger McClugage, Family Life

Kevin & Susana B, India

Doug & Amy Nunziato, Spain

Pastor Andy & Monica Coyle, Ukraine

Regular Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8:30 A.M. - 12 noon, 1 P.M. - 4 P.M.

Friday

8:30 A.M. - 12 noon

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 A.M. Christian Education

9:00 A.M. Coffee Fellowship

9:30 A.M. Worship Service

10:30 A.M. Coffee Fellowship



I recently had the opportunity to listen to a webinar with Mark Burnett and Roma Downey, the producers of **The Bible** mini-series that begins on March 3 on the History Channel. As a married couple, they have been on a 3 ½ year journey to film the narrative of the Bible as **the epic story of God's love for us**. Around Easter, various TV channels often air programs that cast doubt upon Christian faith. This year, The History Channel will be airing a faithful retelling of the entire Biblical story! The producers hope that millions around the globe will watch the series and want to read the Bible with fresh eyes.

"As Christians, we need to be noisier about our story," Burnett said. People will be talking about the show; we need to be ready to be part of the conversation and steer them toward Christ and a Christian community! Look further in this newsletter and visit www.bibleparties.com to find out more. What an exciting opportunity to help us *Build strong relationships in Christ and make him known to all!*

Pastor Kurt

Pastoral Acts - February

Baptism

- Alexis Carole Lynn Cerka, daughter of Mike & Bambi Cerka - February 24

Funerals

- Lois Christian - February 2
- Pauline Henry - February 6

*Please remember these families
in your prayers.*



Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study

We will be continuing our Bible study on the book of Ecclesiastes called, "Through This Vain World." This Bible study will meet Tuesday, March 19 for all the women of our church. We will gather for the study at 2 P.M. in the social hall and enjoy refreshments and fellowship at 3 P.M. Pastor Anenson will lead the study. Hope you can make it!



Service of Holy Communion

There will be a short service of Holy Communion following the worship service on Sunday, March 17 in the sanctuary. We realize that some of our members are gone on the first Sunday of the month. Come, as well, if you simply would like to participate in the sacrament again during the month.

All men are invited to "Men of Immanuel"

The men of our church are invited to attend our weekly "Men of Immanuel" gatherings on Saturday mornings from 8 to 9 A.M. in the Social Hall. We have donuts, coffee, and great discussion! We are watching a new DVD series for men called "Stepping Up—a Call to Courageous Manhood." This series will continue the themes introduced at the one day "Stepping Up" event on February 2. Come when you can.

Easter Lily display planned

A display of Easter Lilies is planned again this year! If you would like to share a plant for Easter Sunday, March 31, please fill out the form that can be found in the church office or on the welcome table in the narthex. Lilies are \$10.00 and can be given in honor or in memory of someone. The deadline for ordering Easter Lilies is Wednesday, March 20.



Nursery

The nursery will be staffed with at least two members during the coming months. Feel free to leave your young ones there during worship, if needed. Thank you to Michelle Becker for organizing our youth to serve as nursery attendants during the past and upcoming months.

Riverside Worship

Riverside Bible Camp will hold its monthly worship service Sunday, March 17 at the Dining Hall. Worship begins at 7 P.M. with fellowship and prayer until 9 P.M. Everyone is welcome.

Financial Report - January 2013

Fund	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Expenditures	Ending Balance
Current & Mission Fund	49,890.11	19,990.79	30,461.56	39,419.34
Improvement Fund	50,745.58	10,741.73	275.95	61,211.36
Missionary Support Fund	1,546.81	710.00	1,691.63	565.18
Memorial Fund	11,322.85	20.00	33.96	11,308.89
Ministry Fund	4,902.32	3,062.65	759.66	7,205.31

Because of the ice storm on Sunday morning, January 27, our current fund offering that day was very low. Please keep that in mind as you share your upcoming offerings.

Lent 2013



Wednesday Evening Services

Theme: Seek and Ye Shall Find

Isaiah 55:6 reminds us: "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near." History is filled with people who have sought the Lord and have experienced the gifts He offers. Each Wednesday evening during Lent we are experiencing a drama presentation where ordinary Biblical people tell how Jesus touched their lives. Through their witness, may we be encouraged to seek him as well. The Biblical characters we will meet include:

February 27 Josiah, the Olive Merchant

March 6 Deborah, the Serving Girl

March 13 Miriam, Mother of Barabbas

March 20 Cornelius, the Roman Soldier

Please join us each Wednesday night at 7 P.M. Each service includes a children's message, a drama and special music. Communion will be celebrated on Maundy Thursday.

We are having light suppers each Wednesday at 6 P.M. The Senior Choir will serve February 27. The Sunday School youth serve on March 6, Young Adults on March 13, and the Men of Immanuel will serve on March 20.

May our Lenten journey this year be a time of spiritual refreshment. Please make an effort to come each week.



Adult Sunday School



**Adult Sunday
School for March**
(In Social Hall)

March 10 - Representatives from "Good News for Israel" organization will share about evangelism with Jewish people

March 17 - We will share a dramatic video called "Roll Away the Stone"

March 24 - Chaplain Sandy Anenson will speak about her ministry at Bethany Life Communities.



World Day of Prayer

The churches of Story City invite all, including men and women, to their World Day of Prayer Service and Seminar, **Friday, March 1** at Bible Faith Church in Story City. The

theme of this year's service is "I Was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me," and includes a seminar on supporting topical scriptures from both the Old and New Testament taught by the local pastors. The seminar will begin with registration at 9 A.M. and end at 2 P.M. with the World Day of Prayer Service at 11 A.M. Lunch will be served at the church at noon. The day is planned so you can benefit by attending all or even part of the scheduled events.



Immanuel Day Camp 2013

Mark your calendars for Day Camp 2013! Riverside will be at Immanuel June 10 – 13. Riverside will once again be sending counselors to assist with the Day Camp. Jaynee Christian and Patty Rathmacher are coordinators, and will be looking for help! More information will be coming in the April newsletter!

Sunday School to Serve Lenten Supper

Immanuel Sunday School 2nd graders through 6th graders will be serving the Lenten Supper on Wednesday, March 6 beginning at 6 p.m. Notes asking for your help with this Supper have been sent home with your child from Sunday School on February 24 and will again be sent on March 3rd as a reminder.

Sunday School

Sunday School classes **will meet** over spring break. There **will not** be any Sunday School classes on Easter Sunday, March 31.

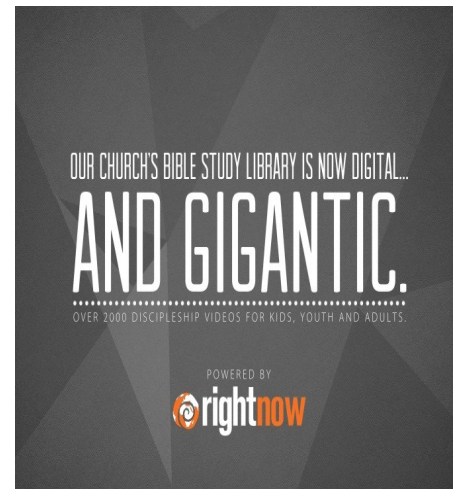


The Bible 30-Day Church Experience

The Bible – it's the greatest book ever written, and this March it will come to life with *The Bible 30 Day Church Experience*, based on the epic TV miniseries, *The Bible*. This miniseries will be broadcast each Sunday evening in March at 7 P.M. on the History Channel (with reruns on Monday nights on Lifetime and Wednesday nights on the History Channel). It will bring to life the stories and characters from throughout the Bible, Genesis through Revelation.

The Bible 30-Day Church Experience uses a combination of sermons and stunning video clips from this new miniseries to show the scarlet thread of God's redemption through Jesus in an inspiring and thought provoking way. You won't want to miss it!

This series is the perfect opportunity to invite friends, neighbors, and co-workers to join us at Immanuel, so begin praying for the people you will invite! Join us each Sunday in March at the 9:30 worship service for *The Bible 30-Day Church Experience*.



Our church is always looking for ways to serve you as you live out your faith throughout the week. We are inviting you to have a free account to an exciting new video library called RightNow Media. It's essentially the "Netflix of Video Bible Studies" because you will have instant access to thousands of great videos for kids, youth, parents, married couples and more. You can view these videos from your phone, tablet or computer. And you can also view them in a group setting through a TV or projector.

There are over 2000 videos from some great teachers. You should have already received an official "invitation email" to give you FREE access to this library. If you haven't received the email already, check your email filter; because it was coming from RightNow's system, it may have got caught there. Otherwise, email the church office (immanuel@iowatelecom.net) to have Sheila send the email to you.

Simply find the email, click on the link and put in your name and a password and you're all set. All of the videos are FREE for you to use. This is just one more way for us to *Build strong relationships in Christ and make Him known to all!* If you have any questions about how to use RightNow, contact Pastor Kurt.

Thank you received

Dear Immanuel -

Thank you very much for participating in the 2012 Angel Gift program! The program helped over 70 kids this year. Thanks again!

Alyssa Loots

Roland-Story Angel Gift Program



Church Library

“Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers.” — Charles William Eliot, President of Harvard University, 1869-1909.

Hope you have been taking advantage of these cold, dreary days to stop in at the church library and found lots of good “friends” (books) to spend time with.

On the “New Book Shelf” we have four new fiction books by four well know authors:

- The Returning by Ann Tatlock. Andrea and John Sheldon have stayed in a marriage for their own reasons. John returns home from a five-year stint in prison. Andrea is concerned with how John’s return will upset the life she and the children have adjusted to in his absence. John is apprehensive about how he will be received for he is returning a different man having committed his life to Christ and wanting to hold fast to his newfound faith.
- With Every Letter by Sarah Sundin. As part of a morale-building program, flight nurse Lt. Mellie Blake begins an anonymous correspondence with Lt. Tom MacGilliver in North Africa. As their letters crisscross the Atlantic, they develop a deep friendship. When they’re both transferred to Algeria, will their future be held hostage by the past ---or will they reveal their identities?
- Too Long a Stranger by Janette Oke. Sarah Perry sends her daughter, Rebecca, east to a boarding school—to an easier life and a future Sarah could not provide. Over the years, a chasm between mother and daughter becomes more than a geographical distance, and when Rebecca finally returns home, it seems that she and her mother are from different worlds.
- A Whisper of Peace by Kim Vogel Sawyer. This story revolves around the lives of a brother and sister missionary team, Clay and Vivian Selby and an outcast Athabascan Indian woman, Lizzie Dawson, born of a white father, who lives alone in the mountains of Alaska.

Pastor Kurt and Sarah have been reading with their children from The Jesus Storybook Bible. A copy is now in our library. Check it out. Read it with your children. You may want to have your own copy in your home library.

Another new devotional book for parents and children is Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing by Sally Lloyd-Jones. This book presents 101 insightful, biblical thoughts that build a reader’s personal day-by-day relationship with Jesus and creates a deeper understanding of faith.

In the weeks ahead, stop by the library and find a new or old “friend.”

Where our Mission Money Goes

Below is a geographical distribution of our approved 2013 Mission Budget. This summary is based only upon what Immanuel has budgeted, it does not include the designated giving by individual members.

Local/State:	44.70%	(\$19,633)
National:	13.00%	(\$5,734)
Global:	42.30%	(\$18,583)
		Total \$43,950

The Mission Committee considers the current mission organizations that we assist to be good stewards of the funds that they receive from Immanuel. The Mission Committee thanks all of you for your continued support of our mission efforts.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thrivent members are reminded to call Thrivent at 1.800.847.4836 to designate your 2012 year-end Choice Dollars for Immanuel Lutheran Church. You may also call later in the year to designate 2013 Choice Dollars for Immanuel.

Electrical Project Upgrade

About two-thirds of our needed funds have been given. Jaspering Electric is now working in the social hall and in the attic of the sanctuary to replace the wiring. They hope to complete this project in the next few weeks. We ask for your continued financial support of this project.

Adult Scholarship Funds Available

If there is a Christian conference or seminar that you as an adult member would like to attend please let one of the pastors or one of the deacons know. You may be eligible for a partial scholarship from our ministry fund.

Summary of February Council Meeting - February 17, 2013

Joint Council

- President Joel Danielson called the meeting to order at 5 P.M.
- January was a lower income month which included one Sunday of poor weather. Improvement fund was up. Will continue to report the status of income and expenses once a month in bulletin. Over half of funds needed for the expense of the electrical project have been received.
- Board Reports
 - Trustees -
 - Larry Fuhrman will be chairman and Terry Greenfield will be secretary.
 - Did a walk through with Clark Thompson on the electrical project. Discussed the financing and it looks good. Project is on schedule.
 - Updated fee schedule for use of church facilities.
 - Youth Board
 - Preparing for the Easter breakfast
 - Jenni Talbott has agreed to serve on the Youth Board
 - Joint worship with E-Free and group activities with St. Petri.
 - Board of Education
 - Mary Danielson elected chairperson.
 - Discussed curriculum for Spring 2013 rotations.
 - Deacons
 - Terry Thompson elected chairman and Steve Skartvedt secretary.
 - Lutheran Resource Center/Right Now Media subscription - books and videos. Cost is \$325 per year. Includes right to use all media by all our members.
 - Website update - We will use "Cloversite" to help us design our new church website.
 - Stephens Ministry - Gayle Tate and Pam Maurer will attend leadership training in St. Louis.
 - Discussed ideas on how to be a better praying church.
- Reviewed recommendation from Youth and Education Boards. Both board feeling overwhelmed to keep continuity and to keep volunteers. Would like to see a hired person to coordinate. Kent Meier moved to proceed to formalize a job description for a fulltime position of Youth and Family Ministry coordinator and seconded by Andy Johnson. Youth Board and Board of Education will come with a proposal to the March 14 meeting.
- Discussion of Heritage Dinner on February 24 was held.
- Update on pictorial directory. We are a week or two from sending everything to the company. There was a great deal of updating to do especially with phone numbers.
- Discussed setting a policy for bad weather cancellations.
- Other business.
 - 7 A.M. Sunrise Service and 9:30 Festival Service for Easter.
 - Jenni Talbott has agreed to serve on the Youth Board and Judy McIlrath has agreed to serve as a deacon. Rick Rickie moved to approve their service. Jeff Loots seconded.
- Next meeting will be held Thursday, March 14.

Board Reports

Trustees -

- Pastor Anenson opened with prayer.
- Approved payment of all bills.
- Discussed Insurance Carrier - We have received a quote from another company. Andy and Rick will compare with current policy and recommend back to trustees.

- We have one request for a scholarship for a Lutheran College. Approve payment out of scholarship fund to John Valen for \$300. He is attending Wartburg.

Deacons -

- Terry Thompson opened with prayer.
- Adult Education Plans:
 - Currently Brad Skaar is leading a series "Who is this Man?" and Pastor Kurt is leading a series "The Art of Marriage." Both attended very well.
 - March 10 we will have guest speakers from "Good News from Israel" in social hall.
 - Will begin a video series called "Spiritual Simplicity" led by Pastor Kurt in April. Pastor Anenson will have a Bible study class.
- Immanuel will have a send off for Chris Dahl on March 10 during the service. Also, flowers will be sent to Lutheran Church of the Cross in Altoona in honor of Chris Dahl for his installation.
- Care caller check-in ministry. Has been active for six months with the completion projected some time near the end of July 2013. Once finished will continue by starting over again.
- Jaynee Christian will help start "Seasoned Souls" fellowship group.
- New sound coordinator is Jim Oberender. Thank Don Braathun for many years of service. May try having some additional help with the video projector and other tech duties.
- "The Bible" mini-series broadcast on the History channel on Sunday evenings from 7-9 P.M. the month of March.

Board of Education -

- Opened with appointment of Mary Danielson as chairperson.
- Treasurer's Report shows a balance of \$3,944.54.
- Looking ahead -
 - Lenten Supper on March 6 was planned - meal will be served by primary and secondary grades.
 - Discussed Spring Mission Project.
 - Jaynee Christian will form a committee to coordinate and plan the 2013 Vacation Bible School.
 - Bibles for the 2nd Grade students will be ordered so they can receive them this spring.
 - Ideas for Rally Sunday in September 2013 and the SS curriculum for the 2013-2014 school year were discussed.

Youth Board -

- Discussion was held on possible spring and summer activities
 - Jr. High Youth will go ice skating later in February.
 - Monthly movie nights will start in February. Christian movies will be watched and then an open discussion will be held. Youth, ages 13 and up, from the other community churches have been invited to participate.
 - The five Riverside YMTs are planning a joint youth lock-in in May for the congregations they serve.
 - Michelle is investigating day-trip missions for the summer.
- Michelle reminded the Board her contract ends the second week in May. She will be returning to Riverside Bible Camp full time for the summer months. The Board will either need to plan summer events or see if we can coordinate youth activities with another congregation in the community.

“Healing Prayers: Making Beautiful Things Out of Broken Pieces”

4th Annual Iowa LCMC Women of the Word
Spring Gathering

Zion Lutheran Church
5831 Gundy Road, Rural Hudson, Iowa

April 20, 2013
9:30 A.M.-3 P.M.

Inspirational Message from Carol Madison,
communications director for Prayer First
and editor of Prayer Connect magazine

Music, Fellowship and More

Please contact the Immanuel church office or
sign up on the narthex bulletin board by
Friday, April 5 if you are interested
in attending. To prepare for the day, a list
of the attendees must be sent to the hosting
church by that date.

Upcoming Riverside programs

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Riverside programs. Check Immanuel's narthex bulletin board or Riverside's website (www.RiversideLBC.org) for more information. Register online or pick up a registration form from the church office.

- Riverside Blasts – Juniors (Grades 3-6) – April 6; Junior High & High School (Grades 7-12) – April 13
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- Men's Retreat – April 19-20
- Work Day – April 27, begins at 8:30 A.M.
- Lil' Cowpoke Fun Day (for 4-8 year olds, accompanied by a parent) – May 5, 12-2:30 or 3:30-6 P.M.
- Family Camp – July 2-5

Hidden Acres Annual Sportsmen's Retreats

“24 Hours With the Guys,” the 23rd Annual Sportsmen's Retreats, will be held March 22-24 and March 30-31 at Hidden Acres Camp. For more information, check the narthex bulletin board or go online www.hacamps.org



Community Midweek Lenten Services

Informal Worship Service **12:15 - 12:45 P.M.**
Soup Lunch **12:45 - 1:15 P.M.**

Freewill Offering

Donations will be used for the ministries of the Roland-Story Ministerial Association

<i>Date</i>	<i>Host Church</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
February 27	Bergen	Kristin Johnson, Director of Youth and Family Ministry (St. Petri)
March 6	Grace	Pastor Matt Soderstrum (Harvest)
March 13	Salem	Pastor Scott Johnson (St. Petri)
March 20	St. Petri	Pastor Stephen Anenson (Immanuel)

Each pastor will speak about their personal spiritual journey or call to ministry.

Take time over your lunch hour to join with your neighbors to worship our Lord during this Holy season. Everyone is welcome!

GUIDELINES FOR USE OF CHURCH FACILITIES
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
STORY CITY, IOWA
(Updated by Board of Trustees, February 2013)

WEDDINGS

Use of the Church:

Members – Use of building *	No Charge
Non-Members – Use of Sanctuary *	\$ 350.00
Use of Chapel *	\$ 75.00
Use of Social Hall *	\$ 150.00

These fees are due two weeks prior to wedding.

Damage Deposit due at time of reservation	\$ 300.00
– check will be cashed then	
(Returned after wedding if no damages.	
Cannot be used as payment for use of	
building.)	

*Plus a Custodial fee made payable to church (Members & Non-Members)

Wedding Ceremony & Reception	\$ 75.00
Ceremony only	\$ 50.00
Reception only	\$ 50.00

FUNERALS – No charge for use of Social Hall for funeral lunches

SHOWERS, ANNIVERSARIES, BIRTHDAYS, RECEPTIONS and FAMILY GATHERINGS

No charge for use of Social Hall and kitchen provided hostesses, honorees, or spouses are members. *

* Custodial fee made payable to church before the event \$ 25.00

Non-members (includes custodial fees) \$ 100.00

This will include the use of the punch bowl and cups, silver and white table linen. Any breakage must be replaced. The table linens are to be professionally cleaned. The towels must be laundered and returned immediately.

OTHER EVENTS (Immanuel not involved)

Fee for use of the Cornerstone Room	\$ 15.00	(no custodial fee)
Fee for use of the Social Hall **	\$ 25.00	(\$50.00 for all day meetings)
Fee for use of the Social Hall and Sanctuary **	\$ 50.00	
(More than one day use needs council approval)		
** Plus a Custodial fee made payable to church		
Weekday	\$ 40.00	
Saturday or Sunday	\$ 50.00	

New Opportunities for Youth and Family Ministry at Immanuel?

Over the past several months, our Youth and Education Boards have had extended conversations about ways to **enhance our ministry to youth and families**. Both boards have had difficulty finding and retaining volunteers in recent years. We have been blessed with excellent Board members, Youth Ministry Team Members (like Michelle Becker) and Sunday School teachers, but they feel increasingly stretched and overburdened. There is a growing consensus that **an expanded or additional staff role** could greatly help coordinate and equip our youth and educational ministry volunteers. At our retreat in February, the Church Council authorized the Youth and Education Boards to come up with a proposed job description for **a full-time coordinator of our Youth and Family Ministry**.

Here are some of the specific needs we see in our ministries to youth and families:

We want to provide a **high quality** youth and education ministry that will encourage greater participation and growth for children, youth and parents.

There are **much greater expectations and competition** for people's time today; people tend to be much busier with jobs and activities.

Board of Education members and Sunday School teachers feel ill-equipped or too stretched to properly **gather and evaluate curriculum** or keep up with **technology changes**.

There is a continual great need to **recruit, train and coordinate volunteers** for Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and youth ministry.

We need a highly organized person (or people) to **coordinate schedules, publicize events, send notes to parents and make sure our teachers have what they need**.

On the youth ministry side:

Our **Youth Ministry Team members** (YMTs—part-time youth directors) that we share with Riverside Bible Camp have been wonderful, but **do not provide much continuity** for our youth ministry.

YMTs **serve part-time on a yearly basis** at Immanuel, leaving them unable to do all they would like to do with our youth, let alone build relationships with parents and other adults in the congregation.

YMTs serve full-time at Riverside during the summer, leaving us with **no summertime youth ministry staff** to plan for the fall, recruit volunteers and organize events during the summer, including mission trips.

We're at a crossroads with our youth and family ministry; we need to ask ourselves, **where do we want to go from here?** In 2012 we **had a great year financially** as a congregation, even with drought and a lagging economy. On top of that, we've already raised much of the funds needed for our electrical upgrade project. Our congregation has always stepped up when they see a need. We've done a great job of making sure our building will last for years to come. Now **let's invest in our kids and young families** by equipping our teachers, volunteers and youth to do their ministry well. Let's be in prayer about this opportunity! Watch for more updates as we continue this process of discernment in coming weeks and months.

Building strong relationships in Christ and making Him known to all,

Immanuel Board of Education

Pastor Stephen Anenson

Immanuel Youth Board

Pastor Kurt Jensen



Youth Group Happenings



March 2013

We have an exciting and busy month ahead of us for both jr/sr high youth group. Easter breakfast, Easter service, youth groups, Sunday school, confirmation, and lent services will make the time fly by. It is going to be such a great month.

Our high school youth will be providing the Easter breakfast and putting on the Easter Sunrise service this month (March 31st!). Families of high school youth will receive post cards in the mail this month with how they can help with the Easter breakfast.

Our junior high youth will be helping with the Sunrise service as well, any students interested in helping out should come talk to me as soon as they can.

I am so excited for the ways God is using and will use the awesome talents of all our students during this Easter/Lenten season.

Thank you so much to all of your youth group families for all of your help and support during this busy/exciting time.

God is good!

“Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil: hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor....serve the LORD.”

Romans 12:9-11

Mime and Easter Breakfast Prep. Schedule

March 6th During Youth Group– Narrators/Cast

March 10th Sunday 1-3pm– Cast

March 13th During Youth Group– Narrators/Cast

March 24th Sunday 12-3pm– Narrators/Cast/Music (We will have lunch!)

March 27th During Youth Group— Narrators/Cast/Music (Snacks!!)

**March 30th Saturday Decorating and Meal Prep 10-12 (Lunch) 12-2pm Mime Practice—
Narrators/Cast/Music**

March 31st Easter!!!

- 6:00 am –Cast/Narrators/Music– Prep for the Service
- 6:15 am—Meal Prep. Begins
- 6:20 am— Facepainters/Ushers/AV Help meet in the Narthex for instructions
- 6:30 am— Prayer meeting in the youth room for everyone
- 7:00 am— Easter Sunrise Service
- 8:00 am— Easter Breakfast
- 9:30 am— Easter Service

Please come and help for as much as you are able. Students will be asked to sign up for specific time slots during Saturday and Sunday. Please come for the job/time you signed up for. Thank you all so much!!!! It is going to be great!

Students not in the mime, you are still soooooo welcome at youth group while we are practicing. We can use as many hands as we can get.



Junior High Youth Group

March 3, 10, 24th from 3:30-5pm

5-6th Grade Students

We need your help with the Sunrise service. Come at 6:20 on March 31st and get trained to help with face painting or ushering!!

High School Youth Group

Lent Service 7:00

Community Time 7:45-8:30

Youth Group 8:30-9:15

Youth Group on March 20th
8:00-9:30

Ice Cream and Capture the Flag
bring \$5.00

Immanuel Lutheran Church

March 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 - Communion Sunday 8:00 AM - Radio Broadcast 8:30 AM - Sunday School Classes 9:00 AM - Coffee Fellowship 9:30 AM - Worship 10:30 AM - Coffee Fellowship 3:30 PM - JH Youth Group	4 9:00 AM - Library Board	5 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting	6 8:30 AM - Women's Bible Study on 1 & 2 Peter 12:15 PM - Community Lenten Service at Grace 6:00 PM - Lenten Supper served by Sunday School 7:00 PM - Lenten Service 7:15 PM - Junior Choir 7:45 PM - Trinity & Confirmation Classes 7:45 PM - HS Community Time (10th-12th Grades) 7:45 PM - Senior Choir 8:30 PM - HS Youth Group/ Mime Practice	7	8	9 8:00 AM - Men of Immanuel
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17 8:00 AM - Radio Broadcast 8:30 AM - Sunday School Classes 9:00 AM - Coffee Fellowship 9:30 AM - Worship 10:30 AM - Service of Holy Communion 10:30 AM - Coffee Fellowship	18	19 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting 2:00 PM - Women's Monthly Bible Study	20 8:30 AM - Women's Bible Study on 1 & 2 Peter 12:15 PM - Community Lenten Service at St. Petri 6:00 PM - Lenten Supper served by Men of Immanuel 7:00 PM - Lenten Service 7:15 PM - Junior Choir 7:45 PM - Senior Choir 8:00 PM - HS Youth Group	21	22	23 8:00 AM - Men of Immanuel
Spring Break						
24 - Palm Sunday 8:00 AM - Radio Broadcast 8:30 AM - Sunday School Classes 9:00 AM - Coffee Fellowship 9:30 AM - Worship 10:30 AM - Coffee Fellowship 12 noon - Mime Practice 3:30 PM - JH Youth Group	25	26 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting	27 8:30 AM - Women's Bible Study on 1 & 2 Peter 6:30 PM - Junior Choir 6:30 PM - Pizza Supper 7:00 PM - Trinity & Confirmation Classes 7:00 PM - HS Community Time (10-12th Grades) 7:15 PM - Senior Choir 8:00 PM - HS Youth Group/ Mime Practice	28 - Maundy Thursday 7:00 PM - Maundy Thursday Communion Service	29 - Good Friday 7:00 PM - Good Friday Tenebrae Service	30 8:00 AM - Men of Immanuel 10:00 AM - Youth Easter Breakfast Prep 12 noon - Mime Service Practice
31 - Easter Sunday 7:00 AM - HS Led Sunrise Service 8:00 AM - Radio Broadcast 8:00 AM - Easter Breakfast 9:30 AM - Easter Festival Worship	<div> The Bible mini-series in March - Sundays 7-9 P.M. on The History Channel Mondays on Lifetime (rerun) Wednesdays on The History Channel (rerun) </div>					

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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 24 - Palm Sunday

Procession of Palm Branches - 9:30 A.M.

March 28 - Maundy Thursday

Worship and Communion Service - 7 P.M.

March 29 - Good Friday

Tenebrae Worship Service - 7 P.M.
Special program by Senior Choir

March 31 - Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service - Led by the High School Youth - 7A.M.
Easter Breakfast - Served by the Youth - 8 A.M.
Easter Festival Service - 9:30 A.M., Singing of the Hallelujah Chorus.

*May our Holy Week services refresh us as a congregation.
Please make an effort to attend.*