

Registration for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year continues at Zion Lutheran School, Seymour. Specific details & information for each program is available by checking out the school website at www.zionschoolseymour.org or calling the school office at 812-522-5911. Again, plans are already being put into the place for the 2020 summer extend care program & the 2020-2021 school year.

About the Altar

People who watched the service online have seen more close-up certain features of the church. One is the altar, with the inscription NIKA. What is the significance? The Greek word, "NIKA" means "victor" in the language of The New Testament. The reference here is to the victor over sin and death who fulfills the Law of The Old Testament for us who were condemned by it. The altar rests on two stones, representing the Old and New Testaments. The stone on the left has 7 candles, representing creation, as well as the Greek letters "chi" and "rho," an abbreviation for Christ. From it flows a stream of water that crosses the face of the altar. For as water in the desert saved God's children of The Old Testament, so the victor of the cross washes us clean in the new. The waves continue around the corner of the altar and spill into a chalice, for we are nourished by the blood of the Lamb Holy Communion, as the children of Israel were refreshed by the water in the desert. Resting on The New Testament rock are two lights further emphasizing the gift of Christ's body and blood in the Sacrament.

9:00 am Ushers: Kurt Fenneberg, Larry Harlow, Gordon Kovener, Troy Hehman, Nathan Nichols, Cary Bell, Dave Boggs, Chris Stahl, Corey Zaring, Charlie Tungate, Andrew Bell, Ryan Williams, Caleb Williams, David Pollert **Elder:** Troy Hehman **Counting:** Jerrell Hubbard, Max Siefker, Kyle Stanfield, Rick Zschiedrich, Greg Prange, Grant Hubbard **Audio/Video:** Stu Silver/Kevin Foster
11:15 am Ushers: Max Whitsett, John Bowen, Marcus Brooks, Joe Brooks, Mike Stuckwisch, Jeff Schneider **Elders/Communion:** John Hiester, Drew Storey, Bob Hartman, Andy Gillaspay, Charlie Smith **Altar Guild:** Elinor Brown **Audio:** Bob Emily

7:00 pm Elders: Jim Hume, Steve Bobb **Altar Guild:** Linda Schoenfelder

5 9:00 Worship 11:15 Worship/ Communion Online Summer Sunday School	6 2:00-4:00 Jr. High Youth 5:30 Altar Guild 5:30 Troop Committee 7:00 Worship	7 7:00 Men's Bible Study 6:00 Heritage	8 2:00-5:00 Sr. High Youth 5:30 Stewardship	9 5:30 Human Care 5:30 Trustees 7:00 Council	10	11
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Additional Spiritual Support:

- **Dial a Meditation:** call 812-522-1345 anytime for a devotion prepared by one of our pastors or vicar.
- **Know Your Bible:** You can hear it each weekday at 6:55 a.m. on AM 1390

Bulletin and Resource Pick-up

Is available at door number 5 on Oesting Street. Drop in Monday- Friday from 8am - 5pm.

Bulletins and Informers for the upcoming week are available on Wednesdays after 12 noon.

Join us for Worship and Bible Studies Online at these Locations:

Bible Studies: <http://immanuelseymour.com/grow/bible-studies/>

Worship: <http://immanuelseymour.com/worship/>

You can also view services on the Immanuel YouTube channel at Immanuel Lutheran Seymour. Watch the service on your smart TV and pull up a bulletin in your hand on your phone or tablet . Search YouTube for Immanuel Lutheran Seymour and subscribe to our FREE channel.



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INFORMER

July 5, 2020

Patriotic Service Today

The Bible teaches us that both the kingdom of the world and the kingdom of the church are under the rule of Christ (Matthew 28). It also teaches us to pray for those who are in authority, that we may lead peaceable lives (1 Timothy 2). The two flags in front of the church remind us of the nation in which we are blessed to live and the Christian church of which we are citizens forever.

On the weekend our nation celebrates its birthday, we include in our worship hymns and prayers that give thanks to God for the blessings we enjoy and seek His guidance for the challenges we face. After the service today volunteers will be handing out a special election year prayer booklet. This small booklet is a wonderful resource for us as we pray for God's guidance and blessings upon our upcoming election.

Voters to Meet July 19

We missed the regular quarterly meeting of the congregation in April due to restrictions in gathering, but the Voters meeting July 19 is still on schedule. Among items of business will be filling some board vacancies and acting on the proposed budgets for church and school. All confirmed members are eligible to vote and encouraged to attend. The Fellowship Hall seating is "spaced out" for safety.

Vicar Farewell is July 19

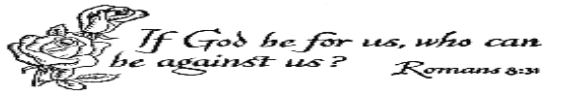
We will have a farewell reception for Vicar Ronchetto between services Sunday, July 19. It has been a memorable year for him and for us! We pray that the Lord will bless him as he looks forward to his marriage to Kayla in August and his return to the seminary to complete his preparation for the ministry.

School Resumes in August

The Board of Immanuel Lutheran School approved a plan to bring students back to in-person classes August 6. Parents received a mailing that included new precautions, including temperature and wellness checks by parents before bringing students to school, use of face masks while entering and exiting and in the hallways, separating desks to allow for safe distances and using partitions where that is not practical, and changes in the use of the cafeteria. It will be great to have the students back again!

Worship Changes for Now

Until further notice, changes include using every-other pew to provide distance between worshippers, printing everything in the bulletin so as not to share hymnals, not passing bulletins, registration pads, or offering plates, adding hand-sanitizers, and changing the process for Communion to be continuous and without the Common Cup. Thanks for your patience, courtesy, and understanding.



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

Totals from June 28, 2020	
Unified Budget	\$29,128.48
Plate Offerings	\$1,309.85
Other Income	\$5,070.00
Total	\$35,508.33
Income & Gifts To Date	\$1,327,961.54
Donations to ILS 2019-2020	\$6,036.82
Total Gifts	\$1,333,998.36
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,463,555.34
Benevolence	\$1,577.00
Sunday Attendance/Communed	405/105
Monday Attendance/Communed	56/46
Online Views	492
Scottsburg Mission	
Attendance	11
Sunday Offering	\$225.00

Sunday, July 5, 2020

Matthew 11:25-30: The Lord offers quite an exchange in today's Gospel: the overbearing burdens of this world that we carry we can exchange for the light yoke that ONLY Jesus offers to us. Only Jesus can provide the light yoke because of His tremendous strength and grace to carry our burdens through His cross. With this rest and relief of burdens, we are then free to reach out with the Gospel of God's grace and freeing salvation to others. There is no escape from the burdens of life, but there is One who desires to exchange yokes with you, and His burden is light. Rest for the soul is knowing that you never have to face your burdens alone. God is with you always to lift you up and to lift your burdens even higher onto His shoulders. In His rest and care, reach out with the news of this exchange to someone who needs a refreshing rest today.

Great Commission Corner

Corner

Official Acts

Steven Whitson was baptized on June 30.

Acknowledgements

Today's Altar and Chapel Flowers are sponsored in loving memory of Brenda Williams on the anniversary of her passing, by Mike and Brooke.

Offerings

Thank you for your faithful support! You can drop your offering in the plate at the door or the regular offering boxes, mail to the church, or give on-line on our website, which is easy and secure.

Our Appreciation

Joel, Heather, and I want to thank those members of Immanuel Lutheran Church and School who remembered us in their prayers, cards, e-mails, phone calls, and memorials given in memory of Jan. Words cannot adequately convey our deep appreciation for your Christian support at a difficult time in our lives. Special benedictions to each of you.

*In Christ,
Floyd, Joel, and Heather Behrens*

Mission Board: Haiti!

Check the Mission Bulletin Board at the end of the hallway to see pictures of work you have helped support in Leogone and Village Coracess, Haiti! Despite many obstacles, the work of Christ in Haiti continues to flourish!

Bible Readings

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| 7/5 2 Kings 12-13; 2 Chronicles 24 | 7/8 2 Kings 15; 2 Chronicles 26 |
| 7/6 2 Kings 14; 2 Chronicles 25 | 7/9 Isaiah 1-4 |
| 7/7 Jonah | 7/10 Isaiah 5-8 |
| | 7/11 Amos 1-5 |

From Camp Lakeview

Is your child ready for some fresh air, adventure, and good old-fashioned summer fun, all in an incredible Christian environment? Then sign them up for **DAY CAMP** at Camp Lakeview. Two and four day sessions are available starting **July 6th**. Your 1st-7th grader will create incredible memories, grow in their faith, and make great friends as they have a blast zip lining, horseback riding, swimming, and more. To sign up go to **lakeview.camp/DAYCAMP**.

Fellowship Golf Outing News

Our community is currently in extraordinary times and due to these circumstances the 2020 Lutheran Fellowship Golf Scramble has been canceled. This hard decision was prayerfully considered, but it seemed unlikely that we could assure the "Fellowship" part of this event. As we recognize the sacrifices and challenges we all face, we also know the students at Immanuel still need these funds. The golf committee would appreciate your support again this year. Gold Event Sponsor is \$1000, Event Sponsor is \$500, and Tee Sponsor is \$125. Any donation is welcome and can be made online or at the church office. Checks are payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church and please note "GOLF" on your check or online. We would appreciate Golf donations be made anytime between now and September 30, 2020 so the school can be notified of the available funds. While signs will not be on the course for a day, we hope to include them around the church and school as a show of thanks. Again, any donation for Immanuel Lutheran School will be appreciated.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL ONLINE NOW

This summer, our Sunday School students will explore *3 in 1: Discovering Our Triune God*. Each of the weekly Bible stories helps students discover something about our triune God.

VBS MISSION PROJECT:

An Offering Treasure Box is in the Side Atrium by the Rainforest Explorer Bulletin Board. You can mail in your offering or let your children drop off their offering in the treasure Box. Thank you for serving those in need.

Jackson County Community FOOD DRIVE

Immanuel is serving as a donation site for the Jackson County Community Food Drive. Please drop your donations in the bin just inside door #8 by the fountain. Healthy Jackson County will stop by daily to pick up donations and distribute to the food pantries. Thank you for your assistance and service to this project. Thanks to those who have participated in the Jackson County Community Food drive in conjunction with the Schneck Foundation

LWML Summer Quarterly is available in the LWML Mailbox or inside door# 5 off of Oesting Street. The Indiana District voting results for grants, bylaws and new officers is posted online at the LWML.org website. Hope to resume meetings in August.



Due to some repositioning our ILCCM Big and Little Warrior Classes both have a couple of openings for children for the fall. These are 3 and 4 year old pre-k classes. During the month of July the ILCCM staff and children will be sharing Bible stories about water including Jonah and the whale and how Jesus calmed the storm. We also are having water play days on Fridays and are in need of any gently used water toy donations.



A new recording of Patriotic Hymns and Organ Interludes is available. Look for it on the Immanuel website or on the Immanuel Lutheran Seymour YouTube Channel this week. By special request you can hear and sing along to these and many other favorite hymns.