

Closer Look: PULPIT

The sermon each week is delivered from a pulpit designed to emphasize the power of God's word. The supporting bars beneath it are shaped in the form of the cross which, at the base, form the traditional symbol of the four Evangelists. The reference here is to the written Word and the preaching ministry of the church. This emphasis is echoed by the pulpit hangings which are in the form of the stole, the most ancient symbol of Christian teachers. Behind the pulpit is attached the processional cross, which can be seen above the preacher. As with St. Paul, we are to preach Christ, and him crucified for the forgiveness of our sins.

Celebrate Trinity Lutheran High School's 20 years!!!

A celebration will be held at Trinity Lutheran's campus on Saturday, September 26th, 2020 starting at 3:00 pm. This celebration will include food booths, alumni games, a bonfire, tailgate games and fun with our community. Please bring a chair and help celebrate our amazing school!

9:00 am Ushers: Kurt Fenneberg, Brent Kilgas, Ben Thompson, Brian Burbrink, Baron Bullard, Dale VonDielingen, Greg Wehmiller, Roger Wehmiller, Mitchell Kilgas, Will Borcharding, Dustin Nichols, Tony Combs, Gary Schneider, Jay Hubbard, Daniel Luecke, Jed Strange **Counting:** Craig Moore, Luke Nolting, Gary Darlage, Brian Rohr, Mark Nolting, Chad Cooper **Acolyte:** Michael Brooks **Altar Guild:** Rita Schepman, Elinor Brown **Audio/Video:** Kelly Luecke/Don Luecke
11:15 am Ushers: Max Whitsett, Larry Stahl, Robert Allman, Randy 'Dude' Dittmer, Dennis Klinge, Karl Anderson **Acolyte:** Elijah Carr **Audio:** Jeff Hopkins
7:00 pm Elders: Steve Bobb, Monty Siefker **Acolyte:** Myles Chandler **Altar Guild:** Linda Schoenfelder

23 RALLY DAY 9:00 Worship/ Communion 11:15 Worship	24 8:35 Chapel 3:15 7th OYR 7:00 Worship	25 3:15 8th OYR 5:00 Nominating Committee	26 3:15 Sr. Hi OYR 7:00 Confirmation	27	28	29 Wedding: Rebber/ Reynolds
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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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Haiti in Desperate Need

Please see an insert with a letter from Pastor Bernard in Haiti regarding pretty dire circumstances facing the Haitian people and the members of Good Shepherd in particular. Pastor Bernard does not often ask for help in such a direct way. Please read his letter and the back of the insert for more information about how your family can assist with helping to meet this great need in Haiti.

Face Coverings: Thank You!

The Elders thank our members for choosing to wear a face covering in worship, especially at 11:15, to help provide a safer option for individuals who have underlying health issues to attend in person. Jesus spoke about "going the extra mile," and we know that mask-wearing is not comfortable! May the Lord bless us as we navigate this "novel" path together.

Bringing Light to Darkness

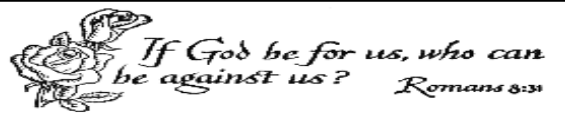
2020 has cast long shadows over many parts of normal life. Socializing is awkward. Events were cancelled or postponed. Nursing homes patients were isolated for their own good. Businesses involving food, travel, hospitality, and conventions struggled. Few aspects of life have been unscathed.

Add to that rioting and violence, racial tension, and political divides. In the face of all these things, and an uncertain future, depression is on the rise. Optimism has waned. *All of this means it is a great time to be the church and to be light in the darkness.*

To a world burdened by terrible problems, Jesus said, *"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."* By faith in Him, we also bring light to the world as we advance His work. Your prayers, your gifts, and your witness to Christ are essential parts of bringing Christ's light and hope to our world today.

THE RACE IS ON!! RALLY DAY IS TODAY!

We are gearing up for our fall Bible Classes and Sunday School and have a great line-up for Sundays and during the week! Come run the course with us or cheer on the participants **TODAY** on the School playground. A fun obstacle course and cold popsicles at the finish line will be part of the fun for everyone! **TODAY** in the Informer is a brochure that identifies the many options that will be offered. There will also be an online viewing option for those adults who need to do that for now. For all in-person classes a list of safety precautions is also available online when you sign-up! Sign-ups for Sunday and Weekly Bible Classes are available on the Immanuel Website. It will be wonderful to get back together to study the Word.



If God be for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31

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

Totals from August 16, 2020	
Unified Budget	\$24,249.48
Plate Offerings	\$935.45
Other Income	\$2,120.00
Total	\$27,304.93
Income & Gifts To Date	\$1,569,144.00
Donations to ILS 2019-2020	\$7,511.82
Total Gifts	\$1,576,655.82
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,688,717.70
Benevolence	\$390.00
Sunday Attendance/Communed	371/112
Monday Attendance/Communed	33
Online Views	492
Scottsburg Mission	
Attendance	8
Sunday Offering	\$120.00

Sunday, August 23, 2020

Matthew 16:13-20: Who do you say Jesus is? The answer makes all the difference in how you face your day to day living. If you say Jesus is your Christ, your one Lord, and Master, without Whom you can do absolutely nothing, then missing worship and Bible Study is not an option, serving Him wherever possible is your heart's desire, stewardship of His blessings is your way of life, being more like Him is your daily prayer, and getting the Word out about Him, well, that's as important as breathing! Your confession above not only proclaims salvation but defeats hell and makes everything in between possible. So, who again do you say Jesus is? Your answer in the Spirit

Great Commission

Corner

Acknowledgements

Today's Informer is sponsored in memory of our parents Delbert Kilgas & Emy Lou Wischmeier on the anniversary of their passing, by Brent & Sandy Kilgas & family.

Today's Altar Flowers are sponsored in honor of Richard & Bonnie Raabe on their 64th wedding anniversary, August 19, by Kurt & Jeannie Fennerberg.

Official Acts

Eleanor Grace Trueblood, daughter of Kaleb & Romaine (Clarkson) Trueblood, was baptized on August 15.

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.

Pastor Blomenberg at Farmer's Retreat

Pastor Blomenberg is leading Bible Class and services this morning at St. John, Farmer's Retreat, subbing for their regular vacancy pastors.

Graduates

The Board of Fellowship and Assimilation would like to recognize our high school graduates with a gift. If you graduated from high school this year please stop by the office for a token of our admiration of your achievement!

Thank You!

The family of Jim Wilde would like to thank the Pastors, the funeral meal committee and for all the prayers, cards and kind words and memorials that were shared during the time of Jim's passing.

Bible Readings

8/ 23 Jeremiah 49-50	8/ 26 Lamentations
8/ 24 Jeremiah 51-52	3:37-5:22
8/ 25 Lamentations	8/ 27 Ezekiel 1-4
1:1-3:36	8/ 28 Ezekiel 5-8
	8/ 29 Ezekiel 9-12

Apple dumplings Pre-Order

Zion Lutheran Church is taking preorders for apple dumplings. See any member to order by August 23. Money is due at preorder for delivery at Brooklyn Pizza No-fest, October 1st, 2nd, & 3rd at the Zion booth. Dumplings are \$6 each or 6 for \$34.

From the Mission Board

Remember when Chuck Ferry was Immanuel's vicar in 2006 -2007? Rev. Charles and Cheryl are now based in Chiayi, Taiwan. As the Asia Regional Director, Charles is responsible for LCMS work, personnel, and relationships in 20 countries. He also provides ministry and pastoral care to geographically separated Lutherans. He and Cheryl are blessed with 6 children- Caleb, Caitlin, Carissa, Cassandra, Chloe, and Charlotte- and are homeschooled by Mom Cheryl. As you help support Pastor Ferry and his family with your offerings, please keep the Ferry family in your prayers.

Check the bulletin board by the Atrium for pictures and more information.

Action ⇌ Reaction: Sunday School

Every Sunday, students from toddlers to high school can attend a Sunday School class that assists them in their personal spiritual growth. A dedicated staff of volunteers provides for the teaching, while the materials and supplies are provided through the Unified Budget. Thank you for supporting this ministry—your gifts make a difference!

Positions at Zion

Looking for something fun and exciting to get out of the house and even get paid? What works best for you - 10, 20, 30 hours/week? Consider applying for a part-time job in extend care or as a teacher's aide at Zion Lutheran School. You need to be at least 18 years of age with a high school diploma and love to work with children 2-5 years old. Stop by the office weekdays between 9AM and 3:30PM to pick up an application, email the office at ZLS@zionseymour.org or call 812-522-5911.

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.

Grab and Go at Emanuel

Emanuel Lutheran Church is having a Grab & Go Cookout on Saturday September 12th from 4-8. If possible please send in your order by Monday September 7th. See our facebook page to fill in an online form or call/text one of us: Amy 812-216-1764 Stephanie 812-521-8994 and 812-521-9387. There are 2 meal options. See our Facebook page for all the information.

Registration Night & Open House

August 31, 2020 at 5:30
Immanuel Lutheran Social Room
Trail Life USA is for boys age 5 and older.
American Heritage Girls is for girls age 5 and older.

IMMANUEL GUILD will meet Tuesday, September 1 at 7:00p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.