

## Boys Soccer Coach Needed

Trinity Lutheran High School is beginning the search for our next Boys Soccer Varsity Head Coach to begin with the fall 2021 season. Our preference is to hire our coach by the end of January to allow for spring conditioning and to build rapport with current and future players. Prior experience coaching soccer is required. Experience coaching or playing at the high school level is preferred.

Interested candidates can email questions and/or resumes to Athletic Director Ryan Cremins at: [rcrmeans@trinitycougars.org](mailto:rcrmeans@trinitycougars.org).

## Blood Drive

January 19, 2021 2:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
To Schedule an appointment please go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and search sponsor keyword "immanuelutheran" or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

If you would like to help donors check-in or work the canteen, please call Lisa in the church office. Thank you!

*Remember to call the church office in plenty of time if you would like to sponsor the Broadcast (\$80), Informer (\$50), or Altar Flowers. We appreciate our sponsors.*

**9:00 am Elders:** Troy Hehman **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 **Counting:** Bill Siefker, Ed Koerner, Mary Lou Siefker, Larry Meyer, Dale Siefker **Acolyte:** Addison Bumbleburg **Audio/Video:** Stu Silver/Kevin Foster

**11:15 am Elders/Communion:** Drew Storey, Bob Hartman, Andy Gillaspay, Charlie Smith **Ushers:** Max Whitsett, John Bowen, Marcus Brooks, Joe Brooks, Michael Brooks, Mike Stuckwisch, Jeff Schneider **Altar Guild:** Susie Claycamp **Acolyte:** Kailene Cockerham **Audio:** Bob Emily

**7:00 pm Elders:** Steve Bobb, Tony Combs

<b>3</b> 9:00 Worship 11:15 Worship/ Communion	<b>4</b> 5:30 Altar Guild 7:00 Worship	<b>5</b> 5:30 Parish Ed	<b>6</b> 6:30 Instrumentalists 7:30 Choir	<b>7</b> 5:00 Property 5:15 Fellowship & Assimilation 6:00 Handbells 6:30 Elders	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
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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 and FM 99.3

### 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 THURSDAYS after 12 noon.**

**Join us for Worship Online at:** <http://immanuelseymour.com/worship/>

You can also view services on the Immanuel YouTube channel at Immanuel Lutheran Seymour and at 3pm & 8pm on CinergyMetro Cable Channel 2 and Comcast Channel 96.

On the Radio 99.3 and Live Stream from anywhere in the world at [www.wzzb1390.com](http://www.wzzb1390.com)



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# INFORMER

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January 3, 2021

## The Christmas Star?

A few week ago, we witnessed the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter. It was called the Christmas Star both because of when it shown brightest, and because some think it may have been the star that signaled to the Magi that a king had been born!

Today we celebrate the Epiphany, or the revelation of Jesus as the Savior of the world, not just of Israel. While the official day is January 6, at the end of the Christmas season, we also are grateful that God sent Jesus to save us.

## “So Help Me God”

Oaths of office include that phrase, which recognizes that we need God’s help in all things. As the New Year begins, some make resolutions about actions they will hope to take. It is good to add to that, “so help me God,” seeking His assistance in helping us to do our best, whether the plan relates to health, family, finances, or spirit. And God is willing and able to help.

He listens to our prayers. He gives us strength and wisdom in His word. He provides fellowship and accountability in His church. So as we invest time in devotions, worship, and God’s Work, we know He is our partner. We look forward to seeing you regularly in God’s house as we make the most of the year 2021!

## Officers to be Installed Today

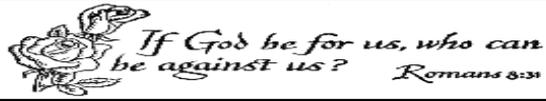
In the October Voters meeting, the congregation elected individual to serve on various boards. Those newly elected are to be installed in the 9:00 a.m. service today. A special THANK-YOU to individuals who have completed their terms of service! Please prayer for those who will be filling your shoes!

## Communion Options

Many of our members share in worship online or on the radio, but do not yet feel safe coming to church in person. We know the Lord’s Supper is a wonderful blessing. Our pastors provide for families and individual to receive the Lord’s Supper either here at church or at their home by appointment. We wear face coverings to provide for safety. Call 812-522-3118.

## Offering Envelopes for 2020-2021

It has been an unusual fall, but if you have not yet picked up your new box of offering envelopes, you can call the church (812-522-3118) and we can have it available at Door 5 for convenient pick up. They are also on the tables in the hallway.



*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*

Unified Budget	\$93,625.83
Plate Offerings	\$1,966.28
Other Income	\$27,272.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$122,864.11</b>
Income & Gifts To Date	\$507,994.53
Donations to ILS 2020-2021	\$2,863.00
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>\$510,857.53</b>
Budget Needs to Date	\$495,009.06
Benevolence	\$465.00
Sunday Attendance/Communed	379/183
Monday Attendance/Communed	28/18
Dec. 23 Midweek Advent Attendance	127
4:30 & 6:00 Christmas Eve Attendance	619
Christmas Eve Candlelight Attendance	509
Christmas Day	125
Online Views Sunday, 12-27-2020	492
<b>Scottsburg Mission</b>	
Attendance	8
Sunday Offering	\$412.00

**Great Commission**

### Sunday, January 3, 2021

**Matthew 2:1-12:** The celebration of Epiphany is the Gentile Christmas Day. With the sending of the star to mark His Son's birth, God announced to the world His desire for everyone to be saved, and He did something about it! He sent His Son in recognizable form: human flesh. The celebration of Epiphany reminds us that our mission is to let Jesus shine for all the world to see so that everyone might be saved. Pray for God to fill your heart with missionary zeal and to recognize the next opportunity to bear His shining truth.

**Corner**

## Acknowledgements

Today's Altar Flowers are sponsored in memory of Melba Stuckwisch on her birthday, January 2, by Mike & Rita Stuckwisch and family.

## Official Acts

**Loreda Hendren** entered eternal life on December 19 and was given Christian burial on December 23.

**Russell James Frady**, son of Austin & Audrey (Speer) Frady, was baptized on December 23.

**Jerry Grabinski** entered eternal life of December 22 and was given Christian burial on December 26.

If you sponsored a Poinsettia please feel free to pick one up after the service today or you may pick it up Monday - Friday during office hours. Thank you!

### **Immanuel Guild will not meet Tuesday, January 5.**

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 2, at 7:00 p.m.  
Hope to see you then!

## **Bible Classes and Sunday School Suspended**

All Sunday and Midweek Bible studies and Sunday School are suspended until further notice due to Covid 19. We will keep you posted on when we can safely resume. Check the website for online resources. Thanks for your understanding.

## Bible Readings

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| 1/3 Genesis 8-11 | 1/7 Job 14-16 |
| 1/4 Job 1-5      | 1/8 Job 17-20 |
| 1/5 Job 6-9      | 1/9 Job 21-23 |
| 1/6 Job 10-13    |               |

## **LIFE Lessons: Images of Glory A Virtual Sunday School for Families During Epiphany**

**January 10 – February 14, 2021**

*"Everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I have formed and made" - Isaiah 43:7*

During the season of Epiphany all Sunday School Children and Youth and their families are invited to take a creative and artistic journey through Scripture to hear and discover God's purpose and care for life. Each lesson will include a short art lesson and together we will draw images that remind us of God's great love for the world and all that He has created, redeemed, and continues to protect. We will discover also how God strengthens and equips us, who are made in His image, to be the Life of the world to share His Love with all people. A special packet of art supplies and further instructions on how to participate will be available to Sunday School Children and Youth ages 3 and up on January 10, 2021 in the Atrium. Stop by the table there and pick up your "Life Lessons Kit" to take home.

### **ILCCM is Growing! And we need YOU!**

On January 11, 2021 ILCCM will officially open an additional Infant room allowing us to care for an additional 8 infants. The immediate need that we have is the filling of two additional part-time teachers. COVID-19 has taken its toll on our applicant pool and we need your help to spread the word that we have two positions to fill as we step into 2021. Please prayerfully consider your list of family and friends, or even yourself, who might be looking for a part-time job. We have a fantastic team, and it is an exciting time to be a part of the growth and blessings of this program! I am happy to receive calls or emails at the church at 812-522-3118 or at [pmiller@immanuelseymour.com](mailto:pmiller@immanuelseymour.com) from anyone interested in these positions. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of this important ministry.

## **Help for Givers!**

A tax deduction for charitable giving is now available, even if you don't itemize! Normally, charitable donations aren't tax-deductible unless you itemize on your tax return. But due to the coronavirus pandemic and the CARES Act that was passed in March to provide relief for it, charitable donations of up to \$300 can be deducted for 2020 tax purposes, even if you don't itemize on this year's return.

## **ILS Concerts Go Virtual**

To provide for safety as Covid cases rise, the three Christmas concerts scheduled for ILS bands and choirs are online instead of in person. Be sure to check them out and enjoy their talents as they share Christmas music!

Go to [www.immanuelseymour.com](http://www.immanuelseymour.com).

## **Financial Peace at Immanuel:**

**Sign up NOW!** A great start for 2021! Financial Peace University (FPU) is the nine-lesson class that will teach you how to pay off debt, save and invest for your future. You'll also connect with others, just like you, who can hold you accountable, encourage you, and celebrate your progress. Sign up at this link: <https://www.financialpeace.com/classes/1129121> to attend the class here at Immanuel that begins January 10<sup>th</sup> and runs through March 7, 2021, Sundays from 4:00-5:30 p.m.

## **150th Anniversary Ornaments**

If you did not purchase your 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary ornament this past year, we still have a few left. This is a Tom Pollard custom design gold-plated brass ornament and is a special design to commemorate Immanuel's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The cost of the ornament is \$10.00 and comes gift boxed with a stand for display. An information sheet about Immanuel's history is also enclosed. This ornament is beautiful and looks great on your tree and can be displayed on its stand year round. These are available while they last at our church office.