

## Scholarship Granting Organization Donations

The Lutheran (SGO) campaign for student scholarships has begun. Now anyone can provide a tuition assistance scholarship for our Lutheran School students and receive an Indiana State tax credit equal to 50% of your contribution. This Indiana State tax credit is deducted from the tax liability you would owe the State of Indiana next April. By contributing to the Lutheran SGO program in the name of Immanuel Lutheran School, Zion Lutheran Preschool and Kindergarten, or Trinity Lutheran High School, you will provide our students with a Lutheran faith-based education during their formative years. Please go online to [lutheransgo.org](http://lutheransgo.org) and click on **Donate Now** on the bottom right corner of the page if you wish to donate.

## Lakeview Women's Retreat

For only \$110, spend an incredible fall weekend at Camp Lakeview on **September 27-29<sup>th</sup>**. Get ready for adventures, hiking, crafts, campfires, naps, laughing, coffee, zip lining, sunsets, hot tubbing, new friends, truth, love, and more. Our main speaker, Amy Meyer, will be helping us explore this year's theme: **Worth Full Value**, based on Luke 13:10-13. For more details and to sign up, go to [lakeviewministries.camp/women](http://lakeviewministries.camp/women).

## White Creek Smorgasbord

St. John's Lutheran Church -White Creek, 16270 S. 300 W., Columbus, will hold its annual Smorgasbord and Bazaar on Saturday, September 14, 2019. Serving begins at 4:30 p.m. in the church's school cafeteria and gym. The menu will include ham, turkey and dressing, homemade noodles, real mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, home grown corn and a variety of salads and desserts. Cost of the meal is \$10 for adults (13 and older), \$5 for children 4-12 yrs., and free for children 3 and under. Take-out orders will be available in the Fellowship Room.

## Traveling Lutherans and Friends

will be visiting New Harmony, IN by bus on Monday, September 23. New Harmony was an attempt at "Utopia" near Evansville. The tour of the town is \$1. We will be leaving the south parking lot at Immanuel in Seymour at 8:30 a.m. At this time we do not have information on the cost of the bus. Cost will be divided evenly by the number of attendees. Lunch will be at the Red Geranium. If you are planning to go or want more information, contact Barbara Shoemaker at 812-358-3198 *AS SOON AS POSSIBLE*. If there is no answer please leave a message with phone number.



**Immanuel**  
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# INFORMER

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## Office Transition

We welcome Patti Miller to her service as Communications Secretary and Children's Ministry Director and pray the Lord's blessings as she serves. You can reach Patti at:

[pmiller@immanuelseymour.com](mailto:pmiller@immanuelseymour.com)

## Bible Classes and Sunday School Sept. 8

Sunday School and Bible Classes begin next Sunday. We hope you will join us! Mid-week classes will also begin the week of September 8. Sign-Up TODAY in the Fellowship Hall.

## Monday service to Tuesday

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the normal Monday night service September 2 will be moved to Tuesday, September 3, at 7.

## SCOUTING OPEN HOUSE

**American Heritage Girls™** and **Trail Life USA®** are the premier Christ-centered character, leadership, and adventure organizations for girls and boys (K-12), serving 60,000+ members in 50 states. Along with your family and church, we share a passion for creating safe and active opportunities in a Christ-centered environment to equip the next generation for Christian service. We will be hosting a **SIGNUP/REGISTRATION NIGHT** on **Wednesday, September 4, 2019, at 6:30 pm** in the **Social Room**. Spread the word and join us!

## Action ⇒ Reaction

Laws of physics say that any action produces an equal and opposite reaction. It is fair to say that with human behavior, that rule does not always apply! Sometimes people react with more than words to something that is said, escalating an argument. Other times, people may receive something very nice and have no response at all.

As Christians, we worship a God who always is at work for our good. Even when our actions deserve swift and strong punishment, "He does not treat us as our sins deserve" (Psalm 103:10). Instead, He abounds in mercy. Since God desires that we are merciful like Him, He calls us to forgive as we are forgiven.

God is also generous in ways far more than we deserve. While we labor and work for a living, it is He that provides health and opportunity and gives our daily bread. He desires that we react to his actions with gratitude and generosity. Our actions result in praise to Him and help toward others, a chain-reaction of goodness!

## Immanuel Lutheran School Fish Fry

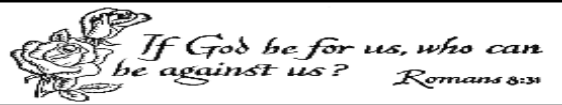
- Sunday, Sept. 8 (4-7 p.m.)
- Immanuel Fair Stand (Jackson Co. Fairgrounds)
- Delicious fish, sides, dessert, and drinks.
- Free will offering. All proceeds to benefit the students of ILS.

**9:00 am Greeters:** Michael & Ashley Hancock, Carol Boyer, Terrence & Angie Tracey **Welcome:** Joan Nichols **Ushers:** Kurt Fenneberg, Larry Harlow, Gordon Kovener, Troy Hehman, Dave Boggs, Nathan Nichols, Cary Bell, Wes Baker, Dylan Baker, Chris Stahl, Corey Zaring, Charlie Tungate, Andrew Bell, Ryan Williams, Caleb Williams **Elders:** Tim Hamblen, Lucas Wehmiller **Counting:** Jeff Hubbard, Kevin Foster, Charles Fox, Greg Hackman, Ron Pollert, Grant Schneider, Craig Flinn **Acolyte:** Morgan Waskom **Audio/Video:** Stu Silver/Kevin Foster **Nursery:** Annette Johnson, Lillian Johnson

**11:15 am Greeters:** John & Helen Nolting, Jon & Vicki Corne **Welcome:** Adrene Wunder **Ushers:** Max Whitsett, George Spray, Jeff Nicholson, John Bowen, Marcus Brooks, Joe Brooks, Grainger Pollert, Richard Pollert **Elders:** John Hiester, Drew Storey, Jim Lucas, Bob Hartman, Jason Skidmore **Altar Guild:** Jan Blomenberg **Acolyte:** Addyson Coomer **Audio:** Jeff Hopkins

**7:00 pm Elders:** Tony Combs, Monty Siefker **Acolyte:** Jackson Sutherland

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9:00 Worship 11:15 Worship/ Communion	Labor Day <i>Church Office Closed</i>	8:35 Chapel 2:00 LWML @ LCH 3:15 8th OYR 6:00 Heritage 7:00 Worship	3:15 Sr. Hi OYR 6:15 Brass 6:30 Trail Life/ Heritage Girls 7:00 Woodwinds 7:00 Confirmation 7:30 Adult Choir	5:00 Property 6:00 Handbells 6:30 Elders		



*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 25, 2019	
Unified Budget	\$20,242.68
Plate Offerings	\$1,458.92
Other Income	\$20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$21,721.60</b>
Income & Gifts To Date	\$1,526,376.08
Donations to ILS 2018-2019	\$11,983.33
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>\$1,538,359.41</b>
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,742,585.63
Benevolence	\$25,868.00
Sunday Attendance	806
Sunday Communed	359
Monday Attendance	93
Monday Communed	74
Lutheran Home Attendance	86
<b>Scottsburg Mission</b>	
Attendance	11
Sunday Offering	\$295.00

Great Commission

**Luke 14:1-14:** The Scriptures tell us that the Pharisees were watching Jesus very closely. They were watching Him to find mistakes, for any reason to criticize, to see if He could pass their test. Jesus was watching them very closely, and even though they were acting like enemies, Jesus was looking upon them with love. As we look upon the world, we need Jesus' eyes to be able to see the world with His love and compassion. That's the labor of love the Lord has given to us as we share the Good News every day. Jesus enables us to see the world differently: with grace. As He equips us with the Good News to share, may the Spirit also equip our eyes and hearts with the ability to recognize those who need the Good News the way Jesus does.

**Corner**

## Official Acts

**Melba Stuckwisch** entered eternal life on August 18 and was given Christian burial on August 22.

**Mildred 'Mickey' Rahn** entered eternal life on August 16 and was given Christian burial on August 24.

**Henry Arnold**, son of Criag & Heather (Oliver) Wolka, was baptized on August 25.

**Lucas Hill** entered eternal life on August 17. A celebration of life was held on August 25.

## Acknowledgements

**Today's Informer** is sponsored by Ron & Brenda Darlage in celebration of their 58th Wedding Anniversary, September 2.

## Seventh Graders are Selling Mums!

Stop by the church office or ask an ILS 7th Grader to place an order for mums from Schneider Nursery. Deadline to order is Tuesday, Sept. 4th. This is a fundraiser for their Washington DC Trip.

## Several Naming Opportunities Left

All but four of the stained-glass windows have been sponsored. If you have been thinking about sponsoring one of the windows to be placed in the sanctuary, please look at the updated display in the hallway near the narthex to see what is "sponsored" or "available." Contributions of any amount will help complete the project. To sponsor an individual panel is \$11,000, which can be paid between now and June 2020. A plaque will be available to identify the sponsors and the person or occasion being remembered. Thank you!

## Immanuel Memorial Ideas

If you are Considering a memorial in memory of a loved one, the Banner Committee is seeking funding for new banners and repairing current banners. If you are interested contact Holly or Jacquie in the Church office. Thank you!

## Bible Readings

9/1	Ezekiel 18-19	9/5	Ezekiel 28-31
9/2	Ezekiel 20-21	9/6	Ezekiel 32-34
9/3	Ezekiel 22-23	9/7	Ezekiel 35-37
9/4	Ezekiel 24-27		

## Financial Peace University to Begin September 8

Take control of your money with *Financial Peace University* (FPU)! This nine-lesson course uses biblical wisdom and common sense to help you tackle budgeting, pay off debt, and make your money work for you! FPU includes your member workbook and a year of free online resources through Financial Peace Membership. Join an FPU group today! Contact the church office at 812-522-3118 or Coordinators Kyle and Alyssa Gentry for more info.

## Share the 9!

The Stewardship Board encourages members to add to your weekly offering dollar bills that has a number matching the month. Each dollar bill has four identical numbers inside of the "1" on each corner. These numbers range from 1-12, corresponding to the months of the year. In September, the 9<sup>th</sup> month, consider saving any dollar bills you find with the "9" on them and sharing them as an additional offering. It's fun, and it helps support our work together. Thanks!

## ADULT SENIOR MINISTRY

We are back! **On Wednesday, September 11 at 11:30** we will begin the 2019-2020 year, The September meeting will feature "our very own" Jennifer Blomenberg Rodgers who will enlighten us on the NCAA. This is an organization she has worked with since her college days. If you know what March Madness is, then you are thinking along the correct lines. Of course, it involves more than basketball and she will inform us of the depth of that organization. Lunch will be Mexican fare. Cost is \$5 payable at the door. Transportation is available, if you call the Church Office (812-522-3118) to request a ride.

If you are not a regular to these meetings, can you give the office a courtesy call about your attending.

**The next LWML** meeting will be **Tuesday, September 3rd at 2pm** at the Lutheran Community Home. All meetings are held in the assisted living dining room. All ladies are invited! Come join us!! Host will be Calvary Lutheran Church, Bedford, IN

## Needed to Finish:

With five Sundays left in the fiscal year, we need your help to catch up. We will share each week what we "need to finish" the fiscal year. Our estimate today is \$389,000.

Each gift makes a difference. Thank you for helping us teach children, visit the sick and homebound, provide worship services, support missionaries, minister to our youth, and so much more! Remember the promise: "God loves a cheerful giver, and God is able to make all things abound to you so that you may be generous on every occasion." 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

## Trivia Night at Trinity

The Trinity Lutheran High School English Expedition students will be hosting a TRIVIA NIGHT in the school gymnasium on Saturday, September 7th, at 7 pm. Create a team and join us for a night of fun prizes, and snacks while testing your knowledge of trivia. Tickets are \$12.00 per person or \$72.00 for a table of six participants. For more information and to buy tickets, please contact the school office in person or by phone (812-524-8547) or contact John Anderson, Becky Helmer, or Dave Probst at Trinity.

## Trinity Dinner Auction News!

The Trinity auction steering committee is looking for congregational volunteers to assist with asking/collecting items for the 2020 dinner auction next February. The work is easy and includes contacting local people/families/businesses and asking them to once again provide a donation to our event next February. If you have any questions, or would be interested in helping out with the Trinity auction in this manner, please contact David Probst at [dprobst@trinitycougars.org](mailto:dprobst@trinitycougars.org).

## Oktoberfest Help

Would you be willing to help out at Immanuel's Suppenhaus during Oktoberfest? We need some additional volunteers to work and also to take charge of a day. Like to know more?

Contact us at [info@immanuelseymour.com](mailto:info@immanuelseymour.com) or call the church office. Thanks!