

Immanuel Lutheran Church & School
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The Third Week after
the Epiphany

January 22-24, 2022

Immanuel's GENERATIONS Campaign Update

Base GENERATIONS Goal:
\$ 900,000
(Now through December 31, 2022)

**Total # of Homes
Participating:**
199

**Donations Received
Last Week:**
\$93,549

**Total GENERATIONS Gifts
to date:** \$ 663,448

Thank God!

† Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran! †

National Lutheran Schools Week

National Lutheran Schools Week is being held during this upcoming week—January 23-29. Watch our social media accounts (Facebook & Instagram) for pictures of all the weeks events and activities.



Welcome to Drive-In Worship

Due to COVID and other seasonal illnesses being prevalent in the area, Immanuel is once again offering Drive-In Worship at 9:30 am on Sundays. Our goal remains to provide everyone with various options and opportunities to remain connected and fed with Christ's Word and Sacraments. We will continue to hold all of our normal, in-person worship:



Saturdays @ 5:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

Sundays @ 8:00 am, Sanctuary
@ 9:30 am, Sanctuary & Drive-In Parking Lot
@ 10:45 am, Fellowship Hall (band-led)

Mondays @ 6:30 pm, Sanctuary

We will also continue to Live-stream and archive the 8:00 am worship services for those homebound, ill or isolating members—link found on Facebook or at:

ImmanuelStCharles.org

New visitors at our Drive-In for the first time!

Immanuel News & Notes



God Chose You! Welcome to Sanctity of Life Sunday!

As faithful Christians in the LCMS we boldly stand up to see, serve, defend and celebrate God's gift and miracle of life! We affirm the worth and value that every life has been given by God and that every life has meaning, purpose, beauty and place and each is to be visible and indispensable in the creation of God.

To learn more about the value of human life, visit Lutherans for Life online at: LutheransforLife.org or find them on your favorite social media platform. There is also a local chapter: LutheransforLifeStCharlesMO.org



Italian Dinner & Auction hosted by Youth Ministries Saturday, January 29th Doors open @ 5:30 pm; Dinner @ 6:30 pm Fellowship Hall

Tickets on sale now at Immanuel's website under Featured Events. Tickets are \$15 and include delicious pasta, salad and bread. There will be a Dessert Auction filled with delicious treats as well as a Silent Auction with unique items, such as: *Wood Art—He is Risen! Easter Morning Sunrise, Wood Art Crosses, Tickets to the Cardinals Baseball Game, Men's Club BBQ Meals and much more!* A carryout option is also available for \$20. Thanks for supporting Immanuel's youth as they attend the 2022 National Youth Gathering in Houston!

Congregational Vote Results

Thanks to all who took the time to vote last weekend on the short-term bridge financing for Immanuel's Ministry Expansion! The vote was almost unanimous in favor of taking out the bridge loan. At publication time, Immanuel was all set and ready to close on Wednesday for the remaining properties (paint store—including Donut King and photography shop).

Valentines Dance on Friday, February 11th

You are invited to come and enjoy music by the Sentimental Journey Dance Band. The Valentines Dance will be held in the Fellowship Hall from 7:00-10:00 pm. Coffee, water and snacks will be available. Admission is \$20 per person at the door. Bring your dancing shoes and dance partner for a fun evening with this popular band!

Items Needed for Italian Dinner & Auction

Auction items are still being collected! If you have an item to donate (ie - event, tickets, basket, etc) or if you would like to donate to the dessert auction, please contact the Church Office.

Seniors Ministry Bingo Event

Due to COVID, BINGO was cancelled for January but will be rescheduled for February. Watch this publication for more details.

Immanuel's Branson Trip—Spring 2022

It's not too late to sign-up for Immanuel's trip to Branson April 26-28th. There is room for a few more people to come along. Highlights of the trip include tickets to see the theatrical production of "Jesus", the a cappella musical group "SIX", the Haygoods, and much more! Itineraries can be found in the Atrium and the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in going, or have any questions, please contact Karen Twillmann (ktwillmann@me.com) or 636-448-4818 for further details.



Pastoral Staff and School Administration

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Our Mission

We live to **connect** people with Jesus, **grow** in relationship with Christ, and **serve** one another in love.

Worship Information

Sanctuary

Sundays 8:00 & 9:30 am & Mondays 6:30 pm
Holy Communion celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sunday/Monday

Fellowship Hall

Saturdays 5:00 pm & Sundays 10:45 am
Holy Communion celebrated on the 2nd and 4th full weekend
5:00 pm—Interpreted for deaf/hard of hearing

Video Service

The 8:00 am service will be live-streamed each week to YouTube. (Search for Immanuel Lutheran St. Charles)

Nurseries—closed at this time

Off-Site Senior Worship

The Boulevard—1st Wed., 1:30 pm
Clarendale—1st Wed., 3:00 pm
Lake St. Charles—2nd Wed., 1:15 pm
Mt. Carmel—3rd Wed., 1:30 pm
Cedarhurst—4th Wed., 2:15 pm
Windsor Estates—TBD



Immanuel Lutheran Church is a member of
The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod—www.lcms.org



Sunday Bible Classes & Sunday School



Beginning at 9:30 am on Sundays:

Sunday School Classes

See the latest info at Immanuel's website (ImmanuelStCharles.org) under Ministries > Children's Ministry. Contact Maggie Warner (Birth to Grade 5) or Jolene Siebarth (Grades 6-12) for more info (contact info on Page 4).

*Birth-Preschool (0-4 & parents)—
Toddlin' for Jesus Meets in Room 102.*

Kindergarten—Grade 5

Begins in the Gym. Students picked up in the Preschool Hallway.

Grades 6-8

Join Mr. McSwain and meet in the Student Learning Center (School, Lower level, by the Art Room).

Adult Study—Dining Hall

Dr. Mark Rockenbach will lead through February 12th. His topic will be: "How to Address Life Issues using the Practical Theological Framework".

High School—Youth Room Fellowship Hall LL

Join us for Bible study and donuts!

Women's Study—FH LL

Join Debbie Hendricks for real stories of God's faithfulness as they discuss "Pew Sisters".

Baptism Class—School Library

9:30-10:15, 1st Sunday of the month—
Upcoming classes: Feb 6th & March 6th

The Baptism Ministry Action Team hosts this preparatory class "Not Just Plain Water" for parents who are planning a baptism for their child. In Baptism, our gracious Lord adopts our children as His own, forgives sin and creates faith.

Starting Point Class—Room 308

This class provides an overview of the basics of the Bible. Great for 'newbies' and as a refresher for longtime members. At the conclusion you are welcome to become a member of Immanuel. Call Beth in the Church Office (636.946.2656) for more info on becoming a member.

Upcoming Activities

The Annual Turkey & Sausage Dinner has been Cancelled for 2022

We hope to have our annual dinner again in 2023!

ILS PTL Restaurant Night at Pickleman's—Tuesday, January 25th

Order from 4-9 pm at the Bogey Hills location. In person, call in and online orders valid. Mention Immanuel at checkout or put Immanuel in special instructions for online orders. They give 50% back! (This is one of the best ones!)

The Chosen Bible Study—Tuesdays through February 8th, 7:00 pm

Join Pastor Ryan via Google Meet on Tuesdays through February 8th to discuss the series "The Chosen". *The Chosen* is a television drama based on the life of Jesus Christ, portraying Jesus "through the eyes of those who met him." It digs deeper into the backstories and context of the people and events of the gospels. Find Google Meet info on Immanuel's website under Featured Events.

Evening Guild—Tuesday, January 25th, 7:30 pm, FH LL

Bring your scissors, stamps and a list of your four favorite hymns. Don't forget your mite boxes! Guests are welcome. Contact Janelle Hendricks if you have any questions. 636-577-7262

Italian Dinner hosted by Youth Ministries—Saturday, January 29th

(see page 2 for more info).

Congregational Town Hall Meeting—Sunday, January 30th, Noon, FH

This semi-annual congregational meeting will be held to share a brief recap of the first half of the fiscal year with updates from the Pastoral Staff and Business Manager.

Dorcas Sewing Ministry Work Day—Thursday, February 3rd, 9:30 am, FH LL

If you need to pick up more fabric or supplies just let Betty know and she will meet you at the Fellowship Hall. We are in need of financial assistance to mail packages, buy fabric and buy needed supplies. Please call Betty Moser if you have any questions, suggestions or need to pick up / drop off supplies (636.724.9866). Thank you again for your prayers and support.

Baptism Class—Sunday, February 6th, 9:30 am, School Library (see left)

Merry Pairs Sweetheart Dinner—Sunday, February 6th, 5:30 pm

Married couples are invited to the Walnut Grill (4001 Highway K, O'Fallon, MO 63368, 636-685-0212). A choice of four \$20.00 entrees (NOT including tax and gratuity) will be available for ordering with separate checks and a cash bar. (Seating is limited for a maximum of 20 couples!) Please RSVP to hosts Tom and Ruth Wiley 636-724-0282 or Wileycoyote809@sbcglobal.net or Dan and Janet Parker 636-916-3191 or Janet.parker3303@charter.net no later than 5:00 p.m., January 30, 2022.

Valentines Dance—Friday, February 11th, 7:00-10:00 pm, FH (see pg 2)

Immanuel Social Ministries Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, February 17, 2:00 to 6:00 pm, FH LL

Hello fellow donors. There is a national blood crisis! Blood levels are the lowest they have been in more than a decade. Your blood donation is an important part of solving this crisis. In recent weeks there has been less than a one-day supply of critical blood types. If you will be eligible and healthy, please come to Immanuel's Blood Drive and donate blood. Here is a link that will take you directly to our Red Cross appointment page:

www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=ILCStCharles

The appointment list is wide open with several openings for a Power Red donation, too. Stay safe and healthy, and God bless your day.



Women's Retreat -- WonderFull World -- February 19, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Enjoy a whirlwind tour of the seven continents where we will explore the wonders of God's world.

Ash Wednesday—March 2nd

Ladies Night Out—Tuesday, March 29th, 7:00 pm

The Yellow Umbrella by Dr. Holly Brand will show us how to let your light shine in a dark world.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN KIDS MINISTRY

Maggie Warner, DCE—Children's Ministry (mwarner@immanuelstcharles.org)

Sunday School: This week in Sunday School, we continued to learn all about the importance of *self-control: Choosing to do what you should even when you don't want to*. Solomon wrote in Proverbs 25:28 that "A person who does not control his temper is like a city whose wall is broken down." Take some time with your child this week to look for times in their life where losing control can turn to teachable moments with God's help!

Faith Milestones: 4 year olds and their parents are invited to any worship service February 12-14 to receive a brand new milestone: Prayer cards. These cards will provide an easily accessible way to help your family build habits of praying together.

Save the Date for VBS: Join us June 6-10 from 9 a.m. to noon as we celebrate God's greatness at Monumental VBS!

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN YOUTH MINISTRIES

MOMENTUM

Jolene Siebarth, DCE—Director of Youth Ministry (jsiebarth@immanuelstcharles.org)

SUNDAY MORNING HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY—Join us from 9:30-10:30a.m. in the Youth Room today for "Pancakes and Praise"! We will enjoy breakfast and time in scripture and song.

2022 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING— We are 180-ish days away from "In All Things" in Houston! Please take note of the upcoming GROUP BUILDS for all youth participants and adult leaders:

Sunday, January, 23 - 6:30-8p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 9 - 6:30-8p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Are you in grades 8-12 and want to go to the Gathering in July 2022? Contact DCE Jolene to see how you can sign up.



SAVE THE DATES: Youth Gathering Fundraisers—January 29, 2022 - Italian Dinner & Auction (purchase tickets on the website); February 19, 2022—3-on-3 basketball tournament; April 9, 2022 - Trivia Night; April 16, 2022 - Easter Egg Hunt & Carnival; May 29-June 4, 2022 - Rummage Sale

MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY—Join Mr. McSwain in the Student Learning Center on Sundays from 9:30-10:30 am.

ITALIAN DINNER - If you have items to drop off for the Silent Auction, please drop off to Leslie Breite at Immanuel on Sunday, January 23 after 10:45 service until 1:00 pm in Youth Room or before the Group Build at 6:30p.m. Items can also be dropped off to the Fellowship Hall Upper Level on Saturday, January 29 beginning at 3:00 pm. Know what you are donating but won't be dropping off a physical item? Contact Leslie Breite with the info at lbreite@immanuelstcharles.org.

SPRING RETREAT - Registration is OPEN for the April 22-24 Junior Youth Spring Retreat! The retreat will be at Lake Williamson and is for all 6-8th graders. The theme we will unpack this year is "Masterpiece". The cost is \$150 and includes all meals while at camp, lodging, programming and a tshirt. Registration forms can be picked up in the church office. We can't wait for this weekend experiencing how we are God's Masterpiece!



SURGE—The Surge Leadership Team is meeting today (Sunday, January 23) at noon in the Youth Room. Katrina and Annaliese have lunch and Jack has the devotion.

Calendar Items

Sunday, January 23—Life Sunday

- 8:00 & 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am Sunday School (see page 3)
- 9:30 am Bible Study (Dining Hall)
- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (FH LL)
- 9:30 am High School Bible Study (FH LL)
- 10:45 am Worship—Band Led (FH)
- 12:00 pm YM Surge (FH LL)
- 6:30 pm Youth Gathering Group Build (FH LL)

Monday, January 24

- 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study (FH LL)
- 6:30 pm Worship (Sanc)

Tuesday, January 25

- 7:00 am Quilters (FH LL)
- 6:30 pm Quarterlife (Atrium)
- 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study (FH)
- 7:00 pm "The Chosen" Study (Google Meet)
- 7:30 pm Evening Guild (FH LL)

Wednesday, January 26

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study (FH LL)
- 8:25 am ILS Chapel (FH & Sanc)
- 8:30 am Joy in the AM Bible Study (FH LL)
- 5:00 pm Bible Study Team Mtg (Atrium)
- 6:00 pm Community Confirmation (FH LL)

Thursday, January 27

- 8:30 am Hungry Hearts Bible Study (FH LL)
- 8:30 am Grace Place Bible Study (FH LL)
- 6:00 pm Grace Notes Handbells (FH)
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir (Music Room)
- 8:00 pm Men's Bible Study (FH LL)
- 8:00 pm Brass Ensemble (Sanc)

Friday, January 28

- 6:00 pm PTL Family Bingo (Dining Hall)

Saturday, January 29

- 7:30 am Men's Bible Study (off-site)
- 5:00 pm Worship w/ Deaf Interpreter (Sanc)
- 5:30 pm Italian Dinner & Auction (FH)

Sunday, January 30

- 8:00 & 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am Sunday School (see page 3)
- 9:30 am Bible Study (Dining Hall)
- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (FH LL)
- 9:30 am High School Bible Study (FH LL)
- 10:45 am Worship—Band Led (FH)
- 12:00 pm Congregational Town Hall Mtg (FH)
- 4:00 pm YM Small Groups (FH LL)

For a full calendar—ImmanuelStCharles.org
Select Resources (top) then select Calendar





Stephen Ministers are lay congregation members trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or relocation. Stephen Ministers come from all walks of life, but they all share a passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people during a time of need.

If you would like more information about Stephen Ministry and how you could become involved or would like to have a Stephen Minister contact you, please contact the Dan or Bev Ramage at (636.949.5463).

Coming in February ... Youth Ministries OASIS Food Challenge



The OASIS Food Challenge will take a different look this year... BUT it will still be happening!

FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED! Stay tuned for items to be collected—the same items will be requested for the whole month. Thank you for helping serve our neighbors in need in the St Charles community.

Attendance Totals

Weekend of January 15-17

Sat. 5:00—100;
Sun. 8:00-83, 9:30-55, 10:45-156;
Mon. 6:30—46 = 440 Total

Drive-In @ 9:30—88 cars

Online Views—275+;

Adult Bible Study—43;

Sunday School (Toddlin' to Jesus through High School)—27

Contributions

General Fund Offerings

from January 15-17—\$57,575

Required Weekly Need for Ministry (Budget) - \$49,230



Immanuel Lutheran School

We thank God that since 1848 Immanuel is a place for children to experience excellent academic, music, drama, STEM, athletic programs (and much more!) all in a Christ-centered atmosphere! If you, or someone you know, is looking for an excellent Christian school (Preschool 2 through Grade 8), you can find out more about the National Blue Ribbon education and view a Virtual Tour of the School at:

VisitOurSchool.org

or call 636.946.0051 for more info & to schedule a tour



God's Son was before all else,
and by Him everything
is held together.
Colossians 1:17



Lutheran High News (LutheranHighStCharles.com)



Enrollment for 2022-23 Now Open!

Visit www.lutheranhighstcharles.com/admissions/apply-now/ to enroll; contact Micah Braddy, Director of Enrollment, if you have any questions or to schedule a visit.

Winter activities, clubs, athletics are in full swing – stay aware and up to date via the Calendar tab on the front page of the LHS website.

The LHS Sapphires Dance Team is hosting a **Daddy Daughter Dance** for all ages on Friday, January 28, from 6:00 - 8:00. For more info: www.sites.google.com/view/daddydaughter

Folks Needed!! - Maybe You?



Ushers Needed

There is a big need for ushers for the 8:00 and 9:30 services on Sunday mornings. If you are able to help out once a month, with flexibility when needed, please call the church office at 636-946-2656 or Bob Cushman at 636-734-1236.

Youth Ministry Summer Intern

College students: If you are finishing up your second year of college or beyond in the spring of 2022, consider applying to be the summer Youth Ministry Intern! This paid position is part-time from mid-May to mid-August. If you are interested in applying, please contact the Church Office.

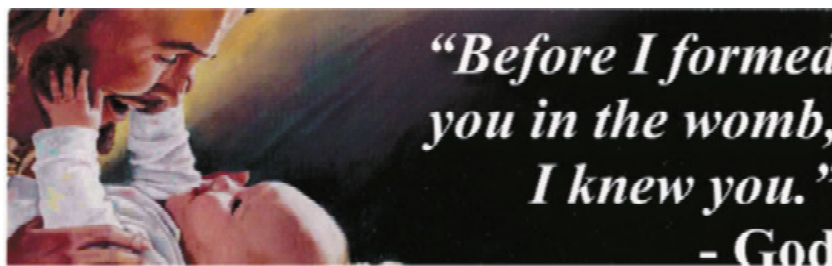


Preschool Teacher for 2022-2023 School Year

Preschool
Teacher
Needed



Immanuel is seeking a full-time preschool teacher for the upcoming school year. Our purpose at Immanuel Early Childhood is to open the little ones' hearts to the love of Jesus, their Savior. Teachers implement developmentally appropriate educational experiences for young children and assess their progress. They maintain a clean, safe and engaging learning environment, and foster the cognitive, social emotional and spiritual needs of each child. Applicants must demonstrate a love for teaching young children and serving families. The candidate shall hold a current teaching certificate from the state of Missouri and it is preferred that they hold a degree in Early Childhood education. Interested applicants may send a resume to Scott Huster, Principal (shuster@immanuelstcharles.org) or Elissa Beaver, Early Childhood Director—(ebeaver@immanuelstcharles.org).



More Items of Interest

Immanuel's Guest WiFi

If you use Immanuel's Guest WiFi, please note that the credentials have changed. On your device look for ILSGuest and then connect using a password of ILSC1847

Diaper (& Baby Items) Drive

To raise awareness of Life Week, Ellie Nixon (LHS Senior) is promoting a Diaper Drive for the month of January. If you can, please bring in diapers- sizes 2-5 and Pull-ups, sizes 3T thru 5T, Baby wipes, baby ointment, and various baby/toddler socks and clothes. Drop items in the boxes in the Gym Lobby, Atrium & Fellowship Hall. Items will be donated to local charities. Thanks!



January Journey with Jesus through the Entire New Testament

Pastor Schmieding will continue his daily devotionals on the New Testament. They will provide a basic summary, doctrinal highlights, power passages and practical application comments based on each of the 27 books of the New Testament. These are sent out via eblast or posted on the website so you may feed and strengthen your faith in Christ.

The Chosen Bible Study

Pastor Ryan will continue *The Chosen* Bible Study, about the life of and times of Jesus, on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. via Google Meet. This study will meet for 4 more sessions. The link to join can be found on Immanuel's website: ImmanuelStCharles.org under Featured Events. If possible, please watch each episode before the Bible Study. You can download The Chosen app on your phone to watch for free, or contact Pastor Ryan for help. Please join us!

High School Students—Careers for Christ Weekend @ CUC

Concordia University in Chicago will host Careers for Christ Weekend February 4-6. Check-in is at 6:30 pm on Friday, February 4th and the weekend concludes after brunch on Sunday, February 6th. Cost is \$75/person, with includes housing, meals, a Chicago dining experience, transportation and a t-shirt. Register at CU-Chicago.edu/C4C by Tuesday, February 1st @ 5:00 pm.

Interested in a Fall 2022 Trip to Germany?



Pastor Schmieding invites you to join him on a trip to Germany, which will include visiting important Martin Luther and Reformation Sites, World War 2 sites, a monastery brewery, and to see the Passion Play, performed once every 10 years in Oberammergau. The trip will be from **September 14-23, 2022**. A brochure with travel details and itinerary is on the table in the Atrium or Fellowship Hall or you can go to: registernow.ittworld.com with a tour code of: Schmieding22. Please contact Pastor Schmieding directly via text or voice at 225-802-8602 with questions.

Do You Know Someone Affected by CANCER?

Fighting Cancer with Faith is the name of a Christ-centered, full-color devotional booklet Pastor Schmieding created to share the hope of Jesus with anyone facing cancer. If you would like to share one with someone, copies are available in the church office. You may pick up, up to 2 copies for free. Additional copies are just \$2 each. Thanks for sharing Christ's hope.

Serving the Church in Russia



The Lutheran Theological Seminary in Novosibirsk, Russia, graduates men, not only to serve as pastors in the Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church, but in other confessional churches in and around Russia. What's more, of the 11 Lutheran seminaries founded since the 1990s, 10 have suffered significant challenges. The Lutheran Seminary in Novosibirsk is the only confessional Lutheran seminary still fully

operating in Russia and the surrounding area. Saving it is essential! To find out more about our mission please visit our website: <https://savetheseminary.org>



Helpful Items

Immanuel's Website

For the latest Church & School information, to view Connections, find info about upcoming events, signup for Eblasts, make prayer requests, view the calendar and more—go to:

ImmanuelStCharles.org

Calendar of Events

From website > Resources > Calendar

To reserve facilities:

Contact Konnie Ohmes in the Church Office (kohmes@immanuelstcharles.org)

Social Media-Facebook & Instagram

Follow both the Church and the School (and Zillah Comfort Dog too!)

Bible Bubbles—Small group study

For more info go to Immanuel's website > Resources > Bible Bubbles.

Prayer Chain—To request or to join,

contact Ruth Wiley (724.0282 or wileycoyote809@sbcglobal.net).

Immanuel Church Library—Now

open in the Atrium.

Scrip Sales—Gym Lobby—On Sun-

days 9:00-10:45 am. App RaiseRight can also be used with code FL9EB7LL1LL96. Contact Angie Iver (314.599.4380; Angela.Iver@gmail.com).

Lutherans for Life—Equipping Lu-

therans to be Gospel-motivated voices for Life. (LutheransforLife.org) or call Carol Hemwall (805.712.5652).

Worship Totes (“Busy Bags”) — On

the back wall of the Atrium or in the Fellowship Hall outside the Coat Room; totes on the lower rack are for younger kids, and on the upper rack for older kids.

Listen Everywhere—App for the hear-

ing-impaired available in the Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall. Look for info posters with instructions to use your smart phone and stream real-time audio. Contact Galen Stanley (636.373.1534) for info.

Giving Options—Vanco Mobile is

available for all Apple and Android devices. For those without a mobile device there is an Electronic Giving authorization form in the Church Office.

Deadlines

Connections—Items must be received by Monday at 5:00 pm for the following Sunday.

Prayer Requests & Altar Flowers

Info must be received by Thursday at 5:00 for inclusion in weekend bulletins.

For Connections, Prayers and Flowers you may email info to Chris Schikore at cschikore@immanuelstcharles.org



*“For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them”
-Matthew 18:20*

Join the battle and experience the power of thousands of people joining together in prayer over cancer consistently for 30 days. Whether you have been touched by cancer or are someone who just believes strongly in the power of prayer, please join our Cancer Companions ministry in our annual 30 Days of Cancer Prayer event beginning Sunday, January 30th. Joining is easy and you can participate from home and on your own schedule by:

- Registering by text to receive the daily prayer videos to your phone
- Registering online to receive the daily prayer videos to your email



You can also visit the Cancer Companions website at: www.30dayscancerprayer.com OR simply scan the QR code with your phone. Help us push back cancer by joining together in prayer!

Concordia Seminary Continuing Education

Check out the many opportunities offered by the Seminary—a Pre-Lenten Workshop, Faith & Film Festival, Lay Bible Institute (Feb 12-“Strength for Today and Bright Hope for Tomorrow” - led by Emeritus President Dr. Dale Meyer), Multiethnic Symposium and Faith & Writing Workshop. There is more information about each course and you can register by going to: csl.edu/resources/continuing-education



Valentines Vendor Fair—Saturday, February 12th, 10:00-2:00pm

Grace Lutheran Chapel and School (10015 Lance Dr. (intersection of Hwy. 367 & Chambers Rd.), St. Louis, MO 63137) will host the fair in the school gymnasium. Come see all the vendors and crafters! Aerie Lane, Norwex, Touchstone Crystal, PS Spa, Scentsy, Color Street, Pampered Chef, and Thirty-one to name a few! Food will be available for purchase. Call 314-867-6564, ext. 224 or email gracechapelauktion@gmail.com for more information.

Annual Sausage Supper February 20 - CARRYOUTS and Sausage Sales

Join Zion Lutheran (3866 S Old Hwy 94) for their annual tradition CARRYOUT STYLE. Enjoy a delicious smoked sausage dinner TO GO this year. In addition, they are taking sausage orders for bulk, link, link-smoked, 1/2 slabs of ribs and backbones—all being sold at \$4 per lb. Please call their office at 636-441-7425 ext. 246 or email Matt Groetke at mgroetke@yahoo.com to order.

Girlfriend Gathering @ Chapel of the Cross, St. Peters—February 25-26

Save the Date! The theme for this year is “Pray More, Worry Less” based on Philippians 4:6-7. Keynote speaker, Sarah Salzberg, will help apply God’s teaching about worry to our daily lives. Beginning January 30th you can register at: chapelofthecrosslutheran.org by clicking on the Praying Hands. Questions—email: girlfriendgathering@gmail.com or call 636.928.5885.

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