

Immanuel Lutheran Church & School  
115 S. Sixth St. • St. Charles, MO 63301

# Connections

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The Fourth Week  
after the Epiphany

January 29-31, 2022

## Immanuel's GENERATIONS Campaign Update

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

**Total # of Homes  
Participating:**  
238

**Donations Received  
Last Week:**  
\$69,399

**Total GENERATIONS Gifts  
to date:** \$ 732,847

**Thank God!**

# † Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran! †



## National Lutheran Schools Week

National Lutheran Schools Week was observed this past week, January 23-29. During the week we had a number of fun activities, dress up days (PJ day was popular with students & staff!), and other special events to help us remember what an awesome opportunity we have to learn about Jesus each day. We also raised funds (Make Huster a Rooster) as part of our Generations Campaign to expand our campus and preschool classrooms. Principal, Scott Huster, and EC Director, Elissa Beaver, will spend a day on the roof if donations exceed \$2,000. *At print time the full amount had not been raised—but watch Connections next week for an update!*

We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve and are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families. National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve.



## THANK GOD! Our Immanuel Campus Has Expanded!



*Immanuel now officially owns ALL the property and 3 buildings along First Capital! We closed on the final properties on January 19th.*

We will continue to lease space to Donut King and Mirage Photo. The St. Charles Decorating store will be converted into 3 Early Childhood classrooms that will be usable for the 2022-2023 school year. The large basement area will become the new home of Immanuel's Archives, allowing for more room to work and store items.

God is richly blessing our GENERATIONS Campaign! In just over two months we have been blessed to receive over \$732,000 in donations towards our base goal of \$900,000! Praise God from Whom ALL blessings flow--in every GENERATION!

## Immanuel News & Notes



### Congregational Town Hall Meeting Sunday, January 30th @ 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

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.

### 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! The same items will be requested for the whole month, so bring in any of the following items during the month of February: **breakfast cereal, toilet paper (4-roll pack), canned pasta sauce, canned fruit, pancake mix, syrup and hamburger helper.** *Reminder: no glass containers.* Drop off items in the Atrium, Gym Lobby and Fellowship Hall. Thank you for helping serve our neighbors in need in the St Charles community.



### Valentines Dance 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! Proceeds will benefit Immanuel Lutheran School.

### Senior Day with Inspire Piano - February 25

All seniors are invited to this special music event! Immanuel's Inspire Piano class (3rd-5th grade) will be hosting a short piano recital and multi-generational fellowship event from 10:00 to 11:00 am on Friday, February 25th in the Fellowship Hall. Come hear our students perform, and then enjoy homemade cookies, meet students, and learn more about the "Inspire Piano" class and how students plan to reach out to seniors in our community. Please RSVP by emailing Dr. Hahn—rhahn@immanuelstcharles.org or leave a voicemail at (636) 485-9640. We want to make sure we have plenty of cookies for everyone!



*"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 some-

one 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](http://www.30dayscancerprayer.com) OR simply scan the QR code with your phone. Help us push back cancer by joining together in prayer!



Immanuel Lutheran Church is a member of  
The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod—[www.lcms.org](http://www.lcms.org)



## Pastoral Staff and School Administration

**Rev. Scott A. Schmieding**  
Senior Pastor

**Rev. Ryan Taylor**  
Associate Pastor

**Rev. Allen W. Schade**  
Pastor Emeritus

**Rev. Dr. Martin Conkling**  
Visitation Pastor—Part-time

**Matt Gerzevske**  
Vicar

**Jolene Siebarth, DCE**  
Director of Christian Ed. ~ Youth Ministry

**Maggie Warner, DCE**  
Director of Christian Ed. ~ Children's Ministry

**Andrew Schempf**  
Director of Worship & Music

**Dr. Rachel Hahn**  
Assoc. Dir. of Music Education & Worship

**Erik Burgdorf**  
Business Manager

**Scott Huster**  
Principal

**Sonya Timmerman**  
Assistant Principal

**Elissa Beaver**  
Director of Early Childhood

**To email any staff member:**  
First initial last name  
@immanuelstcharles.org  
i.e. jdoe@immanuelstcharles.org

## 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

## 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

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

### **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.

### **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](http://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**

*WonderFull World* takes you on a journey packed with friendship, God and spiritual growth. It's a retreat you won't want to miss! Join us for a whirlwind tour of the seven continents, where we'll experience meaningful Bible studies, explore the wonders of a woman's heart, and have time for both quiet reflection and laugh-out-loud fun! There is only room for 50 women, so sign up soon.

Cost is \$20 for breakfast, lunch, and the retreat. Email Debbie at [womensministries@immanuelstcharles.org](mailto:womensministries@immanuelstcharles.org) or call 636.248.8205 to register no later than Sunday, February 13.



### **Senior Day with Inspire Piano - Friday, February 25 @ 10:00 am, FH**

See page 2 for more info

**Ash Wednesday  
March 2nd**

**Worship @ 3:45 & 6:30 pm**



ASH WEDNESDAY

### **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 is our final week of learning about *Self Control*. Meet K-5 in the gym at 9:30 as we learn about thinking before we speak from the book of Proverbs. Registration forms are available online and in person if you haven't filled one out yet- anyone is welcome!

**Toddlin' Parents:** Toddlin' Into Jesus is for newborns all the way to preschoolers. Parents, please come to Toddlin' with your child to spend an hour of fellowship and spiritual growth with other parents!

**Parents of 4 year olds:** Be on the lookout for a letter from the Pastoral Staff detailing our new 4 year old Prayer Card milestone. Please come to any service February 12-14 to receive this special gift for your child!

### 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 for donuts and Bible study!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY**—Join Mr. McSwain in the Student Learning Center on Sundays from 9:30-10:30a.m. The current theme for grades 6-8 is "Real Talk." All 6-8th graders are encouraged to join!

**2022 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING**— We had a great first gathering for our January Group Build! All youth and leaders heading to Houston: We will see you on Wednesday, February 9 from 6:30-8p.m. for Group Build #2! Please enter through the Lower Level Fellowship Hall doors and head to the Youth Room.

**THE DISTANCE** - All 6-8th graders: The Distance is back on Wednesday, February 2 from 3:30-5p.m. featuring our very own Immanuel Youth Olympics! Meet in the gym at 3:30p.m. Parents, please pick up at 5p.m. If your youth needs to leave early, please be sure to let one of the adult leaders know and sign them out before leaving.

### SAVE THE DATES: Youth Gathering Fundraisers—

April 9, 2022 - Trivia Night;  
April 16, 2022 - Easter Egg Hunt & Carnival;  
May 29-June 4, 2022 - Rummage Sale



**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!

**THANK YOU** to all who served the homeless last Wednesday! Your efforts were greatly appreciated!



## Calendar Items

### 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)

### Monday, January 31

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

### Tuesday, February 1

- 7:00 am Quilters (FH LL)
- 1:00 pm ILS Winter Concert (FH)
- 6:30 pm Quarterlife (Atrium)
- 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study (FH)
- 6:30 pm ILS Winter Concert (FH)
- 7:00 pm "The Chosen" Study (Google Meet)

### Wednesday, February 2

- 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)
- 3:30 pm YM The Distance (FH LL & Gym)
- 5:00 pm Adult Bible Study Meeting (Atrium)
- 6:00 pm Community Confirmation (FH LL)
- 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry (FH LL)

### Thursday, February 3

- 8:30 am Hungry Hearts Bible Study (FH LL)
- 8:30 am Grace Place Bible Study (FH LL)
- 9:30 am Dorcas Sewing Work Day (FH LL)
- 6:00 pm Grace Notes Handbells (FH)
- 6:30 pm ILS PTL Meeting (FH LL)
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir (Music Room)
- 8:00 pm Men's Bible Study (FH LL)
- 8:00 pm Brass Ensemble (Sanc)

### Friday, February 4

- 6:30 pm PTL Snowflake Ball (FH)

### Saturday, February 5

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

### Sunday, February 6

- 8:00 & 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am Sunday School (see page 3)
- 9:30 am Bible Study (Dining Hall)
- 9:30 am Baptism Class (School Library)
- 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)
- 4:00 pm YM Small Groups (FH LL)

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



Congrats to Immanuel's A-1 Girls Basketball team who took 1st place in the Jeff City Tournament last weekend! Way to go Lady Eagles!

**Stephen Ministry**

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).

## Attendance Totals

### Weekend of January 22-24

Sat. 5:00—293;  
Sun. 8:00-119, 9:30-64, 10:45-155;  
Mon. 6:30—53 = 684 Total

**Drive-In @ 9:30—142 people**  
(684 Inside +142 Drive-In=826 Total)

**Online Views—180+;**  
**Adult Bible Study—53;**  
**Sunday School (Toddlin' to Jesus through High School)—26**

## Contributions

### General Fund Offerings

from January 22-24—\$42,326

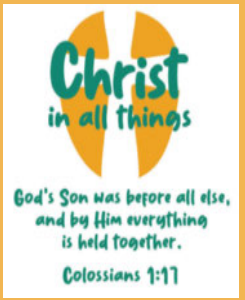
Required Weekly Need for Ministry (Budget) - \$49,230

*Attendance & Offering*

# 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



## Lutheran High News

(LutheranHighStCharles.com)



### Enrollment for 2022-23 Now Open!

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

LHS prays that our Association elementary and preschools enjoyed a safe, happy, and blessed **National Lutheran Schools Week!** Thank you for your partnership in the mission and ministry of Lutheran Education throughout St. Charles County and beyond!

The LHS Booster Club is hosting their annual **Trivia Night** on Friday, February 25, at Zion Lutheran Church; visit the LHS website for details and to register

LHS Student Services is partnering with **Resource One Advisors** at 6:30 PM on February 15 to provide a night of education on things you can be doing now to get the most out of your funds for your student's college expenses. Whether you have a baby on the way, elementary, middle or high school student, this night is for you! Please register at: <https://forms.gle/3TUVDBULXrXL0>

### Youth in Action



The 8th grade Confirmands and parents gathered to support the homeless ministry of Trinity Souldard. They made sandwiches, brownies and packaged laundry detergent in bags with handwritten Bible verses of love and encouragement on them. The items will be distributed by Trinity Souldard to those in need.



High school youth gathered last weekend for pancakes and praise and for their LCMS Youth Gathering community groups (small groups).

## More Items of Interest

### Drive-In Worship Continues

Due to COVID and other seasonal illnesses being prevalent in the area, Immanuel is continuing to offer Drive-In Worship at 9:30 am on Sundays. Please park in the normal parking spots and tune your radio to 92.9 to hear the Sanctuary worship service. Our goal remains to provide everyone with various options and opportunities to remain connected and fed with Christ's Word and Sacraments.

### 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—Final weekend

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!



### 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?

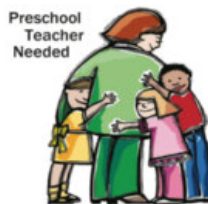
Pastor Schmieding invites you to join him on a trip to Germany, which will include visiting important Martin Luther and Reformation Sites, World War 2 sites, a monastery brewery, and to see the Passion Play, performed once every 10 years in Oberammergau. The trip will be from **September 14-23, 2022**.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

### 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](mailto:ktwillmann@me.com)) or 636-448-4818 for further details.

### Preschool Teacher for 2022-2023 School Year

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](mailto:shuster@immanuelstcharles.org)) or Elissa Beaver, Early Childhood Director—([ebeaver@immanuelstcharles.org](mailto:ebeaver@immanuelstcharles.org)).



### 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.

## 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](http://ImmanuelStCharles.org)

### Calendar of Events

From website > Resources > Calendar

### To reserve facilities:

Contact Konnie Ohmes in the Church Office ([kohmes@immanuelstcharles.org](mailto: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](mailto:wileycoyote809@sbcglobal.net)).

**Immanuel Church Library**—Now open in the Atrium.

**Scrip Sales—Gym Lobby**—On Sundays 9:00-10:45 am. App RaiseRight can also be used with code FL9EB7LL1LL96. Contact Angie Iver (314.599.4380; [Angela.Iver@gmail.com](mailto:Angela.Iver@gmail.com)).

**Lutherans for Life**—Equipping Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices for Life. ([LutheransforLife.org](http://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 hearing-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.

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### 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](mailto:cschikore@immanuelstcharles.org)

**Concordia Seminary Continuing Education**

Check out the many opportunities offered by the Seminary—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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:mgroetke@yahoo.com) to order.

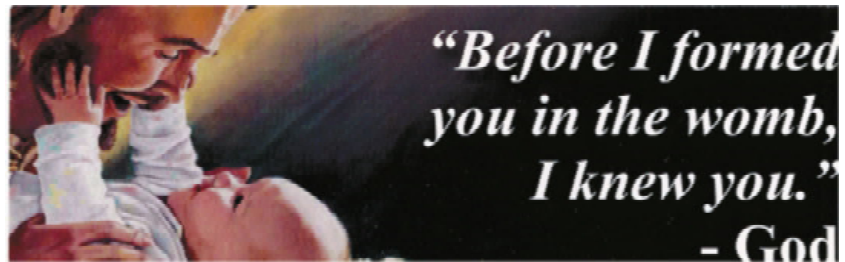
**Girlfriend Gathering @ Chapel of the Cross, St. Peters—February 25-26**

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