

Immanuel Lutheran Church and School

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Jesus is a King. Jesus is *the* King.

He really likes being King. So much so, in fact, that he talks about his Kingdom 107 times in Matthew, Mark, and Luke alone!

Perhaps one of the best known passages about Jesus' Kingdom is Matthew 6:33, "***But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.***"

Seek the Kingdom. In this passage, Jesus is teaching about not being anxious and worrying, but instead trusting in His reign. Jesus is in control. Jesus is in charge. Jesus is the King of all creation, the universe, the cosmos. Jesus is King of the past, the present, the future. Jesus is King of our relationships, our emotions, our finances, our health.

This is good news!

That's an understatement. This is ***as good as news could ever get.*** Jesus is King!

Really, that's the gospel: Jesus is King and his reign is moving in over our fallen world. He's going to revolutionize everything. His Kingdom is invading our lowly planet.

As Christians, we are citizens of Jesus' Kingdom. That means that we as Immanuel are an outpost, a colony of that coming Kingdom. So, if we are a community of Jesus' royal subjects, of course, we would heed Jesus' words and "seek the Kingdom. (Enthusiastically, I might add!) What does this mean? How do we seek the Kingdom?

We Expect It

This should be obvious, but as Jesus' royal subjects, we by definition expect Jesus' reign to move. To have an impact. To change us and change our lives. This means that ***we do not bring the Kingdom, but Jesus does.*** We are on the receiving end of his reign! Jesus is King of his church. It doesn't matter how much money we have, how many people are in the pews, how good the sermons are, or how beautiful our sanctuary is. If Jesus isn't doing it, it will fail. Miserably. Because, by definition, it's not part of his Kingdom. Being part of the church means trusting Jesus is it's King and he will lead us (even when things don't seem to be going well.) It means trusting Jesus even when we're not doing ministry in the fanciest part of town. It means trusting Jesus when our building isn't ideal. It means trusting Jesus even when we have a vacancy.

We Invest In It

Don't pull out your lounge chairs and fancy drinks just yet (besides, it's January). Just because Jesus is the one responsible for moving the Kingdom doesn't mean we don't do anything. The way Jesus reigns, he uses us. He uses the things of this world to do amazing things. He uses the ordinary to perform the extraordinary. Just like he uses simple water, bread, and wine to produce eternal life, Jesus uses the simple things of our lives in his eternal Kingdom. That means that even though we do not bring the Kingdom, we invest in it. We count on it. We support it. Just like buying stock in a booming business, we give our finances, our time, our vocations to the Kingdom. (***After all, it is the winning side!***) We leverage the power of Jesus' Kingdom to transform this world. Jesus came for inner cities and for outcasts, for communities in trouble and for lives that are broken.

We Engage It

And, if Jesus is really reigning and his Kingdom is really winning, we should engage it. Meet it head on. Participate with it *because* of its power and promise. That means that as Jesus' royal subjects we join Jesus in forgiving sin, restoring lives, comforting the sick, helping the poor, and praying for our enemies. In the Bible and in church we encounter his Word of Promise and Purpose and let it shape us. Let it shape our view of the world. Let it shape what we do in the world. We engage with the reign of Jesus as a real Kingdom, an ultimate authority, and a force to be reckoned with. Get in the Bible and get to church. Engage with your King.

2018 is going to be a big year for Immanuel. Why? Because Jesus is the King of our local church. Brothers and Sisters, that is terrifying and awesome. I can't wait.

Pastor Jonathan Petzold

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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Some of you may already be aware that I've been facing some difficult changes this year. If you weren't aware, I pray that you don't feel out of the loop, as I haven't been speaking very freely about it. Please know that it has not been my intention to hide anything from my Immanuel family. Frankly, it's been very difficult to talk about!

I found out last fall that my marriage was over. I have learned a lot through this struggle, and I believe that God has been using this season of life to prepare me to serve His children in a way that I never could have imagined before walking this difficult road. I've chosen to share some of this struggle with each of you, in the hopes that it might lend some insight when you have the opportunity to shine some light in the midst of someone else's darkness.

I think it's safe to say that nearly everyone has been touched by divorce in some way, whether it be in our immediate family, extended family, or a friend. It's one of the many nasty effects of sin in this world. It stinks. It really, really stinks. Not only is there the pain of a broken family, mourning a relationship, navigating all of the finances, property, visitation rights/schedules, blah blah blah, but there's also dealing with the stigma, and wondering what's going through other people's minds when you mention the 'D' word.

How do you share the news? It's not something to be celebrated, no matter what the circumstances. How do you approach the topic? If *you* bring it up it's weird--are you talking about it because you're proud of it, or because you're looking for sympathy?? If *they* bring it up then they inevitably feel awful! Then there's the fact that nobody ever really knows what to say, especially if they had also been friends with your spouse! Many knee-jerk reactions are to point out all of the flaws of my former spouse, but the fact remains: I chose to marry that man at one point...

Divorce. It stinks. It's not anything I thought I'd have to deal with. All of the social aspects of divorce are annoying, but I think the most detrimental details are all of the things rushing around in your heart and mind: Someone decided that I wasn't worth sticking with. Someone decided that I wasn't worth loving anymore. Someone decided that I wasn't worth being faithful to. Someone decided that I wasn't worth respecting. And then the doubts and killed confidence seep out into your interactions with others. Every time you share with another person that you're *gulp* divorced, it feels like you're shouting "*He decided I wasn't worth it!!*"

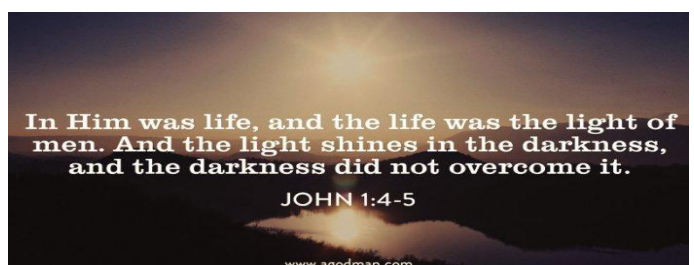
It's like a sliver, way down under the surface of the skin. You can't see it anymore, you can't quite get deep enough to pull it out, and many times you can't even feel it anymore, but poke in just the right spot and OH YEAH, *it's still there!!*

Satan certainly has a way of creeping in and souring the things we treasure most. Little does he know how doomed he is to fail, though. It's those things we treasure most that cause us to not rely so fully on God. When those things do let us down – God is always there to lift us up and reinstate our incredible value. Our joy, our value, our contentment--why on earth would we rest these things on the junk of this world!?!?

I am so thankful for the FIRM foundation of faith that I have been given—a gift of the Holy Spirit—nurtured and encouraged by my parents, pastors, friends, family, congregation, and so many others. Without this foundation, I may have given into that lie that I'm not worth it. Without that foundation, I may have given up and decided that I couldn't do it alone. Without that foundation, I may have actually thought that I was alone!

So, the next time that someone shares this sort of awful news with you, acknowledge that it may be good and bad at the same time. Tell them that they are LOVED, they have incredible value, God can still use our sinful brokenness, and Satan is NOT going to win! Then, offer to mow their lawn, or bake some brownies, or something else that they used to rely on their spouse for, because you know what? Divorce stinks!

Your sister in Christ,
Tara Barrett



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The theme for this school year is, It's still all about Jesus using Hebrews 13:8. This month the focus is how Jesus is TRUTH. The Bible verse that is our focus is the following: Jesus said, "If you hold to My teaching, you are really My disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." *John 8:31-32*.

There are many things in our world that proclaim to be true. One phrase might be if you take this pill all your aches and pains will go away. If you stick to this diet you will lose weight and keep it off. Many people have ways to tell us things that come off to be the truth only to find out they are not. Jesus Christ spoke the truth and lived the promises he shared with everyone. He also speaks to us that this truth will set us free. The freedoms that Jesus is referencing are the burdens and sins of this world so we may have eternal life. This is not a story but the TRUTH that is promised and will happen if we hold true to the teachings. May you during this next month focus on the Bible truths that come from God.

Do you need a magazine?

Students of Immanuel Lutheran School are selling magazines. The magazine sale will be ONLINE ONLY. If you would like to place an order online go to www.gaschoolstore.com and enter School code: 2596955. Thanks for your support

Do You Like Pancakes?

Immanuel Lutheran School will be serving the best potato pancakes and buttermilk pancakes on Thursday, January 18, 2018. Mark your calendar and make your plans to come to the school to join us for the Pancake Supper. The school will also be having the book fair at this time in which will help raise funds to support the school library.



See you on January 18 from 4 p.m.-7 p.m.

Celebration Auction

Plans are being made for the Celebration Auction scheduled for March 10, 2018 at the Ridges. The committee is looking for donations that can be used to help support this event. If you have any donations for this event please contact Skye Manning at skypepaintings@gmail.com. Donations can also be brought to the school office. Thanks for your support.

Lutheran Schools Week

The week of January 22 Immanuel will be celebrating Lutheran Schools Week along with more than 250,000 other students across the country. The theme "It's Still All About Jesus."

Join us on Wednesday for visitation day to see the kids at school. This day will also include a talent show in the afternoon. On Thursday the students will learn about keeping a healthy heart and participate in Jump Rope for Heart. Friday will be school spirit day and a pep rally. Immanuel continues to teach Jesus as we shape future leaders.

Thrivent Choice Dollars-Have You Used Them?

All Thrivent members can help out Immanuel Lutheran Church and School by electing to use your Thrivent Choice Dollars to the school. Log into www.thrivent.com and designate your Choice Dollars. Thanks for your support.

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Regular Office Hours

The Church/School office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with scrip available from 8:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

*For any emergency needs,
Please call the Pastor Jonathan's number.*

1-734-657-0841

RECENT CHANGES?

Have you had an address or phone number change recently? Please let us know and we will update our records.

Here's how to contact us:

- Call: 715-423-3260
- Mail: 111 11th St. N, Wis. Rapids, WI 54494
- Email: mmertens@immanuelrapids.com



ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Have something you would like to share with the congregation? Please have your items of interest for the newsletter emailed or brought in to the church office by **the 15th of the month.** Thank you.

2018 Offering Envelopes

The 2018 Offering Envelopes are down in the church fellowship hall in alphabetical order. The Joyful Response envelopes are highlighted in yellow. If you cannot find your offering envelopes please let the church office know and a box will be made up for you. Thank you.

IMMANUEL PRAYER GROUP

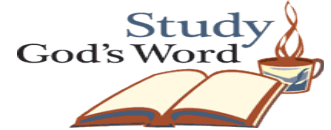
The Immanuel Prayer Group meets every Sunday from 10 – 10:20 a.m. in front of the church. Come join us as we pray for our church, our community, our country, and your special needs. Come and go as you are able! God CAN do immeasurable more than all we can ask or imagine! *Ephesians 3:20.*

BIBLE STUDY/CHAPEL SERVICE

Ann Schlice will be leading a devotion/Chapel service **January 13th** at 11:00 am at the Renaissance Assisted Living. This service is replacing the Thursday devotion/Chapel service and will be led by Ann each month. Residents and friends are invited to attend.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Tara Barrett, DCE will be leading the Tuesday Morning Bible Study through a KINDLE study on Cultivating Faith. We will spend eight weeks wading through different scriptures looking at how we can grow to better Embrace Sabbath Living, Learn and Live Scripture, Pray Unceasingly, Witness Willingly, and Serve Others. We will begin on **January 9th.**



MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JOHN & BARB

Dear, Dear Friends in Christ. Barb and I want to thank you for all that you have done and are in our lives. The numbers of cards and gifts were overwhelming and we are grateful for your generosity. Those cards and well wishes will be read and reread in the months ahead as we begin a new chapter and journey in life. We are making our way to Mesa, Arizona for the next few months. We will miss you and pray God's blessings to you in the journey ahead. In Christ, Pastor John and Barb!

“Support the Mission”

How to support the mission of our church and school:

- 1) *Bring your offering and place it in the offering plates on Sunday.*
- 2) *Use Joyful Response which helps you give directly from your checking or savings accounts as that debit occurs on the day or days of your choice. Please stop by the office to pick up a form.*
- 3) *Go to our website (using the QR code on the right or by going to <https://qoo.gl/4OGLO0> and follow the instructions.*
- 4) *You also “Give by Text”. Text \$ and number (i.e. \$50, \$100) to 715-955-4686 and follow the instructions.*
- 5) *Designate your “choice dollars” from Thrivent. You need to designate this on an annual basis. Contact your Thrivent representative to learn how.*



Talk to us about “legacy giving” and how your financial support can continue to support our ministry after your life here on earth.

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Feeding Body and Soul

**Serving on the 3rd Saturday of every month at
The Boys & Girls Club, 501 17th St. South**

- Next distribution - Saturday, **January 20th**
- **Registration is from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**
- Distribution starts at 9:00.
- (Don't want to wait in the long line....we now offer online registration. Just go to www.rubyspantry.org to register for a specific time and you can come get your share with no waiting.)

* Distribution is open to anyone who eats

** **\$20 cash donation requested** to offset costs

*** **Bring boxes or baskets for food - X2!**

**** **Volunteers are needed and always welcome**

*Sponsored by - Immanuel Lutheran Church and
The Boys & Girls Club of Wis. Rapids*

LADIES QUILTERS

The ladies will start meeting again on Tuesday, **January 9th** from 8:30 to 11:30 am in the Church Fellowship Hall. Thank you to everyone who donated material for making quilts for the Orphan Grain Train and World relief. A special thank you to the Ladies Aid for their donation of one large roll of quilt batting.



QUILTING GROUP

Materials Are Still Needed - The quilters are in need of material for lining (batting) such as mattress pads, blankets, non-working electric blankets, and/or quilt batting. Also colored or print sheets (cotton/cotton blends) or large pieces of fabric for the tops and bottoms. All-purpose or cotton thread is also needed. And of course VOLUNTEERS are always needed so more quilts can be made for those in need. (Remember...you only need to know how to tie a knot.)

Ladies Aid

The ladies will meet on **January 24th** at 11:30 am at the I-Spoon restaurant for lunch with a meeting to follow. The hostess this month will be Leona Dhein.

Evening Guild Meeting

Matthew 4:10b

Worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.

The Evening Guild Ladies will meet on Tuesday, **January 9th** at 7 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall. The ladies will be celebrating the 67th birthday of Evening Guild. They will also vote on charitable contributions and have installation of officers. Hostesses are Julie Hiles and Lenna Wood. Health kit items to bring are bath sized bars of soap and toothbrushes. The monthly prayer is for all members of our congregation serving in the Armed Forces in the United States and abroad.

Casual Get-Together Lunch

The Casual Get-Together Lunch meets once a month for those who have lost their spouses. Invite friends and other members, who have lost their spouses to come and join in for a brief devotion and great time of fellowship and food. The group will meet on Monday, **January 22nd** at 11:30 a.m. at Perkins.

2017 Yearend Contributions

With December 31st almost here, this is also the end of the time that you can make tax-advantaged gifts to Immanuel for 2017. Please prayerfully consider how you can honor God with a year-end gift to help support or continue supporting the ministry here at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Your donation may come in the form of: cash, check, an appreciated investment, an IRA or a required IRA distribution, appreciated stock that it is time to sell; a gift of real estate or other assets. For questions, please contact our bookkeeper, Cathy at cmuraski@immanuelrapids.com or [715.423.3260](tel:715.423.3260). It is always advisable to check in with your tax advisor as you consider what God is calling you to do.



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SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

Board of Directors Meeting

Due to Christmas being the 4th Monday, there was no meeting in December; the Board will meet on January 8 and January 22, 2018

The minutes and financial report for December will be included in the February newsletter.

Our Mission Statement

"Immanuel Lutheran Church and School exists to share the love of Jesus Christ, grow in faith and serve community."

Our Vision Statement

"Immanuel Lutheran Church and School seeks to be a joy filled, Christ centered family, equipped, encouraged and empowered for acts of love as we honor God throughout the community."

OFFICERS OF THE CONGREGATION

President, Tim Sullivan.....715-347-7697
Vice-President, Jeff Conradt.....715-421-4155
Treasurer, Jon Lee.....715-254-1817
Recording Secretary, Caitlin Shuda.....715-459-7570

LAY BOARD MEMBERS

Brian Hanson.....715-423-5329
Tom Appel.....715-423-2226
Rebekah Drewiske.....715-424-0180

The Board of Directors Minutes from the November meeting is included in this newsletter.

Board of Elders

Dick Wood, Chairman.....715-459-5192
Dennis Martin, John Sawaska, Irv Vollert, Quinn Hansen, Mark Dykstra, John Steinke

Auxiliaries

Evening Guild, Joan Miller.....715-421-4276
Ladies Aid, Leona Dhein.....715-421-4349
MOPS, Christa Petzold.....734-756-2276

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Emergency Line (Pastor Jonathan) 1-734-657-0841
(Land lines must dial "1" first for Pastors' Phone #)

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRY

The Lutheran Hour will be on the following radio stations on Sunday: WAXX 104.5 FM at **6:30 a.m.**; WDLB 1450 AM, WDUX 92.7 FM, WDUX 800 AM are all at **8:00 a.m.**; WSAU 99.9 FM at **8:30 a.m.**; WCWI 106.1 FM & KAWZ 88.7 FM at **9:00 a.m.**; WRVM 91.3 FM & WRVM 101.3 FM at **10:00 a.m.**

January 7 - "Breaking News!" - Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. Epiphany calls us to believe that the Light has come into the world. A New Year's message about confidence, if you'll believe it! (Isaiah 60:1-6 ("Arise, shine, for your light has come."))

January 14 - "How Well Does Jesus Know Me?" Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus. It's nice to have someone know and understand you. Today the Lutheran Hour asks, "How do you feel about Jesus knowing you?" (John 1: 48-51)

January 21 - "Meeting Millennials Where They're at" - Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer Robots can't produce disciples. How can we mentor those who don't know Jesus, or don't know Him well enough? (Mark 1:14-20 (Jesus calls His first disciples.))

January 28 - "Cause I Said So" - Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus Many have pretended to be the Messiah. In today's text, Jesus authority is recognized and obeyed by His competition. (Mark 1: 21-28)

BETHESDA THRIFT SHOP

The Bethesda Thrift Shop closed Dec. 30. We regret that this had to happen, but with the sale of the mall, we had to close our store. We searched the community for another location but the size that we needed at a good location at a reasonable cost was not available and what we found could have possibly become a financial risk for Bethesda to continue to operate a store in Rapids. We thank all the faithful non-paid volunteers who worked thousands of hours for the past 14 years. Thanks also to our donors and many wonderful customers. In the past 14 years, Bethesda profited more than 1.5 million dollars to help enhance the lives of the intellectually and physically disabled folks served by Bethesda. We thank you! The Bethesda Thrift Shop definitely was a positive part of this community and will be missed by many.



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FILL A CRIB DURING JANUARY FOR FIRST CHOICE PREGNANCY CENTER

We have a wonderful center available to help women who are pregnant & don't want to be in Wisconsin Rapids. They have counseling, ultrasound, and items for newborns.....

This is where you come in! What fun it is to buy baby clothes & other needs for the newborn! They also accept gently used clothing sized 0-3T. Place your contribution in the crib in the narthex during the month of **January, starting on the 7th**.....

There are many reasons to support a pro-life position. Here are three biblical reasons:

Psalm 139:13-16 - The psalmist maintains that God formed him in the womb.

Jeremiah 1:5 - God told Jeremiah that before he formed him in the womb, he knew him.

Luke 1:15 - The angel Gabriel said John the Baptist would be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he was born.....

God cares as much for the life of an unborn child as He does for any other life....including yours! Believers must use all their influence to defend babies who can't defend themselves. First Choice welcomes interested visitors. Lutherans for Life would also welcome your membership. You are invited to save lives!! For more information, please contact Nancy Starr.

College/Tech/Military Bound

Address Updates: Heading off to College this fall? Or maybe you've decided to join the military? We would love to have your new address. Please contact the Church Office and let us know what your new address will be so our church records can be updated. Here's what we will need: Your name, School you're attending, Address where you'll receive mail *or if military* - your mailing address. We would also like your email address so we can include it in your profile.

Maybe you've finished school and you have relocated? Please let us know your current address, email, and your occupation and so we can update our files. Here's how to contact us:

Mail: Immanuel Lutheran Church Office, 111 11th Street North, Wis. Rapids, WI 54494.

Phone: 715-423-3260

Email: mmerten@immanuelrapids.com

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Evening Bible study has taken a break over the Christmas Holiday and will start meeting again on Tuesday, **January 9th** at 6:30 pm in the Conference Room at the school. We will be doing a study on "*Acts – Journeys through God's Word*", which will last around 12 weeks. The study is led by Brian Hanson and anyone interested in studying and learning more about God's word is welcome to join us!

MISSION TRIP TO PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS

Mission trip to Port Arthur, Texas to assist with home rebuilding.

Port Arthur, Texas is in the very southeast corner of Texas. The area is also referred to as the Golden Triangle. During hurricane Harvey this area received up to 64 inches of rain flooding thousands of homes. Many of the homeowners in this area do not have the means to afford to hire contractors to rebuild their homes. Consequently, they are living in flood damaged homes. Immanuel Lutheran Church and School is organizing a mission trip to go to Port Arthur to provide home repair assistance and build relationships with the people living in these homes. The mission trip is planned for **February 17-25**. The work will primarily be insulating, dry walling, and painting. No special skills required, all skill levels will be utilized. Training will be provided on the job. Anyone over the age of 18 is welcome. Youth who are interested need to talk with the organizers. If interested, plan to attend an informational meeting on January 7, 2018 following each service or contact Tom Appel, Lenna Wood or Dick Wood.

IMMANUEL STUDENTS TO PERFORM

The K - Grade 5 Immanuel students will be singing at church on Sunday, **January 28th** at the **10:30am worship** service to cap off Lutheran Schools Week! If your child or children will not be able to participate, please contact Dian Schlichtmann dschlichtmann@immanuelrapids.com

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In Our Hearts Forever

In Our Hearts Forever, a free grief support group for those who have experienced infertility, pregnancy loss, stillbirth or newborn death, will meet Tuesday, January 2, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in Aspirus Riverview Hospital's lower level conference center.

In Our Hearts Forever offers support during a difficult time. The group consists of people who have experienced the same losses and wish to encourage and comfort one another.

During meetings, attendees share the physical, emotional and spiritual struggles felt after the loss of a child. There is no pressure to participate in the discussion. The privacy of all attendees is respected. The support group has no religious affiliation, however religious beliefs and values may be discussed.

In Our Hearts Forever meets the first Tuesday of every month from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in Aspirus Riverview Hospital's lower level conference center. New members and support persons are always welcome; but the group asks that no children attend. No fee or registration is required. For more information,

please email inourheartsforever@gmail.com or visit [inourheartsforever@groups.facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/inourheartsforever).

SAVOR THE ARTS

The Legend of Lake Provenance - This production is written by Luke "Seamus" Konkol and presented by the Lincoln High School Theatre Department. The show is an improvisational murder mystery with audience participation. Sure to be a thriller! **Setting:** The detective is telling a story around a campfire..."The Legend of Lake Provenance." We see the recounted tale unfold in an improvised theatrical setting—complete with muddled details, mishaps, and mystery. What's more, none of the characters will know which one of them will fall victim or which one of them will have perpetrated the crime!

Performances are held at the Performing Arts Center of Wisconsin Rapids on the following dates:

- Saturday, January 20 – 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, January 21 – 2:00 p.m.

Cost of tickets is \$7, and seats are reserved. Get your tickets here; or call or stop by the Arts Council office Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Phone is 715.424.2787, and address is 1040 8th Street South, Suite 101, Wisconsin Rapids.

January Usher's schedule:

Wed.	Jan.	3	6:00: PM	Families - D (HC)
Sun.	Jan.	7	8:45: AM	C (HC)
Sun.	Jan.	7	10:30: AM	A
Wed.	Jan.	10	6:00: PM	Frater/Tohm - A
Sun.	Jan.	14	8:45: AM	B
Sun.	Jan.	14	10:30: AM	C (HC)
Wed.	Jan.	17	6:00: PM	Hanson/Chamberlin - B (HC)
Sun.	Jan.	21	8:45: AM	D (HC)
Sun.	Jan.	21	10:30: AM	B
Wed.	Jan.	24	6:00: PM	Hall/Fiegel - C
Sun.	Jan.	28	8:45: AM	A
Sun.	Jan.	28	10:30: AM	D (HC)
Wed.	Jan.	31	6:00: PM	Families - D (HC)

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Assistant Cook-Immanuel Lutheran School Hot Lunch

Part Time Position

Monday-Friday During the school year.

Time: 9:00/9:30-1:00/1:30 15-20 hours per week

Flexible depending on needs

No Benefits offered with this position

Rate of Pay \$8.00 starting rate depending on past experience

Job Description

- Prepare ingredients, including washing and slicing vegetables
- Partially cook food in advance
- Assemble and measure ingredients
- Work on serving line for distribution
- May bake some items and finish desserts
- Clean food preparation and storage areas
- Let supervisors know when supplies are getting low or equipment is not working properly
- Clean kitchen equipment-wash dishes and trays used by students
- Fill in as substitute in absence of head cook

Certification

Nice to have-holds or will work to achieve WI Food Safety License

Help Needed With Christmas Decorations

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations at church on Saturday, **January 7** at 1 p.m. Help is needed to take them down and pack them away until next year. We hope to see you there.



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NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

IT'S STILL ALL ABOUT JESUS

*"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday
and today and forever."*

HEB. 13:8 ESV



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IMMANUEL VOICE MAIL SYSTEM - PLEASE SAVE & PLACE BY YOUR PHONE, you may press any of these extensions to leave a message. Church Office 715-423-3260 and School Office 715-423-0272

OFFICE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

10 – Church Secretary (Marlene Mertens)	29 – Library (Cara Lee)
11 – Senior Pastor (Pastor John Grohs)	31 – 2 nd Grade (Sharon Dykstra)
12 – DCE (Tara Barrett)	32 – 6 th Grade (Melody Czarapata)
14 – Principal (Brian Betts)	33 – 1 st Grade (Jennifer Wegner)
15 – School Secretary (Sue Zolnik)	34 – Art Room (Ruth Macomber)
16 – Weight Room (Gymnasium)	35 – 7 th Grade (Lynnette Hansen)
17 – Bookkeeper (Cathy Muraski)	36 – 8 th Grade (Lynnette Hansen)
20 – 4K (Dian Schlichtmann)	37 – Computer Lab
21 – 5K (Rachel Benson)	38 – 5 th Grade (Cortney Hahn)
23 – Kitchen	39 – Admissions Counselor (Susan Cour)
24 – Scrip Office	40 – Music Room (Dian Schlichtmann)
25 – Associate Pastor (Pastor Jonathan Petzold)	43 – 4 th Grade (Cara Lee)
27 – Cougar Kids - Before & After Child Care	44 – 3 rd Grade (Susan Cour)
28 – Learning Center	

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MEMBER TRANSFERRED OUT:

Marcia and Brittany Sunderlage

BIRTH

Anastasia Joy Petzold, daughter of Rev. Jonathan & Christa Petzold on October 18, 2017

BAPTISM

Anastasia Joy Petzold, daughter of Rev. Jonathan & Christa Petzold on November 5, 2017

IN SYMPATHY

Joyce Fleischfresser – October 16, 2017.

Irene Dillman – October 31, 2017



January Staff Birthdays

Pam DeRoche, 4K Aid – January 28

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

HOEFS, CONNIE	1/1	WILSON, NETTIE	1/10	KASSIEN, KELLY	1/21
MCELROY, TY	1/1	ZAGER, DEE	1/10	SAEGER, TRACY	1/21
MILLARD, JULIE	1/1	BLACK, LUCAS	1/11	STOFLET, LUCAS	1/22
MILLER, JOAN	1/1	FILLMORE, KYLE	1/11	ANDREASEN, ALLEN	1/23
RINGER, AUSTIN	1/1	GROHS, BARBARA	1/11	GANSCH, LORRAINE	1/23
KARNATZ, DANIKA	1/2	KRINGS, JOHN	1/11	MANCL, TAYLOR	1/23
LABARGE, KRISTIN	1/2	PLOWMAN, HANNAH	1/11	PRUSS, AUDREY	1/23
RINGER, DARIN	1/2	VOELKER, TED	1/11	ROSENTHAL, ADAM	1/23
HOEFS, ANN	1/3	ANDRES, Doug	1/12	TIMM JR, GORDON	1/23
SCHILLINGER, JASON	1/3	FLAMINIO, MICHELLE	1/12	BELANGER, ANTHONY	1/24
EICHHORN, CJ	1/4	MOSER, DEVON	1/12	KNORR, CYNTHIA	1/24
HAUKE, TRACY	1/4	WENZEL, JACK	1/12	VOLLERT, LOGAN	1/24
HEUER, CLAYTON	1/4	CASSIANI, TANYA	1/13	ASHBECK, KRAIG	1/25
TASCHNER, ROSS	1/4	FLORENCE, GARY	1/13	KAUTH, LELAND	1/25
WENDLICK, Peggy	1/4	HALBUR, JARED	1/13	MOON, MICHAEL	1/25
WILHORN, ABIAS	1/4	SCHANOCK, EMILY	1/13	STROMLEY, AMY	1/25
GESSERT, ELAINE	1/5	FEUTZ, MITZI	1/14	GELLERMAN, LOIS	1/26
HAHN, SHERRI	1/5	HAEFNER, TONI	1/14	SANCHEZ, MELISSA	1/26
KOOPMAN, DONNA	1/5	KRAKOW, MOLLY	1/14	SCHOENKNECHT, GLORIA	1/26
KURSZEWski, MAKSYM	1/5	PISULA, TAYLOR	1/14	STOFLET, SCOTT	1/26
MCPAHON, DEVON	1/5	TASCHNER, Trice	1/14	WILHORN, ROBERT	1/26
SCHREIBER, EMILY	1/5	WALCZAK, AMBER	1/14	BLANCHARD, MAX	1/27
TURBIN, SARA	1/5	BATES, MATTHEW	1/15	JOHNSON, KATIE	1/27
DROSTE, PENNY	1/6	DAHL, JOSHUA	1/15	VOLLERT, IRV	1/27
MCPAHON, DONNA	1/6	OWEN, SAVANNAH	1/15	WECKWERTH, ELAINE	1/27
RAASCH, DAWN	1/6	BROWN JR, JOSHUA	1/16	FIEGEL, ROY	1/28
GRUETZMACHER SR, DENNIS	1/7	SHAURETTE, BRIANNA	1/16	FOTA, JAMIE	1/28
JACOBSON, SHIRLEY	1/7	JOOSTEN, WAYNE	1/17	KUKLER, MICHAEL	1/28
KUNDERT, LORI	1/7	KEDROWSKI, DEBBRA	1/17	HAEFNER, LARRY	1/29
ZANOW, PAULINE	1/7	SCHOENKNECHT, WILLIAM	1/17	KOTH, JENNIFER	1/29
KUSSMAN, SHIRLEY	1/8	GUMZ, VERN	1/18	MACPHERSON, AJ	1/29
OLINYK, BLAKE	1/8	MANNING, SKYE	1/18	SAWASKA, HAILEY	1/29
STRAKA, BRYDEN	1/8	GELLERMAN, JAN	1/19	BLOOMFIELD, TODD	1/30
UHER, ROSE	1/8	KUSSMAN, GENE	1/19	JOHNSON JR, SCOTT	1/30
STORLIE, SAMUEL	1/9	TESCH, PAULA	1/19	PINNEY, ISABELLA	1/30
BENKOWSKI, KAREEN	1/10	ANSORGE, Sue	1/20	PRUSS, JULIE	1/30
KOSIK, KIM	1/10	PRUSS, DALE	1/20	RUSCH, MATTHEW	1/30
PLOWMAN, ROGER	1/10	RUSCH, TYLER	1/20	MERRIMAN, JAMES	1/31
ROSS, RICHARD	1/10	SCHILLINGER, EMMA	1/20	SCHILLINGER, LAUREN	1/31
SCHMIDT, NANCY	1/10	HABECK, Mike	1/21	WALTERS, Ben	1/31
WALCZAK, Zach	1/10	HARVEY, LISA	1/21		
		HOER, JONATHAN	1/21		

