

COME & CONNECT

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I'LL DO IT

Since five-year-old Johnny was so excited that his mom's boss, Mr. Jones, was coming to supper, his mom decided that Johnny could help by setting the table. As they sat down to eat, they noticed that there was no silverware at Mr. Jones' place. Mom asked, "Johnny, why didn't you give Mr. Jones any silverware?" "Well, he doesn't need it," Johnny replied, "you said he eats like a horse."

We can learn much from our little story (like watch what you say and know your listeners, unless you want to hear it repeated back to you at a most inopportune time). But we need to emphasize the enthusiasm of helping (even done imperfectly).

Too often we hear people's excuse that "it's not my job" or "I can't be bothered" to do something, to perform some act of kindness. Paul wrote in Galatians 6:10, "as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people," and again in 2 Thessalonians 3:13 "never tire of doing good." Christ, Himself, is our best example of doing good as opportunities present themselves. No individual has had a more important purpose on earth than Christ. Yet He readily, willingly stopped and helped, no matter how menial the task. He accomplished great things – He also accomplished great little things – things that made an immediate impact on the people around Him. He offered comfort to the bereaved, instruction to the misguided, food for the hungry, hope for the discouraged, and hugs for the kids (just to name a few).

Don't go so fast or self-absorbed through life that you miss opportunities to show kindness. You're not going to change the world like Christ, but you can help and in doing so bring much joy. Proverbs 3:27 sums it beautifully, "Do not withhold good ... when it is in your power to act".

God bless you,
Phil Appel 2 Corinthians 5:7

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BIBLE STUDIES

PHILIPPIANS

Join Mr. Wolfgram on Sunday mornings in the Church Sanctuary at 9:30 AM for a study on Philipians: *The Book of Joy*.

NONE LIKE HIM

Join Lauren Nietubicz on Sunday mornings in the Small Meeting Room for this 4 week women's Bible Study by Jen Wilkin - *None Like Him: 10 Ways God is Different for Us (and Why That's a Good Thing)*.

ROAR:

LIFE IS WILD, GOD IS GOOD!

Registration is **OPEN** for both participants and volunteers.

Come join us this year,

JUNE 24-28

for another awesome Vacation Bible School experience!

You will be able to find the link to register on our website:

IMMANUELGIDDINGS.NET

- or -

on our Facebook page:
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Congratulation & God's Blessings to our 2019 Junior Confirmation Class:

Harley Rose-Nicole Berry
Proverbs 31:25

Hunter Otto Frosch
Isaiah 42:6a

Seth Aaron Matejcek
Romans 8:28

Lauren Nicole Matthijetz
Psalms 16:1

Joshua Troy Mitschke
Joshua 1:9

Jenifer Louise Selvey
Psalms 23:6

Ryan Michael Urban
John 10:27-28

Brooklyn Melinda Walther
Psalms 46:5



C O N F I R M A T I O N

Congratulation & God's Blessings to our 2019 Graduates!

Please notify the Church Office if you, or a family member, are graduation from High School, College, Tech or Trade School, or any other specialized training.

We would like to recognize these accomplishments in our summer edition of the newsletter.



MAY EVENTS:

03 CAR WASH SERVICE PROJECT

JONES & COWEN LOT

The 6th Grade class from ILS, will be having a service project on Friday, May 3rd from 2 - 5 PM. Stop by the Jones & Cowen Physical Therapy parking lot, and receive a CAR WASH! The cost is free.

23 KINDERGARTEN & 8TH GRADE GRADUATION

7 PM - CHURCH SANCTUARY

The Kindergarten and 8th Grade Classes from Immanuel Lutheran School, will have their Graduation ceremonies on Thursday, May 23rd in the Sanctuary beginning at 7 PM.

14 SENIOR SINGLES FOR JESUS

2:30 PM - FELLOWSHIP HALL

All senior singles are invited to come and enjoy games and fellowship, followed by a meal and short devotion at 4:30 PM. Please call Virginia McKamie at (979) 716-1090 for questions, or if a ride is needed.

28 LWR QUILT-A-THON

9 AM - FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come join us on the fourth Tuesday from 9 AM to 3 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Come when you can or stay the entire time. A great opportunity to meet new people. No sewing experience necessary. Knitting and crocheting help will also be available.

A sincere THANK YOU to everyone that helped with our quilting project this past year by donating material, making quilt tops, tacking quilts, and sewing. The two quilts that were donated to the Immanuel School Gala auction were well received. A special thank you to Marilyn Schmidt for piecing the beautiful designs and to Terry Matejcek for completing and machine quilting them. This year in addition to the 60" x 80" Lutheran World Quilts, we will also make quilts (which can have religious and patriotic symbols) to be sent to the "Helping Appalachian Rural People (H.A.R.P.) Inc., a Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod based in Caldwell, Ohio.

21 PRE-K GRADUATION

7 PM - CHURCH SANCTUARY

The Pre-K 4 Classes from the ECC, will have their Graduation ceremony on Tuesday, May 21st in the Sanctuary at 7 PM.

WEEKLY MEETS:

MONDAY:

10:00 AM – LifeLight Bible Study (Sm. Mtg. Rm)

6:00 PM – Moms of Prayer Bible Study (Sm. Mtg. Rm)

6:30 PM – Men's Bible & Basketball (ILS Gym)

WEDNESDAY:

4:15 PM – Jr. High Youth

6:00 PM – Sr. High Youth

THURSDAY:

6:45 PM – Adult Handbells

8:00 PM – Chorale