

Immanuel Lutheran Church Altamont, Illinois



The Holy Spirit Window

**1st Sunday in Lent
Announcements
February 21, 2021**

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WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY!

- Those with compromised health situations and children who cannot social distance are asked to continue to worship at home. Streaming services are at immanuelaltamont.org.
- Avoid all physical contact.
- Sanitize hands upon entering.
- Sit with your family six feet apart from other households.
- Masks are encouraged during entrance, singing and exit.
- Handouts are on the table.
- Leave offering in the basket.

In Our Prayers: Medical care: Charlott Brauer, Tiffany Dunaway, Abbey Franzen, Stephen Heimgartner, Ted Jahraus, Deb Pagel, Clay Schmohe, Evelyn Shumaker, Irene Spilker, Cathy Swingler, Jennifer Wendling, Craig Wolff, Lilly Wright.

Homebound: Howard Voelker, Delphene Duckwitz, Lorene Frederking
Week of 2/14/21: \$11,980.00; Ash Wednesday \$1,544.00.

Small Group Communion Wednesdays at 5 PM – If you would like small group communion; *please notify Pastor that you are coming.*

Lenten Service this Wednesday, 6:30pm.

Lent Meals- LYF will provide meals after Wednesday Lenten services, once again they will be in to-go containers.

19th Annual Grilled Pork Dinner here at Immanuel on **Sunday, March 7**, from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

One church service on Sunday at 9AM March 7. Saturday service as usual March 6 at 6PM.

This year, the dinner will be a “Walk Through” Only. Guests are asked to enter through the MAIN Church doors only. This is to maintain social distancing; masks are required.

Menu consists of grilled pork loin, pork burger, baked potato, chips, baked beans, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, apple or cherry dessert, dinner roll. Cost is \$10 for loin dinner or \$7 for pork burger dinner. Children ages 4 and under eat FREE.

Due to the restrictions of a “Walk Through” Meal only, no meal pre-orders will be taken.

Pork Loins - Sign the sheet in the narthex for \$20. cooked half pork loin.

Sign-up sheet is in the narthex to volunteer to help with the meal.

Altar Guild/Flower Committee Schedules in the narthex. Claim yours.

CEFS meal delivery schedules, Feb. 22 to March 5, are on the small table in the PH lobby. Also, check your email for a copy.

Devotions Lent 2021, both reg. and large print, at each church door.

Thank you to Mike Hoffmeister, Phil Schultz and Ken Mercier for snow removal.

This Week's Schedule

CEFS Meal Delivery for Immanuel Week #1

<u>Monday:</u>	9:00 a.m.	WBC@ Vicki R <i>Unshakable Trust</i>
<u>Tuesday:</u>	7:30 a.m.	WBC <i>Trials and Afflictions</i>
<u>Wednesday:</u>	6:15 a.m.	Mens BC <i>Old Testament Minor Prophet: Micah</i>
	3-4 p.m.	Public School Confirmation Class
	5:00 p.m.	Sm. Group Communion <i>Call to reserve</i>
	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Worship
<u>Thursday:</u>	1:00 p.m.	Sewing Seeds of Kindness
	6:30 p.m.	Praise Team
<u>Sat Feb 27:</u>	6:00 p.m.	Worship/Holy Communion
<u>Sun Feb 28:</u>	8:30 a.m.	Worship/Holy Communion
	9:45 a.m.	Pastor's Bible Class
	9:45 a.m.	High School BC in Youth Room
	11:00 a.m.	Worship/Holy Communion

February 21 "God controlled your salvation from start to finish. He gave you faith in Baptism and strengthens faith through the Word. You can trust that He will continue to keep control of your life because you rest in the palm of His loving hand. Stand firm because God is in control."

Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

ALIS position is open for Head Cook - Food Service Mgr. Forms in narthex.

Hog Roast (cancelled) - Zion, Altamont's Annual Hog Roast 2021 is cancelled. Zion will be collecting a free will door offering on March 20 for the Lutheran Care Center. Please continue to support the Care Center. Save the Date: March 21, 2022 for next year's Hog Roast.

Youth Summer Servant Trip- There will be two informationals for the LYF summer servant trips. **Wednesday, Feb. 24th at 6pm** and **Sunday, Feb. 28th at 12:15pm**. Both will be in the parish hall basement. You **MUST** attend one of these meetings in order for your youth to participate.

College Outreach- If you know a **member** who is **currently** enrolled in a 2- year, 4-year, or trade school program **AND** lives outside of Effingham county, please fill out a form (at any entrance or on the website under Ministries --> Young Adult) and return it to the church office by March 1st.

Volunteer Screening- All volunteers that will work with children or youth need to fill out the volunteer screening form before they will be able to volunteer in the 2021 year. The form is at linktr.ee/immanuelyouth

Drive-Thru Easter Experience March 28, 2-4pm in the north parking lot. This experience will show the occurrences of Holy Week. The congregation is being asked to help with this event! Please sign up in the Narthex OR on our website under Ministries --> Outreach.

Altamont Food Pantry hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 1-3 pm.
A total of 24 were served by the food pantry on Feb 9 and 11.

Share this with friends and family:

This article comes to us each week from LCMS-CID (Lutheran Church Missouri Synod-Central Illinois District).

Pass This On — February 21,2021

“You deserve that more than she does.”

“Take it. No one is watching. No one will ever know.”

“C’mon. Just go ahead and do it.”

Temptation. You’ve been tempted. So have I. Temptation is an experience that is common to every man and woman. Temptation to want, to need, to lust, to take, to excuse ourselves; every day brings a whole multitude of it.

Where does temptation come from? Since it is so common to every person, everywhere, in every time, could it be from God? Emphatically, no! In the reading from James we are told, “Let no one say when he is tempted, ‘I am being tempted by God,’ ...[God] tempts no one”

James goes on: the temptations that everyone faces are not from God. Instead they come from the devil, and from our own sinful selves. The bad news about these temptations is that often they remain, enticing us, and sometimes we give in.

But we’ll hear very good news about this on Sunday from the Gospel of Mark! Jesus Christ, the Son of God and our Savior, also faced temptations. After all, He was also a man, just like us. Yet he wasn’t broken in any way.

Jesus was baptized even though He needed no baptism — and in so doing He took our place in facing all the temptations and bearing all the sins of the whole world. Immediately after that, living in the wilderness for 40 days, Jesus was tempted by Satan. But He resisted every one of those temptations perfectly.

This victory over temptation and sin by Jesus Christ is summed up so well in the book of Hebrews. Jesus is not “unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but...in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.”

Christ’s victory over the devil’s temptations, over sin, and finally over death and the grave, is given to you and me as *our* victory.