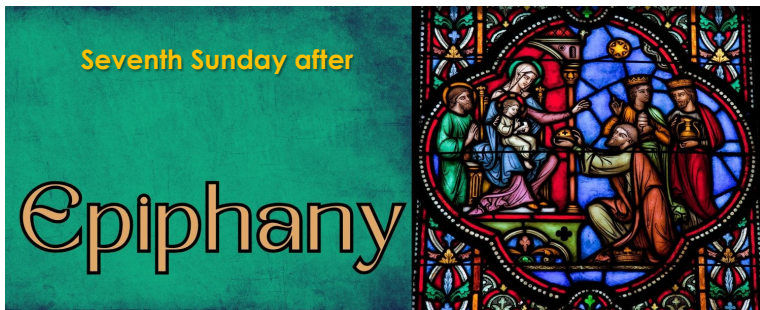


# News and Notes



## Calendar

### Sun February 23

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/@immanuelbatavia]

9:30 AM Adult Forum Bible Study & Sunday School

9:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

10:45 AM Contemporary Worship

4:30 PM Adult Volleyball, Gym

6:00 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

### Mon February 24

7:00 AM Monday Men's Bible Study, Meeting Room

6:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 12, Fellowship Hall

### Tue February 25

6:30 PM Young Men's (18-35) Bible Study, Chapel

### Wed February 26

9:00 AM Wednesday Women's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM Sing & Play, Gym

7:00 PM Wednesday Evening Ladies Bible Study, Meeting Room

### Thu February 27

6:30 PM Bible Study, "Meeting the Spirit", Library

7:00 PM Christus Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

### Fri February 28

### Sat March 1

8:00 AM Men's Saturday Morning Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

5:30 PM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

### Sun March 2

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Don't forget! If you need childcare during a Sunday service, Immanuel's Nursery is staffed!

## Lent Worship at Immanuel

### Fruits of the Spirit

#### Weekly Wednesday Services

*Ash Wednesday--March 5*

4:30 & 6:30 PM with Lord's Supper & Ashes

*March 12: 6:30 PM*

*March 19: 6:30 PM*


*March 26: 6:30 PM*

*April 2: 6:30 PM*

*April 9: 6:30 PM*

Join us for a Weekly  
Pre-Service Meal  
@5:30 PM



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## Upcoming Lent Worship

**WEDNESDAYS IN LENT: MARCH 5, 12, 19, 26; APRIL 2, 9;**

**MEAL 5:30 PM, Fellowship Hall; SERVICE 6:30 PM, Sanctuary**

We are leading a "Fruits of the Spirit" sermon series this Lenten season. Likewise, we have seasoned veteran preachers preaching & leading worship, too! Both Rev. Ron Weidler & Rev. Dennis Perryman have agreed to aid the first 4 weeks of midweek Lent services.

Join us each week for a pre-service meal together at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

## Lent Pre-Service Meals

We are gathering together as a church community prior to midweek Lent services, meals will be served on March 5, 12, 19, 26, and April 2, & 9. If you plan on coming for the meal, please scan this QR Code or go to: <https://forms.gle/mDFej5E53Hzs3Sj9> or you can put your name on the list in the narthex.

Don't worry, if you forget to RSVP, you can still come eat! We just want to give the meal preppers an idea of how many to expect.





## Voter's Assembly Summary

On February 16 we held our regular bi-annual Voters Assembly with the primary purpose to elect members for the Mission & Ministry Council. Following that election, we're pleased to congratulate Dale Rudy (Vice Chairperson taking over for Bob Schmidt), Josh Ladwig (Treasurer taking over for Larry Durrant), Mark Carroll and Molly Cox (taking over for Terri Holmes and Bill Pietsch). Terms for the new MMC members will begin in July.

Additionally, the congregation unanimously approved a motion to extend a call to one of three possible associate pastors. Each of these pastors will be newly graduated from the St. Louis seminary. If we are successful with the seminary matching one of these three candidates with our congregation in April, then we will formally issue a call.

The slides from the Voters Assembly can be found from the attached link. This includes brief details regarding the 3 associate pastor candidates as well as other information from various updates and announcements.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1RFrl4dYFAaEf2bvOjeQwYk3lD0cKvUD/view?usp=sharing>

## It's Pledge Card Time!

It's budget pre-planning time! Please consider your giving for the upcoming year and submit your pledge card. Your financial gifts make you a partner in ministry here at Immanuel!

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## Seder Meal

Immanuel is hosting a Seder Meal on Palm Sunday night, April 13, from 5:00-8:00 PM. We are charging \$5 per person. Please sign up as soon as possible. For planning purposes, we would like to know if you are interested in attending. We will accept sign ups through March 23. Sign up is in the Narthex.

In addition we are looking for 8-10 people who would serve in the kitchen. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for you to indicate your interest.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER WORSHIP



# Holy Week Worship 2025

*Palm Sunday-April 13*  
5:30 PM Saturday, April 12, Traditional  
8:00 & 9:30 AM Sunday, Traditional; 10:45 AM Contemporary

*Mauudy Thursday-April 17*  
4:30 & 6:30 PM with Lord's Supper

*Good Friday-April 18*  
4:30 & 6:30 PM

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



**Easter Egg Hunt Event April 12, 2025**

More information to come!



**Camping at Walcamp's campground June 6-8, 2025**

More information to come!

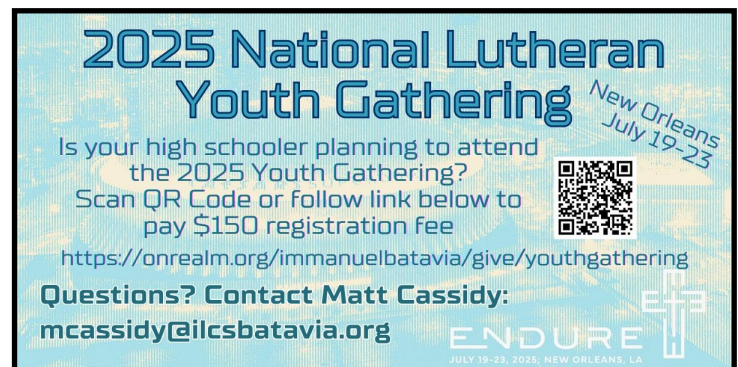


MAKING SUMMER TRAVEL PLANS?  
TRUSTING JESUS IN A WILD WORLD THIS SUMMER 2025  
VBS AT IMMANUEL

# SAVE THE DATE

Let's go  
**TRUE NORTH**  
June 16-20  
Preschool - Grade 5

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# 2025 National Lutheran Youth Gathering

New Orleans July 19-23

Is your high schooler planning to attend the 2025 Youth Gathering?  
Scan QR Code or follow link below to pay \$150 registration fee

<https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/give/youthgathering>

Questions? Contact Matt Cassidy:  
[mccassidy@ilcsbatavia.org](mailto:mccassidy@ilcsbatavia.org)

ENDURE  
JULY 19-23 2025 NEW ORLEANS, LA



# Easter Worship He is Risen! 2025

Sunday, April 20

7:00 AM Traditional Worship  
9:00 AM Traditional Worship  
11:00 AM Contemporary Worship

Each Service has Holy Communion

All services will occur in the Gym

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## Immanuel School Happenings

### Lutheran Schools Week— March 2-8



**ENDURE**

We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve here at Immanuel. We 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.

- Sunday, March 2: Staff sings at 9:30am service; 12:00 PTL-provided pizza & ice cream luncheon
- Monday, March 3: Comfy Clothes Day + VIP Day with Pancake Breakfast; VIP Chapel, 8:20am
- Tuesday, March 4: Twisted Tuesday with crazy hair, clothes, socks, etc; Art Fair, 6:30pm
- Wednesday, March 5: Sports Day; Ash Wednesday Chapel, 8:20am; Parade of States 1:30pm
- Thursday, March 6: Career Day; Schoolwide assembly(s) 1pm & 2pm
- Friday, March 7: Dress Your Best; Middle School choir & orchestra perform at LCMS District Convention; Talent Show, 6:30pm
- Saturday, March 8: Grades K-2 sing at 5:30pm service

### Congratulations—Regional Spelling Bee

Congratulations to Immanuel's Schoolwide Spelling Bee Winner who finished 8th out of 14 schools at the Regional Competition! Her spelling future looks bright!

### Let's Plan on the 2025-2026 School Year!

Immanuel's enrollment for all grades is now open to all families, both current and new. We are so excited to continue sharing the good news of Christ to all families we serve. We continue to grow and look forward to sharing our academic excellence in a faith-filled environment to the next generation of learners. Come be a part of our Immanuel family!

At Immanuel, extraordinary things happen on ordinary days.

Contact Rebecca Bello for more information, [rbello@immanuelbatavia.org](mailto:rbello@immanuelbatavia.org)

### Fun Happenings Around the School

- Preschool Wheels Night, February 25 5:30pm, Gym; bring roller skates, roller blades, scooters, etc to roll around the Gym together

Visit our school website at [ilsbatavia.org](http://ilsbatavia.org)

## Generous Thoughts

*Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Mark 1:35*

Jesus was able to be generous with his time because he started by being generous with his time with God. In the hustle and bustle of life – take time to make sure our plans match God's will, and the good fruit will follow.

**Our best investment is in our Lord and Savior Christ Jesus!**

## Immanuel in the Community

### Lazarus House Monthly Meal Donations & Prep

**3RD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH, NEXT EVENT MAR 21, 2:00 PM**

Immanuel delivered a fantastic chili dinner to Lazarus House on Friday, Feb 21. We had TWELVE entrants in the Chili Cook-Off to possibly earn the trophy & bragging rights, as judged by the residents of Lazarus House. Thank you to all the donors for this very successful event. More to come on future meal deliveries.

Questions? Contact Terry Rueffer at [truffer@att.net](mailto:truffer@att.net) or leave a message at 630.761.1790.

### Northern Illinois Food Bank

**2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, NEXT EVENT MAR 11, 5:30-7:30 PM**

Join us for a volunteer food sorting & packing session! Ages 8+ are welcome.

Email Jennifer Nallenweg: [Jennifer@nallenweg.com](mailto:Jennifer@nallenweg.com)

### Feed My Starving Children

**2ND FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH**

**NEXT EVENTS: MAR 14, 9:00-10:45 AM @FMSC**

A big thank you to everyone who volunteered for the Feb 14 packing session at FMSC. 101 boxes of food were packed providing 21,816 meal which will feed 60 kids for a year. The cost of the session was \$6,326.64. So thank you for your time and financial contributions. Mark your calendars and sign up to serve at our upcoming dates, **March 14 & April 11**. As always, join us if you are able for lunch afterwards at Portillo's. Stay safe, well and warm dear friends.

Email Linda Fass for information or to sign up: [fasslinda@yahoo.com](mailto:fasslinda@yahoo.com)

### Batavia Food Pantry Donations

Financial or non-perishable food or paper product donations can be placed in the grocery cart near the Fellowship Hall. A current list of most needed items can be found at <https://bataviafoodpantry.org/current-needs>. Email Mary Jo Nottke with questions: [mnottk@aol.com](mailto:mnottk@aol.com)

### Short Term Mission Opportunity

Have you ever felt a calling to go on a mission trip? A team will be traveling to Honduras from May 31-June 7 to operate daily clinics to test vision and distribute eye glasses to those in need. No experience needed! Training is provided. This opportunity is through MOST (Mission Opportunities Short Term) in partnership with LCMS World Mission, which has been sending mission teams throughout the world since 1989. Their mission statement is "Empowering the found in reaching the lost." This experience is truly a life-changer! For more information, visit [www.mostministries.org](http://www.mostministries.org) or contact Linda Fass, [fasslinda@yahoo.com](mailto:fasslinda@yahoo.com)

## It's budget time!

**Please consider your giving for the upcoming year and submit your pledge.**

Your financial gifts make you a partner in ministry here at Immanuel!

Let's continue to build deeper relationships with God

⇒ in our church and school community

⇒ reaching out to our friends & neighbors



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**TOTAL PLEDGE** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**How would you like to fulfill your pledge?**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ weekly x 52      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ semi-monthly x 24      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ quarterly x 4  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ bi-weekly x 26      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ monthly x 12      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ annual x 1

All or part of my pledge will be a Qualified Charitable Distribution or from a non-deductible source.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Your commitment is an intention to give only, not contractual.

**Please return this form by putting it in the offering plate or dropping it in the black box by the Finance office.  
You can also complete the form online at [immanuelbatavia.org/pledge](http://immanuelbatavia.org/pledge)**



### For which ministry area would you be interested in more information?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ILCS Foundation                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                        |



# Prayer Requests

## RECENT CONCERNS

### **Parker Hahn**

**Janet Larson** (Carol Balz's sister)

**Carrie Lee** (Hudon family friend)

**Eleanor Novotny** (Sharon Dalpini's mother)

### **Peggy Hepperlen**

**Richard & Gloria Ambrosiewicz** (Jamie Graunke's parents)

**Jim Lendmann** (Brian Marchen's stepdad)

**Kay Wojcik** (Marchen family friend)

**Cis Vermaat** (friend of the Balz family)

**Rich** (friend of Tom Scott)

**Nancy Harlass** (Jan Gerbitz's sister)

**Stephanie** (friend of the Balz family)

**Peggy Sollis** (Ann Kouba's mom)

**Olsen Osterloo** (Gretchen Patti's cousin)

**Linda Brewner** (former member & ILS' first principal)

**Delores Hoffman** (Melba Layton's sister)

**Roy Larsen**

**Laura Gatz**

**Art Eichmann**

## LONG-TERM CONCERNS

**Betty Krause** (Balz family friend)

**Steve Poppe** (Dale Rudy's cousin)

**Mike Larson** (Carol Balz's nephew)

**Sharon Jackson** (Ruefer family friend)

**Linda Schuett** (Lori Rueffer's sister)

**Bill Kouba** (Ethel's husband)

**Ellie Leib** (School Family) 10 yr old with a brain tumor

**Gail Thom** (Penny Suydam's mother)

**Jim Boulton**

**Rev. Wallace Nordquist**

**Rowan Skaar** (Barb Sandersfeld's great-grandson)

## All First Responders

## CANCER

**Geri Clemons** (Balz family friend)

**Carmen Balz** (Tom & Carol Balz daughter-in-law)

**Katie** (Anderson & Ciro families' friend)

**Linda Bartelmey** (Keith's Aunt)

**Ken Lindquist** (Keith Bartelmey's Uncle)

**Gary Larson** (Friend of Keith Jacobi)

**Don Lutz** (Gretchen Patti's cousin)

**Judy Patti** (Bob's mother)

**Harold Helm** (Friend of Blayne & Peggy Bakken)

**Debra Shriber** (Friend of Anna Sedberry)

**Scott Brennan** (friend of the Dauksha family)

## Dawn Marie (Fletcher) Hamilton

**Marty Nawara** (Matt Cassidy's cousin in law)

**Dan Toner** (former member)

**Dennis Egan** (Maggie Labuhn's father)

## GIVING Ways to give:

- **Online** at <https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/-/give/now>
- To set up a **recurring gift**, email: [finance@immanuelbatavia.org](mailto:finance@immanuelbatavia.org).
- **Text** \$ and your desired giving amount (no spaces) to **833.681.7166** and follow the prompts.

Do you have an Immanuel-related activity, news, or event that you would like highlighted in a future issue of News & Notes? Let us know!  
Email: [comms@ilcsbatavia.org](mailto:comms@ilcsbatavia.org)



To register church attendance, please use this QR Code

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