

May 3-4, 2025

# **News and Notes**



## <u>Calendar</u>

## Sun May 4

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/ @immanuelbatavia]
9:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
9:30 AM Adult Forum Bible Study & Sunday School
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship
2:30 PM Beauty & the Beast, Jr, Gym
6:00 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

## Mon May 5

Raise Right Orders Due! 6:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 12, Fellowship Hall

## Tue May 6

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

## Wed May 7

7:00 AM Huddle II Bible Study, Meeting Room
8:20 AM K-8 Chapel, Sanctuary
9:00 AM Wednesday Women's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
10:30 AM Sing & Play, Gym
6:00 PM 7th/8th Confirmation Class, Fellowship Hall

## Thu May 8

10:00 AM Pastor Noah's Bible Study (coffee at 9:30am), Sanctuary
5:30 PM New Member Class, Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Bible Study, "Meeting the Spirit", Library
7:00 PM Christus Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

## Fri May 9

9:00 AM Feed My Starving Children, @FMSC

## Sat May 10

8:00 AM Men's Saturday Morning Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 5:30 PM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary 5:30 PM Confirmation

## Sun May 11

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/ @immanuelbatavia]
9:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
9:30 AM Adult Forum Bible Study & Sunday School
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship
4:30 PM Adult Volleyball, Gym
6:00 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

## WELCOME Associate Pastor Micah Brown WED, APRIL 30, 6:00pm

Immanuel's ministry staff is growing! We are very excited about the addition of an Associate Pastor who is coming to our staff this summer. We give thanks to God for all His blessings! This week, we learned that God is sending Pastor Micah Brown to be our new associate pastor! Please welcome him and his wife, Jennifer!



## LAST CHANCE—Beauty & the Beast, Jr

### MAY 4, 2:30PM

<u>Tickets are going fast</u> for Immanuel's all-school Kindergarten to Grade 8 production of Beauty & the Beast, Jr. **General Admission** tickets (unassigned) are still available for today's performances. Get your seats before they sell out! Tickets will be available at the "Box Office".



## Congratulations to our Confirmands!

#### SATURDAY, MAY 11 5:30 PM



Join us as we welcome our class of 2025 8th Grade Confirmands into Immanuel's congregation. This public affirmation of baptism and faith is arrived at after classes that have lasted two years. The instruction in the faith, prayer, and contemplation of the Scriptures, is part of every Christian's daily life and does not end with confirmation. But may we be open to God's callings throughout our lives.

# Support Immanuel's Youth Trip to the LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans

Immanuel's high school students & chaperones will travel to New Orleans in July 2025 to attend the LCMS National Youth Gathering. Held every three years, the Gathering provides thousands of youth & adults the opportunity to come together as a community of God's people to be encouraged in their walk with Jesus Christ & learn about the Christian faith & their Lutheran identity.

The Gathering provides our young people a vision for the vastness of Christ's Church & equips them for vocational service as they continue their walk with Jesus. But help is needed to bridge the gap to cover the cost of transportation & offset the cost of chaperone trip fees. Chaperones volunteer to assist during the trip [which oftentimes necessitates taking vacation from work] & participate in preparatory events and fundraisers.

Donation forms are available in the church narthex for check or cash donations. Scan QR Code for online donations or go to https:// onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/give/gogrant



## Summer Church Nursery Hours

Please note, the church nursery will not be staffed starting Memorial Day weekend (May 25). Our nursery staff will be back and ready on August 17. For the summer, parents can use the room with their child as needed.

## Stephen Ministry May Meeting CANCELLED

The Stephen Ministry Supervision meeting scheduled for May 6 has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. Please mark your calendars with our next meeting date, STEPHEN June 3 at 7pm in the school library.. Thank you for sharing your faith in Jesus, our Easter hope!

Lori Rueffer, Stephen Leader



# It's Time for a New **Church Directory**

## Our churchmember directory will not be complete without you! Be a part of our church history!



- Schedule your photo session online now, or starting in May you can sign up online Mon-Fri or stop by the sign-up tables before/after church services
- FREE sitting includes one FREE 8"x10" + directory
- Variety of poses, backgrounds, sizes, & you'll have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits for family & friends
- Bring your whole family!

June 19: 2:00-8:30pm June 20: 2:00-8:30pm

• Your photo sitting can include your church directory pose, plus any other poses or family groups you want (children, grandchildren, etc.)

To schedule, scan QR Code:



Church Code: il413 **Password:** photos



June 21: 10:00am-4:00pm

https://schedule.ucdir. com/login.php

## Volunteers Needed—In-Person Church Directory Sign-Up & Photography Session Check-In SUNDAYS IN BETWEEN SERVICES, DAY-OF PHOTO SESSIONS

Would you be willing to help Immanuel's new church directory run smoothly? We're looking for a few volunteers to help members sign up in-person for photo sessions in between services on 回熱熱回 weekends. It's an easy job!

We also need volunteers on the day(s) of the photography to check in members for their appointments & verify their directory information accuracy. Scan QR Code or go to:



https://signup.com/go/bfUzakh

## Ascension Day Service + Food Trucks

## SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 10:30AM



Who doesn't love a good food truck. And then combine it with Ascension Day? Win-Win!

There will be only ONE service on Sunday, June 1, at 10:30 AM & we will celebrate Ascension Day. Afterwards, enjoy lunch from 12:00-2:00PM at the food trucks that will be parked here at Immanuel.

Flyin' Hawaiian Food Truck, a taco truck, & the ice cream man will be here!

Saturday service, 5/31, will be at 5:30PM, per usual.

## Immanuel School Happenings



## Lutheran Junior Honor Association

Congratulations to Immanuel's inductees into the Lutheran Junior Honor Association. These middle school students have exhibited consistent excellence in their academic performance & service to others, while keeping a firm focus on their faith.

## **Summer Cheer Camp**

#### JUNE 9-13

- Grades 4-8 Camp Fee for \$25, includes a cheerleading hairbow for girls, water bottle for boys
- Grades K-3 Jr. Eagle Cheer Camp on Friday, June 13, is FREE!



Bring a friend—open to all!. To register, scan QR Code or go to: https://forms.gle/53AAx7VomygjDGmZ7

## Summer Basketball & Volleyball Camps are also Coming!

Keep an eye on the weekly News & Notes and Discover eNews emails for more information.

Visit our school website at ilsbatavia.org

## **Generous Thoughts**

"being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.". Philippians 1:6

So what can you do? Be open to opportunities for God to work through you – even if they seem inconvenient at first. Stay faithful, stay surrendered, and trust that God will finish what He starts.

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 MAY 16, 2:00 PM

Many thanks to the Wednesday Women's Bible Study team for serving Lazarus House on Good Friday. Also thanks in advance to the Saturday Morning Men's Group for planning a Lazarus House picnic dinner on May 16.

There is always room for more helpers. We should be cooking meals at Immanuel Friday June 20 to deliver to the shelter in St. Charles.

Contact Terry Rueffer with a message or questions at ph 630 761 1790, or <u>trueffer@att.net</u>

God bless our generous donors! Questions? Contact Terry Rueffer at trueffer@att.net or leave a message at 630.761.1790.

## Northern Illinois Food Bank

#### 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, NEXT EVENT MAY 13, 5:30-7:30 PM

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

Email Jennifer Nallenweg: Jennifer@nallenweg.com

## Feed My Starving Children

#### 2ND FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

#### NEXT EVENTS: MAY 9 & JUNE 13, 9:00-10:45 AM @FMSC

A big thank you to everyone who came out last Friday to pack food at FMSC. 147 boxes were packed which will provide 31,752 for 87 kids for a year! The cost from that session was \$9,208.08. "Blessed are those who are generous because they feed the poor." 1John 3:18. Every time you help a child who is hungry, you give them hope-for survival, for their future, for right now!

Our next two volunteer opportunities are **May 9 and June 13** Join us at Portillos afterwards if you are able for lunch and chat. Email Linda Fass for information or to sign up: 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: mnottke@aol.com



## 56th Annual Batavia Brotherhood Banquet

#### MAY 8, 2025, 6:30 PM HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH 2300 MAIN ST., BATAVIA

Special Guest Speaker, Hugo Saltijeral, Executive Director of

Valley Sheltered Workshop. Donation: \$20, plus online processing fee

www.bataviabrotherhoodbanquet.org

## Don't forget to submit your annual Pledge Card!

More information and forms are available in the church narthex.

## **Prayer Requests**

## **RECENT CONCERNS**

## **Brett Hartmann**

Rowan Olson (Gerry & Marge Topel's great -nephew) Stacy (Carol Balz's cousin)

Bob McNeill (friend of the Rueter family)

Linda Perryman

Laura Gatz

Anna Sedberry

## LONG-TERM CONCERNS

Betty Krause (Balz family friend) Steve Poppe (Dale Rudy's cousin) **Mike Larson** (Carol Balz's nephew) Sharon Jackson (Rueter 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 Boult **Rev. Wallace Nordquist** Rowan Skaar (Barb Sandersfeld's greatarandson) Parker Hahn Janet Larson (Carol Balz's sister)

Carrie Lee (Hudon family Friend) Eleanor Novotny (Sharon Dalpini's mother) Peggy Hepperlen

Kay Wojcik (Marchen family friend) Cis Vermaat (friend of the Balz family) Rich (friend of Tom Scott) Stephanie (friend of the Balz family) Peggy Sollis (Ann Kouba's mom)

**Ruth Hoffmann** 

## **Roy Bach**

Linda Brewner (former member & ILS' first principal)

## CANCER

Geri Clemons (Balz family friend) Carmen Balz (Tom & Carol Balz daughter-in -law) 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)

Marty Nawara (Matt Cassidy's cousin in law) Dan Toner (former member)

Dennis Egan (Maggie Labuhn's father) Jeff Calafos (friend of Cheryl & Jeff Meyers) Joey Gomez (friend of Chad & Lexie Anderson) MacKenzie Hazelton (friend of the McKnight & Dodd families)

## PEACE & COMFORT

For the family of **Jim Girling** (Donna Laughlin's brother) For the family of David Kline (Mark & Joan Kline's brother)

## FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

Tim Diehl. Coast Guard Sam Harms, Air Force Nate Harms, Air Force Dan Goress, Marines Peter Seggel, Army (Terry & Lori Rueffer's godson) Sean Benson, Air Force (Dee and Pat Dodd's son-in-law) Kody Greer, Navy (Michelle Palmer's nephew) Luke Klinga, Navy (Bob & Gretchen Patti's nephew) Benjamin Rudy, Air Force Sarah Baermann, Army Matthew Piette, Air Force (Kim Reynold's nephew) Steven Surdynski, Army/National Guard Ben Bartelmey, Navy Daniel Russo, Navy Andy Marcinonis, Army Taylor Carlisle, Air Force Reserves (Penny Janacek's grandson) Ben Baker, Army (Pietsch family friend) Spencer Politowicz, Army Matt Fry, Navy (Doris Houghtaling's nephew) Robbie Fry, Navy (Doris Houghtaling's nephew) Gianna Jensen, Marines (Nallenweg & Janacek family friend) Samantha (Greco) Smith, Navy (Nallenweg family friend) Eathan Fry, Army (Doris Houghtaling's grandnephew) Sarah Kaiser, Army/National Guard

## **GIVING** Ways to give:

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

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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!

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