

News and Notes

Seventh Sunday after

Pentecost

Summer Worship Schedule

June 28 through August 3, Immanuel's summer worship schedule will be as follows:

⇒ Saturdays: 5:30 PM

⇒ Sundays: 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

All services will be in the Sanctuary. Mark your calendars and plan accordingly!

Calendar

Sun July 27

8:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/@immanuelbatavia]

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal for Cougars Game, Music Room

10:30 AM Contemporary Worship

4:30 PM Adult Volleyball

6:00 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

Mon July 28

Tue July 29

Wed July 30

Thu July 31

Fri August 1

6:00 PM Choir Meets for National Anthem @Cougars Game, NM Field

Sat August 2

9:00 AM Faithful Fixers

5:30 PM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

Sun August 3—LAST Summer Worship Schedule

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10:30 AM Contemporary Worship

4:30 PM Adult Volleyball

6:00 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

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.

Thank You, From Pastor Micah Brown

Jen and I are amazed and so grateful for the wonderful welcome by Immanuel on the night of my ordination and installation. All the generous gift cards and welcome cards, the model paper church, the vinyl banner, the ice cream, the cleared fellowship space—everything was beyond expectation, and Jen and I are so thankful. So, to all members of our new Immanuel family—THANK YOU! We praise God for all of you and are very excited to become lasting members of this imperfect, yet wonderful family.

Decreasing (John 3:30),

Pastor Micah and Jen Brown

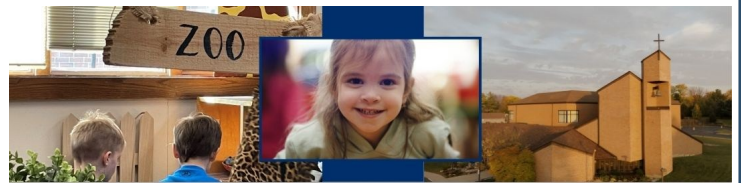


Immanuel is Hiring!

Are you or someone you know looking for a rewarding career at an incredible workplace? Come join our dynamic team! Immanuel is hiring!

- Morning Preschool Teacher (4-yr olds/Pre-K)—NEW Classroom!
- First Grade Teaching Assistant—part-time

Come be a part of where extraordinary things happen on ordinary days! Contact Principal Donna Laughlin, dlaughlin@ilcsbatavia.org



WE ARE HIRING

- AM PRESCHOOL TEACHER
- 1ST GRADE TEACHING ASST

.... <https://www.ilcsbatavia.org/employment-opportunities>

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Take Me Out to the Ballgame—Immanuel's Christos Choir to Sing the National Anthem!

REHEARSAL: SUNDAY, JULY 27, 9:30 AM, Music Room

GAME: FRIDAY, AUG 1, 6:30 PM



Immanuel's Christos Choir is singing the National Anthem for the Kane County Cougars game on Friday, August 1, prior to the start of the 6:30pm game.

Rehearsal for the National anthem will be held this Sunday, July 27 at 9:30 am (following the 8:30 am service) in the music room.

On Friday, Aug. 1, the choir will meet at the stadium at 6:00 pm on the third base side near the customer service area to warm-up prior to the game. We will sing on the field just before the start of the game at 6:30 pm.

Those singing the National anthem **will have to purchase their own tickets for the game.** Fireworks are scheduled for after the game.

Interested in joining the choir for the National anthem? Contact Sharon Dalpini, Music Ministry Director at sdalpini@immanuelbatavia.org.

Otherwise, come support the choir & cheer on the Cougars!

Memorial for Eleanor Novotny, Sharon Dalpini's Mother

A memorial fund has been set up to honor Immanuel's Music Ministry Director Sharon Dalpini's mother, Eleanor Novotny, who went to be with Jesus on June 28. Cash or check donations to Immanuel via weekend offerings will be accepted. Simply address an envelope with "Eleanor Novotny Memorial"; checks should be made payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church with "Eleanor Novotny Memorial" in the memo line.

To donate online, go to <https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/give/Novotny> or scan the QR Code here



Please contact Dale or Melinda Rudy with any questions, batrudy1@icloud.com.

Novotny Memorial

Faithful Fixers Is Back!!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 9:00AM-3:00PM



It is that time of year, in which the Immanuel Buildings & Ground Committee is seeking help to maintain God's house. Our "Faithful Fixers" perform small repairs and general upkeep of the type that is observed in every home—God's house is no exception. We are seeking volunteers to help out on August 2nd. We will be

meeting and holding repairs from 9:00am – 3:00pm. Come & help us complete small repairs on both the church & school before the new school year. No prior experience is required!!

Stephen Ministry

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 7:00 PM, School Library



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Dear Stephen Ministers, You are walking a sacred journey with your Care Receiver. Thank you, Jesus, for walking with us.

Our next regularly scheduled Supervision meeting is on August 5th at 7pm in the school library. Shalom

Last Day for Photo Directory Sittings

What a huge response! We are so blessed that so many of our congregation has come out for photo directory pictures. Thank you!

LAST DATE: AUGUST 5, 2-9PM

Mark Your Calendars—Sunday School & Adult Forum Start 9/7

Preschool through Youth Sunday School and the Sunday Adult Bible Forum will all start back up on Sunday, September 7.

Immanuel Garage Sale—HUGE Success!

We did a thing...& it was AMAZING!

From July 17-19, Immanuel hosted our annual Indoor Garage Sale. As many of you know, it's so much more than *just* a sale—it's a chance for people to clear out & donate treasures (cleaning is therapeutic!), find fun & unique items to purchase, & then bless others through outreach. It's one of Immanuel's most unique ministries: building community & connections throughout the Fox Valley & beyond.

Our neighbors were ready! Some arrived to line up as early as 6am with chairs-in-hand to wait it out for the sale to start, forming a line that wrapped around the building. Within 5 minutes of opening, we had nearly 300 shoppers come through the doors! Their faces said it all: pure joy. They were welcomed by **over 40 amazing volunteers**, ready to help them find their next treasure.



Over three incredible days, more than 2,800 guests joined the adventure. We hope you were among them—sharing laughs, finding bargains, & feeling warmly welcomed. We are the hands & feet of God when we are helping others, & we hope each person who came felt Jesus working through us.

This event wouldn't be possible without the many hands & hearts behind it:

- Donors who dropped off items
- Volunteers spending countless hours sorting, pricing, organizing, hanging clothes, setting up displays, & working during the sale
- Kitchen helpers who kept us fueled with delicious meals
- Clean-up crews—special shout-out to the BHS Freshman Football Team & their coach who came to help take-down

We welcomed many new faces to our volunteers this year, with new friendships & shared laughter. Even members of the wider community joined in. **THANK YOU** to everyone who gave their time, space, & flexibility while the sale took over the building!

We are excited (& blessed) to share that this year, we raised \$38,000!!! WOW!!

A portion of the proceeds will go towards Immanuel upgrading building automation (HVAC, etc)—helping to care for the space that brings us all together.

Beyond the funds, we were also able to bless many wonderful charitable organizations with items that remained after the sale, including:

Children's Cancer Federation, The Epilepsy Foundation, Chip-In, Maddie's Mitten's, a new Batavia group founded by the Sullivans: Furnish Forward, Trinity Lutheran Church in Warrenville, Friends of the Library, Kane County Animal Control, Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry & Clothes Closet, Anderson Animal Shelter, & our own with items for Immanuel's classrooms & offices.

Mark your calendars! 2026 Garage Sale will be July 16-18.

God is truly at work in our community & through each of us.

Thank you for being part of this ministry—we can't wait to do it again.

—Your 2025 Garage Sale Team.

P.S. Still have your garage sale sign? Please return it!

Third Grade Bibles

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17 & MONDAY, AUGUST 18

Having a Bible is important and each year, Immanuel provides Bibles to our church and school children entering 3rd Grade. This year, our young churchmembers will receive their Bibles at the 10:45am service on August 17, while our 3rd Grade schoolchildren will receive theirs in opening chapel on August 18. Keep an eye out for more information about the Bible Event with Kari Larsen to make a special cover for these Bibles!

7th/8th Grade Confirmation Orientation

WEDNESDAY, AUG 20, 6-7:00 PM, Sanctuary

If you have a child entering 7th or 8th grade and would like to pursue the Rite of Confirmation into the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, please plan on attending the orientation meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 20, in the Sanctuary from 6-7pm.

Immanuel School Happenings

Come Grow With Us!



If you or someone you know is looking for Preschool for 2025-2026, we have just a few more spots in our 3-year old program here at Immanuel. Please contact admissions@immanuelbatavia.org, the school office 630-406-0157, or complete an Inquiry Form on the school website: www.ilsbatavia.org

We do also have limited openings in Kindergarten to Grade 8.

Back-to-School Packets Need Completing

If you haven't already, please complete the Back-to-School Packets for any child returning to Immanuel Lutheran School for the 2025-2026 school year. This packet has the annually required paperwork that we must have on file prior to school starting. Packet is available in the Family Portal, Apply/Enroll, Enrollment/Re-Enrollment.

2025-2026 School Supply Lists

School Supply Lists are available both in the Family Portal/Resource Documents & on the school website: <https://www.ilsbatavia.org/supplies>.



Important Upcoming Dates

- August 9, 10-11:00am, Preschool Popsicles in the Park @Big Woods
- August 12, 5:30pm, New Family Orientation (fellowship time at 5pm)
- August 12, 6:30pm, Preschool Orientation
- August 14, 5:30pm, Grades K-8 Orientation
- August 17, 9:30am Back-to-School Worship
- August 17, 1-3:00pm Grades K-8 School Supply Drop-Off Open House & Activity Fair
- August 18, FIRST DAY OF KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 8
- August 18, Preschool Visiting Day
- August 19, First day of Preschool

Chess Club Leader Needed

Are you interested in sharing the gift of strategy development gained through learning to play chess? We're looking for a volunteer to oversee our Chess Club for the 1st semester. This would entail 1-1.5 hours per week. Please contact Principal Donna Laughlin if interested: dlaughlin@ilcsbatavia.org or 630-406-0157.

Visit our school website at ilsbatavia.org

Immanuel in the Community

Lazarus House Monthly Meal Donations & Prep

3RD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH, NEXT EVENT AUGUST 15, 2:00 PM

It is almost time for some tasty, fun cooking to deliver summer meals to the residents at Lazarus House. These summer months are a little more challenging than others because of travel and family schedules. The concerns of the residents at Lazarus House remain the same, even as the population there turns over. Building and staff costs, and food prices, make getting people back to self-sufficiency a challenge. On Friday August 15, our gifts from Immanuel members will be delivered to the shelter in St. Charles. Terry could use some help in the kitchen, as well as provision of a list of items for a Taco Dinner & Saturday meals. Below is the signup URL.

<https://volunteersignup.org/BTC7F>



With God's blessing, the work goes on.

Questions on how this month's donations will work? Contact Terry Rueffer at truffer@att.net or leave a message at 630.761.1790.

Northern Illinois Food Bank

2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, NEXT EVENT AUGUST 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

Feed My Starving Children

2ND FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

NEXT EVENTS: AUG 8 & SEPT 12, 9:00-10:45 AM @FMSC

A great big thank you to those who were able to serve with us last Friday. We welcomed some new faces who helped us. 94 boxes of food were packed providing 20,304 meals which will feed 56 kids for a year. The cost of our session was \$5,888.16. Imagine a world without hunger! It all begins with you! Please mark your calendars and volunteer for our upcoming packing dates: **August 8 & September 12 from 9:00-10:45**. Please join us for lunch at Portillo's afterwards if you are able. 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: mnottk@aol.com

2025 LCMS-NID Lay Leadership Conference

SATURDAY, AUG 23, Walther Christian Academy



This summit is designed to bring together lay leaders from all parts of the District to:

- Worship our Lord
- Build one another up in our given talents
- Provide best practices for effective service
- Provide practical application across a number of disciplines

This year's keynote presenter will be Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies, Vice President of Ministry Engagement with Lutheran Hour Ministries.

The Lay Leadership Summit also features workshops with topic options ranging from best practices in congregational admin to the latest in healthy small church ministry ideas. There is also a special Sunday School and Family Ministry track for lay members who serve those vital areas of congregational life.

Registration is \$40/person. Group registration is \$25/person for groups of 5+.

To Register: <https://www.vancoevents.com/us/events/landing/55012>



This Week's Generous Thoughts

The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love. Psalms 33:5

Is the earth full of darkness, evil and sin? Yes. But don't forget, this verse reminds us of something else the earth is full of: His unfailing love.

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

Prayer Requests

RECENT CONCERNS

Brett Hartmann
Rowan Olson (Gerry & Marge Topel's great-nephew)
Stacy (Carol Balz's cousin)
Anna Sedberry
John Zimmer (Al & Jan Gerbitz nephew)
Mark Kammrath
Arnold Gatz (Dan's dad)
Linda Perryman
Pastor Dennis Perryman
The Grayer Family (Friends of Tom Balz)
Mark Rogman

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)
Gail Thom (Penny Suydam's mother)
Rowan Skaar (Barb Sandersfeld's great-grandson)
Janet Larson (Carol Balz's sister)
Carrie Lee (Hudon family Friend)
Peggy Hepperlen
Cis Vermaat (friend of the Balz family)
Rich (friend of Tom Scott)
Stephanie (friend of the Balz family)
Ruth Hoffmann
Roy Bach
Glenda Swanson (Karen Marchen's aunt)

CANCER

Geri Clemons (Balz family friend)
Carmen Balz (Tom & Carol Balz daughter-in-law)
Linda Bartelmey (Keith's Aunt)
Gary Larson (Friend of Keith Jacobi)
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)

Dan Toner (former member)
Joey Gomez (friend of Chad & Lexie Anderson)
MacKenzie Hazelton (friend of the McKnight & Dodd families)
Barb Schlegel (Melba Layton's cousin)
Bob Jurgens (Marlene's son and Lynn Harland's brother)

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.

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



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