

News and Notes

Eleventh Sunday after

Pentecost

WELCOME!

Calendar

Sun August 24

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/
@immanuelbatavia]
9:30 AM Traditional Worship & Back-to-School, Sanctuary
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship
4:30 PM Adult Volleyball
5:30 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

Mon August 25

Tue August 26

Wed August 27

7:00 AM Huddle II Bible Study, Meeting Room

Thu August 28

7:00 PM Christus Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

Fri August 29

Sat August 30

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

Sun August 31

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/
@immanuelbatavia]
9:30 AM Traditional Sanctuary
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship
4:30 PM Adult Volleyball
5:30 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

Upcoming Church & School Office Closures

Please note, the church & school offices will be closed ALL DAY on **Monday, September 1**, for Labor Day. Please leave a phone message or email: church@immanuelbatavia.org or school@immanuelbatavia.org

Saturday Men's Bible Study is BACK

All men are invited to the Saturday Men's Bible Study every Saturday Morning. Gathering, including donuts and coffee, Saturdays, **8-9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall**. We will pick up our study of C.S. Lewis' *The Screwtape Letters*, picking up at chapter 8. In order to get the most out of this study; we are to read the chapter and review the Study Guide (get your copy from Tony Ciro \$15) questions prior. There's been great conversations with deep questions and experiences shared. Please join us!

We have great fellowship and study, please come and test drive the experience!

High School Bible Study

SUNDAYS, 5:30PM, Youth Room

High School Bible Study was on summer hiatus for much of July & August, but is starting back up each Sunday. Note the new 5:30pm start time. Food is included!

Thursday Morning Bible Study Returns August 28

THURSDAYS, 10:00 AM w/Coffee Fellowship @9:30 AM, Sanctuary

Pastor Noah's Thursday Morning Bible Study returns August 28 at 10:00am in the Sanctuary with coffee fellowship at 9:30am in the Narthex. We will be continuing the Gospel of Mark. All are welcome!

Sunday School Registration is NOW OPEN!

Sunday School starts September 7!

Preschool through Grade 8

- Preschool Sunday School is Parent/Caregiver + Child, Ages 3-4
- Kindergarten through Grade 5 meets in various classrooms in the Elementary wing
- Middle School meets as a group

Questions? Contact Kari Larsen at (630)879-7163 or klarsen@ilcsbatavia.org

Middle School Sunday School questions? Contact Matt Cassidy at mcassidy@ilcsbatavia.org

***Is it Time for
Sunday School
Yet?***

When: Sunday, Sept. 7, 9:30am

Register at: immanuelbatavia.org/Kids or
<https://forms.gle/oohKfsbEqH9to7YC8>
or Scan QR Code



Adult Forum is Back Starting Sept. 7

SUNDAYS, 9:30AM, Library

On Sunday, September 7 Adult Forum will be back for an exciting year of study. The class is led by Dave Evans, Dale Rudy, and Bob Schmidt. This year we will meet in the library from 9:30 to 10:30. Our first unit will be a four week study titled "Nurturing your Faith-Life Together." Dr. Dale Meyer examines the believer's life in four sessions. Using 1 Peter's instructions on Christ-centered conduct and service, Meyer's study stresses the need to live like Jesus for others yet resist the world around us. Reflection questions prompt users to respond in their own words.

Grab a cup of coffee and a donut and head on down to the library. We hope to see you there.

There's Room in the Choir for You!

THURSDAYS, 7:00PM, Music Room

Christus Choir rehearsal will begin on Thursday, Aug. 21 at 7pm in the music room. This choir is for high school students and adults who enjoy singing! We sing for worship about 3 times a month and participate every December in the annual service of Lessons and Carols.

At our first rehearsal, we will hand out music & sing for about 30 min. Then, we will enjoy our traditional pie ala mode and fellowship time. For more information, contact Sharon Dalpini, Music Ministry Director, at sdalpini@ilcsbatavia.org.



Tongues of Fire Youth Choir

Tongues of Fire is a choir for students in middle school & high school and college. We sing once every 4-6 weeks. Our rehearsals are on Sunday mornings at 9am prior to the Sunday that we are scheduled to sing. This group is led by student director, Ellie Taylor, & Mrs. Dalpini. The Tongues of Fire also participate in the service of Lessons and Carols.

For more information, contact Sharon Dalpini, Music Ministry Director, at sdalpini@ilcsbatavia.org.

GriefShare Meetings Returning

MONDAYS STARTING SEPT 8, 6:30 PM, Library

Immanuel will be offering GriefShare on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:30 in the school library beginning on September 8th. GriefShare is a Christian care group for those who have experienced the death of a loved one. If you have any questions, contact Christin Hager at 630-815-1598 or christinhager@gmail.com. If you know someone who may benefit from GriefShare, you can find flyers in the narthex to pass on this information.

To register, please visit griefshare.org/findagroup and search for our group at Immanuel in Batavia.

Stephen Ministry Meeting



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

Our next regularly scheduled Supervision meeting is on September 2nd at 7pm in the school library. May we all walk facing Jesus.

Thursday Evening Bible Study

THURSDAYS STARTING SEPT 4, 6:30PM, Fellowship Hall

Consider God's Call, Brothers and Sisters! Do you ever wonder what you're living for? Do you tend to get lost in the day-to-day grip of the ordinary, the hour-by-hour work or play routine? We all get lost from time to time and the most powerful remedy is a fresh appreciation of God's Call, God's claim upon your life. Beginning Thursday, September 4 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall, Pastor Dennis Perryman is going to begin an adult evening Bible Study on God's Call. Come one, come all!

NEW Women's Bible Study Starting Sept. 10

ALTERNATING WEDNESDAYS, 7:00-8:30PM, Music Room

NEW Women's BIBLE STUDY

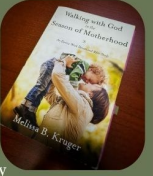
ALTERNATING WEDNESDAY EVENINGS STARTING SEPT. 10

A new Bible Study is starting at Immanuel featuring the study: "Walking with God in the Season of Motherhood." Join us in fellowship as we discuss two chapters per session.

LOCATION: Music Room We will discuss pages 1-25 at the first session.
TIME: 7:00-8:30pm
DATES: Sept. 10 & 24
 Oct. 8 & 22
 Nov. 5 & 19

Please purchase the book from any bookseller beforehand. It is currently \$11.99 on Amazon, for example.

QUESTIONS? Contact Kari Larsen, klarsen@ilcsbatavia.org



60+ Boyz Group Monthly Gathering

3RD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH, 12:00 PM APPLE VILLA

NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 18

Come one, come **ALL Immanuel men!** Invite a brother, as we enjoy our fellowship and sharing monthly meetings. If you long for seasoned male fellowship and a great meal, join us at Apple Villa Cafe, 1961 W Wilson, Batavia at noon on Thursday, August 21. **We're reading Paul Maier's The Fullness of Time: A Historians Look at Christmas, Easter and the Early Church.** Please read the material and come with your comments. Maier has fascinating insights to historical facts of Jesus' time on earth. We gather every 3rd Thursday, come Experience Koinonia! If you would like more information, please contact Ron Jaeger, rjaeger59@gmail.com.

Walcamp's Evening Under the Stars

SEPTEMBER 27, 4:30-8:30PM, 32653 Five Points Rd, Kingston, IL

Come on out to support Walcamp, the LCMS's outdoor education & retreat center located nearby in Kingston, IL for their annual Evening Under the Stars. An adult evening at Walcamp featuring great gourmet food selections, live music with the Dog and Pony Show, desserts, caricature artist, fun camp things to do. Transforming lives through Christ-centered outdoor experiences in God's creation. Purchase tickets at walcamp.org/stars

Join us for our Annual **EVENING UNDER THE STARS**

\$50/Ticket

Save the Date
September 27, 2025

Sept 27 2025

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WALCAMP.ORG/STARS**





Immanuel School Happenings



Important Upcoming Dates

- September 1: NO SCHOOL, Labor Day
- September 8: Spirit Day—wear your ILS gear or blue & white; the class with the most participation gets frozen treats on Friday!
- September 8: PTL Meeting, 5:30pm
- September 15: Restaurant Night, Portillo's

Monday, September 15, 2025

5:00-8:00pm

RESTAURANT NIGHT

Just mention you're
with Immanuel's
fundraiser



Portillo's, Batavia

Seeking Elective Day Instructors

We are excited to announce that **Middle School Electives Day** is returning this year on **Friday, October 17, 2025!** Electives give our students a wonderful opportunity to learn & think in new & creative ways. This special day allows them to explore topics & skills outside their regular classes. Some electives last the entire day, while others are split into **half-day sessions**:

- **Morning Session:** 8:20–11:00 AM
- **Afternoon Session:** 12:00–3:00 PM

We are looking for people with **special talents, skills, or passions** they would love to share with our students. Whether it's art, music, science, sports, crafts, hobbies, or another unique interest, your involvement makes a huge difference in their experience.

If you are interested in teaching a class, please contact Mrs. McFarland at jmcfarland@ilcsbatavia.org.

Visit our school website at ilcsbatavia.org

Unconditional: Not subject to any conditions or limitations

It's hard to find anything that is unconditional. Everything seems to have strings attached to it. Yet God's love is unconditional—we don't have to earn it or achieve anything to receive it. At times, however, we can feel quite removed from God's unconditional love. We can feel guilty, undeserving, or downright "unlovable". At those times, Stephen Ministers can help. They are trained to listen and care in a nonjudgmental way, focusing on letting Christ's unconditional love flow through them and into the life of their care receiver. If you or someone you know has been struggling with guilt or feeling unlovable and would like to learn more about Stephen Ministry, please contact Pastor Noah or Sue Marvel at 630.844.6562.

Immanuel in the Community

Lazarus House Monthly Meal Donations & Prep

3RD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH, NEXT EVENT SEPT 19, 2:00 PM

Many thanks to those who help serve those who are housing-challenged in Kane County, with food, funds and prayers. On the third Friday in September a few good men from Immanuel will be cooking out at Lazarus House. This is becoming an annual picnic for the residents and for the cooks. Anyone who wants to help out should contact Terry at trueffer@att.net, or leave a phone message at 630-761-1790.

Northern Illinois Food Bank

2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, NEXT EVENT SEPT 9, 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: SEPT 12 & OCT 10, 9:00-10:45 AM @FMSC

We had a strong group of 21 volunteers last Friday. Thank you for feeding kids, feeding spirits and empowering communities. That session packed 107 boxes of food which will provide 23,122 meals to 63 kids for a year. The cost of that session was \$6,702.48. Your time and financial support is greatly needed and appreciated. 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

This Week's Generous Thoughts

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. Luke 16:10"

If God can trust you with something small, He will trust you with more. But His blessings come with certain conditions, and here is number one of four you need to honor:

1) Don't try to claim credit. God told the Israelites, "You may say to yourself..."My hands have produced this wealth for me." But remember the Lord...for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth...If you ever forget...you will surely be destroyed" (Deuteronomy 8:17-19).

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

Prayer Requests

RECENT CONCERNS

Rowan Olson (Gerry & Marge Topel's great-nephew)
Stacy (Carol Balz's cousin)
John Zimmer (Al & Jan Gerbitz nephew)
Arnold Gatz (Dan's dad)
The Grayer Family (Friends of Tom Balz)
Nancy Buechner (Penny Suydam's sister)
Padma Lacy
Mark Kline
Roger (friend of the Gatz family)

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)
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)
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)
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)
MacKenzie Hazelton (friend of the McKnight & Dodd families)
Barb Schlegel (Melba Layton's cousin)
Bob Jurgens (Marlene's son and Lynn Harland's brother)
Jeff Thorne (friend of the Layton's)
Richard Dunn (friend of Justin Clavet)
Maury Drury (friend of the Bakken family)

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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