

News and Notes

Eighteenth Sunday after

Pentecost

WELCOME!

Calendar

Sun October 12

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

Mon October 13

6:30 PM GriefShare, Library Meeting Room
6:30 PM Boy Scouts Troop 12, Fellowship Hall

Tue October 14

5:00 PM Immanuel Restaurant Night, Chick-fil-A Batavia, until 8:00pm
5:30 PM Northern IL Food Bank Monthly Service Event, @NIFB
6:30 PM Young Men's (18-35) Bible Study, Youth Room

Wed October 15

7:00 AM Huddle II Bible Study, Library 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 Grade Confirmation, Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study on Sunday readings, Library Meeting Room

Thu October 16

10:00 AM Thurs Morning Bible Study w/Pr. Noah, Sanctuary
12:00 PM 60+ Boyz Gathering, Apple Villa Café Batavia
6:00 PM Joyful Sounds Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary
6:30 PM Thurs Evening Bible Study w/Pr. Perryman, Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Christus Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

Fri October 17

6:30 PM Immanuel Trivia Night, Batavia Moose Lodge

Sat October 18

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

Sun October 19

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

Pastor Appreciation Day is October 12! What are some ways you can show Pastor Noah & Pastor Micah that they are appreciated & valued here at Immanuel?

Immanuel's Annual Trivia Night is THIS WEEK!

SATURDAY, OCT 18, 6:30 PM Doors Open, Batavia Moose Lodge

Get your thinking caps dusted off! Invite friends & neighbors and get your teams registered by Wednesday, October 15, for Immanuel's annual Trivia Night. Prizes for best team/table theme as well as trivia winner. Cash bar plus games & more fun. No team? No problem...register & come anyway! Registration forms are available in the church narthex.

Immanuel Lutheran PTL invites you to our annual

Trivia Night

Saturday, October 18, 2025

BATAVIA MOOSE LODGE
1535 Batavia Ave
Doors Open at 6:30pm
Trivia Starts at 7:00pm

Teams of UP TO 8 people
\$25 per person
50/50 Raffle
Heads & Tails Game
Cash Bar
Prizes for Best Table Theme & Winning Trivia Team!
No team? No problem!

Forms & Payment Due WEDNESDAY, Oct. 15
Forms available in the Church Narthex & School Office

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

SUNDAY, OCT 26, 1-3:00 PM

Get those costumes ready! To attend, just show up—bring your friends & neighbors! We'll have chili, hot dogs, chips, & cider to munch on while making your way around the parking lot. Or maybe you want to reserve a space for your decorated vehicle trunk & hand out candy!

We need trunks, too! To sign up to decorate your trunk & hand out treats, scan the QR Code or go to:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0944ABA623A0FBC43-58601034-trunk>



Candy donations gratefully accepted in the Church Narthex. Would you like to help offset the candy & prizes the cars will be bringing? Must be individually wrapped & ready for disbursal.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

WEAR COSTUMES • DECORATE A TRUNK • FOOD AND PHOTO BOOTH

SUNDAY OCT 26
RAIN OR SHINE

SAVE THE DATE!
1:00-3:00PM
950 Hart Rd.
Batavia, IL 60510

VOTE FOR BEST TRUNK PRIZES!!





Holylands Arts—Bethlehem Wood Carvers

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 11-12, Church Narthex

Raad Qumsieh from Holylands Arts will be set up in the Narthex at Immanuel October 18-19, featuring olive wood carvings for sale from Bethlehem-based artisans. **Come do some Christmas shopping!** The Holylands Arts supports over 500 Christian families from Bethlehem & the surrounding areas. Supporting the local Olivewood workshops helps decrease the number of Christians fleeing the country by keeping their main source of income viable.

Stephen Ministry October Meeting



STEPHEN
MINISTRY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 7:00 PM, Fellowship Hall

Dear Stephen Ministers, Thank you for continuing to walk the sacred journey with your care receiver AND with Jesus. Our next regularly scheduled Stephen Ministries Supervision meeting is on Tuesday, October 7th in the school library starting at 7pm. Our next quarterly Continuing Ed meeting will be held at Immanuel on Tuesday, October 21 from 7-9pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be learning about "The Spiritual Needs of Seniors." Details forthcoming. Keep walking facing Jesus.

November Voter's Meeting

SUNDAY, NOV. 2, 12:00 PM, Sanctuary

We will hold a special Voters Assembly at noon on November 2nd in the Sanctuary. The agenda will cover: proposed (minor) amendments to our Constitution & Bylaws, update on church & school strategy, review of financial audit report, and year-end 2024/25 fiscal year financial report. Please mark your calendars and prepare to join us; all Immanuel members are welcome.

Raise Right Gift Cards—NEW CODE

Raise Right allows families to support Immanuel while purchasing gift cards for things you use everyday: gas, groceries, clothing, coffee, & so much more. Retailers offer a rebate percentage and 55% of it goes to ILCS and 45% is refunded to purchasers (YOU!) at the end of the school year. Details and sign-up instructions are available at raiserright.com. Use Enrollment Code: 656L9E8C55773 Check it out—it's so easy!

Due dates for orders: September 22, October 13 & 27, November 10 & 17, December 1, 8, & 15, January 12 & 26, February 9 & 23, March 9 & 23, April 13 & 27, May 4 & 18.

60+ Boyz Group Monthly Gathering

THURSDAY, OCT 16, 12:00 PM APPLE VILLA

Next gathering: October 16. Come One, Come **ALL Immanuel Retired Men!** Invite a brother, as we enjoy our fellowship. If you long for seasoned male fellowship and a great meal, come join the Boyz at Apple Villa Cafe in Batavia (1961 W Wilson) at noon on Thurs. Oct 16. We're reading Paul Maier's **The Fullness of Time: A Historians Look at Christmas, Easter, and the Early Church**. Please come with your comments. Maier has fascinating insights to historical facts of Jesus' time on earth. Experience Koinonia! If you would like more information, please contact Ron Jaeger rhaeger59@gmail.com.



Operation Christmas Child Boxes are Here!

Samaritan's Purse sends gift-filled Operation Christmas Child (OCC) shoeboxes to children in need around the world together with the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

You can help in many different ways! Boxes are now available in the church and school lobbies; **PARENTS/ADULTS ONLY**, please take and fill a box with your family; and return the filled box to Immanuel by **Friday, Nov 17**. You can also make a monetary donation to help with shipping; each box costs approximately \$10 or more to ship. See donation ideas and instructions located in each box.

Immanuel Family Movie Night

SUNDAY, JAN 4, 2026

Mark your calendars!! The ILCS Foundation Board is sponsoring our 2nd Annual Movie Night in the Immanuel School Gymnasium. Please come out on January 4, 2026, for a movie, pizza and more fun!!! This event is free of cost and centered on learning the story of Jesus and growing family ministry. Everyone is welcome!! Bring blankets, pajamas and pillows!!

Please stay tuned for more details!

Save the Date—30th Annual Lessons & Carols

SATURDAY, DEC. 6, 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM, Sanctuary

Lessons and Carols is an incredible way to enter the Christmas season featuring the music of Advent & Christmas for the choir & congregation, as well as nine scripture readings that tell about the coming of the Christ Child. This year's **30th Anniversary** service will include such favorites as Once in Royal David's City, E'en So Lord Jesus Quickly Come by Paul Manz, & For Unto Us a Child is Born by George F. Handel. The choir will be accompanied by a beautiful string ensemble, harpist, flutes, piano, & organ. Immanuel's Joyful Sounds Handbell Choir, Tongues of Fire, & Sunday School Children's Choir will also share special music for this service.

Join Lessons & Carols Musicians

Mass Choir rehearsals for the **30th Annual Lessons and Carols** will be held every Sunday in November (Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30) from 12:00-1:00 pm in the Music Room. New singers & those who have sung in the past are welcome to join us for this special service.

For more information regarding the Mass Choir for Lessons and Carols, please contact Sharon Dalpini, Music Ministry Director: sdalpini@ilcsbatavia.org.



Time for Butter Braids!

How good (& easy!) do warm, gooey, delicious Butter Braids sound for Thanksgiving or Christmas breakfast?

Order forms due with payment to the school office by **October 30, 2025**

Orders will arrive for pickup **November 12**
2:45-4:00pm, Church Narthex

How to Place Orders:

- Scan Ordering QR Code or pick up paper order form in school office
 - <https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/2e22bee6-9cfa-4fbc-8c96-810a14b5ca9c>
 - For ease of order organization, please select your student from the list when placing online orders
- Pay via check or cash to the school office (clearly marked in an envelope!) or scan Payment QR Code to pay online:
 - <https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/give/butterbraids>
 - MUST have corresponding paper or online order placed to pay online

To ORDER: 

To PAY: 

Proceeds from this year's sale will go towards Immanuel Athletic Boosters
Questions? Contact Nicole Erickson: erickson323@gmail.com

Save the Date—Drive-Thru Nativity

SUNDAY, NOV 30, 4:00-6:00PM

What a great way to kick-off the Christmas season! If you're interested in helping out at this year's event, please contact Kari Larsen, klarsen@ilcsbatavia.org

Drive-Thru Nativity

Sunday, November 30, 2025
4pm-6pm

Looking for a great way to kick off the Christmas season?

Come hear, see, & immerse your family in the true story of the first Christmas from the comfort of your warm car while driving through Immanuel's parking lot



Immanuel Lutheran Church & School
950 Hart Rd
Batavia, IL 60510

Immanuel School Happenings

Walk-A-Thon Huge Success

Thank you to every sponsor, donor, parent volunteer, student, & staff member that made this year's Walk-a-Thon a success! We not only met, but we EXCEEDED our goal of raising \$15,000 towards the Elevate Immanuel initiative funding upgrades to bathrooms, library, & so much more throughout our facility. Plus, by meeting the goal, the kids earned an in-school inflatables party in October with the gym full of bouncy houses, slides, etc. Thank you again!

Important Upcoming Dates

- Oct. 14: Restaurant Night, Chick-fil-A, 5:00-8:00pm
- Oct. 17: Electives Day, Gr5-8
- Oct. 18: Trivia Night, Batavia Moose Lodge
- Oct. 23: Literacy Night, Preschool to Grade 3

Fall Sports at Immanuel

Our Varsity Boys & Varsity Girls continue to make waves with top finishes in recent meets. We have some speedy Eagles!

Our Varsity Girls Volleyball got their first win of the season this past week in dramatic fashion in a 3-set nail-biter against St. Peter Schaumburg. Way to stay tough!

- TIME CHANGE! Oct. 14: Girls VB HOME vs Trinity Roselle, 5:00pm **BLUE OUT!!!**
- Oct. 16: Fall Sport Pep Rally
- Oct. 17-18: Girls VB Tournament @St. Paul Mt. Prospect
- Oct. 18: XC LSA IL State Meet, Bloomington
- Oct. 21: Girls VB Tourney Pool Play @Trinity Roselle
- Oct. 23: Girls VB Away @Bethany Naperville, 5:30pm
- Oct. 25: Girls VB Tourney Bracket @Trinity Roselle
- Oct. 25: XC LSA National Meet, Mequon WI
- Oct. 28: Girls VB HOME vs St. Peter Schaumburg, 4:30pm



BLUE OUT Immanuel Volleyball Match

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 5:30 PM

At our home Volleyball match on Tuesday, October 14, let's fill the stands with our Immanuel blue as we take on the Trinity Roselle Tigers! The first 20 people who come wearing blue will receive a water bottle sticker!

Visit Immanuel's school website at ilsbatavia.org

This Week's Generous Thoughts

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! 2 Corinthians 9:15

Take a moment and thank God for forgiving your sins through Jesus' death and resurrection. Thank Him that you are now a child of God, free from the guilt of the past. Ask Him to strengthen you as you walk in that truth.

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 OCT 17, 2:00 PM

It is nearly time for a chicken dinner from Immanuel for residents at Lazarus House. Donors are requested to log in and click their choices at the [Volunteersignup.org](https://volunteersignup.org) site for helping deliver a Friday October 17 dinner and Saturday meals. Go to the following URL or scan the QR Code for donation instructions: <https://volunteersignup.org/EC8EJ>



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 OCT 14, 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: NOV 14, 9:00-10:45 AM @FMSC

A great big thank you to everyone who volunteered on Sept. 12. 74 boxes of food were packed providing 15,984 meals. Our group contributed 27 of those boxes. 44 kids will be fed for a year! The cost of that session was \$4635.36. Each meal costs less than 30 cents to produce. Thank you for volunteering & your financial support. The need is urgent, but we trust God has called us to respond together. Because of you, Feed My Starving Children meals are already in the world's most critical hunger hotspots.

The next two volunteer opportunities are **October 10 and November 14** from 9:00-10:45am. 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

HOG WILD FOR VSW



Join us for food, fun, and raffles.

Every ticket helps adults with disabilities grow in confidence and independence.

October 18, 2025

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



VSW
325 Main St.
Batavia, IL 60510

Empowering Abilities, Inspiring Independence

Help Valley Sheltered Workshop continue its mission to provide one-on-one support, skill-building, and community for adults with cognitive disabilities.

What's on the menu & schedule:

- Pulled pork sandwiches, Portillo's pasta, sides, and Portillo's cake
- Live music & entertainment (featuring Katie Rose)
- Raffle & prizes from local businesses and community supporters

Prayer Requests

RECENT CONCERNS

Stacy (Carol Balz's cousin)
John Zimmer (Al & Jan Gerbitz nephew)
Arnold Gatz (Dan's dad)
The Grayer Family (Friends of Tom Balz)
Roger (friend of the Gatz family)
Jim Scott (Tom's brother)
Sue Miller (Balz family friend)
Padma Lacy

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)
Keith Riddell
Monica Schultz (friend of the Gerbitz family)

Chris Spellman (former member of ILCS)

Rowan Olson (Gerry & Marge Topel's great-nephew)
Mark Piper (Friend of the Notke's)
Melinda Barto (Tammy Rogman's sister in law)
Scott Oricco (Friend of Bill Pietsch & Tony Ciro)
Lucy Parma (friend)

FOR PEACE & COMFORT

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



To register church attendance, please use this QR Code

COMMUNICATIONS

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