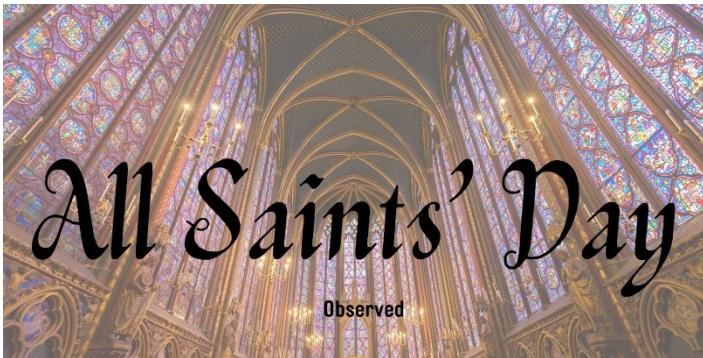


News and Notes



WELCOME!

Calendar

Sun November 2

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/@immanuelbatavia]
9:15 AM Joyful Sounds Handbell Rehearsal, Music Room
9:30 AM Traditional Sanctuary
9:30 AM Adult Forum & Sunday School
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship
12:00 PM Voter's Meeting, Sanctuary
1:00 PM Mass Choir Rehearsal for Lessons & Carols, Music Room
4:30 PM Adult Volleyball
5:30 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

Mon November 3

NO SCHOOL for Grades K-8. **Preschool is in session**
6:30 PM GriefShare, Library Meeting Room

Tue November 4

NO SCHOOL for Grades K-8, **Preschool is in session**
6:30 PM Boy Scouts Troop 12, Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Young Men's (18-35) Bible Study, Youth Room
7:00 PM Stephen Ministry Meeting, Library Meeting Room

Wed November 5

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
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study on Sunday readings, Library Meeting Room
7:00 PM Walking with God in Motherhood Bible Study, Music Room

Thu November 6

10:00 AM Thurs Morning Bible Study w/Pr. Noah, Sanctuary
6:30 PM Thurs Evening Bible Study w/Pr. Perryman, Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Christus Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

Fri November 7

Sat November 8

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

Sun November 9

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/@immanuelbatavia]
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November Voter's Meeting—THIS SUNDAY

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.

The proposed Constitution changes and the summary Audit report have been posted to a Google folder: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Wd2BaAFed0erQinnFGYrKU-dE4qFaL7iH>

Please ask in the church office if you would like a printed copy of any of this material.

Attention All Veterans!



You're invited to be our special guests of honor at Immanuel's Veterans Day Chapel service on Wednesday, November 12 at 8:20am. The theme is "Letters to Veterans" & will be led by the middle school students. Please contact the church or school office with questions.

Special Event: Surviving the Holidays

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 6:30PM, Library Meeting Room

GriefShare at Immanuel is offering a one-night event called **Surviving the Holidays** on Monday, November 10th at 6:30pm in the school library. Surviving the Holidays is designed to equip grieving people with practical, biblical tools to navigate the holiday season. For more information, contact Christin Hager at christinhager@gmail.com. To register, scan the QR Cod or go to <https://find.griefshare.org/events/260632>.



*30th Annual Service of
Lessons & Carols*

*December 6, 2025
4:00pm & 6:00pm*

THE FALL OF HUMANITY.
THE PROMISE OF A MESSIAH.
THE BIRTH OF JESUS.
THE GREAT COMMISSION.

TOLD THROUGH A BEAUTIFUL
SERVICE OF SCRIPTURE & SONG.

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Welcome Little One!

Samantha

Per the new parents' request, a shower will be scheduled at Immanuel for after the New Year.

Congratulations, Pastor Micah & Jen!

Immanuel Family Day with the Chicago Wolves

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 3:00PM



Join Immanuel Lutheran families & friends for a day of fun at a Chicago Wolves hockey game. Everyone will receive a free Chicago Wolves hat & be seated together in the same section. Our group name will also be on the LED boards during the game.

Fill out the order form (available in the Church Narthex or School Office) & submit with payment to the church or school office by **Monday, November 3**.

Questions? Contact Immanuel PTL, ptl@ilcsbatavia.org

Join Lessons & Carols Musicians

Mass Choir rehearsals for the **30th Annual Lessons and Carols** will be Nov. 2 from 1-2:00pm and then each Sunday after in November (Nov. 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.

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 **Monday, 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.

In addition to packing a shoebox, anyone 13 years and older can volunteer at the Midwest Ministry Center in Aurora, 800 N. Commerce Street. The service opportunities begin the day before Thanksgiving and go to December 20. When you volunteer, you get to be part of a group of volunteers that are getting the shoeboxes ready to be sent to over 100 countries around the world. When serving, you will hear more about the impact the ministry is having on building God's Kingdom and you will get to pray over the shoeboxes. The next person who will open the shoebox will be the child! You can register yourself or a group by going to: www.occvolunteersignup.com.

November Stephen Ministry Meeting

TUESDAY, NOV. 4, 7:00PM, Library Meeting Room



Dear Stephen Ministers, We walk together on our sacred journey as God's care givers. We walk facing Jesus. Our next regularly scheduled Stephen Ministries Supervision meeting is on Tuesday, November 4th, in the school library starting at 7pm.

Advent Meal Sign-Up

WEDNESDAYS, DEC. 3, 10, & 17, 5:00PM

Wednesday Advent pre-service meals will be back with the Advent season!



Do you have a favorite soup recipe?

For the first Advent meal on Wednesday, December 3, we are looking for 10 people to sign up to bring a crockpot of soup to share potluck-style, along with donations of Hawaiian rolls, cold cuts, & dessert to make this an "All In" soup & sandwich meal. Meals start at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. The sign-up to bring items & help prepare this meal is coming in November—keep an eye out!

As for the remaining two dates (12/10 & 12/17), these will be group-sponsored meals from Immanuel committees, Bible studies, choirs, or any other Immanuel-sponsored group. The first 2 groups offering to prepare a meal will be accepted! Please email Sue Wauer at suewauer@yahoo.com.

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



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Drive-Thru Nativity Volunteers & Church Christmas Decorating

What a great way to kick-off the Christmas season! Are you interested in helping bring the nativity story to life? Maybe you'd rather help decorate the church for Christmas? Have we got opportunities for YOU! If you would like to sign up to help decorate the inside & outside of church on Saturday, Nov. 29, or to be a volunteer at the Drive Thru Nativity on Sunday, Nov. 30, please scan the QR Code or go to <https://signup.com/go/QypysJL> to choose your spots



volunteer



Decoration set up is **Saturday, Nov. 29**, beginning at 9am.

Drive-Thru Nativity is **Sunday, Nov. 30**, 4-6pm

Favorite spots for the Nativity fill up quickly, so make sure you sign up soon so you don't miss out.

Questions? Please contact Kari Larsen, klarsen@ilcsbatavia.org

It's That Time—Order Your Christmas Poinsettias!



Poinsettias are now on sale to help beautify the sanctuary & gym for Christmas worship and then give them a good home afterwards. Cost is \$15 & \$25, depending on size. Orders can be placed online by scanning this QR Code or go to:



poinsettia

<https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/give/poinsettias> Or use an envelope available in the narthex

Light in the Darkness

John 8:12

WOMEN'S RETREAT

FEBRUARY 6-7, 2026

Friday 6-9pm & Saturday 8:30a-3p

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

950 HART ROAD BATAVIA

FEE: \$75

This 2-day retreat is ideal for women of ALL ages, focusing on spiritual fulfillment while socially connecting with other women. Reflect, renew, & reengage in God's Word.

Jesus illumines the darkness!



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Save the Date
More info
to come!

Immanuel School Happenings

Important Upcoming Dates

- Nov. 3: & 4 NO SCHOOL K-8 (Preschool is in session)
- Nov. 8: Preschool Sings in Church, 5:30pm
- Nov. 10: PTL Meeting, 6:00pm
- Nov. 12: Veterans Day Chapel, 8:20am
- Nov. 21: Thanksgiving Chapel (10:30am) & Feast (11:15am)
- Nov. 24-28: NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Break

1st Quarter Report Cards Emailed

Quarter One report cards have been emailed to you. Please make sure to check your spam/junk folders if you do not see it in your inbox. You may print a copy for your records. If you need a copy from the school office, please let us know.

Thanksgiving Feast—Nov. 21



Immanuel Lutheran School's annual Thanksgiving Feast will be on Nov 21. This is a highly anticipated event when Immanuel's school students serve & share a traditional Thanksgiving meal & all the trimmings as one community with the seniors of Immanuel's congregation—children & elders together. If you received your invitation or would like one, contact the school or church office to RSVP, (630) 406-0157.

Thanksgiving Feast Donations

Would you like to help offset the cost of the Feast? We appreciate your generosity! You can donate online at <https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/give/feast> or scan the QR Code here.



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HIGH SCHOOL INFO NIGHT

NOVEMBER 11, 2025, 6:30-7:30 PM
IMMANUEL FELLOWSHIP HALL

SIX local, private high schools in one place!
You have incredible choices for your family!

IDEAL FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS IN GRADES 5-8

- ✓ Explore different options
- ✓ Ask questions
- ✓ Gain insights from current students
- ✓ Learn about academic programs

Exhibiting High Schools:

- Aurora Central Catholic HS
- Aurora Christian HS
- Marmion Academy
- Rosary College Prep
- St. Francis College Prep
- Wheaton Academy

Visit Immanuel's school website at ilsbatavia.org

This Week's Generous Thoughts

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Galatians 2:20

Jesus couldn't have been resurrected without first being crucified – and the same is true for us.

So, what do you need to give to Jesus today? What behavior, habit, or thought do you need to crucify? Come as you are to Jesus and give Him permission to transform and renew your life.

God can realign your plans, reshape your desires, and repurpose your gifts for His glory. Whatever you do, do it for Him!

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

Our November cooking team for Lazarus House is forming, and they will need various supplies. Stay tuned to News and Notes and emails for information on how you can help feed our neighbors residing in this St. Charles shelter. Questions? 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 NOV 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: NOV 14 & DEC 12, 9:00-10:45 AM @FMSC

Thank you to everyone who was able to volunteer for our October packing session at FMSC. 99 boxes of food providing 21,384 meals to 59 kids for a year were packed during our session. Our team packed 28 of those boxes. The cost of that session was \$6,201.36. Your gifts of time and money are greatly appreciated. Your gift goes where it is most needed. We trust God had called us to respond together!

The next two volunteer opportunities are **November 14 & December 12** 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

Organ Concert at St. John Lombard

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 4:00pm, 215 Lincoln St., Lombard

Join David Jonies, organist/music director at Holy Name Cathedral, as he shares his talents playing a wide variety of composers (Bach, Reger, congregational hymns, and so much more) on St. John's 34-rank Zimmer "tracker" pipe organ. Mr. Jonies is a native of Germany & a master organist with degrees from Hochschule fur Music in Würzburg Germany & Royal Academy of Music in London. He has played concerts at Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris & Westminster Abbey in London, among many other places. Admission is FREE!

Christmas Sale at Trinity West Chicago

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8,
10:00AM-2:00PM, 328
George St, West Chicago**

Get started on the Christmas shopping while supporting one of our sister congregations!

Christmas Sale and Luncheon
Trinity Lutheran Church
328 George Street, West Chicago
(Corner of Sherman and George)

Saturday, November 8, 2025
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

*Handmade Items, Christmas Decorations,
Jewelry, Premade Gift Bags, Treats by Lisa,
Bake Sale, Used Treasures*

Luncheon 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Sloppy Joes, Salads, Chips, Dessert & Beverage
Hog Dogs Available for the Children

\$8.00 per person
\$4.00 children (ages 10 years & younger)

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
Laura Gatz
Marilyn Kennedy
Becky Goodspeed (Lee Williams' daughter)
Carol Balz

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 Daukscha 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)

HAPPINESS

For Pastor **Micah & Jen Brown** – birth of Samantha Anna Brown born on Saturday, October 18th

FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

Tim Diehl, Coast Guard
Sam Harms, Air Force
Nate Harms, Air Force
Dan Goess, 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 Surdyski, Army/National Guard
Ben Bartelmey, 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)

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

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