

News and Notes

Twenty-second Sunday after

Pentecost

WELCOME!

Calendar

Sun November 9

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/@immanuelbatavia]
9:15 AM Joyful Sounds Handbell Rehearsal, Music Room
9:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
9:30 AM Adult Forum & Sunday School
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship, Gym
12:00 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 10

6:30 PM GriefShare Special Event: Surviving the Holidays, Library

Tue November 11

5:30 PM Northern IL Food Bank Service Event, @NIFB
6:30 PM High School Info Night, Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Boy Scouts Troop 12
6:30 PM Young Men's (18-35) Bible Study, Youth Room

Wed November 12

RESTAURANT DAY, 11am-9pm— Ella's Italian Pub, Geneva, use code ILS2025 if ordering online
7:00 AM Huddle II Bible Study, Library Meeting Room
8:20 AM Veteran's Day K-8 Chapel, Sanctuary
9:00 AM Wednesday Women's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
10:30 AM Sing & Play, Gym
2:45 PM Butter Braid Pickup until 5:00pm, Narthex
6:00 PM 7th/8th Grade Confirmation Class, Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study on Sunday readings, Library Meeting Room

Thu November 13

10:00 AM Thurs Morning Bible Study w/Pr. Noah, Sanctuary
7:00 PM Christus Choir Rehearsal, Music Room
NOTE: Pr. Perryman's Thursday Evening Bible Study is on hiatus until January

Fri November 14

9:00 AM Feed My Starving Children, @FMSC

Sat November 15

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

Sun November 16

8:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary + Online [youtube.com/@immanuelbatavia]
9:15 AM Joyful Sounds Handbell Rehearsal, Music Room
9:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
9:30 AM Adult Forum & Sunday School
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship, Gym
12:00 PM Mass Choir Rehearsal for Lessons & Carols, Music Room
3:00 PM Immanuel Family Day @Chicago Wolves game
4:30 PM Adult Volleyball
5:30 PM High School Bible Study, Youth Room

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>.



Butter Braid Pickup, Nov. 12

Did you order Butter Braids? Pickup will be 2:45-5:00pm on Wed, Nov. 12, in the Church Narthex.

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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BATAVIA, IL 60510

Immanuel's Holiday Food Drive

benefitting



Iglesia San Pablo

Your generosity feeds families in need.

This holiday season, Immanuel is collecting donations to help our sister congregation, San Pablo Lutheran Church in Aurora, keep their food pantry stocked for the community they serve.



Items Needed:

- Rice
- Beans- any variety
- Oil
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Tomatoes
- And other non-perishable items



For online monetary donations, please scan the QR Code or go to <https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/give/fooddrive>



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Join Lessons & Carols Musicians

Mass Choir rehearsals for the **30th Annual Lessons and Carols** will be Sundays 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.

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.

Immanuel's 2025 Photo Directory Update

Production work on Immanuel's new photo directory is nearing completion. We have reviewed the initial proof and submitted changes, edits, and corrections. We expect to have the next proof available for review late in the first week in November. Depending on additional changes needed, we are hopeful that we can "go to print" soon after that.

The congregation's participation in this project has been very exciting. Our new directory will have 200+ photos of Immanuel families! Stay tuned for more details about the arrival date of the new directories, as well as instructions for how to pick up your copy.

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:

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



poinsettia



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

60+ Boyz Group Monthly Gathering

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

NEXT GATHERING: NOVEMBER 20

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 on **chapters 8 & 9**. Maier has fascinating insights to historical facts of Jesus' time on earth. Experience Koinonia! If you would like more information, please contact Ron Jaeger rhjaeger59@gmail.com

2026 Giving Envelopes Now Available

Pick up your envelopes for 2026 giving, now available in the Church 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 payable online at <https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/give/retreat> or cash/ check in clearly marked envelope to church or school office

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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SCAN TO REGISTER

<https://forms.gle/EtSKP9kPrjIMNv7>

Immanuel School Happenings

2026-27 New Student Applications Open Dec. 1!

Interested in learning more about Immanuel Lutheran School's Preschool through Grade 8 and how we can help meet your family's educational goals? Applications for new students open December 1! Immanuel congregation members & current school families do get priority registration time to secure your seat. Please reach out to Rebecca Bello, Admissions Director, to schedule a tour, admissions@ilcsbatavia.org!

Important Upcoming Dates

- Nov. 10: PTL Meeting, 6:00pm
- Nov. 12: Veterans Day Chapel, 8:20am
- Nov. 12: Restaurant Day, Ella's Italian Pub, Geneva, 11am-9pm, use code ILS2025 if ordering online
- Nov. 21: Thanksgiving Chapel (10:30am) & Feast (11:15am)
- Nov. 24-28: NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Break



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

Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did. 1 John 2:6

Living like Jesus isn't about checking off a list of things we should or shouldn't do. It's about living a life that is so rooted in God's love, that we long to obey all His commands.

What's one way you can show someone the love of Jesus today? Think about it, Pray about it, and then trust that He will be with you as you go do it!

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: NOV 21, 2:00 PM

New and old contributors: our November Lazarus House meal prep team is led by Vicki McFarland. We are repeating last year's successful menu, so perhaps you can repeat your gifts to feed our neighbors in shelter in St. Charles. Scan the QR Code or go to <https://volunteersignup.org/TX3DD>



Questions? Contact Terry or Vicki by Nov. 17 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: mnottke@aol.com

Immanuel Alumni in the Performing Arts

Clue: High School Edition, Nov 7 & 8

Aurora Central Catholic High School

Was it Professor Plum with the script on stage? Come find out in this hilarious "whodunit" that will keep you guessing (and laughing) the whole way! **Tickets:** <https://gofan.co/app/school/IL15410?>

NOVEMBER 7-8 @ 7PM

Mr. Green in the lobby with the Candlestick?

GENERAL: \$10 RESERVED: \$15

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All Shook Up, Nov 13-16

Rosary College Prep

A hilarious and heartfelt musical loosely based on Shakespeare's Twelfth Night. The setting is 1955, and into a square little town rides a guitar-playing young man who changes everything and everyone he meets. Featuring mega hits from Elvis Presley, this musical will have you jumpin' out of your blue suede shoes with such classics as "Heartbreak Hotel," "Hound Dog," "Jailhouse Rock," and "Don't Be Cruel."

Tickets: <https://search.seatyourself.biz/webstore/accounts/rosaryhs/>

ALL SHOOK UP

ROSAIRY COLLEGE PREP

NOVEMBER 13-16
Thu - 6PM | Fri - 7PM
Sat - 7PM | Sun - 2PM

TICKETS
\$10 Adult
\$15 Student/Senior

ROSARY AUDITORIUM
801 N. Edgewood Dr.
Aurora, IL 630.986.0831
www.rosaryprep.org/music

SYLVIA'S HONKY TONK
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
Pre-show & Intermission (Age 21+)

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)
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 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)

PEACE & COMFORT

For the family of **Judy Koeller** (former member)

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
Andy Marcionis, 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)

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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