



Weekly Calendar Feb. 21-28, 2016

Today, 2/21

- 11:30a "Meet & Greet"
Potluck
6-8p Youth Night
6:30p Practice for Living
Last Supper

Monday, 2/22

- Pastor Troup's day off*
8:00p Men's Prayer Group
8:00p AA Meeting

Tuesday, 2/23

- 6:30a Men's Bible Study
6-7:30p Zumba

Wednesday, 2/24

- 9:30a Adult Bible Study
5:45-6:15p Immanubells
6:15-7:15p Midweek Classes
6:15-7:15p Choir Practice
7:30p Lenten Service
8:30p Agape Ringers

Thursday, 2/25

- 5:00p Weight Watchers
Meeting
7:00p Ladies' Bible Study

Saturday, 2/27

- 5-10p Progressive Dinner
5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 2/28

- 7:45a Holy Communion
9:00a Sunday School &
Bible Study Classes
10:15a Worship Service
2-6p Bell-a-bration
Workshop
6:30p Bell-a-bration
Concert at Peace
Lutheran Church,
Lemay
6:30p Practice for Living
Last Supper

Our Weekly Announcements

RESTROOMS are located in the hallway next to the overflow room and multipurpose room and in the church basement in the hallway to the side of the old kitchen.

PARENTS OF LITTLE

CHILDREN: There are activity bags available in the narthex for your little ones. Please feel free and take a bag with you as you enter.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS.

There are several large print bulletins available in the narthex for anyone needing one.

WE WELCOME Lucas David

Garner into God's family through the washing of Holy Baptism during the 5:30pm service this weekend. Lucas is the son of Adam & Stephanie nee Gass Garner. His sponsors are Cody Gass and Dawn Garner. May God bless you and keep you in all your ways, Lucas!

WE WELCOME Benjamin Clark Braun into God's family through the washing of Holy Baptism during the 10:15am service this weekend. Benjamin is the son of Justin & Lindsey nee Wynn Braun. His sponsors are Susan Starbuck, Paul Wynn, and Drew Wynn. May God bless you and keep you in all your ways, Benjamin!

THE ALTAR FLOWERS this weekend are given to the glory of God by Jim Neusel in memory of Ruthie.

PRESCHOOL FAMILY OF THE

WEEK. During the school year, we will be including an Immanuel Preschool student and his/her family in our prayers each week. This week we include Alex Keeney and his parents, David & Kayla, in our prayers. May God bless you and your family in all your ways, Alex!

GROW BY ONE! Thank you to all who have already turned in your commitment sheet and talents survey. If you haven't turned yours in yet, please do so today. Blank forms can be found in the narthex. Also, the completed forms that are being returned can be found in the narthex. Please take yours with you when you leave today.

NEXT SUNDAY is the Third Sunday in Lent. The readings for next Sunday will be Ezek. 33:7-20; 1 Cor. 10:1-13; and Luke 13:1-9. This is being provided so that you can better prepare for worship.

WANT TO STAY UP TO DATE?

If so, please visit our website (see below) for info on the latest events and activities taking place at Immanuel! It's pretty cool and has a user-friendly layout! A link to all of our past services and to our calendar can be found there, too. Click on Announcements/Blogs for the latest announcements, newsletters, and weekly updates. If you have any suggestions, feel free to let us know.

PROFIT AND LOSS reports for November 2015 are available in the narthex for anyone wishing a copy of the report.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for January-March 2016 are now available. Pick up your copy today! The booklets can be found on the windowsill in the narthex.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS can be found in the box on the windowsill in the narthex. Pick up a copy today!

FOOD COLLECTION FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE!

The Bi-County Backpack Program provides meals for children in Waterloo, Valmeyer & Red Bud, who would struggle without this support. The items needed include (no glass jars, please) pasta (spaghetti, elbow, etc.), pasta sauce, pasta mixes, Roman noodles, peanut butter, pancake mix, pancake syrup, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, tuna, soups, stews, canned ravioli, fruit (cans or cups), canned vegetables. There is a basket in the narthex for your donations. Thank you!

DID YOU KNOW? Households visited through Immanuel's New Neighbor Outreach since November 2007: 662.

REDUCE! REUSE! RECYCLE!

(1) Recycle your aluminum cans! There is a large trash can in the kitchen for those cans. If you have a large amount and put them in trash bags, you can put the bags over by the white shed at the corner of the parking lot. (2) The paper recycle bins are located in the back of the education building. Load them up with your paper recycling products!

NEED ICE? The ice machine is available and ice can be purchased for a freewill donation during office hours, and on weekends before and after the

services. Simply bag your own ice with the large ice scoop and place your money in the donation bucket. All proceeds benefit Immanuel's youth group and their events throughout the year. Thanks for your continued support!

A COFFEE & DOUGHNUT

FELLOWSHIP is held each Sunday after the early service (until 9am). Coffee and doughnuts are sponsored by Immanuel's youth and are located in the hallway by the overflow room. The youth appreciate free will donations. **Would you like to sponsor a Sunday?** If so, please sign up on the sheet on the coffee & doughnuts table or by the ice machine! Your help is appreciated!

BULLETIN BOARD IN THE NARTHEX. Remember to take a look at all the flyers on the bulletin board in the narthex. Many events and activities in and around our community (upcoming Lay Bible Institutes, concerts, dinners, Thrivent events, blood drives, etc.) are posted there!

AUTO CONTRIBUTIONS. Would you like to have your weekly or monthly contributions taken directly from your checking or savings account? If so, please fill out a Direct Contribution Form found on the shelf in the narthex and drop it in the wooden box in the narthex or in the "Notes 4 Lisa" basket in the church office.

UPDATED CHURCH DIRECTORIES are available in the narthex. Be sure to pick up a copy if you'd like.

LWML MITE BOXES. There is a purple & white "Mites for Missions" box on the table in the narthex for any loose donations you would like to give to support LWML local & national mission work. Thank you!

DO YOU SHOP AT SCHNUCKS? Schnucks offers a wonderful and EASY fundraising program, and Immanuel is a part of it. If you already have an e-scrip card, remember to use it every time you check out at Schnucks. If you don't have an e-scrip card, you can pick one up right as you enter Schnucks. They can be found on the display with the ads and other coupons. Thank you for using your cards!

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP. All men are welcome to attend a Men's Prayer Group on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 8:00pm at Wayne Collmeyer's house (209

Last Weekend's Attendance

	2016	2015
Saturday	52	38
7:45am	44	54
10:15am	<u>76</u>	<u>115</u>
	172	207
Lenten #2	76	76

2016 weekend average attendance: 239

Sunday School:

PreK-8th	18	\$2.50
HS & College	5	
Adults	<u>17</u>	
	40	

Bible Study Opportunities

Sundays:

- Pastor Troup leads a Bible study called "Daniel at Immanuel," at 9:00am in the overflow room.
- A high school and college Bible study in the youth room (lower level of the school building) at 9:00am. They are discussing the question "What Does It Look Like to Be a Christian in Our Culture?" led by Vicar Merritt.
- A Bible study "Accounts of Christian Teaching & Service" led by Alan Stumpf in the multipurpose room at 9:00am for all junior high students and their parents.
- An adult & family Bible study led by Scott & Jen Janssen and Tim Scheibe at 9:00am in the church basement kitchen. Feel free to bring your little ones, too!

Tuesdays:

- A Bible study about Job led by Pastor Troup at Burger King at 6:30am. This is a Bible fellowship for men.

Wednesdays:

- A Study of Romans led by Vicar Merritt Demski in the overflow room at 9:30am. This is a Bible fellowship for adults.

Thursdays:

- Ladies' Bible study, *A Work in Progress: A Scriptural Course toward Self-Improvement*, in the overflow room at 7:00pm.

Crosswinds Ct.) in Waterloo. Need directions or have questions? Give Wayne a call (618-719-7235).

NAMI (NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS) MEETINGS.

Do you or someone you know suffer with mental illness? If so, two meetings, one for the person with mental illness and the other for family & friends of those with mental illness, are held at Immanuel on the 2nd Monday of each month. Each are held at 7:00pm. One is held in the overflow room and the other is held in the church basement kitchen. Rev. Royal Boeder is one of the group leaders. Visit www.nami.org for more details.

WARM CLOTHING AND BLANKETS are still needed for the Board of Social Ministry's collection for New Life Evangelistic Center in St. Louis. They are in need of new & gently used blankets and men's warm clothing items (coats, gloves, socks, hats, scarves, sweatshirts, sweatpants). There is a barrel in the narthex for these items.

HOUSE OF NEIGHBORLY SERVICE (HNS) UPDATE!

See the insert for details about a special door collection coming up soon!

BAPTISMAL LAMBS. Was your son or daughter baptized at Immanuel in 2015? If so, please pick up his/her lamb from the church office. This is a nice reminder of that special day.

LCMS NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING NEWS! Did you know that 15 young people, 4-5 adults, and 2 college age students from Immanuel will be attending the 2016 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA this summer? The youth will be busy with fundraisers, Bible studies, and other events within the next 6 months as they prepare for this exciting week in God's Word with 30,000+ fellow high school age young people. Be on the lookout for opportunities to support them!

IMMANUEL'S PRESCHOOL IS NOW ENROLLING FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR! We are offering two classes: a M/W/F class for 4 yr. olds (children must be 4 by 9/1/16) and a T/Th class for 3 yr. olds (children must be 3 by 9/1/16). Class times are 8:30-11:30am each day, and there is a \$50 non-refundable registration fee. The M/W/F class's monthly tuition is \$110, and the T/Th class's monthly tuition is \$90. Tuition is paid during September-May only. You can contact the church office (939-6480) or visit our website (www.immanuelwaterloo.org/)

preschool) for more information or to get a registration packet.

MIDWEEK TIME CHANGES.

Through March 16th, our Wednesday evening midweek classes will be held from 6:15pm to 7:15pm. Youth bells practices will be held from 5:45pm to 6:15pm, choir practices will be from 6:15pm to 7:15pm, and adult bells practices will be held following the Lenten services. Please note these changes!

LENTEN SERMON SERIES. "The Scandal of Lent" is our theme for our sermon series that will continue each Wednesday throughout Lent. Please see page 18 of your bulletin for more details!

"MEET & GREET" POTLUCK!

The Board of Social Ministry invites you to come and "meet & greet" those members received during 2015 at a luncheon on Sunday, February 21. The luncheon will be held immediately following the 10:15am service (at approx. 11:30am) in the multipurpose room (gym), and it's a potluck! Pulled pork, bread, and drinks will be provided. If you plan to attend, please bring the following...those with last names beginning with A-M, please bring a side dish or salad and those with last names beginning with N-Z, please bring a dessert. We hope you can join us!

PROGRESSIVE DINNER. The Fellowship Committee is planning Immanuel's Progressive Dinner for adults on Saturday, February 27, 2016. We will begin the evening with appetizers at 5:00pm and travel to other homes for dinner and dessert. There is no cost for the evening, but you will be asked to bring a food item. We are looking for people to host, too! Come and enjoy an evening of socializing and making new friends. **Sign up on the board in the narthex by Sunday, Feb. 21st.**

UGANDA MISSION TEAM NEWS!

Immanuel's Uganda Mission Team will give a brief presentation about their trip and work in Uganda during all the services on March 5-6. They'll also give a more detailed presentation of their experience in Uganda during the education hour on March 6th. They'll make that presentation in the overflow room starting at 9:00am. We look forward to hearing what God did through our mission team on March 5-6!

BOOK CLUB. All are welcome to come and join in the discussion of *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee at our next meeting. Join us on Monday, March 7th at 7:00pm in the

church library. By the way, our April book will be *The Martian* by Andy Weir.

TRIVIA NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION!

Immanuel's youth group will be hosting a Trivia Night & Silent Auction on Saturday, March 12 at 7:00pm at the VFW Hall in Waterloo. \$100 per table with a max of 10 people per table. You can bring your own snacks, but drinks must be purchased at the VFW. Contact the church office (939-6480 or immanuelwaterloo@gmail.com) to reserve your table! Would you like to donate an item to the silent auction? If so, feel free to drop it off in the church office anytime. See page 19 of your bulletin for more details!

LIVING LAST SUPPER NEWS!

Practices for the Living Last Supper will be held on Sundays at 6:30pm, beginning on Feb. 21st. We are still looking for a man to play one of Jesus' disciples. Remember, the actual Living Last Supper service will be held on Palm Sunday, March 20th, at 4:00pm. Be sure to invite your friends & family to this special service! Look for more details to come!

LENT JUST BEGAN, BUT EASTER IS ONLY 6 WEEKS AWAY!

Our Board of Evangelism is already planning our annual Easter Egg Hunt which will be held on Palm Saturday, March 19th from 10:00am to 12:00pm at Immanuel. Mark your calendars, and watch the bulletins and March newsletter for more information!

LIFE NETWORK BANQUET!

Would you like to attend the annual banquet to benefit Life Network, the pregnancy care center, in Waterloo? The banquet will be held at The Falls in Columbia on Thursday, March 31, and Friday, April 1, and Immanuel will be hosting 1 table each evening. Rick Horton, former St. Louis Cardinals pitcher, will be the keynote speaker for this banquet. There is no charge for the evening, but there will be an opportunity to make a donation toward Life Network's efforts. If you would like to attend, please contact Lisa in the church office (939-6480 or immanuelwaterloo@gmail.com) as soon as possible.