

Our Mission
**Uniting families in Christ
to reach new generations
for Christ.**

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**THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE.
LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT!**

FOOD FOR THE POOR, founded in 1982, is an interdenominational Christian ministry working with the poor in the Caribbean and Latin America. They provide food for the starving and also build small houses, provide medicine and much more. Rev. Gerry Kovac is with us today as our guest preacher. He will let us know how we can become involved and help those much less fortunate than ourselves. The insert has more information and a giving opportunity.



FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are placed by Donald and Evelyn Yocks in loving memory of their son, Steven.

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS for next week's worship services are: Psalm 138; Isaiah 6:1-13; 1 Corinthians 14:12b-20; and Luke 5:1-11.



FELLOWSHIP TIME is hosted today by our *Fellowship Ministry*. Join us after the 8:00 service and enjoy some coffee and treats. (Next week Fellowship Time will be hosted by our *Spiritual Growth Ministry*.)

VOTERS MEETING will be held at 1:00 p.m. **Sunday, January 31**, in the Fellowship Hall. Agenda: Election of officers, reports from the Boards, and any other business will be conducted.

KID'S KINGDOM – This week, the lesson is about Jesus healing many people (*Luke 4:31-44*). Through many miracles, Jesus shows us His power over sin. Ask your children to tell you who Jesus healed. What were some of the sicknesses the people had? Talk about sin – yours, theirs, the world's and how Satan holds the world in bondage, causing sickness and death. Assure them that Jesus is the Holy One of God, who defeats Satan and frees us from his hold, granting us eternal life in paradise. Emphasize that Jesus has power over sin and sickness, saving the lost by His death and resurrection.

KINGDOM BEGINNINGS meets this Sunday in the Mother's Day Out Room for all families with children birth to age two. We would love to see you there!

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETINGS have been called for **Saturday, February 6, at 10:00 a.m. and Sunday February 14, at 1:00 p.m.** Agenda: Sale of Pearce Property.

TITHING & ATTENDANCE

January 9/10	Actual	Needed	Attendance	Communicants
Church Contributions	\$11,149	\$12,692	549	353
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ELECTION OF OFFICERS will be held at the Voters Meeting Sunday, **January 31**. Candidates are: *Director of Church Ministry*: Darwin Zimmerman; *Director of Outreach Ministry*: Sharon Siebuhr; *Director of Spiritual Growth Ministry*: Carla Wiese; *Director of Stewardship Ministry*: Mike Schumacher; *Deacon*: Wes Colbert, Marty Galucia & Rick Siebuhr; *Day School Education Ministry*: Dick Burnett, Don Luedloff, Matt Peters & Kim Theilmann. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted at the meeting (except for Deacon positions).

LADIES AID MEETING: Our next Ladies Aid meeting will be **Thursday, February 4**, at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall on N. The speaker will be Carla Wiese, who will lead us in stress control and relaxation techniques. Carla will also demonstrate BeautiControl products, with the profits of any sales to go to Ladies Aid. We will have a devotion, mite collection, and refreshments. Ladies Aid meetings are open to all ladies of the congregation and their friends. Please come and enjoy Christian fellowship with us! **NOTE**: Our bad weather policy is that if Immanuel Day School is closed due to weather on our meeting day, then we will not meet.

SINGLE WOMEN FELLOWSHIP – **Wednesday, February 10**, lunch at Max and Erma's at the Meadows in Lake St. Louis. Meet at Pearce campus at 11:30 to carpool or meet at restaurant by 11:45. As always, call to reserve your spot or for a ride by Tuesday. Darlene, 327-8551. See you soon.

PLEASE JOIN US for a Women's Bible Study by Beth Moore. The title of the study is "ESTHER, It's Tough Being a Woman." This is a 10-week study beginning **Thursday, February 18**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Room. Please contact Becky Stille (bcstille@centurytel.net or 697-8183) to sign up. Cost of the member's book is \$15.00.

IN CELEBRATING YOUR LIFE – January Birthdays – There is a list of name meanings in the Fellowship Hall today. Come check the list to learn the meaning of your name!

KIDS CLUB NEWS

Spring Mission Project: We are building "Birthday Boxes" for the Crisis Nursery Center. If you would like to donate we are in need of Birthday Napkins, Plates, Cups, Balloons, Center Pieces, etc. for making up birthday boxes that would host 8-10 people. Party Favors would be great too. If you prefer to make a donation, please drop off an envelope marked "Birthday Boxes" to Sue Bauer in the church office.

Attention All Fall and Spring Kids Club Parents: Kids Club is hosting the first Lenten Soup Supper on **February 24**. If you would like to donate a food item and/or help serve, we are looking for lots of help. We need soup, chili, hot dogs, hot dog buns, and things to make sandwiches. Your participation is most appreciated.

Kids Club has 2 more weeks. We need groups or individuals to prepare and serve snacks. You can contact Pat Simms at psimms@psphomes.com or call 314-749-9862 for more info.

2010 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are in the narthex. If you haven't picked up your offering envelopes yet, please do so when you pick up your statement. Thanks!

THANKS TO ALL GROUPS who signed up to host a Lenten Supper. We appreciate you!

HELP WANTED! Immanuel has an opening for a part-time bookkeeper (10-15 hours a week). This is a daytime position, but would not necessarily need to be each day of the week. Duties include (but are not limited to) payroll, accounts payable, and some human resources responsibilities. If interested, please contact Wes Colbert (578-4161 or wcolbert@centurytel.net).

OUTREACH

...**Prayer Vigils** for Ministries, Personal, National, All Needs led by Ray Ungemach at 7:15 p.m. to begin February 3.

...**It's February, Let's Stretch.** Pray how God might prepare us through Word and Prayer to invite friends and neighbors to worship and other church functions.

...**Mission Exploration Summary** to Los Cabos, December 2009, is available in the Fellowship Hall (or see Neal Menscher).

...**Disaster Preparedness.** Applications for CERT and Teen CERT training are now being accepted for March. Four Immanuel members completed this course last winter, finding it helpful to minimize chaos when communications are out to maximize assistance for emergencies. The course addresses preparedness, fire safety, medical operations, light search and rescue, CERT organization, and terrorism. Email Phil Yocum: phily@wentzvillemo.org for info and application. The course and supplies are free.

THINK LIFE OUTREACH

...**"Missouri Choose Life"** license plates are available through www.IM4IT.org

...**Celebrate** National Wear Red Day, February 5, and visit GoRedForWomen.org for more information to live a Heart-healthy Life, sponsored by the American Heart Association.

...**Think Red Again!** Missouri Right To Life encourages you to Wear Red and Attend Show Me Life Tuesday, March 30, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Missouri State Capitol, 1st Floor Rotunda. For information call (573) 635-5110 or visit www.missourilife.org.

...**I'm looking for** a health conscious member (maybe a nurse or fitness enthusiast) to join the Board of Outreach specifically for keeping us tuned into Health Outreach opportunities and events. There are a lot of opportunities of this type, so it would help to have a person who's health conscious keeping us attentive. Call Cynthia 484-0276.

PLEASE RECYCLE – You can help us (and the environment) by recycling any unwanted papers after church (worship folders, Children's Bulletins, etc.) in the brown wicker basket by the reception desk in the narthex. We appreciate it!

SERVING AT WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK: Worship Assistants – Saturday-Lowell Mattox (Captain); 8:00-Kevin Minard (Captain), Dale Bauer, Tim Colbert, Bob Jalack, and Bob Meyer; 10:45-Vern Boehme (Captain), Matt Daugherty, Tom Herndon, Curt Stille, and Terry Stricker. **Lay Readers** – 8:00-Ray Ungemach; 10:45-Neal Menscher. **Acolytes** – Saturday-Paige Noble; 8:00-Skye Miller; 10:45-Hannah Schlogl. **Greeters** – Saturday-Chad & Kelsey Komnick; 8:00-Pat Wist & Molissa Harms; 10:45-Linda Seiler & Pat Ragsdale. **February Ushers** – Saturday-Dennis Moellering (Captain), Herman Bauer, Gary Fischer, Don Giessmann, Todd Greiwe and Brian Menscher; 8:00-Doug Clark (Captain), Terry Adams, David Agne, Marty Benson, Tim Colbert, Mark Collins, and Joe Malatich; 10:45-Dan Koenig (Captain), Mike Fridley, Bill Launer, Ed Lovelace, Hal McClurkin, Mario McClurkin, and Kris Schuldt.

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE – On Saturday, February 13, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Lutherans for Life is sponsoring their annual fun evening of **dance and refreshments!** The cost is \$10.00 per family (in advance) and will be held at Zion, Harvester, in their gym. Contact Molissa Harms (314-302-6212) for more info. Reminder: this is a **fun** family activity!

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT Pancake Breakfast to Benefit the Lakota children of the Cheyenne River Youth Project at Applebee's (Chesterfield Valley at Boone's Crossing), February 13, from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Breakfast includes: eggs, pancakes, sausage and the beverages of your choice. The cost is \$7.00 and you can pay at the door.

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL will host **Parent Information Night** February 2 for new families. We will present everything you need to know about enrolling at LHS including course selection, Lutheran High scholarships and need-based financial aid, extracurricular activities, etc. All required enrollment forms will be distributed. **Parents** of students planning to enroll should be present. We will be accepting completed applications and registration fees that evening.

“A NIGHT FOR KIDS” – The 7th annual Lutheran Elementary School Association (LESA)/ Building Blocks Scholarship Fund Dinner – Auction will be held Friday, April 16, from 5-10 p.m. at The Royale Orleans Banquet Center, 2801 Telegraph Rd. The evening’s special events include the BBSF Glass Sale, an old fashioned Lollipop Pull, a “Wine and Dine,” and an opportunity to help us “Light Up the Night.” Tickets are \$50 each with tables of 8 available. To make a donation, purchase tickets, or to volunteer, call Melissa Maxfield at 314-268-1525 or visit us at www.lesastl.org. Proceeds from the auction will be used to provide need-based tuition assistance scholarships to children attending LESA member elementary schools.

ARE YOU INTERESTED in making a major purchase and helping LHS in the process? Call the school office (928-5100) and let us know what is on your list. We will make every effort to have your desired item available at the LHS Auction on March 13 so you can support Lutheran High while fulfilling your needs. Do you have the ability to provide something which others might want? Gift certificates, tickets, unique dinners, theme baskets, electronic games and equipment are all great ideas. Donor forms are available from Cee Cee Liefer (Pearce) or Lori McEvoy (Hwy N). Check out some early items up for bid at www.lhssc.org.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE “LIFE THOUGHTS” – Known, formed, consecrated, and appointed – and all before Jeremiah was born (*Jeremiah 1:5*). It seems that Jeremiah was more to the Lord than the “product of conception” or “a glob of tissue” or some “non-human, non-person entity.” So he was. So are we all.

TWB/SCRIP CARDS are sold after the 8:00 Sunday service and they are always available at the school office on Pearce. These cards make great gift ideas or use them for your weekly shopping. All profits benefit Immanuel Lutheran Church and School. If you have any questions, contact Cee Cee Liefer in the school office (639-9887).

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS & WHITE GRAPE JUICE are available for those who have sensitivities. The grape juice is in the center of the communion tray. Please let Pastor know before service if you need the gluten-free wafer.

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS and turn off your cell phones/pagers before you enter church.

DON'T FORGET to sign the prayer cards for those on the prayer list. Cards are in the narthex.