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

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**WELCOME TO IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
AND SCHOOL ON THIS GLORIOUS PALM SUNDAY!**

WHAT DOES JONAH BEING IN THE BELLY OF A GREAT BIG FISH have in common with Holy Week? Come and find out! In doing so, you will make your Easter celebration complete! Join us for worship on Maundy Thursday at 7:00 p.m., Good Friday at Noon and 7:00 p.m., Holy Saturday at 5:00 p.m., and Easter Morning at 6:30, 8:00, and 10:45 a.m. Don't forget there will be a great-tasting Easter Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 7:30. Oh! Here's yet another great reason for not missing any of these services: They're our first Holy Week Services in our new building!



FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are placed to the glory of God by Ron and Jackie Mottola and in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are placed to the glory of God by the 8th Grade Confirmation Class in celebration of their Confirmation today.



THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION takes place during the 10:45 service when twenty-one of our youth take another step in their faith walk. Grant Abts, Bruce Boni, Taylor Brookshire, Reghan Cevasco, Sidney Dotson, Ian Fitzpatrick, Kellie Freise, Cynthia Gaines, Jennifer Goebel, Joseph Gray, Ryan Greiwe, Brett Liefer, Paige Noble, Alivia Noltling, Ryan Powers, Luke Randall, Brendan Schiltz, Jacob Schmidt, Elisabeth Siebuhr, Blake Van Booven, and Blake Weber will vow before God and this congregation to remain faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ and His saving Gospel. Please continue to keep them and their parents in your prayers.

SCHEDULE CHANGES! Adult Bible Study **will not** meet Sunday, March 28 or April 4. Kid's Kingdom **will not** meet Sunday, April 4.



FELLOWSHIP TIME is hosted today by our Day School Education Ministry. Join us in the Fellowship Hall **at the end nearest the kitchen** after the 8:00 service and enjoy some coffee and treats. (The Confirmation Class will be enjoying their own Fellowship Time close to the narthex while they are having pictures taken.) Immanuel's Youth will host an Easter breakfast next Sunday. Plan to join them!

TITHING & ATTENDANCE

March 17, 20 & 21	Actual	Needed	Attendance	Communicants
Church Contributions	\$11,214	\$12,692	614	414
3Cs Contributions	\$ 912	\$ 5,433		
Lenten Service			117	

DO YOU BELIEVE IN MIRACLES? YES! If you haven't heard by now...the Wentzville School District has officially agreed to purchase our property on Pearce. And... they're paying cash and taking it "as is." WOW! Who would have thought!? Of course with that sale comes some busy times with important decisions needing to be made in the very near future. First off, the school will be moving into our "N" location with the planning/building of Phase II (Gym/Cafeteria) to commence as soon as possible (with congregational approval of course ☺)! Secondly, we need to make sure we get all of our "stuff" out of the buildings. Included with that stuff are our altar, pulpit, lectern, and other church furnishings (hopefully a few pews for posterity sake - no pun intended!). As we continue this massive transition that began with the building of our beautiful new sanctuary, your prayers are requested that our Lord might continue to guide and direct us so we might make an even greater impact on the community of Wentzville for centuries to come!

WHAT ABOUT THE ORGAN? I'm glad you asked. We need to decide what to do with the pipe organ currently located in the Heritage Church. To assist in that endeavor, the Organ Committee has been revived to the point of already having met with the builder of that organ to discuss our possibilities. One such possibility discussed is to "build it into" our new sanctuary. This of course would require upgrading the Heritage organ so that it could properly fill our space with beautiful music. That being said, the committee will gather *all the facts and options* and present them to the Voters so that we might make a decision on this very important matter.

KID'S KINGDOM – The key point of the lesson this is that Jesus is our Passover Lamb, who with His very body and blood grants us forgiveness, life, and salvation. The children will learn about the Last Supper, the Lord's Supper (*Luke 22:1-23*). In your family discussions, talk about the benefits and blessings that we receive in the Lord's Supper. Talk about and remind the children that such benefits are theirs through their Baptism, in Holy Absolution (the forgiveness of God spoken by the Pastor), and through God's Word, which is preached and taught to them. In the catechism, review the Lord's Supper. Just a reminder we **WILL NOT** have Kid's Kingdom next week.

EASTER LILIES – If you would like to place a lily on the altar for Easter, you can pick up an order form in the Fellowship Hall. Please let us know by **Monday, March 29**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Please submit your Pulse and/or video announcements by **1:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 30**, since this is a "short" workweek. Thanks! *Dan Stec & Sue Bauer*



EASTER BREAKFAST: Immanuel Lutheran Youth will be serving the Easter Breakfast this year. Funds raised from this event will benefit the youth who are attending *The Gathering* this summer in New Orleans as well as other Youth projects throughout the year, and will be supplemented by Thrivent Financial. Any donations made above the ticket prices are greatly appreciated! Breakfast, consisting of eggs, sausage, biscuits, gravy, and French toast sticks, will be served from 7:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Adults – \$5.00; Children ages 6-12 – \$2.50; and Children age 5 and under, FREE with paid adult ticket. Tickets are on sale **THIS** weekend. If you don't have a chance to purchase a ticket in advance, **please come to the breakfast anyway!** (Advance sales are mostly for planning purposes.)

IMMANUEL'S SENIORS will meet at the home of Trudy Demien, 1411 Wilmer Road, **Wednesday, March 31, at 12:00 noon** to enjoy a covered dish luncheon. Bring your favorite main dish, side dish or dessert to share. The afternoon will be spent in fellowship playing cards, dominos, and board games. Call Trudy (327-4474) if you need directions. **NOTE the date change!**

LADIES AID MEETING: Our next Ladies Aid meeting will be Thursday, April 1, at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall on N. We will have devotions, mites, and a wonderful program! Dr. John and Bobbie Lautenschlager will be with us, representing Lutheran Medical Missions. They have previously lived in Africa for twenty years, working in medical missions, and more recently, have made two trips to Haiti. They are members of Trinity, Soulard. Please join us for this informative session! All ladies of the congregation and their friends are welcome.

TWO BLOOD DRIVES will be held in April. The first drive will be held in the Fellowship Hall Monday, April 12, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. The second will be held at our Pearce Campus Monday, April 19, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Appointments may be scheduled through the church or school offices; or you can log on to bloodcenterimpact.org. Contact Terry Deters (314-291-4741 ext. 227) for more information or check out the flyers in the Fellowship Hall.

SINGLE WOMEN FELLOWSHIP – Wednesday, April 14 – meet to carpool from Pearce at 11:15 for lunch at Ruiz Castillo Mexican restaurant in Wright City. Call by Tuesday for a ride or to reserve your spot. *Darlene (327-8551)*

IMMANUEL 101! For those who have been instructed in the Christian Faith-Lutheran Style and desire to transfer their church membership to Immanuel, please set aside **Wednesday, April 14 and 21**, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. for *Immanuel 101*. This two-week class will give you a closer look at the ministry of Immanuel and your partnership with us. The class will be held in the Fellowship Hall. Call the church office to reserve your seat!

ORDER YOUR PERSONALIZED GIFTS: The Ladies Aid is taking orders for personalized baking pans and other kitchenware. Check out the display table in the Fellowship Hall after Saturday and Sunday services. These make great gifts; remember Mother's Day is coming, also birthdays and anniversaries, and even Christmas! Thank you!

CALL LIST – If you have the name of a Pastor you would like to place on the *Call List* for Associate Pastor, please fill out a Pastoral Nomination Form (available in the Fellowship Hall). Completed forms may be placed in the Deacons' mailbox or turned in to the church office. Names must be submitted by **March 28**. *Roger Huslage, Assembly of Deacons (327-6140)*

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET, hosted by Ladies Aid, will be Thursday, May 6, at 6:00 p.m. Tickets will be on sale after the Saturday service April 10, 17, 24 and May 1. Tickets will be on sale after the 8:00 Sunday service and before the 10:45 Sunday service April 11, 18, 25 and May 2. You may also purchase tickets in the church office. Cost for the catered meal is \$10.00/adults, \$6.50/ages 6-12, and free/age 5 and under. Due to the table arrangements in the Fellowship Hall, we will be assigning parties to tables prior to the banquet. This will ensure families get to sit together. As a result, ticket sales will end **May 2**.

MISSING AND URGENTLY NEEDED! The insert for one of the new crock pots in the kitchen has been missing for about 4 weeks. If you needed it to take food home, please return it so others can use it. Thanks.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for April-June are now available. What a great way to start your day! We also have a limited supply of large print copies; call the church office if you would like one. If you would like to contribute to their cost, please place your donation in the basket.

DONALD HAAKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – This year again, two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to college students who are pursuing a degree in Lutheran Education during the 2010-2011 school year. Applications are now available in the Fellowship Hall. If you know of anyone who is going to be a Lutheran School teacher, please pass this scholarship information on to them. Applications should be received by May 1. Winners will be announced after May 15.

SIMPLY GIVING gives you the ability to make your contributions to church electronically. Getting started is very easy! Simply grab a Simply Giving form on the table in the Fellowship Hall, fill it out, include a voided check or credit card information, and turn it in to either Michele Miller (Business Manager) or Sue Bauer (Church Secretary) and they will make sure you are enrolled. If you have any questions about Simply Giving, please contact Wes Colbert.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN the new e-update notification system, please send an email to Larry Miller at admin@ilcsw.net. Don't miss out on the latest news from Immanuel.

SERVING AT WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK: Worship Assistants – Maundy Thursday-Randy Powers (Captain); Good Friday 12:00-Kevin Minard (Captain); 7:00-Doug Dotson (Captain). Saturday-Kevin Minard (Captain); Easter Sunday 6:30-Ray Ungemach (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** – 6:30-Ray Ungemach; 8:00-Raph Wolfram; 10:45-Neal Menscher. **Acolytes** – Saturday-Paige Noble. **Greeters** – Saturday-Chad & Kelsey Komnick; 8:00-Charles & Vi Skillman; 10:45-Linda Seiller & Pat Ragsdale. **April Ushers – Maundy Thursday**-Kevin Hartley (Captain), David Agne, Walter Breville and Harvey Linhardt. **Good Friday 12:00**-Harvey Linhardt (Captain), Joe Malatich and Mike Schumacher; **7:00**-Kevin Hartley (Captain), Dan Koenig and John Wightman. **Saturday**-Dennis Moellering (Captain), Herman Bauer, Gary Fischer, Don Giessmann, Todd Greiwe and Brian Menscher; **Easter 6:30**-Harvey Linhardt (Captain), Brian Buckley, David Goebel and John Wightman; **8:00**-Mark Collins (Captain), Ron Kersey, Harvey Linhardt, Jim Miller, Mike Simms and Forrest VanNess; **10:45**-Eric Abts (Captain), Mark Apple, Walter Breville, Neal Menscher, Ryan Powers, Hannah Schuldt and Todd Weber.

THE MAUNDY THURSDAY services on April 1 at Peace Lutheran Church, South County, will be a presentation of the “Living Last Supper.” Come and experience through drama, how the disciples may have responded when Jesus said, “One of you will betray me.” There are two services (6:00 and 8:00 p.m.). To ensure seating in the Nave, FREE tickets are available by calling the church office (314-892-5610).

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL is seeking to hire a Director of Recruitment and Marketing. If you know of someone with experience and interest in such a position, please have them contact Lutheran High for a job description and more details about the position.

LUTHERAN DAY AT BUSCH is Saturday, May 1, this year with our Central Division Champion Cardinals taking on Cincinnati in a 12:10 p.m. game followed by our own LHS Cougars playing Springfield Lutheran. Terrace Reserve tickets are only \$22. Sign up today and enjoy an afternoon of fun and fellowship with thousands of other Lutherans.

DON'T DELAY: Saving today is one of the best ways to secure your retirement. Most people nearing retirement have an important piece of advice for those in their 20s and 30s: Start saving for your retirement now. According to a fall 2006 survey of 2,500 U.S. adults age 45 to 64 by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, many baby boomers want others to learn from their mistakes. For example, 86% of those surveyed urged younger generations to start saving as soon as possible. And 71% worry about not having enough money in retirement. There may never be a better time to get serious about preparing for what lies ahead. To learn more, contact Brent Stewart, financial consultant, at 493-9220 or brent.stewart@thrivent.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – Pastor Clausing, who is on staff at Lutheran High School, and Students for Life will be going to an Abortion Clinic in St. Louis every Sunday through March 28 to peacefully pray for the end of abortion. Anyone who would like to carpool is welcome. They will leave at 11:00 a.m. from the LHS parking lot. If you are interested in being part of this outreach, please contact Molissa Harms, 314-302-6212.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE “LIFE THOUGHTS” – Jesus’ journey during Holy Week from the triumphal entry to the torturous crucifixion really began in a fallopian tube. Jesus “made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant” (*Philippians 2:7*). That happened at Jesus’ conception in the fallopian tube of Mary. Celebrated on Thursday, March 25, the Annunciation of our Lord marks this event. The king who came into Jerusalem on a donkey and the mocked king who left Jerusalem carrying a cross was formed in a womb as we were. The next time you hear someone devalue life in the womb, remind them of Jesus’ journey.

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).

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.

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.

+ THE WEEK AHEAD AT IMMANUEL +
March 28-April 4, 2010

THIS	- 8:00 a.m. – Divine Service	FRI	Church Office Closed
SUN	- 9:30 a.m. – Kid’s Kingdom		No School at ILS
	- 9:30 a.m. – HS Bible Classes		
	- 10:45 a.m. – <i>The Connection Service</i>		12:00 noon – Good Friday Service
	and 8 th Grade Confirmation		7:00 p.m. – Good Friday Service
	- 7:00 p.m. – HS Night		
TUES	- 6:00 a.m. – Breakfast at Immanuel	SAT	- 5:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil Divine Service
	- 9:30 a.m. – Women of the Word		
WED	- 8:30 a.m. – ILS Chapel (P)		
	- 12:00 noon – Seniors Luncheon at Trudy’s Home		<u>Easter Sunday Services</u>
	- 7:15 p.m. – Prayer Vigil		6:30 a.m. – Sunrise Service
THURS	- 11:30 a.m. – ILS Dismissal		8:00 a.m. – Divine Service
	- 1:30 p.m. – Ladies Aid Meeting		10:45 a.m. – Divine Service
	- 5:00 p.m. – <i>Laudate</i> Ringers		
	- 7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Service		<u>Easter Breakfast</u>
	- 8:15 p.m. – Festival Choir		Served from 7:30-10:30 a.m.

(P) – Event held at Pearce Campus