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**Thanksgiving Eve Communion Service: November 23rd...**  
7:00pm at Immanuel CHURCH, 906 E Grant St. Come give thanks!

Sunday School Lessons: Nov 27 we'll be making Advent Wreaths to use or to give to others!

**Praise for the Sureness of God's Gifts**

*How sure, how sure  
the unbent and unending  
circling of the lights  
which Your primeval Word  
has coiled around my world!*

*How sure  
the fixed procession  
of my days and nights,  
the ordered cadence  
of the seasons,  
and the counted rhythm  
of my lapsing years!*

*Nothing more sure than these,  
nothing more sure  
than the fixed dying  
they dole out to me--  
save You.*

*Only Your giving is more sure than they.  
Only the life You give us  
will outlast and outshine them all.*

*Martin Franzmann. Pray For Joy (CPH) 1970*

The Apostle Paul seemed to have thought that giving thanks was front and center in the life of the Christian: 'Give thanks in all things' (1 Thess 5:18), 'Always and for everything giving thanks' (Ephesians 5:20), 'In everything by prayer ... with thanksgiving' (Philippians 4:6), 'And be thankful ... with thankfulness in your heart toward God ... do everything ... giving thanks to God the Father' (Colossians 3:13-17), 'Continue steadfastly in prayer, with thanksgiving' (Colossians 4:2)."

*James M. Kushiner, The Fellowship of St. James – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life*  
• [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

**ALTAR FLOWERS.** There are a few slots remaining to sign up for altar flowers to enhance our worship at Immanuel for 2017. The cost is \$25.00 to provide flowers for two Sundays. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board at Immanuel. If you have questions, contact Miriam Satern at 837-2808 or [MN-Satern@wiu.edu](mailto:MN-Satern@wiu.edu)

**SAVE THE DATE** February 26, 2017, is the date for the Five Alarm Chili Supper and Silent Auction. Please mark your calendars and start going through your closets to find items to include on the auction. More information will be coming in 2017

It's time to sponsor your Christmas Poinsettia. This year we have ordered 10 plants. Each plant is 10 dollars and can be sponsored by contacting Miriam Satern at [mn-satern@wiu.edu](mailto:mn-satern@wiu.edu) or 837-2808.

LWML will enjoy an evening together to celebrate the Christmas season on Tuesday, December 13. The get-



together will start with dinner at the Red Ox at 6:00 then we will move to Sally Powell's house at 222 S. College for dessert, devotions led by Pastor Burdock, and a gift exchange (\$5 limit). All women in the church are invited. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet at Immanuel so we will know how many reservations to make.



Great food (cooked by St. George's Bryce Dexter), great volunteers (including the Quicks, Marlows, Burdicks, Miriam Satern, Stephanie Bergland), and great neighbors from Prairieview Townhomes. We were blessed again to provide the Thanksgiving Meal with our neighbors there. There are many children and families in our Housing Authority homes who need love, support, neighbors and mentors, just like we do. Get to know them. Listen, love, lead. In the name of Jesus. Thanks be to God for our 4th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at Prairieview with St. George's Anglican Church. Let's do it again next year. We have great neighbors! Pray for others.

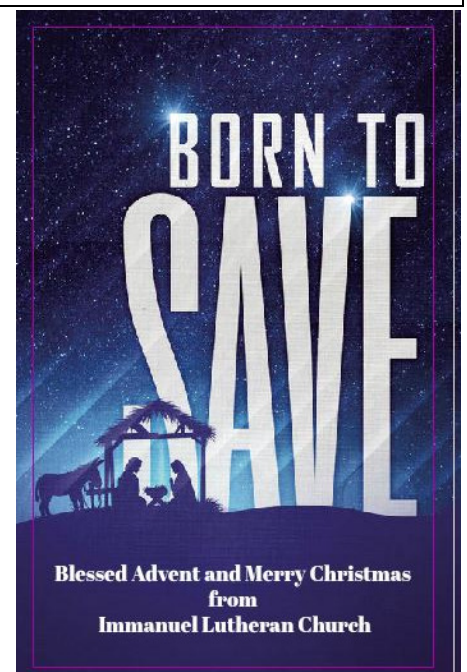
→ This "Born To Save" card will be available for you to give to neighbors next week. On the back it extends a welcome for people to join us for Advent Vespers (Nov 30, Dec 7 & 14), Christmas Eve Candlelight, and, of course, our Sunday morning Services. To whom will you give (or mail) it? We're coming into that time of the year when people are needing and waiting for you to invite them to Church. It's a wonderful time to be the Church.

St. John's Lutheran Church (Effingham, IL) will be celebrating 150 years of God's blessings on December 11, 2016. Praise God! For more information, go to their website at [www.stjohnslcms.net](http://www.stjohnslcms.net)

**Camp CILCA** will hold a Fall Clean-Up Day on Saturday, December 10 from 9am-Noon. We will be raking leaves away from the cabins and putting picnic tables and benches into storage for the winter. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. Thank you in advance for your willingness to help!



Next Sunday, November 27, will you stay after Bible Class and Sunday School to put up our Church Christmas Tree and greens? It's a fun time to work together!



IT'S LIKE JESUS IS THE **BEST** AND **HIGHEST** BEING IMAGINABLE!



HE HAS GREATER AUTHORITY THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE.



AND THEN HE OFFERS HIS LIFE FOR OURS.



UNIMAGINABLE!



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7:30am Sundays at 96.7FM. Sponsored by Immanuel:

November 27 **"The Perfect Christmas"** The first Christmas was anything but perfect. Then again, if everything had been just as it should be, we wouldn't have needed a Savior. (Galatians 4:4-5)

December 4 **"Wait Until He Comes!"** A broken world waits, yearns, and hopes for restoration. Jesus has already done everything to make that restoration a reality. (Isaiah 11:1-10)

**THE LORD WILLING, THIS WEEK THROUGH IMMANUEL**

**Sunday, November 20**  
Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM)  
Worship Service (C)  
Sunday School (C)  
Jr. Confirmation Class (C)

7:30 AM  
8:30AM  
9:45 AM  
10:45 AM

**Monday, November 21**  
Preschool Class (C)

8:30 AM

**Tuesday, November 22**  
Adult Bible Study (C)

7:00

**Wednesday, November 23**  
Thanksgiving Worship (C)

7:00PM

**Thursday, November 24**  
None

**Friday, November 25**  
None

**Saturday, November 26**  
None

**Sunday, November 27**  
Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM) 7:30 AM  
Worship Service (C) 8:30AM  
Sunday School (C) 9:45  
AM  
Jr. Confirmation Class (SC) 10:45 AM

SC =Student Center (303 N. Clay) C = Church (906 E. Grant)

The work load at the seminary has been more manageable than other terms, and I have not needed as many late nighters this time. However, life has simply thrown some strange curve balls lately.<sup>1</sup> Please allow me to confide in you -- one struggle I have had is stress. I think some of the stressors I have gone through have caught up with me.

I have turned to the Word for help, and here is the verse I am currently memorizing and find encouraging:

*"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident. One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple." ~Psalm 27:1-4*

Long story short, it would be wonderful if you could pray that the Lord watches over me during this time of spiritual warfare, and for His peace during turmoil.

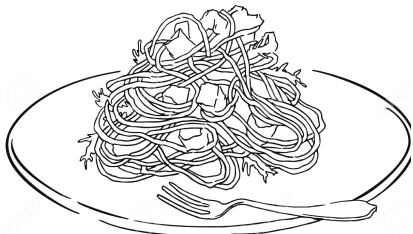
Thank you so much for your support, especially your prayers during this enjoyable, yet challenging time.

Your Brother in Christ,

*Dwight Wyeth*



Dwight and Roseanne Wyeth at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. Dwight's one of our former students at WIU, and is now in his 2nd year of pastoral formation at CSL. ← This is the 2nd part of their "thank you" letter for the prayer and financial support we provide to prepare him as a pastor in God's Church. Thanks, Immanuel. You're making a difference in the church now and in the future!



All-you-care-to-eat Spaghetti Supper, **Wednesday, November 30, 6:00-6:45pm** at Immanuel Lutheran CHURCH. All proceeds of the freewill offering offset costs for college students to attend the "Liberty" Conference in Washington, D.C. in January! Bring friends. Take-outs available. Enjoy the food and be as generous as you can. THANK YOU. Stephanie Bergland, LSF V.P. Tell your friends! Bring neighbors. Let us feed you. (And stay for church afterward!)

