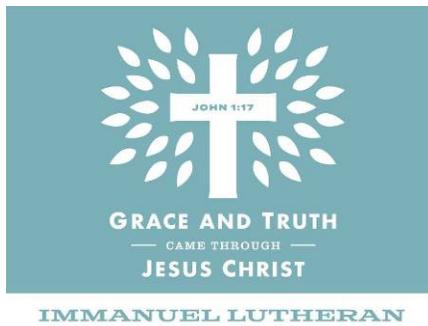


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This Wednesday (Nov 14) we get to have a meal with our neighbors on the East side of town, at Prairieview Homes. Many of you have helped with this annual feast before, along with the people of St. George's Anglican Church, and have found it to be a great time. Set up at 3:30pm, Dinner is at 5:00, and we're all cleaned up by 6:30. Can you be in the picture this year? Sign up on the clipboard in the Narthex, or email the church office to let us know you'll be helping (and enjoying the meal). You enter the parking lot for the Prairieview Community Center from Wheeler Street.

You've probably heard that Westboro Baptist Church plans to be present this Saturday at the WIU football at 11:45am to demonstrate. If they come, they'll likely bring signs and voices with harsh, vile messages. They aren't helpful. Even less helpful would be to engage them in angry debate, giving them the images they seek. In a very nice conversation I had Wednesday afternoon with a WIU student whom they would probably want to offend, we agreed that neither of us will give them that image. I guess the WBC threat of protest had at least one unintended consequence: two men who presently disagree on some matters of sexuality sitting down and having a face to face conversation. A quite nice one. May I suggest to you that we work on more those?

Advent is just three weeks away. Dust off your Advent Wreath, and pick up our devotional, "The Coming King." Give them away (a wreath and a devotional) so that someone else has a deeper, more Christ-centered Advent journey toward December 25!

And finally, plan to be with us for our Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 21 at the Church! Service is at 7:00pm, and God's great Thanksgiving Feast will be the Center.



Pastor Mike Burdick

Student Center Anniversary Service: 2:00pm Sunday, March 31, 2019. Soli Deo Gloria!



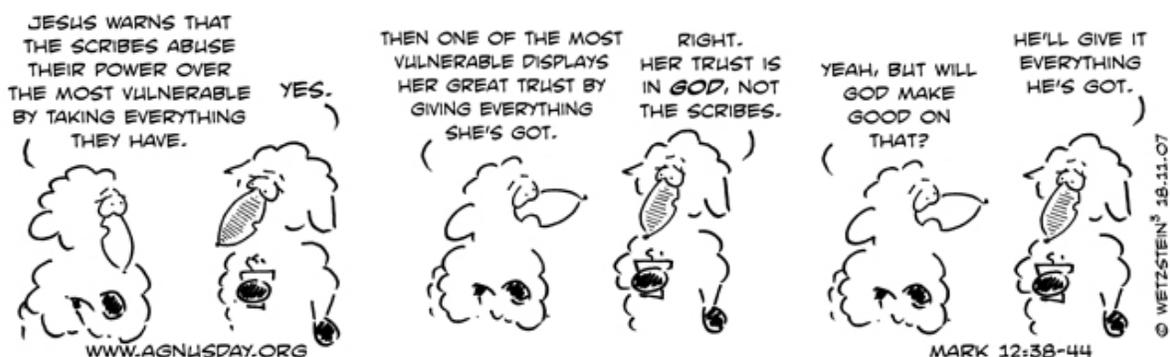
7:30am Sundays on WGNX 96.7 FM ... sponsored by Immanuel! **November 18 "Once And For All"**
 Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Anthony (Tony) Cook shares God's message of forgiveness--"In Jesus, our Great High Priest, we have found the perfect and permanent solution to our separation and sin." (Hebrews 10:11-19)
November 25 "Birth Pains" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler A message by Michael Ziegler for The Lutheran Hour Based on Mark 13:1-37

Note: The YMCA "Pastapalooza" will be Monday, November 19 at the American Legion. Great food for a great community organization!

"God adopts. The Gospel is about adoption. Salvation's story can't be told apart from adoption. Christianity can't happen without it ... Pharaoh's daughter adopting Moses leads to the Hebrews ending up liberated ... Joseph adopting Jesus sets in motion sinners getting forgiven. Father Almighty offers His Son and adopts human beings for us to have a faith relationship with the Lord God and the hope of resurrection to everlasting life in His heavenly kingdom. No wonder early Christians opened the world's first orphanages." *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

November 18 & 25 we will hold one Service while WIU isn't in session. Plan to worship at 8:30am at the CHURCH those Sundays!

Advent Evening Prayer Services will be held at the CHURCH on Wednesdays, December 5, 12, and 19 at 7:00pm!



TREASURER'S GREEN SHEET REPORT: October 2018

Income	October	Year to Date
Offering	\$ 11,899.25	\$ 102,862.16
Other Income	<u>5.10</u>	<u>545.75</u>
Total Income	\$ 11,904.35	\$ 103,407.91
Expenses		
Budget	\$ 12,685.83	\$ 126,858.30
Actual Spending	<u>(13,838.55)</u>	<u>(106,625.00)</u>
Difference	\$ (1,152.72)	\$ 20,233.30
Total Income	\$ 11,904.35	\$ 103,407.91
Actual Spending	<u>(13,838.55)</u>	<u>(106,625.00)</u>
Difference	\$ (1,934.20)	\$ (3,217.09)

THE LORD WILLING, THIS WEEK THROUGH IMMANUEL ... IN THE NAME OF JESUS

Sunday, November 11		Student Dinner (C)	6:30 PM
Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM)	7:30 AM	Student Bible Study (SC)	7:30 PM
Worship Service (SC)	10:00 AM	Thursday, Nov 15	
Kim Piano Recital (C)	3:00 PM	Adult Catechism Study (SC)	4:00 PM
Monday, Nov 12		Sunday, November 18	
Elders (C)	7:00 PM	Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM)	7:30 AM
Wednesday, November 14		Worship Service (C)	8:30 AM
Quilter's Guild (C)	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Voter's Meeting (C)	9:45 AM
Prairieview Meal	3:30 PM	SC=Student Center (303 N Clay) C=Church (906 E Grant)	

Those serving on November 18: Greeter: Bill Oliver;

Counters: Doris Taylor & Denise Thomas; Altar Guild: Linda Standard & Mary Wolfmeyer; Altar Flowers: Doug & Amy Bear

ALTAR FLOWERS.

It's time to sign up for altar flowers to enhance our worship at Immanuel for 2019. 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.

Mark 12:44 – **“For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”** From Old Testament times right through to today the Lord has urged us to give to His work in the Church in proportion to how He has blessed us. He has also called us to sacrificial giving, that is, giving that actually costs us something. That's the shape of true Christian generosity.



For a Living Hope

O God, You have given Your People a future and a hope-- hope fixed and grounded in the resurrection of Your Son, who lives and reigns, who by His Spirit has given us a vision that can look beyond the gray breakers of our successive days and through the mists that obscure Your sun, out to the quiet shore of our unending home with You.

Oh, keep us in that hope, that vision. Let us not lose it amid the clutter of the things that we possess, that threaten ever and again to possess us. Teach us the loose hold on Your present gifts lest we lose the greater gifts You hold in store. Teach us to hold to that hope even amid our good and pure concern for this world's agonies lest we forget that we can do no more than bind up this world's wounds until Your Son returns and lifts up finally the fallen world; lest we forget that this hope is the most precious thing that we can give to men; lest we forget that giving mammon is no cure for hopelessness, that hopeless men well housed are hopeless still, that men fed on our food are futureless for all our feeding them.

And since we are men who go from far left to extreme right, from one ditch to the other, and cannot hold a true course down the road that leads homeward, let us not use our hope to shield us from the poor who cry to us, the poor in whose outstretched hands and upturned faces we can see the hands and face of Jesus Christ, who at the last will come to judge us all. Through Him we pray.