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News for and through Immanuel Lutheran Church & Student Center (LCMS), Macomb, IL.



For many of us, this was the way to get to school. No seat belts. Unwritten but clear seating arrangements. A mixture of fear and excitement in our minds. I rode the bus from kindergarten through sophomore year, and don't regret it at all.

For some of our college students this was the way to Church in the 1960s. Dr. Arnold Wendt would drive the old bus around the WIU campus and then bring students to our Church on Grant St. Perhaps fear and excitement were in them, too. Then the Student Center was opened in '69. More students came to worship, but the bus was unnecessary.

Still, that bus* is a reminder of Immanuel congregation's early commitment to our college students. That commitment continues today, and it's beautiful and helpful. You welcome students in

worship and in social events. You provide meals and enjoy them together. You give them opportunities to serve. You mentor them overtly and silently.

The Church is the Body of Christ. Jesus is the Head. Some of us are hands on the steering wheel, others are ears that listen. Some know how to fix the bus, and some know how to teach a Sunday School lesson. On and on, we go and grow as the Body of Christ. Not existing for ourselves but for others. For sinners who need to be reconnected with the Church. For sinners who have never heard the truth of the forgiveness of their sins. For the life-long Lutheran in the bus seat next to us who needs to hear us sing and confess the Creed, because today it's too difficult for them to get the words out. I'm glad you're here. They are glad you're here. Even without seat belts. Let's go.

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*We would love to locate a picture of that old bus. Help!

STUDENTS AND MEMBERS: We are not going <u>away</u> for a Spring Break Servant trip this March, but we are seeking to serve. please consider our "stay-cation" of serving here in Macomb for twoand-a-half days. The plan: students head home for Spring Break on Friday, March 8th, then return on Thursday, March 14. We'll provide all meals, and accommodations for students will be at the student center and the parsonage. Volunteer work will be done at the student center, the church, and in the community. Devotions will focus on servanthood and the Gospel, and a little field trip will be included. There will be good work, good friends, fun, food, and a positive impact where we live. Are you up for it? Sign up on the clipboard in the narthex! Thank you. Oh, the cost? Your time

and talent, which are tremendously valuable, but zero \$\$.



Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" at <u>1:00PM</u> Sundays on WGNX 96.7 FM February 17 "Enter His Labor" What would you do if your Word was all-powerful? Jesus started a conversation with an outsider. (John 4:1-42) "Not by Bread Alone" There's a spiritual hunger beyond food that is expressed in food. Jesus February 24 provides for both. (Jn 6:1-29)

Thanks for your support of the Nerf games fundraiser for Loaves and Fishes!

Supper and Study this Wednesday. 6:30pm Supper. 7:30pm Student Bible Study in the Gospel of JOHN. ***** Sign up for our spring break mini-servant event. **** See Emma if you're interested in singing in the Choir on March 31 ****** Read the Question and Answer Book, and add new questions.****** Come on our Retreat at Camp CILCA March 1-2, which costs only \$5!



Hey God, What About? Today's question: "I would like to read the Bible. Can you tell me (answered after 11:00am Service) where to begin?"

In the season of Lent we will be studying the Book of Exodus. You could begin reading through it this week! Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, March 6.

50th Anniversary

of Immanuel LUTHERAN STUDENT CENTER

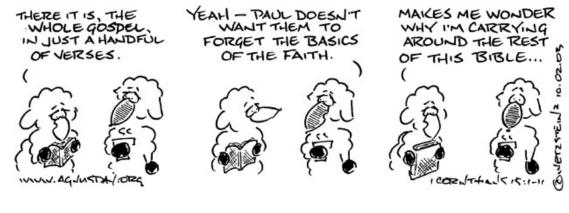
Sunday, March 31, 2019 2:00pm Celebration Worship

preacher: Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis former speaker, The Lutheran Hour





That morning we will hold ONE Service at 10:00am at the CHURCH. Plan to be part of this milestone!



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

Sunday, February 17

Worship Service (C)	8:30 AM
Sunday School (C)	9:45 AM
Worship Service (SC)	11:00 AM
50th Anniv. Mtg (SC)	12:00PM
Choir Rehearsal (SC)	12:00 PM
Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM)	1:00 PM
Kim Piano Recital (C)	2:00 PM
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Student Dinner (SC) 6:30 PM Student Bible Study (SC) 7:30 PM Sunday, February 24 Worship Service (C) 8:30 AM Sunday School (C) 9:45 AM Worship Service (SC) 11:00 AM Choir (SC) 12:00 PM Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM) 1:00 PM SC=Student Center (303 N Clay) C=Church (906 E Grant)

Wednesday, February 20

Those serving on February 24: Greeter: Doris Taylor; Ushers: Quinn family; Counters: Maurine Moore & Miriam Satern Altar Guild: Diny Burnell & Miriam Satern; Altar Flowers: Mitch & Chris Standard

TREASURER'S GREEN SHEET REPORT: January 2019				
Income	Ja	nuary 2019	Yea	r to Date
Offering	\$	9,120.40	\$	9,120.40
Other Income		612.20		612.20
Total Income	\$	9,732.60	\$	9,732.60
Expenses				
Budget	\$	16,689.17	\$	16,689.17
Actual Spending		(8,369.74)		(8,369.74)
Difference	\$	8,319.43	\$	8,319.43
Total Income	\$	9,732.30	\$	9,732.30
Actual Spending		(8,369.74)		(8,369.74)
Difference	\$	1,362.56	\$	1,362.56

You are invited to attend "Remembering the Green and Gold" Chili Supper and Silent Auction at <u>Trinity Academy</u> <u>in Industry, IL</u> on Saturday, February 23rd running from 5:00-8:00 pm. Supper is a free-will donation and the silent auction will have some great items, including our Cardinal Ticket Raffle! All proceeds go to support the students of Trinity Academy. We hope to see you there!



Sunday, March 3 at 5:00PM The famous "5-Alarm Auction and Chili Supper" will take place in our Student Center fellowship hall. Great fun! Delicious chili and desserts! Tons of useful items to buy for pennies on the dollar! And everything is for MISSIONS! Gather your household items (no clothes) and bring them to the Student Center in the next TWO weeks.

It's M & M Sunday. Pick up a container of M & M's. Eat the candy and then fill the container with coins for missions. Return the container on or before March 3rd. Thanks, LWML

God has called Lutheran Hour Ministries to proclaim the risen Savior around the world. LHM's members and partners come together to meet the greatest challenge of the 21st century—to proclaim messages of hope in the name of Jesus Christ. This belief leads us to a clear mission: Bringing Christ to the Nations and the Nations to the Church. To do this, we will focus on four priorities:

- Energize, Equip, and Engage Laity for Outreach
- Grow God's Kingdom through Expanded Media Outreach
- Bring the Gospel to the Unreached Around the World
- Engage Communities in the Digital Mission Field



Been wanting to finish that baby book or family photo album? The Women's Scrapbooking Retreat at Camp CILCA February 22-24 is the opportunity you have been looking for. Join other women from around Central Illinois for a weekend of scrapbooking, devotions, worship, and spirited conversations. Find out more at <u>www.cilca.org</u> or call 217-487-7497.