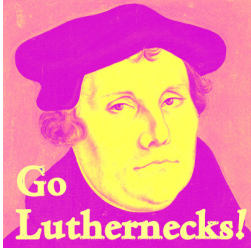




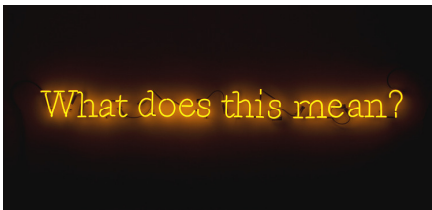
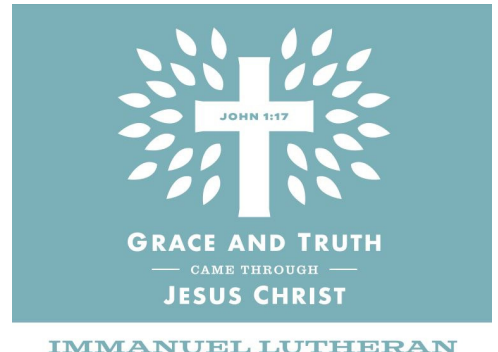
News for and through Immanuel Lutheran Church & Student Center (LCMS), Macomb, IL.



Welcome students and families! We're glad to see the familiar faces from last year's campus ministry ... and the newest LutherNecks. May you find here the grace and truth of Christ, a solid foundation for life at every stage. We hope we'll be your "church home away from home." Our congregation is here to serve you. You can get involved and serve, too! Call the Church office or Pastor's mobile number (listed above). Come use the Student Center throughout the week as a place for study, prayer, and fellowship.

We have a great number of people celebrating marriage this month. Congratulations to all husbands and wives who are giving thanks for that one essential ingredient in a blessed life together. *Love?* Oh, that's powerful and very, very good, but no, it's not the ultimate ingredient. It's *commitment*. That's the "I do" in the marriage ceremony. Commitment is the engine that blesses families and congregations and the Good Shepherd's little lambs. Congratulations to the Wolfmeyers, Powells, Molls, and many others who are celebrating these days. We rejoice with you.

Pastor Mike Burdick



Our Elders are working on a dual emphasis for our ministry this Fall: focus upon "every-Sunday-worship" and "home-Bible-study." **WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?** In the coming weeks we'll be giving answers to that very question!

September is our church's month to restock pantry for Loaves and Fishes. Signup sheet on bulletin board in the Hall. The Day hasn't been set yet for large food pickup at HyVee. Any questions, call Tom Quick (309.221.1958) or Bill Polley.



August 15, 2019

Dear Members of Immanuel Lutheran Church and Student Center,

Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus, the Head of His Church. For three weeks I have been prayerfully deliberating the call extended to me by St. John's Lutheran Church in Effingham. You have been praying for me. Together we've been praying, *"Thy will be done, O Lord."* I thank you. I thank Him. With the Holy Spirit's guidance, I have been lead to accept the call to St. John's.

This afternoon I have spoken with our President and Head Elder to notify them, before sending this to you. My hope is that this Sunday when we gather for worship at 8:30 and 11:00am our focus will fully be upon Jesus.

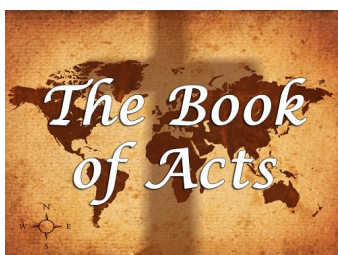
Now we will all be praying *"Thy will be done"* as we face transitions. These changes are neither surprising nor frightening to the Lord. Kathy and I can hardly imagine not being here at Immanuel Church and Student Center, for you are so precious to us. The fact is, you are much more precious to the Lord of the Church, and He will fulfill His will for us all. I'm already confident that you know and believe this.

Here at Immanuel we're embarking on another academic year in the community and with our students. Many things will be the same. Some things will change. The Triune God, foundation of our Life Together, Witness, and Mercy efforts will not change a bit. Rejoice.

I don't know yet when our move will take place, but I will work closely with our leaders to make it as thorough and smooth a transition as it can be for Immanuel Lutheran Church and Student Center. I'll keep you informed as we learn more. The Lord is going to display His strength and grace in bountiful ways in the coming days. Thank you for your prayerful, loving support for our family and your trust in God.

"Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21

In Christ,
- Pastor Burdick



STUDENTS! Wednesday evenings at the Student Center: 6:30PM free college student supper (Lasagna this week), followed by Bible Study from 7:30-8:30pm for college-age adults. This week we'll introduce The Book of Acts. It's a Spirit-filled account of the growth of the Church through the Word of God. Timely and theological, practical and passionate. You'll grow in faith and knowledge ... and you'll be sent!

FYI: The Air Conditioning for the offices at the Student Center was repaired this past week, and though our congregation offered to share half the cost, our District is paying it all. We're glad for the partnership ... and the more comfortable environment!



- Next Sunday, August 25. **Welcome Back Cookout/Potluck.** At the Student Center from Noon to 12:45PM. Meat from the grill will be provided. Members: please bring a sidedish to share. Welcome back students with food and your hospitality. All are welcome!
- **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:** At 8:30am Service we need ushers. At the 11:00am Service we need some more students to assist with Altar Guild (you will be trained on how to prepare and clean the Communion vessels.



Birthright really needs volunteers -- including a new Director. Oh, we have a wonderful Director in Gloria, but after many years of faithful service, she needs to hand the reins over to someone new. She's not going away, and she wants to train up another woman with loving pro-life convictions to assist families. So, will you join us in praying that the right person for Directorship will be presented with this opportunity?

If you're a college student with pro-life convictions, please consider volunteering with Birthright. Speak with me about it. Maybe this is one of the extra-curricular things the Lord wants you to do while in school. Thank you - Pastor Burdick



From the moment of conception, every person whom God has created is our neighbor, and especially anyone in need of our help and assistance. God created us to care about other people and to help them in their times of need. What are the needs of people in my immediate community and society?

Read **Luke 10:25-37**. How did the Samaritan view his relationship to the beaten man differently than the priest or the Levite did?

As Christians, we look after our neighbors so that they may enjoy the life God has given them.

What opportunities does God give me to help my neighbor?

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

Sunday, August 18 *we go to Church*

Worship Service (C) 8:30 AM
 Christian Education (C) 9:45 AM
 Worship (SC) 11:00 AM
 Cinnamon Time (SC) 12:00 PM
 Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM) 1:00 PM
 Powell Reception (C) 2:00-4:00 PM

Monday, Aug 19 *we are the Church, daily*

Office hours 7:30-4:00 PM

Tuesday, Aug 20

Elders (SC) 7:00 PM

Wednesday, August 21

Student Dinner (SC) 6:30 PM
 Student Bible Study (SC) 7:30 PM

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 Christian Education (C) 9:45 AM
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 Welcome Back Potluck (SC) 12:00 PM
 Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM) 1:00 PM
 SC=Student Center (303 N Clay) C=Church (906 E Grant)

Those serving on August 25: Greeter: Diny Burnell; Counters: Doris Taylor & Denise Thomas; Altar Guild: Linda Standard & Mary Wolfmeyer; Flowers: Hans & Marcia Moll;

August ushers: Ushers are needed this month and beyond. Sign up for specific or all Sundays. Thanks!

St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath, IL is hosting a Fish Fry on Monday, August 26 from 4:30-7 pm. The menu will include: Breaded Walleye, Catfish fillets, Chicken strips and home fries, as well as coleslaw, baked beans and desserts! Funds raised will go toward supporting missions in our district. Google address for the church location is: 10844 N Co Rd 1400E, Bath, IL 62617. Hope to see you there!

Listen to **"The Lutheran Hour"** at 1:00PM Sundays on WGNX 96.7 **August 18 "An Open Mind for the Future"** Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer **August Archives - Closing our minds to spiritual fads and embracing the words of Jesus opens up a great future for al who believe. (Acts 17:18-32)** **August 25 "Does He Know You?"** Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus **August Archives - People often do what they do because they think the rules don't apply to them. (Luke 13:23-25)** *You can also listen to TLH at 7:00AM on Sundays at 92.5FM out of Beardstown.*

HELP!!! Care to help with a repair project? Pick one!

1. The basketball hoop at the Church needs to be reattached to the support. The plywood backing has rotted.
2. The clothes dryer at the Student Center probably needs a new belt. It heats, and the motor runs, but the dryer doesn't spin.

"Marriage and family, sexuality and procreation reflect the grace of God in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (Ephesians 5:32). Therefore, sexuality sought outside of marriage or exercised exclusively to gratify self and flesh's appetites cheaply imitates, poorly substitutes for, and only incompletely apprehends the fullness of God's blessing for it. Celebrating and engaging in the blessings of chastity, modesty, and even celibacy best protect and prepare the heart patiently awaiting His vocation to marriage. And taking one's place within the Christian fellowship, whether as spouse or single, leaves nothing lacking (Mark 10:29-30)." *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*