

## CALENDAR

### Sun Nov 20

07:30 AM Handbell Rehearsals, Music Room  
08:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary  
08:00 AM Online Worship [[immanuelbatavia.org/watch](https://immanuelbatavia.org/watch)]  
09:30 AM Sunday School, Various Locations  
09:30 AM Adult Bible Study, Meeting Room  
09:30 AM 7-8th Grade Confirmation, Fellowship Hall  
09:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary  
10:45 AM Modern Worship, Gym  
04:30 PM Adult Volleyball, Gym  
06:30 PM High School Youth, Gym

### Mon Nov 21

06:30 PM Griefshare, Library  
06:45 PM Troop 12, Fellowship Hall

### Tue Nov 22

07:00 PM Christus Choir, Sanctuary

### Wed Nov 23

07:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service, Sanctuary

### Thu Nov 24

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

### Fri Nov 25

### Sat Nov 26

08:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall  
05:30 PM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

### Sun Nov 27

07:30 AM Handbell Rehearsals, Music Room  
08:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary  
08:00 AM Online Worship [[immanuelbatavia.org/watch](https://immanuelbatavia.org/watch)]  
09:30 AM Adult Bible Study, Meeting Room  
09:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary  
09:30 AM **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL**—THANKSGIVING BREAK  
10:45 AM Modern Worship, Gym  
04:30 PM Adult Volleyball, Gym

YOUR FAITH  OUR COMMUNITY

Going deeper in faith.  
Sharing God's love in community!

### Immanuel Lutheran Church and School

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[immanuelbatavia.org](https://immanuelbatavia.org)

## PRAYERS

### FOR RECENT CONCERNS

#### HEALTH & STRENGTH

**Mike Straka** (friend of the Balz family)  
**Linda Straka** (friend of the Balz family)  
**Baby Adeline** (The Janaceks' neighbor)  
**Pat Schoeneberg** (friend of the Laytons)  
**Ellie Beckmann** (Pete & Jan's granddaughter)  
**Yung Chu Hudon**  
**Ed Saunders** (friend of the Balz family)  
**Megan Sporny** (friend of the Bortner family)  
**Carol Balz**

#### CANCER

**Barbara Bowman**  
**Geri Clemons** (friend of the Balz family)  
**Carmen Balz** (Tom & Carol Balz daughter-in-law)  
**Catherine Siway** (H.C. Storm Kindergarten Teacher)  
**Sue Furman** (St. Vincent family friend)  
**Martin Harms** (Elvin's brother)  
**Tammy** (friend of the Balz family)

### FOR LONG-TERM CONCERNS

**Betty Krause** (friend of the Balz family)  
**Charlie MacKinnon**  
**John Numrich**  
**Rob Lennartz** (Lori St Vincent's cousin)  
**Jen Masters** (Kersten family friend)  
**Jim Wenberg** (friend of the Dickensons)  
**Michael** (friend of the Rueter family)  
**Liam Krafcky**

### Weekday Bible Study Groups

#### Tuesday Bible Study Group

Tuesdays 9:00 - 10:30 AM @ Meeting Room  
Led by Pastor Eric. Studying the book of Hebrews.

#### Wednesday Women's Bible Study Group

Wednesdays 9:00 - 10:30 AM @ Meeting Room  
Led by Laura Klein. Currently studying Philipians.

#### Working Women's Bible Study Group

Wednesdays 6:30 PM @ Youth Ministry Room  
Led by Erica Ciro. Studying women of the Old Testament.

#### Thursday Evening Bible Study Group

Thursdays 6:30 PM @ Library  
Led by Pastor Eric. Currently studying Ezekiel.

#### Saturday Men's Bible Study Group

Saturdays 8:00 AM @ Fellowship Hall  
Led by Pastor Eric. Discussing theological questions.

### Sunday 9:30 AM Education Hour Activities

#### Adult Forum @Library

Led by Elvin Harms. Discover Your Gifts study.

#### Sunday Sing & Play @Mrs. Nelson's Classroom

Led by Kari Larsen. Parents attend with your preschooler.

#### Kids Sunday School

K-2nd @Kindergarten Classroom  
3-4th @Youth Ministry Room  
5-6th @Upstairs Classroom

7-8th Confirmation Class @Fellowship Hall

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## COMMUNICATIONS

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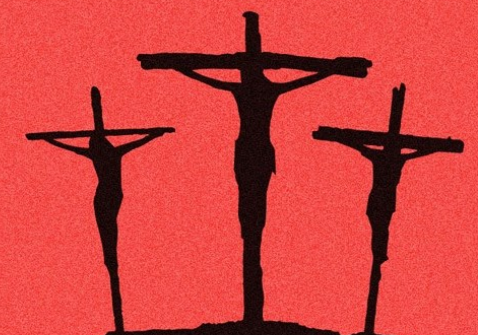


# News & Notes

## WHO ARE YOU BECAUSE OF JESUS



**Immanuel Lutheran**  
Church & School



Building deeper relationships with  
God in community with others.

## Christmas Decorating Day

Sat, Nov 26, 9:30 AM

Join us for a fun day of decorating! We need volunteers to help decorate the church and school to prepare for Christmas festivities. We will be putting up the Christmas trees and wreaths inside for services and musical performances, and the outdoor nativity scene outside for our popular Drive Through Christmas event. After you're done with all your hard work, stay and enjoy some pizza and fellowship. If you plan to come and help, please email Kari Larsen at [klarsen@ilcsbatavia.org](mailto:klarsen@ilcsbatavia.org) to RSVP.

## Online Attendance & Connection Form

We want to hear from you! Please fill out our new online attendance and connection form to check in and let us know what upcoming events you're interested in. Current volunteer and event RSVP along with connection opportunities are included for your convenience. Scan this QR code with your smartphone to fill out the form now or visit our website any time at [immanuelbatavia.org/connect](http://immanuelbatavia.org/connect).



## Drive Thru Christmas Volunteers Needed!

Sat, Dec 11, 4:00-6:00 PM (Dec 18 Rainout Date)

Volunteers are still needed for our popular Drive Through Christmas Nativity. Judging from the number of people interested on social media, we expect this to be a very well-attended community event. Sign up to help with traffic control, be a greeter, or wear a costume & staff a nativity scene. Time slots are in half hour increments and no acting experience is necessary for most of our scenes. Register online today at [signup.com/go/oroSVJq](http://signup.com/go/oroSVJq). Contact Kari Larsen [klarsen@ilcsbatavia.org](mailto:klarsen@ilcsbatavia.org) with questions.

## ILS Employment Opportunity

Position Available: Teaching Assistant

Responsibilities: assist classroom teacher as directed  
Requirements: must be 18 and have a high school diploma

Wage and Hours: Begins at \$15.22/hour, approximately 15 hours per week when school is in session

Contact: Donna Laughlin at 630.406.0157

or [dlaughlin@immanuelbatavia.org](mailto:dlaughlin@immanuelbatavia.org)

Immanuel Lutheran Church and School is an equal opportunity employer; however, because we are a church body, we retain the right to give preference in hiring to persons who are members in good standing of a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregation.



## Drive Through Christmas Nativity

Sun Dec 11, 4:00-6:00 PM @Parking Lot

Add Immanuel to your holiday lights and sights list. Stop by the parking lot to drive through our nativity scenes featuring live actors and hear the true story of the first Christmas! (In the case of a rainout, this event will be rescheduled for Dec 18.)

## Lessons & Carols Service

Sat Dec 3, 4:00 & 6:00 PM @Sanctuary

Prepare your hearts and minds for the birth of our Savior. The Lessons and Carols service features beautiful performances by our choir, string ensemble, french horns, and handbells. The service consists of 9 scripture readings with musical performances in-between including special anthems and congregational hymns. Come enjoy this delightful musical event!

## Midweek Advent Services

Wed, Dec 7, 14 & 21, 7:00 PM @Sanctuary

For the 3 weeks leading up until Christmas we put together special advent services on Wednesday evenings to prepare our hearts for the coming of our Savior. Come as you are for these simple services led by Pastor Eric. We sing traditional advent hymns and hear about the wonders of our God!

## Christmas Eve Services

Sat, Dec 24, 1:00, 4:00 & 11:00 PM

Join us for Christmas Eve worship! The 1:00 family service lasts about 45 minutes and is especially for families with young children; this year we will be having a Pop-up Christmas Pageant for the kids (no practice necessary). The 4:00 traditional service is our most well-attended; we sing traditional hymns and there are performances by the choir and handbells. Our late night candlelight service is very traditional – it's held in the sanctuary and Communion is given.

## Holiday Service Schedule

### Thanksgiving Eve

Wed Nov 23, 7:00 PM

### Advent Services

Wednesdays, Dec 7, 14 & 21, 7:00 PM

### Lessons & Carols

Sat Dec 3, 4:00 & 6:00 PM

### Christmas Eve

Sat Dec 24, 1:00, 4:00 & 11:00 PM

### Christmas Day

Sun Dec 25, 9:30 AM

### New Years Eve

Sat Dec 31, 5:30 PM

## OCC Volunteer & Paid Jobs

November - December

Registration is now open at the Operation Christmas Child Aurora location to process OCC shoeboxes. Volunteer to inspect, pray over, and ready each gift for shipping. By partnering in this exciting effort, you can play an integral role in bringing Good News & great joy to millions of boys & girls! See volunteer opportunities at [samaritanspurse.org/occvolunteer](http://samaritanspurse.org/occvolunteer). Paid seasonal employment is also available. There are a wide variety of customer service & warehouse positions. Apply at [samaritanspurse.org/occseasonaljobs](http://samaritanspurse.org/occseasonaljobs).

## Food Pantry Donations

Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry is a not-for-profit organization founded by local churches. It serves our community by providing food and household supplies to those in need. Your financial or non-perishable food or paper product donations can be placed in the grocery cart near the Fellowship Hall. A current list of most needed items can be found at <https://bataviafoodpantry.org/current-needs>. Email Mary Jo Nottke [mnottke@aol.com](mailto:mnottke@aol.com) with questions.

## Birthdays

November 19

Andrew Thomas  
Brian Tellschow  
Eunice Wenzel  
Kim Huiner  
Stacy Linden  
Waylon Erd

November 20

Katie Cole  
Brenda Conti  
Janet Dixon  
Nathan Brinn

November 21

Adam Karger  
Chloe Cox  
Ellie Schubert  
Dana Petersen  
Ken Reimer  
Jennifer Riippi  
Parker Riippi  
Stephanie Gosselin

November 22

Corinne Coffey  
Isaac Hager

Maria Heetland  
Susan Holmberg

November 23

Abby Kouba  
Jeff Weber  
Jan Gerbitz

November 24

Bill Walther  
Brian Wagner  
Cole Nelson  
Connor Marshall  
Julaine Kammrath

November 25

Lauren Cole  
Eric Pomeroy  
Thomas Skleney  
Carol Barry  
Lisa Dinning

November 26

Brian Priestler  
Gabriel Stein Rodrigues  
Kelly Townsend  
Carrie Yerges  
Judy Herrmann

If you don't see your birthday or anniversary listed here, please contact Penny 630.879.7163 or [church@immanuelbatavia.org](mailto:church@immanuelbatavia.org).

## Feed My Starving Children

Fri, Dec 9, 9:00-10:45 AM

FMSC is a Christian nonprofit dedicated to seeing every child whole in body and spirit. FMSC works with food distribution partners that empower communities to move from relief to development. Join us for a volunteer packing session! All sessions are followed by an optional Portillo's lunch. Anyone over the age of 5 can participate. Email [Linda\\_fasslinda@yahoo.com](mailto:Linda_fasslinda@yahoo.com) with questions or to register. Thank-you to all the volunteers that helped at our November session! We packed 140 boxes of food, providing 30,240 meals that will feed 83 children for a year.

## Northern Illinois Food Bank

Tue, Dec 13, 5:30-7:30 PM

The NIFB provides nutritious meals to residents in 13 counties in Northern Illinois. Join us for a volunteer food sorting & packing session! Ages 8+ are welcome. Email [Bill\\_bdpeach@me.com](mailto:Bill_bdpeach@me.com) with questions or to register. Thanks to everyone who volunteered at the November packing session! We packed 91 boxes for families in need, totaling 9,082 lbs and providing 7,568 meals.

## Lazarus House Meal Donations

Fri, Dec 16, 5:30 PM

Lazarus House provides services to the homeless. On the third Friday of every month Immanuel provides meals to support this cause. Email [Lori\\_istvincent@ilcsbatavia.org](mailto:Lori_istvincent@ilcsbatavia.org) to register to serve.

## Anniversaries

November 21

Dale & Dora Bortner

November 23

Eloy & Gwynne Gutierrez

November 27

John & Laurel McCarten

November 28

Darin & Jeannine Wright

November 29

Kraig & Shawn Moon

November 30

Barry & Lisa Krumwiede

## School Information

Visit the school website at [ilsbatavia.org](http://ilsbatavia.org) for information on upcoming events and news updates from Principal Donna Laughlin. See the /blog, /eventscalendar, and /fundraisers pages.

## Give

**"Everyone shall give as he is able, in accordance with the blessing of the Lord your God which He has given you." - Deuteronomy 16:17**

Your donations provide Immanuel with the opportunity to continue sharing the Good News of Jesus locally and nationally.

### Ways to give:

- Online at <https://onrealm.org/immanuelbatavia/-/give/now>
- Email [finance@immanuelbatavia.org](mailto:finance@immanuelbatavia.org) to set up a recurring gift.
- Text \$ and amount (no spaces) to **630.528.0328** and follow the prompts.

### Additional ways to give:

- Shop at [smile.amazon.com/ch/36-2683484](http://smile.amazon.com/ch/36-2683484) (2nd Quarter 2022 proceeds were \$216.86)
- RaiseRight. See [immanuelbatavia.org/purchasing-programs](http://immanuelbatavia.org/purchasing-programs) for details.
- Box Tops for Education. See [immanuelbatavia.org/purchasing-programs](http://immanuelbatavia.org/purchasing-programs) for details.

## Monthly Financials

Monthly financial reports are emailed to individuals who request them. If you would like to begin receiving this information, please contact Larry Durrant, Treasurer, [treasurer\\_mmc@ilcsbatavia.org](mailto:treasurer_mmc@ilcsbatavia.org).