

CALENDAR

Sun Dec 18

08:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
08:00 AM Online Worship [immanuelbatavia.org/watch]
09:30 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
10:45 AM Modern Worship, Gym
01:30 PM Musical Tap Workshop, Gym
04:30 PM Adult Volleyball, Gym

Mon Dec 19

Tue Dec 20

06:30 PM K-8 Christmas Worship, Gym
07:00 PM MMC, Meeting Room

Wed Dec 21

07:00 PM Advent Service, Sanctuary

Thu Dec 22

Fri Dec 23

Sat Dec 24

01:00 PM Christmas Eve Family Service, Gym
04:00 PM Christmas Eve Traditional Service, Gym
11:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Sanctuary

Sun Dec 25

ONE SERVICE ONLY
09:30 AM Christmas Worship, Sanctuary

YOUR FAITH OUR COMMUNITY

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

Immanuel Lutheran Church and School

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Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
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)
Ed Saunders (friend of the Balz family)
Megan Sporny (friend of the Bortner family)
Carol Balz
Antoinette Skaar (Jim & Barb Sandersfeld's granddaughter)
Tony Ciro
Elvin Harms
Linda Ryun (Kathy Fletcher's sister)

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)
Tammy (friend of the Balz family)

FOR LONG-TERM CONCERNS

Betty Krause (friend of the Balz family)
Rob Lennartz (Lori St Vincent's cousin)
Jen Masters (Kersten family friend)
Jim Wenberg (friend of the Dickensons)
Michael (friend of the Rueter family)

PEACE and COMFORT

for the family of Martin Harms,(Elvin's brother)
for the family of Christine Czajka (Art & Gloria Eichmann's daughter)

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 Philippians.

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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- youtube.com/c/ImmanuelLutheranChurchSchoolBatavia



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News & Notes

ADVENT

A SEASON OF HOPE



Immanuel Lutheran
Church & School

Building deeper relationships with
God in community with others.

Poinsettia Orders

The altar guild team is ordering poinsettias to decorate our worship areas in celebration of Christmas. If you would like to make a donation towards this purchase, please fill out an order form located in the back of the sanctuary or in the church office. Donations of \$12 or \$23 can be made in memory or celebration of a friend or loved one.

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.



Calling All Instrumentalists!

Sat, Dec 24, 4:00 PM

We need instrumentalists for our 4 o'clock service on Christmas Eve. Adults and children alike are invited to perform special pre-service music as soloists or in small groups. If you are interested in participating please contact Sharon Dalpini at sdalpini@immanuelbatavia.org.

Moms Connect Group

Sun, Jan 8, 2:00-3:30 PM @Fellowship Hall

Moms Connect is an opportunity to regularly connect with other moms to discuss "momhood", God, the adventure of raising kids, and more. We have snacks, a time for fellowship, and guided table discussions. Our January topic will be encouragement; how can we uplift other moms, and how we can grow in giving and receiving encouragement? Go to immanuelbatavia.org/connect to RSVP. (Scan the QR above.)

Feb 2023 Mission & Ministry Council Election

Nominations Due - Wed, Dec 21

The deadline for submitting names is December 21, 2022. If you or someone you know is interested in serving, please contact Bob Schmidt (vicechairperson_mmc@ilcsbatavia.org, 630-542-8153). The nominating committee is looking to bring forth a slate of candidates for the Feb. 12, 2023 election to fill openings for the positions of Secretary, Treasurer and two At-Large Members. Those elected will take office on July 1, 2023.

Griefshare

Mondays Jan 9 - Apr 3, 6:30-8:30 PM @Library

GriefShare is a program that was developed specifically to help those who are grieving the death of a loved one. It is a place where hurting people find hope and healing. *Contact Christin Hager with questions 630.815.1598 christinhager@gmail.com. Register online immanuelbatavia.org/care*

CHRISTMAS
EVE

SERVICE TIMES

1:00 PM Family 4:00 PM Traditional

11:00 PM Candlelight

immanuelbatavia.org/christmas

Pop-Up Christmas Pageant

Sat, Dec 24, 1:00 PM @Gym

Join us on Christmas Eve for a Pop-up Christmas Pageant. Bring your holiday visitors and neighbors; all children age preschool through 5th grade are invited to participate and no practice is necessary. Mary Wert will greet you at the gym entrance where kids can pick out their favorite costume. Get the costumes on, find a seat, and wait for the instructions during the service. Kids will be invited to come up on the stage at various points - no reading or acting required. If you are planning on bringing children that would like to play a part, please RSVP online at immanuelbatavia.org/connect (Scan the QR above.)

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. 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.

Midweek Advent Services

Wed, Dec 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!

NO Sunday School Dec 18 thru Jan 1

All Sunday School and confirmation classes are on holiday break from Dec 18 through Jan 1. Classes will resume on Jan 8.

Holiday Service Schedule

Advent Services

Wednesdays, Dec 21, 7:00 PM

Christmas Eve

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

Christmas Day

Sun Dec 25, 9:30 AM ONLY

New Years Eve

Sat Dec 31, 5:30 PM

New Years Day

Sun Jan 1, 9:30 AM ONLY

Sunday Christmas Day & New Years Day Worship at 9:30 AM ONLY

Because the Christmas Day and New Year's Day holidays are on Sundays this year, we will only have one 9:30 AM worship service on those days. There will NOT be 8:00 AM or 10:45 AM services.

School Christmas Celebrations

K-8 Christmas Worship

Tue Dec 20, 6:30 PM @Gym

Cyber Security Presentation

Mon, Jan 9, 6:30 PM @Sanctuary (Pizza at 5:30)

All parents of 3rd - 8th graders are invited to a cyber security presentation organized by Immanuel Lutheran School. A representative from the IL Attorney General's office will talk about topics including internet safety, current Illinois youth trends, intervention and prevention strategies, and laws in place for cyber security. Due to some sensitive topics, this presentation is for parents only and childcare will be available. Join us for pizza at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall before the presentation. Dinner and childcare are provided courtesy of the Immanuel PTL. Register online at bit.ly/3iH3XeZ by Mon, Dec 19.

Birthdays

December 17

Mackenzie Vidlak
John Kohlmeir
John Randall
Rosana Stein Rodrigues

December 18

Brooke Lefevre
Jon-Eric Pomeroy
Amy Black
Babette Warfel
Rachael Byrd

December 19

Austin Hughes
Chuck Tyburk
Daniel Thorpe
Joel Kramer
Zachary Townsend
Lolita Moser
Melba Layton

December 20

Jacob Mefford

December 21

Isabella Jordan
Margaret Gosselin
Bill Pietsch
Carol Ahmad
Linnae Bieber
Pat Delagrange

December 22

Chloe Nelson
Jessica Holmberg
Ryan Conti
Ryan Bowman
Samuel Holleman

December 23

Harry Behm
Bev Allison
Sandy Frank

If you don't see your birthday or anniversary listed here, please contact Penny 630.879.7163 or church@immanuelbatavia.org.

Feed My Starving Children

Fri, Jan 20, 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 with questions or to register.** Thanks to the 20 volunteers that served in December! 142 total boxes were packed providing 30,240 meals to 84 kids for a year!!

Northern Illinois Food Bank

Tue, Jan 10, 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 with questions or to register.**

Lazarus House Meal Donations

Fri, Jan 20, 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, homenow@hotmail.com to register to serve.**

Anniversaries

December 17

James & Cynthia Boulton
Bob & Mary Ann Patterson
Daniel & Dana Thorpe
Eldon & Jo Frydendall

December 18

Mark & Gail Payton

December 19

George & Carol Carey

December 26

Elvin & Sara Harms

December 27

James & Kate Kirkpatrick

December 29

Jay & Jennifer Riippi

December 31

Tom & Lori St.Vincent
Peter & Kathleen Linsner
Robert & Louette Butwell

School Information

Visit the school website at 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 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 (3rd Quarter 2022 proceeds were \$215.78)
- RaiseRight. See immanuelbatavia.org/purchasing-programs for details.
- Box Tops for Education. See 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.