CALENDAR

Sun Dec 25

ONE SERVICE ONLY
09:30 AM Christmas Worship, Sanctuary

Mon Dec 26

OFFICE CLOSED - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Tue Dec 27

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Wed Dec 28

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Thu Dec 29

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Fri Dec 30

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Sat Dec 31

05:30 PM New Year's Eve Worship, Sanctuary

Sun Jan 1

ONE SERVICE ONLY
09:30 AM New Years Day Worship, Sanctuary

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PRAYERS

FOR RECENT CONCERNS

HEALTH & STRENGTH

Mike Straka (friend of the Balz family)
Linda Straka (friend of the Balz family)
Rahy Adelina (The Jangeola' poighbo

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) **Linda Ryun** (Kathy Fletcher's sister)

Anna Sedberry

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)

Bob S (friend of the Rueter 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)

Weekday Bible Study Groups

Monday Bible Study Group

Mondays 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. Colossians 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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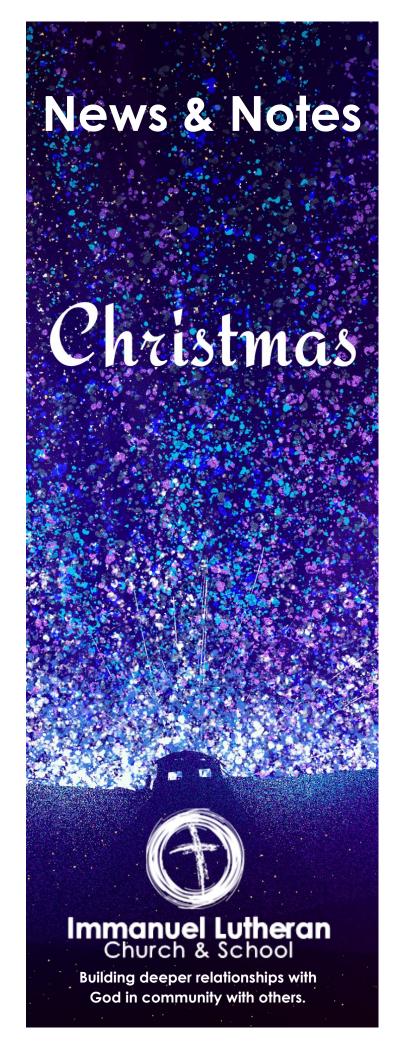
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Griefshare

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

Online Attendance & Connection Form

We want to hear from you! Please fill out our new

online attendance and connection online attendance and connection form to check in and let us know what upcoming events you're interested in. Current volunteer and event PSVP glong with connection 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.

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.)

NO Sunday School or Bible Study Classes thru Jan 1

All Sunday School, confirmation, and bible Study classes are on holiday break from through Jan 1. Classes will resume on Jan 2–Jan 8.

Holiday Service Schedule

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.



Community Blood Drive at Immanuel

Mon, Jan 23, 3:00-6:30PM

@Versiti Blood Bus in the back parking lot

Giving warms the heart! Donate and keep warm this winter with a limited-edition Versiti beanie, while supplies last. Schedule your appointment today at immanuelbatavia.org/blooddrive. Each donation impacts and saves up to 3 lives. Contact Laura Klein with questions plklein79@yahoo.com.

Lazarus House Needs New Coordinator

Lori St. Vincent will no longer be coordinating Lazarus House as of Mar 1, 2023. A new coordinator is being sought. Duties include: (1) recruiting families or groups to provide the meal for a month, (2) planning the menu and determining if the meal will be prepared at Immanuel or if ready-to-serve dishes will be donated, (3) prepare meal or accept delivery of ready-to-eat dishes and deliver items to Lazarus House in St. Charles. Contact Lori at homenow@hotmail.com with questions or to signup to be the new coordinator.

NEW Baby Grand Piano

Many thanks to the Chris Patterson Memorial Foundation, the Marilyn Rotermund Memorial Fund, and the ILCS Foundation for their generous donations toward the purchase of our new baby grand piano!

New Year's Eve Worship Sat, Dec 31, 5:30 PM @Sanctuary

into the New Year.

Bring a candle, any candle, to our New Year's Eve service. It's our tradition to set these candles on the altar and light them. This symbolizes Christ's promise to be with us and our response to shine the His light

Give from the Heart Christmas Drive

Give from your heart and help children have a Merry Christmas! Your donation will put gifts under the tree for children in the care of Lutheran Child and Family Services. Foster parents will receive money specifically to buy Christmas gifts for each child assuring they receive what they want and need. For more information or to donate visit lcfs.org/ ChristmasDrive.

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 nonperishable 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 with questions.

Birthdays

December 24

Sarah Little Jon Berens

December 25

Jeffrey Rudolph Kris Weber

December 26

Morgan Anderson

December 27

Alyssa Schulz Brooke Jancik Alex Surdvnski David Rakow Matt Hager Kristin Siebert Lori Rabehl

December 28

Allison Ladwig Rafael Diaz

December 29

Colette Coffey Kevin Scroggins Tim Daley Vincent Diaz

December 30

Ryan Keers Ken Jerger Michael Riddell Ann Kouba Penny Suydam Tim Gerke

December 31

Jacob Randall Matthew Young James Edwards Bekah Dauksha Tyler Vermaat

Anniversaries

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

January 2

Dave & Cynthia Evans

January 6

Daniel & Linda Holbrook

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 Dec! 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.

School Information

Visit the school website at ilsbatavia.org for information on upcoming events and news updates from Prinicpal 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.