

February, 2014 Newsletter

Immanuel Lutheran Church
400 N. Aspen Ave.
Broken Arrow, OK 74012
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Immanuel's Mid-Week Classes

6 - 7:30 pm

Midweek & Wings Start Times Below

3:30 - 7:30

Teens/Wings Program

Teen lounge opens at 3:30 p.m.
Meet in Luther Hall

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Children

Meet in your class room

7:00 p.m. meet your parents in the Sanctuary except
Communion & Confirmation

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Communion & Confirmation

Meet in your class room

6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Classes

Fellowship in the Narthex with
Coffee & a light snack provided

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Service of Teaching/Communion

In the Sanctuary

Christian Education Opportunities



Adult Sunday School Classes

10:00 am

Adult Classes

† **The Gospel of Luke**

led by Pastor Wilke
Room MPR-A

† **Threads, Thoughts etc.**

led by Pastor Spomer
Room MPR-C

† **Old Testament**

led by Bob Krahn, Room 124

† **Bible 101**

led by Mike Hills, Room 119

† **Young Adults/College Grads.**

Church Conference Room

† **Women's Study/January**

Bad Girls of the Bible

led by Janet D'Arcy
Room 121/122

Teen Classes:

Meet in Luther Hall

Children's Classes:

Meet in your classroom

Nursery Available

Infants - 2 years / room 106



Super Bowl Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 2nd

7:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Immanuel's Ironmen are hosting a pancake breakfast for everyone on Sunday, February 2nd. We will start serving at 7:30 a.m. & continue until 10:45 a.m.. We will be taking a Free Will offering, all proceeds will go to the Ironmen to help us fund projects for 2014.



Saturday, February 15^h

5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

“Is any of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil.” James 5:14

Open to everyone

ILCA's Basketball Bonanza

Friday, March 7th @ 5:00 p.m.

Come join the fun! Everyone welcome to play or just watch.

For more information please contact the school office
@ 918-251-5422.

There will be games, prizes and concessions.
Hope to see you there!



JOHN 3:16 – “RESTOCKING THE SHELVES” DONATION DRIVE

As part of Immanuel's continuing outreach ministries to the Tulsa area, we will be collecting donations during the month of January and middle of February for **John 3:16 Mission** to help them “restock the shelves” following the Christmas holidays, when demand for their assistance is very high. John 3:16 is a non-profit, Christian, charitable organization whose purpose is to help the homeless and others less fortunate with food, clothing and other necessities, including limited sleeping accommodations. They are in particular need of the following:

- Dry staples -- rice, beans, pasta, cereal
- Canned – veggies, meat, soup

Due to the unusually cold weather recently, they are also appealing for warm new or gently used outerwear including adult and children's coats, gloves and hats, and they have an ongoing need for new underwear. A donation drop-off box is located in the Narthex. Volunteer help and cash donations are always welcome!

FOR SALE:

Kimball Spinet piano-\$300 (needs tuning)

Dining room table and 4 chairs

Kenmore heavy duty washer-2 years old

Dryer-old but works

Craftsman tool chest

Desk with attached bookcase

Small college refrigerator

futon

Variety of tools, shovels, rakes

If interested, please call Oz & Barb Wittke; 918-836-0208

ILCA'S 1ST Homecoming





Russell Reck Selected as State Coordinator of the Quarter

Russell,
Congratulations, on being selected as our State Coordinator of the Quarter for the South West Region! You have done an amazing job and I wanted to take this opportunity to personally thank you. When my admissions team and senior members of the Field Force identified you as one of our top performers, it was no surprise. I appreciate the time and dedication you put into working with the fine candidates of Oklahoma. They have definitely benefited from your mentorship. I know you don't volunteer for the recognition, but you have set a standard that deserves our praise and should be an example for all who serve. I have asked my team to work with you to coordinate a time where we can properly recognize your efforts. Thank you for being an integral part of our team and sacrificing to keep our Nation and the Long Gray Line strong. Go Army!

COL DEBORAH J. MCDONALD
DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS
UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY
WEST POINT, NEW YORK 10996
(845) 938-5706

Office of Admissions Concordia Seminary Representative, Rev. Bill Wrede, will host a Ministerial Recruitment Visit at Immanuel

*Have you ever considered being a pastor or deaconess?
If so, Rev. Wrede would like to meet with you at Immanuel on
Saturday, February 22, 2014 anytime between 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.*

Rev. Wrede is interested in meeting with prospective students of all ages - elementary school through adults who are already in another vocation. Conferences are individual, informed and family/friends are welcome. Reservations are not necessary, but strongly encouraged. If you are interested in scheduling a specific conference time, please call Rev. Wrede at 314-505-7221 or email at wredew@csl.edu to set-up an appointment.



Volunteering Opportunities

Are you are looking for an opportunity to volunteer here at Immanuel?
We are in need of ushers at both services in the Sanctuary.
Men, Women, Teens. No experience needed. If you would like to help please see Kurt Klein or sign up at the info booth in the Narthex.



RETIRE WISELY

Will you have enough to retire? Will your retirement income last? Are your assets protected? Join us for Retire Wisely – A Thrivent Financial Event with refreshments at 7:00 pm on February 20, 2014 at Christ The Redeemer Lutheran Church. Thrivent Financial representatives Robert Morgenthaler CFP, and Tim Veldstra CFP will share how to manage six risks all retirees face: outliving income, inflation, unpredictable events, market volatility, income taxes and rising health care costs. To RSVP, contact Bob or Tim at 918-392-7130 or robert.morgenthaler@thrivent.com.

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TRUE LOVE WAITS 2014

Saturday, Feb. 8, 6:00 p.m.

Matt Chambers from Redeemer Lutheran School in Austin, TX will be speaking to both the teens and their parents at our event. The parent session is Saturday 6:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Parents please plan to attend this session of the event.

Matt Chambers has been blessed to work in youth and family ministries for over 20 years. He has served in the capacities of teacher, mentor, and coach in various schools in Louisiana, Indiana, and Texas. During the summers, he has served at Camp Lone Star in La Grange, Texas as a summer counselor, Jr. Staff Coordinator, and Summer Program Director. Speaking to youth has been a passion of his for many years, and he has had opportunities to speak all over the nation as well as in Korea. Currently, he is based in Austin, Texas where he serves at Redeemer Lutheran Church and School and will be serving as Summer Program Director at Camp Lone Star again this summer.

Parent Sectional (Sat., Feb. 8, 6:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.): The Economics of Sex

This sectional's name may be deceiving in that it seems to hint at monetary aspects of sex, but in fact, it will be challenging the way in which we as adults view the sexual landscape in America today. This sectional will draw from the research of sociologist Dr. Mark Regnerus from The University of Texas, who has been studying sexuality in the United States for a number of years. This view of sex will help clarify the current sexual landscape in a way that will assist parents in communicating to their children about the challenges they face as they navigate the sexual culture that they inhabit.

The public commitment and ring presentation will take place in the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, Feb. 9. If you have a teen attending the True Love Waits event please plan to attend this service with your teen.

With promises like this to pull us on, dear friends, let's make a clean break with everything that defiles or distracts us, both within and without. Let's make our entire lives fit and holy temples for the worship of God. 2 Corinthians 7



Alaska Mission Trip

July 17-27, 2014

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news. Isaiah 52:7

Sample schedule:

Thursday, July 17-long day of travel by air from Tulsa to Juneau, Alaska. Stay at Faith Lutheran Church for two nights.

Friday, July 18-Sightseeing in Juneau. Go to Mendenhall Glacier, Mt. Roberts, and downtown Juneau.

Saturday, July 19—Take the ferry from Juneau to Angoon. 8 hour ferry ride through the inside passage of Alaska.

Saturday, July 20-Get settled and explore Angoon. That will take about 5 minutes of life.

Sunday, July 21-Church in Angoon, potluck with the congregation, socializing, and making our game plan.

Monday – Friday - Minister to the people of Angoon. This is the only town on Admiralty Island and it is, most of the time, without a pastor or a truly functioning church. The spiritual needs are great. We will conduct Bible studies, door to door visits, and some light hammer and nail projects. We can also provide story time for the children in Angoon.

Saturday, July 26-Ferry ride back to Juneau. Stay at Faith Lutheran over night.

Sunday, July 27-Travel by air from Juneau to Tulsa

Our ministry will be to the native population of Tlingit American Indians.

Angoon is the largest permanent settlement on Admiralty Island. It is located on an isthmus at the mouth of [Kootznahoo Inlet](#) on the west side of the island. It is 97 km (60 mi) southwest of [Juneau](#). But more than anything else, Admiralty Island is known for its bears. The island has one of the highest populations of bears in Alaska, with an estimated 1,500 to 1,700 living among the forested mountains, thick rainforest of Sitka spruce and western hemlock, lakes and rivers.

We need to get rolling on this trip so if you have any questions or are interested in making this trip please contact Tracy Grace at tgrace@immanuelba.org. If you are interested in going on this trip please email me so I have your email address. I want to get everyone up to speed on the trip so get your email to me soon.

Valentine's Day Banquet

Sunday, February 16th
6-8 p.m.

Tickets are On Sale Now: \$7 per person
All are invited

There will be a dance for the kids after dinner and
Bible Trivia during dinner.

Piano Fund Established

This past month the Elders authorized a dedicated account so that special offerings may be received toward the purchase of a performance-quality grand piano for our sanctuary. We heard how marvelous a grand piano can sound in our sanctuary when Sam Rotman was here last November. That same Sunday, we also heard how such an instrument can take our worship music to a higher level when it was used for a couple of songs at each service. Indeed, both classical sacred music and contemporary worship music benefit greatly when the pianist has a real piano to play. Given that our Director of Worship Art's primary instrument is the piano (Phillip has a Masters' in performance from the University of North Texas), the Elders believe this is the right time for Immanuel to get a quality piano. Already over \$1000 has been donated. The instrument we envision would cost between \$24-32K. With 88 keys on a piano, \$300 a key would hit that target - so please consider donating towards one of the keys today. Just make your check out to Immanuel Lutheran Church and clearly write PIANO FUND on the memo line.

John Brigham
Worship Committee Chairman



Immanuel has Stephen Ministers who are trained to provide one-to-one confidential, caring ministry for those who are in a time of crisis.

If you, would like to speak with a Stephen Minister, contact Joe Kuhlmann at 918-638-8225.

I Refuse!!

Dinner/Auction Teen Fund-raiser

Sunday, March 2

4:30p.m.-Silent auction begins and runs throughout the event.

5:00 p.m. -Food booths open

Your ticket entitles you to bid on the auction items, visit all the food booths, enjoy a very short drama, and free childcare with dinner.

Cost

\$20.00 per person

\$150.00 to purchase a table for 6 with preferred seating.

So how does this evening work? All you have to do is fill up your plate then take a seat and enjoy the evening. We will also provide servers for those who are a little challenged when it comes to getting around. This will be a very exciting evening so take advantage of this night out and know that the proceeds are going to help fund our teen ministry.

As with all events, space is limited so buy your tickets early.

Tickets are on sale NOW!!

During the evening you will have the opportunity to participate in a silent auction to help fund our teen programs. We have great items available for you to bid on. We pray that this will be an evening of fun and fellowship for all who attend.

Thanks for your support!



Birth Announcement

Emma Michelle Thomas



Born January 21, 2014
Weight: 8 lbs. 2 oz
Length: 20 1/2 inches long
Daughter of David & Kate Thomas

Those Serving in the Military

*Lt. Colonel Garrett Benson
Private Suzanne Braumiller
Navy Reserve Joshua Cathey
Captain Blaine Cooper
Specialist Ryan Davis
Major John Dehn
Senior Airman Chris Dorr
Staff Sergeant Timothy Farlow
Specialist Wanda Graham*

*Sergeant Leonard Lyde
Chief Intelligence Specialist
Carla Orebaugh
Senior Airman James Parmeter
Master at Arms Seaman
Derek Queck
Colonel Michael Seiler
Captain Chris Wild
Lt. Colonel Joseph Worley*

If you have updated information please call the church office at 918-258-5506.

Health Concerns

Shirley Ellis
Ron Peacock
Joyce Schwartz
Ruth Winden
Bob Seiler

Those with Cancer

Robbie Roberson
Mildred Ramsey
Marilyn Johnson
Beverly Dyer

Surgeries/Recoveries

Maria Werling

Missing

Summer Paige Moore

Shut-ins

Virginia Baker
Louann Duensing
Gloria Hebermehl
Paul Helfrick

Those who have recently lost loved ones

Gary Woodruff
Dianne Hutchins

Mothers - to - Be

KEISHA HUGGINS

If you would like to add your name to the prayer list, call the church office at 918-258-5506

February Duty Roster

February 2-8:30am

Sanctuary

Acolytes:

Jacob Herzberger

Jake Wright

Altar Guild:

Set-up

Heidi Stumbo

Pam Lawson

Clean-up

Carol Empson

Greeters:

Gayle Hutchinson, Shirley Busky

Pete & Marjorie Sheneman

Jerry & Phyllis Kindle

Sound:

Gary Woodruff

PowerPoint:

Julie Woodruff

Counters:

Cline, Rieck, Phipps

Elders:

*Brigham

C. Jensen

Woolf

Giese

February 2-11:00am

Sanctuary

Acolyte:

Aspen Swaim

Altar Guild:

Set-up

April Lemaster

Clean-up

Robin Armer

Juanita Rittenhouse

Greeters:

Aaron & Julie Thomas

Charles Stenslie, Mark Whitman

James & Deb O'Dell

Sound:

David Lange

Media Shout:

Mike O'Dell

Counters:

Cline, Rieck, Phipps

Elders:

*B. Jensen

Odom

Seeman

Prayer Partners:

Mark & Janet D'Arcy

February 2-11:00am

Chapel

Acolyte:

Jacob Kopp

Altar Guild:

Set-up

Pam Lawson

Heidi Stumbo

Clean-up

Robin Armer

Juanita Rittenhouse

Elders:

*Sparling

Beasley

Duty Roster Continued

February 9-8:30am

Sanctuary

Acolytes:

Tyler Bailey

William Koepsel

Altar Guild:

Set-up

Loretta Herzberger

Jean Benzel

Clean-up

Cathy Thoni

Greeters:

Glen & Loretta Herzberger

Gayle Hutchinson, Shirley Busky

Pete & Marjorie Sheneman

Sound:

David Hood

PowerPoint:

Allen Jumper

Counters:

Wayne & Theresa Wild

Elders:

*Gebhardt

Beasley

Seeman

Kuhlmann

February 9-11am

Sanctuary

Acolyte:

Marissa Thomas

Altar Guild:

Set-up

Loretta Herzberger

Jean Benzel

Clean-up

Teresa Eiler

Greeters:

Aaron & Julie Thomas

Charles Stenslie, Mark Whitman

James & Deb O'Dell

Sound:

Tony Sanzalone

Media Shout:

Jim O'Dell

Counters:

Wayne & Theresa Wild

Elders:

*C. Jensen

Giese

Sparling

Prayer Partners:

Mike & Bonnie Giese

February 9-11am

Chapel

Acolyte:

Miranda Farlow

Altar Guild:

Set-up

Loretta Herzberger

Jean Benzel

Clean-up

Teresa Eiler

Elders:

*Krahn

Woodruff

Duty Roster Continued

February 16-8:30am

Sanctuary

Acolytes:

Amy Hanewinkel
Skyler Bailey

Altar Guild:

Set-up

April Lemaster
Tanya Jensen

Clean-up

Dianne Hutchins
Kathy Siftar

Greeters:

Pete & Marjorie Sheneman
Jerry & Phyllis Kindle
Shirley Busky, Echo Morton

Sound:

David Lange

PowerPoint:

Mike Minnich

Counters:

Herb & Elva Bossaller

Elders:

*Odom
Sparling
Kuhlmann
Woodruff

February 16-11:00am

Sanctuary

Acolyte:

McKenzie Carothers

Altar Guild:

Set-up

April Lemaster
Tanya Jensen

Clean-up

Valerie Eberhardt
Sandy Enloe

Greeters:

Aaron & Julie Thomas
Charles Stenslie, Mark Whitman
James & Deb O'Dell

Sound:

Pam Danner

Media Shout:

Mike O'Dell

Counters:

Herb & Elva Bossaller

Elders:

*Beasley
Gebhardt
Krahn

Prayer Partners:

Dan & Karen Queck

February 16-11:00am

Chapel

Acolyte:

Jacob Kopp

Altar Guild:

Set-up

April Lemaster

Clean-up

Josh & Grace Dresher

Elders:

*Woolf
Brigham

February 15 - Anointing Service

Elders:

*Beasley
Woodruff
B. Jensen
Giese

Duty Roster Continued

February 23-8:30am

Sanctuary

Acolytes:

Jacob Herzberger

Jake Wright

Altar Guild:

Set-up

Claudia Karasak

Sharon Sawvel

Clean-up

Claudia Karasak

Sharon Sawvel

Greeters:

Pete & Marjorie Sheneman

Shirley Busky, Echo Morton

John & Carla Odom

Sound:

David Hood

PowerPoint:

David Heim

Counters:

Phipps, Rieck

Elders:

*Giese

B. Jensen

Brigham

Swanson

February 23-11:00am

Sanctuary

Acolyte:

Faith Armer

Altar Guild:

Set-up

Claudia Karasak

Clean-up

Diane Alden

Deidre Regenhard

Greeters:

Aaron & Julie Thomas

Charles Stenslie, Mark Whitman

James & Deb O'Dell

Sound:

Kristy Kois

Media Shout:

Jim O'Dell

Counters:

Phipps, Rieck

Elders:

*Seeman

Krahn

Wolf

Prayer Partners:

Paul Tobben

Robin Armer

February 23-11:00am

Chapel

Acolyte:

Jonathan Willis

Altar Guild:

Set-up

Claudia Karasak

Clean-up

Diane Alden

Deidre Regenhard

Elders:

*Kuhlmann

Gebhardt

February Birthdays & Anniversaries

2/1

Ken Agee

Tim & Jaye Lollis, 1 year

2/2

Brenda Baker

James & Cristina Seamster, 12 years

2/3

Carole Weygand

Janet Wright

Gary & Kathy Siftar, 42 years

2/4

Keith & Vicki Koessel, 25 years

2/5

Christina Johnson

2/6

Bud Hale

Abigail Jensen

James Lange

Robert Morrison

2/7

Allen Braumiller

Kurt Klein

2/8

Clara Gallo

2/9

Michael Cooper

Jeannie Harrold

James Hill

2/11

Sheila Bougher

Robert James

2/12

Karissa Hufford

Delores Meyer

Patricia Rogers

Ray Weygand

Jake Wright

2/13

Grace Dresher

Ethan Gacek

2/14

Valerie Eberhardt

June Hamm

Nichole Myers

Steve Waugh

2/15

Jaxin Eisenhauer

Justus Eisenhauer

Mike Hood

Aaron & Michelle Stenslie, 11 years

2/16

Jean Seiler

2/17

Diane Davis

Hadley McGrew

2/18

Kim Baird

Eleanor Horn

Marilyn Popkess

2/19

Tracy Grace

Bailee Kazmierczak

2/20

Donna Koepsel

Charles Schwabe

Jessi Voss

2/21

Robert & Donna Krahn, 27 years

Rick & Kris Lowry, 33 years

Mike & Linda Williams, 33 years

2/22

Prestyn McElhaney

Zachary Obrock

2/23

Connie Spomer

2/24

Richard Davis

2/25

Larry Brown

2/26

Kimberlee Rampey

2/27

Mark D'Arcy

2/28

Irene Rainwater

2/29

Jerry Stevens