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OUR MISSION

The people of Immanuel Lutheran Church are living proof of the grace of God through salvation in Jesus Christ. Empowered by Christ, our mission is to reach out in love to those who have not yet responded to the Gospel that

School Mission

The Mission of Immanuel Lutheran School is to provide a loving atmosphere of academic excellence for children while developing in them and their families a lasting relationship with

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
PRESENTS:

SECOND ANNUAL GERMAN FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2016
11:00AM – 9:00PM

Check out our German festival with authentic foods, music, activities, an authentic German Bier Garten for the adults and a Juice Garten for the kids. Contests and entertainment will be provided.



- Free entry
- German foods
- Activities for Children
- Craft Vendors
- Community Based Organizations
- Live Band
- Authentic Costumes
- Silent Auctions



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MISS MILLER GROUP HUG

*We're all going to
miss you so much!*



Immanuel welcomes our newest members thru The Rite of Adult Confirmation: Hugo & Kristen Cabello; Janet Romanko; Norman & Marilyn Stone; Gladys Legace; Jamie & Kristin Laforge; and Scott, Jennifer, Andreia & Nate DeAngelo.



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Ed & Dee Krampitz
Newsletter Editors

Summer Worship Schedule

June - July - August

**SUNDAY
DIVINE SERVICE**
with Holy Communion
9:00 A.M.

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ADULT BIBLE STUDY
10:30 A.M.



**WHEELCHAIR
ACCESSIBLE**

Worship Services are broadcast each Sunday at 1:00 p.m. on

WNTY Radio
990 AM
96.1 FM



From the Pastor's Desk

“As American As...”

“For I the LORD do not change.”

Malachi 3:6a

Years ago, there was an advertisement that said something like, “American as baseball, hot dogs, apple pie, and Chevrolet.” On the 4th of July, the most American of all holidays, it’s only natural for us to talk about this country.

But, “Houston, we’ve got a problem.” Did you know that from 2001-2006 the all-time hot dog eating champion was a Japanese man by the name of Takeru Kobayashi? That’s right. For six years in a row, the Fourth of July hot dog eating championship on Coney Island was won by a 165-pound guy from the “Land of the Rising Sun.” He set a record by devouring 53¾ hot dogs AND buns in a 12-minute period. Now, if you happen to be a follower of major sporting events like hot dog eating, the Associated Press sent out a bulletin announcing to all the world that Takeru would bow out of any future tournaments because he had developed arthritis of the jaw.

If the hot dog-eating champion can be Japanese, what else can’t be counted on? Let’s go back to the first paragraph. Although baseball remains popular in the US, almost every authority agrees more people watch football. Some even say that basketball, NASCAR, and bird watching have trumped baseball. And as far as Chevrolet is concerned, Toyota has sold more cars in the US than has General Motors.

The only thing left on our list of American favorites is “apple pie.” All the rest have been bumped to the side. This leads me to ask, “If these truly American things are not untouchable, is there anything in which we can believe? Is there anyone in whom we can place our trust? Is there anybody who can always be counted on?” By inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and speaking for the Holy Trinity, the Old Testament Prophet Malachi provides the answer. God says, “I am the Lord, I change not.”

While I rejoice in my country, and give thanks to God for the many blessings she offers, I thank the Lord most of all for the Savior whose forgiveness, love, and grace can be counted on forever. Even if the mountains crumble and apple pie is no longer palatable, the Lord will be with me. This is why I will trust in Him as my best friend and truest support.

THE PRAYER: Dear Lord Jesus, we give thanks for Your unchanging love and promise of continuing presence. We ask that You will bless this land and keep it free. Bring Your salvation and hope to those countries where Your Name is banned and freedom to believe has been oppressed. In Your Name... Amen.

Pastor Karner

1 Thess. 5:23-24

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it. — 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

~ ~ ~ ~ ~ Women of Immanuel ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

*After a break for the summer, we will meet **Thursday, September 8**, in the Old School Basement. God bless you and keep you safe this summer.*



ST. PAUL COMMUNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH — PONTIAC, MI \$100,000

Pastor Dietrick Gladden and his wife, Becky, are building a vibrant ministry in the city center of Pontiac, Michigan that connects with homeless neighbors, people held captive by addiction and dysfunction, families in need, and children who need a safe place to learn and grow. St. Paul Community Lutheran Church is in the midst of a community just discovering Jesus, and not yet able to form a core of believers or members to help support ministry.

While worship attendance averages around 70 people, it's not unusual for church events to attract far more. Most events provide food for a hungry community, including Wednesday night family dinner and Bible study, Friday youth nights, and Vacation Bible School, family breakfast and lunch. Because the need is so great, clothing, furniture, school supplies, and other needs are also met where donations can be found. As newcomers grow exponentially, it becomes more urgent to develop means to connect them to worship and other parts of ministry.

The grant from the Lutheran Women's Missionary League would make it possible for this ministry to continue in three areas:

- (1) hiring a part-time music leader to develop a quality of worship that will draw and connect people to Jesus in a deeper way and part-time office staffing to provide vital quality communications with supporters and the church community;
- (2) refurbishing and bringing the existing community youth center up to code so the youth and their families can find shelter and hope in Jesus from the day-to-day crises in their lives; and
- (3) funds would provide an electronic church sign to communicate their outreach resources and events.

SAVE THE DATES

October 2, 2016: LWML MID-Valley Zone Rally, Holyoke, MA. 3:00pm

October 9, 2016: Celebration of LWML Sunday at Immanuel.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN CELEBRATION

Orphan Grain Train in Terryville is celebrating its two year anniversary on August 20th with a picnic at Holy Trinity Church in Terryville. See page 5 for more details.

ATTENTION !!!

On Sunday, August 14, the Bristol Half Marathon will result in delays for motorists trying to reach downtown Bristol, beginning around 8:15am when the first runners will be entering downtown via the West End. Traffic at many intersections will be halted as the runners pass. We suggest you go to [2016 Bristol Half Marathon](#) and click on **Course Map** to see the route the runners will be taking so you can plan your drive to church that morning!



Young at Heart

We are your “over age 50” group of mainly Immanuel members who enjoy being together, having fun, enjoying food, learning, and volunteering. We are all ages — 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s — and are asking you to join us in Christian fellowship.

We do not hold our monthly lunches during the summer months, but will begin again on September 1, that's before Labor Day!

We are holding a planned potluck lunch at 11:30am in the Old School Basement and are asking you to try and bring something to add to our buffet tables. If your last name begins with letter **A thru G** bring a **COLD Dish**; **H thru N** bring a **HOT Dish**; and **O thru Z** bring a yummy **Dessert**.

We will be welcoming our own Becky Runk for her interesting program on Greyhound dogs. Have you thought of adopting a four-legged friend into your home and want more information? Join us September 1.

Summertime activities we suggest are visiting some our homebound members and playing cards at 1 pm on Mondays in our Parish Center with our Adult Fellowship group. Take a look at the bulletin board near the gym entrance for trip ideas through area Senior Centers. The glass-enclosed bulletin boards outside the library are used to promote our Young-At-Heart activities.

Enjoy your summer and be sure to greet one another at our 9:00am summertime church service.



Our June 2nd Picnic Luncheon with our guest speaker Miles Everett, Bristol Hospital Dietician and Nutritionist.



~ Church News ~

HOMEBOUND WORSHIP SERVICE



**Sunday, August 7th
at 3 pm**

**This is a shortened service with
communion given in the pews.**

**Please call the church office if you need
a ride 860-583-5649.**



CALLED HOME TO HEAVEN

Wayne M. Stange

January 4, 1943 — June 7, 2016

Leon Jacy

March 5, 1933 — June 20, 2016

Richard F. Prindle

May 6, 1927 — June 27, 2016

Waldemar O. Jabs

April 9, 1933 — June 28, 2016



**Immanuel welcomes
through the rite of Holy Baptism**

Noah Werner Cabello

Baptized on June 12, 2016

and

Michael Anthony DeAngelo

Baptized on June 26, 2016

Orphan Grain Train

The New England District Branch of Orphan Grain Train

Invites you and yours to come to our Open House Picnic/Fundraiser!

Saturday, August 20, 2016, 12 - 4pm

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
8 Maple Street, Terryville, CT**

There will be lots of food, activities for children and adults alike!

There will also be Warehouse tours to show what we do and how we do it!

*Thanks to a generous donor, there will be a matching grant for the first
\$5,000 raised through this event!*



Please contact Brenda Bacon at the
NED Office to RSVP

413-783-0131, ext 10 or
bbacon@ned-lcms.org

so we can properly plan.

See you there!

*Thank you to Immanuel Lutheran Church and
to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for the Orphan
Grain Train!*

*I recently had medical items and supplies which
I no longer needed, and I knew that someone "out
there" was in need and could use these. I made a
couple of calls regarding our local Orphan Grain
Train and how it works. I received a visit from
Paul Arbesman (member from Holy Trinity) and
Don Kalwat (we know dear Don) and they not only
picked up my items but also gave me a great over-
view of this human need relief effort!*

*I wish to thank our two sister churches for
"joining forces" and forming a great team that is
meeting the needs of many folks, both near and far.
I know that several of our ILC members are also a
part of this extended team, and provide the people
power needed, with their volunteer time given at
the former Eagle Lock facility in Terryville.*

*Thanks to all involved, and continued blessings
from our Lord on the great job you all are doing!*
Karen Smith

Immanuel Lutheran School — Class of 2016 graduates

Preschool



Thank you Mrs. Tonn, Mrs. Machado and Mrs. Hauer for teaching the love of Jesus to our precious children.

Kindergarten



Thank you Mrs. Krueger for teaching them so well, loving them so dearly, bringing out their best and, most of all, showing them the great love of Jesus!!

Eighth Grade



*Reagan Truman Jury
Brooke Marion Wells
Paris Dakota Machado
Lorrin Lynn Jackson
Jared Alan Krueger*



Class Gift

CLASS OF 2016

Two Dogwood Trees

will be planted in front of the school along Meadow Street.

The Class of 2016 will be forever grateful to the staff of ILS for sharing their exceptional love and Christian education and for planting deep roots in the love of Christ that will remain with them forever!

~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ **Scout News** ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Immanuel Lutheran School Girl Scout Troop #66072



- We had our **END OF YEAR PIZZA PARTY AT ROCKWELL PARK** again this year—**IT WAS GREAT!** We invited some of our new friends that will be joining Girl Scouts next year and had pizza, snacks and great fun!!!
- **WE WON FIRST PLACE** at the **IRON CHEF CAMPOREE** at **Camp Pattagansett** in East Lyme, CT for our **JAMBALAYA!!! GREAT JOB GIRLS!!!**

Thank you, once again, to all the families for allowing us the privilege of working with such a wonderful group of girls this year. We worked hard, earned lots of badges and had great fun in the process!!! So, enjoy your time off, HAVE A GREAT SUMMER VACATION, and we'll see you in the Fall!!!

Sincerely, Mrs. Becky Wells & Mrs. Trina Theriault



Boy Scout Troop 21 update:

Troop 21 would like to congratulate William Jabs on his recent rank advancement to Eagle Scout. William's Eagle project took place at the Carousel Museum in Bristol, and included the construction of a picnic table, several raised flower beds and placing new wood covers over several large windows. Congratulations William!!!

Troop 21 would also like to acknowledge the following scouts on their recent rank advancements:

- Evan Foley - Gold Eagle Palm
- Ben Jabs - Life
- John Duncan - Star
- Dan Lauretti - First Class
- Luke Foley - First Class

Recent Merit Badges completed:

- Citizenship in the Community - John Duncan, Luke Foley and Dan Lauretti
- Communications - John Duncan and Kyle Lauretti
- Plumbing - John Duncan, Luke Foley, Ryan Hislop, Ben Jabs, Dan Lauretti, Kyle Lauretti, Nathan Roy and Oskar Tolmoff

Recent Outings:

- Camping with Troop 9 (Bristol) and Trail cleanup and restoration at Camp Carlson
- Camping with Pack 21 (Immanuel) at Camp Mattatuck
- Camping and camp set-up (Beaver Day) at Camp Workcoeman

In June and July members of Troop 21 will be attending "The Summit Bechtel High Adventure" camp in West Virginia, as well as summer camp week at a Connecticut BSA camp.

Nice work Troop
Robert Foley
ASM, Troop 21

TAG SALE

SAVE YOUR STUFF (except TVs and couches) for the **Youth Group Tag Sale** coming **SATURDAY, September 3** from 8am to 2pm.

Pick up available if needed, call 860-589-6431.
Drop off will be **Sundays** in **August** either before or after our service. The youth group will be on hand to help unload items for you. Please place items on the stage.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS:



ALUMNI & CHURCH WINE TASTING & AUCTION FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2016 7:00 - 10:00PM

Please join us for a welcome reception honoring our Alumni in the School Gymnasium 7:00pm - 10:00pm. We will be honoring the Graduation classes celebrating a ten year class anniversary. Classes 2006, 1996, 1986, 1976, 1966, 1956, 1946, & 1936. **All alumni and church members are welcome to attend!** Come and talk with fellow classmates and congregation members in a casual setting. There will be a Wine Tasting with appetizers from 7:00-9:00pm and a Silent Auction which will conclude at 9:00pm. The cost to attend is \$25.00 per person.

Name: _____ Class Year: _____

E Mail Address: _____

_____ \$25.00 per person Alumni Wine Tasting 9/16/16
_____ Number Attending

Checks should be made out to "Immanuel Lutheran Church"
Event tickets will be mailed upon receipt of payment.

Mail to: Immanuel Lutheran Church
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JULY 2016

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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Edward Bohn
Alyssa Kirschner
Robert Pease

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Bruce Helming

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Meghan Carder
Francis Hogan
Ernest Schultz

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Donna Hiscock
Paul Stewart

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Jennifer McIntyre
Eric Therrien

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Dorothy Duessel
Janice Eschner
Elizabeth Helming

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Elizabeth Fitz
Lynn Kisser
Beth Schroeder

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Darrin Bodley
Matthew Croze
Erika Raspanti
Amelia Tessier
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John Fitzherbert, Jr.

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Wanda Hubbard
Dee Krampitz
Carol Maron
Wendy Palmisano
16
Tyler Beaudet
Brooke Wells

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Linda Angelillo
Myrle Behrendt
Chandler Boutin

18 Mary Aszklar
Todd Gorneault
Elizabeth Moliengo
Shannon Richards
Rebecca Runk

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David Hamelin
Edward Miller
Donald Smuda
Jared Tessman

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Rhoda Cloutier
Debbie Krueger
Jonathan Tonn

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Gregory Croze
Amelia Schuler

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Marvin Heidorn
Albert Houle, IV
Nathaniel Milano
Katie Tessman

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Megan Swicklas

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Marilyn Triplett

25
Richard Armington
Jennifer DeAngelo

26
Adam Houle
Elizabeth Houle
Sarah Williams

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Doreen Checoves
Kevin Karner
Nicholas Madigan

28
Susan Bodick

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Makenzie Jankowski

30 Matthew Dennis
Keith Hogan
Whitney Massaro
Joseph Reed
Tyler Thormahlen
Doris Wegner

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AUGUST 2016

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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Seth Michelson
Eric Velasco
Robert Wells

8
Amy Sonstroem

9
Mark Blank
Kimberly Debaise
Michael Killian
Rachel Shields

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Aaron Desjardins
Caitlyn Pacitto

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Alice Cunningham
Wilhelmina Reaves
Deborah Swicklas

12
Eric Larson

6 Alexis Fitzherbert
Ryan Hill
Jordan Kuharski
Alicia Michelson
Phyllis Steinackle
13
Kenneth Michelson

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Thomas Goodwin
Maggie Theriault

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Sierra Reed

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Armin Hauer
Joyce Marion
Breeann Redman
Ryan Tessman

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Ruth Johnson

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Barbara Radcliff
Molly Tower

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David Kisser

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Scott Eschner
John Fitzherbert
Karl Riegler

23
Craig Stange
Jonah Tonn

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Michael Behrendt
Janet Desrosiers
Lauren Simard

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Wayne Kuharski
Daniel Tonn

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Jamie Laforge
Marilyn Schmelder
Linda Wall

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Dorothy Tichanski


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Barbara Wallick

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Alexandra Dubois
Joyce Lassy
Jon Sonstroem



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