

# WELCOME

to the *Weekly Connection*

Immanuel Lutheran Church-Olivette – January 5, 2025

## ABOUT US

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a vibrant, thriving, cross-focused faith community that has been centered around God's Word and His Sacraments of Holy Baptism and the Lord's Supper, preaching Christ and Him Crucified for 180 years. We are a member of the denomination of Christianity called The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. This means that we believe the whole Bible to be the true, inspired, Word of God. We also believe in One God who is a Trinity - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Connected in Jesus, Compassion for All

## VISITOR INFORMATION

We are thrilled that you are joining us for worship! A printed service bulletin can be found outside the entry doors to the sanctuary or from an usher.



If you have any questions, an usher or the Elder on duty is more than happy to be of assistance.

## CONTACT/CONNECT with US

More information can be found on our website:

[www.immanuelolivette.org](http://www.immanuelolivette.org)

You can also send us a message at [church.office@immanuelolivette.org](mailto:church.office@immanuelolivette.org)

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## EXPLORE MORE!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE STUDY

**Adult Studies** – Bible study, Fellowship Hall

**Women's Study** – SOAP! with Carla Krazl

**Confirmation:** 6 – 8 gr. West bldg. #206 (STREAM)  
5<sup>th</sup> gr. East Bldg. Rm# 303

### Sunday School – East Building

**Rm #304 (2<sup>nd</sup> gr.):** 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> gr.

**Rm #305 (1<sup>st</sup> gr. rm):** K-2<sup>nd</sup> gr.

**Rm #307 (PK room):** 2-5 yr. olds

**Rm #302 (Ext. Care):** Families of Faith

**Sr. High Youth – Youth Room**

**LOC Activities – Rms#202, 204, 215, 216, Gym**

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### SUNDAY

Worship Service, 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
YouTube Live Stream, 8 & 10:30 a.m.  
LOC Worship, 10:30 a.m., Gym  
Church Undecorating, 11:30 a.m.  
Adult Basketball, 7:00 p.m., Gym

### MONDAY

### TUESDAY

Women's Guild, 6:00 p.m., Hall  
Men's Club, 6:30 p.m., East Building

### WEDNESDAY

Bazaar, 9:30 a.m., Hall  
Handbells, 6:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY

Quilters, 9:30 a.m., Hall

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

PSCE Playdate, 9:00 a.m., Gym  
Worship, 5:00 p.m.

### SUNDAY

Worship Service, 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
YouTube Live Stream, 8 & 10:30 a.m.  
LOC Worship, 10:30 a.m., Gym  
Cross Connect Deadline  
Adult Basketball, 7:00 p.m., Gym



## IN OUR PRAYERS

A list of people being prayed for is available near the entrance by the bulletins.

## ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND:

ILC worship: 195 LOC worship: 137  
YouTube views: ILC: 51 LOC: 10

## CHURCH UNDECORATING

Please join us **today, Sunday, January 5**, immediately following the late service at **11:30am**, to remove the Christmas decorations. Many hands make light work! All are welcome.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Pastor Karg will be out of the office and unreachable from January 12 – February 3. If you have any pastoral needs, please contact the church office or your elder.

## PORTALS OF PRAYER

The January-February-March issues of Portals of Prayer and Hopeful Living are now available for pick up in the atrium.

## EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

### WOMEN'S GUILD - Jan. 7, 6:00

Bring a can of chicken or beef-based soup (no cream soups) to add to the steaming pots. The committee will provide the rest. After a short meeting we will join the Men's Club for a "Game Night" to include Dart ball, pinochle, or ???. All ladies are welcome to join the fun!

### MEN'S CLUB - 6:30pm, Tuesday, January 7th.

Come for a regular meeting with refreshments and then "Game Night" with the Women's Guild. There will be something for everyone, including Dart ball and pinochle! We encourage all men to join us. Hope to see you there!

### FAMILIES OF FAITH DISCUSSION GROUP

Meets in the East Building extended care room (302). It is for adults of all ages but does focus on parents and grandparents of school age children. Starting December 8, we will be talking about teaching the faith in the home.

### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY – Wednesday mornings @ 8am

Any men interested in joining this Zoom study, begins Jan. 4, focusing on the books of James, 1, 2 Peter, 1, 2, 3 John, & Jude contact Rev. Jerrold Eickmann by January 2 so the study guide (\$20) can be provided. Text or call 636.448.7796 or [eickmannja@gmail.com](mailto:eickmannja@gmail.com)

### LADIES' ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

All ladies are invited to join in the Lighthouse study of the Book of John on Monday mornings, 9-10 am via Zoom. A new session will begin on Jan. 6. New participants should call, text, or email Rita Eckert at 314-249-3542 or [kenandritaekert@gmail.com](mailto:kenandritaekert@gmail.com) so a study guide can be ordered for you and your name added to the email list.

### EDUCATION GRANT

Attention Widows and Single Mothers: Immanuel has been given money in a trust fund to help widows and single mothers further their personal education including their dependent children. If you feel you qualify, please contact Pastor Karg to discuss applying for the grant. The money that will be awarded will be allocated out of the interest generated by the base fund. The award will be made based on the need expressed in an application form to be given to those applicants that qualify. Anyone interested in this program will need to submit the application by Feb. 14, 2025. Approval of funds will be made by May 14, 2025.

### ???ANNUAL SAUSAGE DINNER???

There will be a meeting Sunday, January 12, between services (9:15, room #203-4th gr), to determine if we will be able to have a sausage dinner this year. As of now, no one or group has stepped forward to organize it or begin the planning process. **This meeting is for anyone who wants the dinner to happen this year.**

# Bags & Beans

## Fundraiser

01.25.2025 **BRING THE HEAT!** 5-8:00 PM

Join us for a night of fun and flavor at Bags and Beans in the Gym at Immanuel, where you can showcase your cornhole skills and savor delicious chili at our cook-off!  
This event is a fundraiser for the 8th Grade Class trip to Chicago and The Youth Group to go to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans!

<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: #800000;">HOSTED BY THE 8TH GRADE CLASS</p> <h3 style="text-align: center; color: #800000;">Chili Cookoff</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">5pm-7pm</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 5px; margin-right: 10px;"><span style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold;">\$15</span> <small>pay at the door</small></div><p style="font-size: small;">Price includes: Chili tasting, bowl of favorite, chips and 2 alcoholic beverage tickets &amp; non-alcoholic beverages.</p></div> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Contestants Needed! Scan the code to enter!</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center;"></div> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Prizes for the best overall &amp; 8th graders choice!</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; color: #800000;">HOSTED BY THE YOUTH GROUP</p> <h3 style="text-align: center; color: #800000;">Cornhole</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">5pm-8pm</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"><div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 5px; margin-right: 10px;"><span style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold;">\$40</span> <small>per team</small></div><p style="font-size: small;">Price includes: Team of two, desserts and 2 alcoholic beverage tickets per person &amp; non-alcoholic beverages.</p></div> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Scan the code to Pre-register your team!</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center;"></div> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Same day registration available Prizes for 1st, 2nd &amp; 3rd place teams!</p>
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### ILS OPEN HOUSE

If you or someone you know might be interested in ILS for JPS – 8<sup>th</sup> grade, we invite you to join us at our upcoming event to learn more about what we have to offer!

RSVP: [ilsolivette.org](http://ilsolivette.org)

**Thursday, January 28, 4:00-6:00pm**

*Explore our Excellence in Education.  
Faithful, Equipped, Connected, &  
Compassionate in Christ!*

### LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL/NEW

March '25 issue is your last issue if you don't renew. **Want to keep it?**

- \$20.65 to church office by 1/31/2025 (check or cash)
- **Don't get it – Want it?** \$20.65 in an envelope labeled "new subscriber". Check to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (not Lutheran Witness).