

WELCOME

to the *Weekly Connection*

Immanuel Lutheran Church-Olivette – December 1, 2024

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

You can also send us a message at 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

**Confirmation: 6 – 8 gr. East Bldg. Commons
5th gr. East Rm# 303**

Sunday School – EAST Building

Rm #304 (2nd gr.): 3rd & 4th gr.

Rm #305 (1st gr. rm): K-2nd 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, 203, 204, 215, 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
Christmas Decorating, 2:00 p.m.
Adult Basketball, 7:00 p.m., Gym

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Women's Christmas Banquet, 6:00 p.m.
Men's Club, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bazaar, 9:30 a.m.
Handbells, 6:00 p.m.
Worship, 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

ILS Christmas Cottage

SATURDAY

Christmas Walk, 4:00 p.m.
Worship, 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY

Worship Service, 8:00 a.m.
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LOC Worship, 10:30 a.m., Gym
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IN OUR PRAYERS

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

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND:

ILC worship: 261 **LOC** worship: 146
YouTube views: **ILC**: 91 **LOC**: 14

ADVENT & ENVELOPES

Please pick up your new giving envelopes. They are available in the atrium.

HELP DECK THE HALL!

Everyone is invited to help decorate our church for the Christmas season! We'll be decorating the sanctuary, stairwell, and atrium on **Sunday, December 1, at 2:00 pm.** (A light meal will follow for those interested, and the Couples and Singles Club will have a brief meeting afterwards.) Join us!

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP TIMES

Advent Wednesdays: 7:00pm (12/6, 12/13, 12/20)

Saturday Worship, **12/21**: 5:00pm

Sunday Worship, **12/22**: 9:00am

Christmas Eve, **12/24**:

Family Service 5:00pm

Service Hosted by LOC 7:00pm (Chinese/English)

Candlelight Service 9:00pm

Christmas Day **12/25**:

Communion Service 9:00am

Saturday Worship, **12/28**: 5:00pm

Sunday Worship, **12/29**: 9:00am

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS ARE HERE!

Advent devotionals are available on the table in hallway by the fellowship hall. These are a great way to help keep the focus on Christ throughout the Christmas season. The theme "His Name Shall Be Called" ties in with the theme for this year's Advent services. School families have already received a copy, and now you can be reading the same devotional they are reading throughout the coming weeks.

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

MEN'S CLUB, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 6:00 PM

Our next meeting is at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 3rd, in the East Building Commons. It begins with some traditional Christmas caroling off-site and then return for a normal meeting with refreshments. We encourage all men to join us. Hope to see you there!

FAMILIES OF FAITH DISCUSSION GROUP

Meets in the East Building Rm#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.

IMMANUEL INBOUND

Please take time to send our Inbound a card, they love hearing from Immanuel.

December Birthday - Donna Scotino

Christmas Cards are due Sunday, 12/8 at 10:30 a.m. Joan Gansman, Virginia Kellman, Dorothy Knoll, Donna Scotino, Marilyn Weinstock, and Zane Zeable.

No postage necessary. Just use the black mailbox in the atrium adding their name on the envelope. Cards will be delivered for you. Questions? Contact Diane Tallyn (Cell 314-910-2032 or diane_tallyn@hotmail.com)

COMMUNITY CARE TEAM 2024 CHRISTMAS GIFT COLLECTION:

Supporting the 100 men housed at Peter and Paul Community Services (PPCS), with 100 gift bags. You may contribute by providing any of these items (or cash):

- Pair of socks, individual size snacks (pretzels, chips), candy, protein bar and/or
- **Travel size hygiene kit items:** Razor, shaving cream, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, and floss.

We'll be in the Atrium Saturday, November 23 through Sunday, December 8 to accept donated items, including cash/checks. Cash/checks may be placed in the offering plate, or dropped off at the church office, payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church with CCT Collection in the memo.

Thank you for helping us deliver to these men in time for Christmas!

NEW OFFICER/BOARD MEMBERS INSTALLATION

The installation of new/returning board members and officers will take place on December 8 at the 8am worship service. Those being installed will not sit together but will be called up before the prayers of the church for their installation; servants will stand at the communion rail for their installation.

ILS DINE OUTS

Thanks to all who attended our dine out fundraiser at Chimi's last week. They served 42 Immanuel tables, and we earned **\$339!** Next dine out is on 12/17 at Chipotle on Olive & 170.

The Heart of Christmas: Nativity Story Walk

Join us for the story walk, petting zoo, Christmas craft, guest readers, holiday photos, a bonfire with complimentary hot cocoa/apple cider and s'mores. Make sure to bring cash. There will be a gift shop, food & refreshments for purchase in support of the High School Youth for National Youth Gathering.

Where: Immanuel Olivette School Gymnasium

When: December 7th, 2024 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Remember the true meaning of Christmas: as we celebrate God's great gift in Jesus.

