

Impacting Our World for the Lord

I would like to begin by saying thank you very much to everyone who made the Community Health and Wellness Fair a success. It was great to see Immanuel School and Church represented so well. So many of you worked behind the scenes but please know that your efforts did not go unnoticed. Thank you for being so generous with your time and talents. This was a great first step in fulfilling our Vision as a church and school and community garden. All your hard work was done for the glory of God. Certainly, there is some satisfaction knowing that we are a bit more visible in our community, we made our introductions, pleasantries were exchanged, and that is all well and good. We now know that God can move us out of our comfort zone and into uncharted waters. We didn't know exactly what to expect but with much prayer and trusting in God, we were able to enter a new and exciting area of outreach and connect with people. Nothing is impossible with God right? Nothing is too great for God right? God is faithful. He wants us to grow in our faith and share that with others.

With the Community Health and Wellness Fair we were doing exactly what God called us to do at this time — seeking to understand the people we were called to reach. This is how we become faithful in our witness. This is how we become Incarnational (living and sharing the Gospel where life happens). This is how we become a Missional Church (being more interested in the harvest than the barn) and *this* is only the beginning. God has many exciting opportunities planned for us and our neighbors. Continue to pray for the harvest and how God can use us to grow his kingdom. Remember, *“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden” (Matthew 5:14)*. What we do in the Lord's name has great impact and eternal consequences.

Beginning the month of October, we will continue to explore our role as stewards in God's kingdom. Be sure to join us for a three-week series titled, **“Living a God-Pleasing Life!”** All Christians are called to be stewards. We are not left on our own, though. The God who calls us equips us as well.

“May the God of peace . . . equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to who be glory for ever and ever. Amen” (Hebrews 13:20-21).

Looking forward to seeing you each Sunday in the month of October. Let's not forget our special Reformation Sunday October 27.

“Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods” (Psalm 95:1-3)

To God be all the glory,

Pastor Steve Deombeleg



Immanuel's 11th Annual
Dinner Auction
Black & White Night
November 1st, 2019
6:00p.m. at the Bistro

Tickets are \$35.00. The theme is simple yet elegant ~ just dress in black and /or white. It could be all black, all white, polka dots, stripes, dressy, jeans, or a costume.

The ideas are endless!

Help is always needed! If you would like to be involved, please speak with Becky Lelingis or Carol Northcutt.



New items accepted for donations towards our silent and live auction. We are also in need of wine for the cork sale. Come join the fun and help raise money for Immanuel's Scholarship Fund!



The Bistro
2 Westbrook Corporate Center
Westchester, IL 60154



Blessings on Your Stewardship Journey

Living Life at its Best

Jesus tells us that He came in order for us to have life and have it more abundantly (John 10:10). Just as we as parents are pleased and thrilled to see our children thrive and do well in their careers, with their families, and in their churches, our Heavenly Father, in a much more profound way, is pleased that we are experiencing **life at its best** in the years, months, and days that God has given us. We are His children and His amazing love for us was shown to us on the Cross where Christ won for us the forgiveness of sins and eternal life through faith in Him. This gift empowers us to live abundantly. It is God's desire that we live abundant lives. Just as we want the best for our children, He wants the best for us. He is so pleased when we walk by faith in ways of obedience, compassion, selflessness, and seek to follow His ways. By God's grace, we can be contented people who live **life at its best** aware of His presence and enjoying the intimacy of His companionship. **Life at its Best** is the rich life that God wants for us.

In contrast to the abundant life that Jesus came to give us, we find Satan (thief) doing all he can to make us live life at its worst. *"The thief comes*

only to steal, kill, and destroy" (John 10:10a). Satan comes to steal our joy, kill our faith, and destroy our hope. He attempts to separate us from Jesus, and he wants us to live lives of despair and gloom.

In this tenth chapter of John, Jesus tells us that He is our Good Shepherd. As our Shepherd, He feeds us, guides us, and takes care of our needs. He even lays down His life for us! What a humbling and staggering thought that Jesus the Creator of the universe wants to be our Shepherd! He wants us to be His children in spite of our sinful and evil ways. He invites us to follow Him and to receive His affection and attention. He tells us that we, His sheep, know His voice and follow Him. As part of His flock or family, we acknowledge His authority and seek to follow His direction. Out of gratitude we attempt to live lives that please Him through our serving, witnessing, and giving. Because Jesus is our Good Shepherd we can live **life at its best**.



A Month of Prayer

The fellowship of prayer consists of caring people who pray daily for members in the church. Members and their families will be listed in alphabetical order each month. Please pray for both their known and unknown needs.

1. The Pena Family
2. The Perez Family
3. Renee Phillips
4. Annelies Pitz
5. Robert Pokorny
6. The Railing Family
7. Lynn Rand
8. The Redis Family
9. Joan Rundgren
10. Dot Schnieder
11. Doreen Schulz
12. Karen Sierawski
13. Jayne Siou
14. Rose Slagle
15. Daniel Stallings
16. Rita Stallings
17. The Svec Family
18. The Tense Family
19. Chris, Katy, Carson & Braydon Thomas
20. Paris, Rick & Zariah Thomas
21. Lisa Tipple
22. Lance Turner
23. Debbie & Wayne Valentino
24. Shawn Viger
25. Sarah & Thy Vu
26. Jelisa Washington
27. Laneta & Ja'mya Washington
28. Patricia Washington
29. Marilyn Weeks
30. Randy & Michelle Weeks
31. Johnny & Jailon Welch

GOD CREATED THE WORLD, AND HE GIVES US THE PRIVILEGE AND RESPONSIBILITY TO BE HIS STEWARDS.

"The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it" (Genesis 2:15).

Immanuel Christian Academy

Perfect Vision

by Valerie Winston

As we get closer to next year, various groups, organizations, entities and so forth are anticipating using a theme, vision, or logo based on 20/20 and perfect vision. But what is perfect vision? Does perfect vision truly exist? It's not truly correct terminology when discussing visual acuity but has been in use for so long it will probably not change.

After I had surgery to correct my vision, I began wearing glasses. I was four years old at the time and didn't pay much attention to what my prescription was. At some point I noticed some numbers on my glasses that indicated the strength of my lenses. It was nowhere near 20/20. For a while that bothered me and I wanted to see the 20/20 on my glasses. Later in life I came to accept that not only would I never have perfect vision, but eventually my vision would deteriorate.

There are some people who go through life thinking they have all the answers. They know more than everyone else. They are more than happy to correct someone or show them the right way to do something. They act as if they have perfect vision. Sometimes as Christians we can act the same way. We carry ourselves cloaked in spiritual self-righteousness and are only too happy to point out someone else's sins or wrong doings.

But those who think they have all the answers do not have perfect vision and are spiritually blind. None of us has all the answers. None of us is perfect. Jesus is the perfecter of our faith and through Him we can have perfect vision, but our focus must remain on Him and not on ourselves.

In Acts 9 we learn of Saul, who thought he had all the answers. Jesus was able to remove his physical and spiritual blindness. May we have the scales removed from our eyes in the same way they were removed from Saul's. And while perfect vision may not truly exist we know that our vision is made perfect through our Savior.



School Events

NO SCHOOL OCTOBER 11th

Saints & Heroes Fall Dance / Trunk or Treat

Day School Choir Sings - October 27th

**Don't forget! Daylight Savings Times
ends at 2am on November 3rd.**



October is

Pastor

APPRECIATION MONTH

Gracious Father, may our pastor's messages and preaching come to us, not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that our faith might not rest on the wisdom of man, but upon Your power (1 Cor. 2:4-5). Help him never to depend upon his own might or power, but always upon Your Spirit, Lord Almighty (Zech. 4:6). May You, the God of hope, fill our pastor with all joy and peace as he trusts in you, so that he may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 15:13).

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WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 2ND, 2019

20% OF ALL SALES ACQUIRED AS A RESULT OF YOUR PARTICIPATION WILL
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ACADEMY**

HILLSIDE
2135 S. WOLF RD.
708-236-0575



Interested in setting up a Buona Benefit Night? Email us at fundraising@buona.com!
PHYSICAL OR DIGITAL FLYER MUST BE PRESENTED WHEN ORDERING!!

Important Dates

2	Buona Benefit Faculty Meeting
6	Scrip Orders Due
8	Math Club
11	No School Adult Volleyball
15	PTL Meeting Dartball
15&16	Pastoral Conference
18	Movie Night @ the OSH
19	Garden Work Day
22	Dartball
25	Adult Volleyball
27	Scrip Orders Due
29	Dinner Auction Wrapping Party
30	Bring Your Pastor to Chapel
31	Saints & Heroes School Dance

Everything written in the Scriptures was written to teach us, in order that we might have hope through the patience and encouragement which the Scriptures gives. Romans 15:4

Getting the Most Out of Your Daily Bible Reading

As you read the Bible each day, allow the Scriptures to speak to you. This daily “dialogue “ between you and the biblical text will reveal new understandings about God, and about yourself.

October

1 James 3:13-18	17 Psalm 9
2 Exodus 20:1-21	18 Psalm 72
3 Exodus 23:1-13	19 Psalm 94
4 Numbers 27:1-11	20 Amos 5:1-17
5 1 Samuel 25:2-35	21 Amos 5:18-27
6 1 Corinthians 11:17-34	22 Micah 2:1-13
7 Isaiah 28:14-29	23 Micah 3:1-12
8 Isaiah 32:1-20	24 Micah 4:1-13
9 Isaiah 56:1-12	25 Micah 6:1-8
10 Isaiah 58:1-14	26 Micah 6:9-16
11 Isaiah 59:1-21	27 Habakkuk 2:1-20
12 Isaiah 61:1-11	28 Zephaniah 3:1-13
13 Jeremiah 22:11-23	29 Malachi 1:6-2:9
14 Ezekiel 11:1-13	30 James 2:1-13
15 Ezekiel 11:14-25	Reformation Day
16 Deuteronomy 10:12-22	31 James 4:1-17

Set aside time to read the bible on a daily basis.

Find a quiet place to read and reflect on each day's reading.

Begin with prayer, asking God for guidance and blessing.

Movie Night - October 18th

Hosted by the Stewardship Commission

7pm at the Old Schoolhouse

Is Genesis History?

<https://isgenesishistory.com/>

Birthdays

03 - Shawn Viger	21 - Jacob Blair
09 - Ed Mulvihill	24 - Lucretia Hardy
09 - Renee Phillips	26 - Chris Thomas
09 - Leonard Bettin	27 - Julie Hadler
15 - Irene Niko	27 - Doretha Brown
15 - Susan Redis	28 - Steven Deombeleg
17 - Macey Railing	30 - Doreen Schulz

MONTHLY EVENTS

(unless otherwise noted)

Faculty Meeting

1st Wednesday of the Month
(Sept. - May)

PTL Meeting

3rd Tuesday of Month

Bible Study Sundays

8:15am September - May

Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays 10:00am

Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays 4:30pm

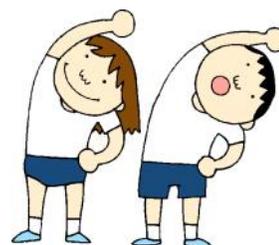
Dartball - Tuesday 7:30

September - May

Adult Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays 7:30pm

September - 1st Week in June



If you are interested in getting in shape from the comfort of the Immanuel Gym, contact Susie Lah, certified personal trainer
Sueboo262@yahoo.com

708.638.7644

Susie has morning and evening workout options available. Please contact her directly with any questions.



October 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Pixie Power Fitness Class in the Gym M/W/F 5:15am – 6:05am T/TH 6:30pm – 7:20pm Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sunday	1 4pm ICA Volleyball 5pm Dayschool Meeting Evening Fitness	2 Morning Fitness 3pm Faculty Meeting Buona Benefit 7:30 Adult Choir	3 Evening Fitness	4 Morning Fitness	5	
6 Scrip Order Due 8:15 Bible Study 9:30am Worship HC 10:30 Fellowship	7 Morning Fitness	8 3pm Math Club 4pm Volleyball Evening Fitness	9 Morning Fitness 3:30pm XC Meet 7:30 Adult Choir	10 Evening Fitness	11 - No School Morning Fitness 7pm – Adult Volleyball	12
13 8:15 Bible Study 9:30am Worship 10:30 Fellowship	14 Morning Fitness Affy Tapple Orders Due	15 Dental Exams 6pm PTL Meeting Evening Fitness	16 Morning Fitness 7:30 Adult Choir	17 Evening Fitness	18 Morning Fitness	19 9am – Noon Garden Work Day Help Needed!
20 8:15 Bible Study 9:30am Worship 10:30 Fellowship	21 Morning Fitness	22 Evening Fitness 7pm Dartball	23 Morning Fitness 7:30 Adult Choir	24 Affy Tapple Delivery Evening Fitness	25 Morning Fitness 7pm Adult Volleyball	26
27 – Reformation Sunday 8:15 Bible Study 9:30am Worship Dayschool Sing 10:30 Fellowship	28 Morning Fitness	29 Evening Fitness	30 Morning Fitness 8:15am – Bring your Pastor to Chapel 7:30 Adult Choir	31 - Reformation Day 3pm Saints and Heroes / Trunk or Treat Evening Fitness	November 1st Dinner Auction at the Bistro	November 2 Turn clocks back one hour before bed tonight

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RETURN REQUESTED

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REMEMBER TO PRAY. . .

If you have a prayer request, please call the pastor in the church office (708-562-5590). We are praying for you! Please notify the office when circumstances of your request change or when the Lord answers your prayers. We want to rejoice with you and thank the Lord.

Glorifying God. Impacting the Community.

AS EACH HAS RECEIVED A GIFT, USE IT TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER.

AS GOOD STEWARDS OF GOD'S VARIED GRACE.

1 PETER 4:10