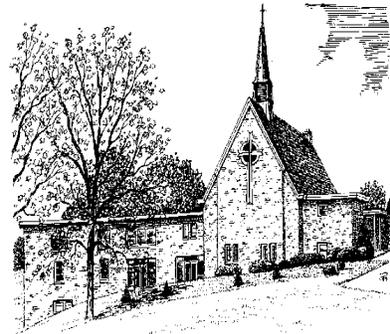


The King's Business

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The Pastor's Page

It came without ribbons! It came without tags!

It came without packages, boxes or bags!

And he puzzled three hours, 'till his puzzler was sore.

Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before!

Maybe Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store.

Maybe Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!

Ah, Dr. Seuss. What would Christmas be without the Grinch and his heart that grows three sizes that day? It's hard to believe that a children's story written in 1957 has had such incredible longevity in today's culture.

It is, of course, one of my favorites. But I find it interesting what kind of pop culture Christmas characters tend to have the most lasting-power in our society. The Grinch. Ebenezer Scrooge. Charlie Brown and his sad Christmas tree. Most of our Christmas movies are the same way too. Lots and lots of characters without the "Christmas spirit" who need to be guided back to the love of family and friends.

And sure, we enjoy seeing this process at work. The anti-hero who finds redemption is a classic tale in all seasons throughout all story-telling. But I also wonder whether we like these anti-heroes because they remind us just a bit of ourselves at Christmas. Oh, I'm not calling us a congregation of Grinches and Scrooges. But the truth of the matter is that, no matter who you talk to, it seems that everybody has those moments when Christmastime isn't quite so cheerful.

Maybe it's just the stress of family and shopping and all the other trappings of the season. Maybe the short days and bare trees are already starting to get to you. Maybe the past year has been difficult because of illness or injury or finances. Maybe someone you love isn't here to spend Christmas with you this year.

There's lots of reasons to have a rather Grinchy attitude this time of year. And I'm not going to judge you for them. It'd be hypocritical for me to do so. You see, as a pastor, Advent is both a wonderful opportunity for me to share the love of Christ and an exhausting marathon of services and preparation. And, quite frankly, I can get pretty Grinchy about it too.

But that's where the Grinch really did get it right. Not in his heart growing three sizes. Not in returning all the presents. Not in carving the roast beast. But in realizing that Christmas came anyway.

Christ already came. In the midst of our sinful world, knowing full well that his birth would be celebrated as much by Grinchitude toward each other as it would be by joyful hymns, Christ came anyway. Christ was born for you and for me, whether we spend Christmas singing carols or yelling at family members or quietly grieving in our hearts. Christ came.

And He still comes. In Word and Sacrament. In water poured out to cleanse you of your sins. In bread and wine – the very Body and Blood of Christ – given and shed for us. Christ came. Christ comes. And Christ will come again. And bring us a world where the joyful celebration of the Word made flesh isn't a yearly struggle, but an eternal celebration around the throne of God.

"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus." We are all Grinches, Scrooges, and Charlie Browns in need of redemption. We are all anti-heroes – bitter, cold, and depressing – until that moment comes when we see the love shown to us by God's Son and the real meaning of

Christmas becomes clear. By God's grace, Christmas came without ribbons, tags, packages, boxes, or bags. Christmas means a little bit more than all that. Because the gift of Christmas came by Jesus Christ.

May God bless you with a very Merry Christmas!
Pastor Ketelsen

Copies of sermons are now available. If you missed a service, or just loved one immensely and would like a copy, they are now available on our church website, ImmanuelBoonvilleMO.church. You can also find hard copies in the red folder next to Portals of Prayer in the church Narthex. Please help yourself, and feel free to share with friends or shut-ins.

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Sunday Service- 9:00 am

Sunday School - 10:15 am

Fellowship Time - Fifth Sundays 10:15 am

Lord's Supper - 9:00 am – 1st & 3rd Sundays & Festivals

Midweek Services –

During Advent & Lent, Weds. 7:00 p.m.

Kindergarten

All Day Kindergarten

(Pre-registration required)

Preschool

3-5 year olds

Mon-Wed-Fri, 8-11am & 12-3pm (4 & 5 year olds)

Tues-Thurs, 8-11am & 12-3pm (3 year olds)

(Pre-registration required)

Dial-A-Devotion

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BIBLE STUDY

Adult Bible Study: Sunday Mornings at 10:15 a.m. adults meet for Bible study together with Pastor Ketelsen. We have begun a study of The Reformation.

Sunday School: at 10:15 in the downstairs class room.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class 10:00 am in large classroom on the main level. We are going through "Forgiveness" by Donna Pyle.

Thursday Morning Bible Study: Join us on Thursday Mornings down at the Main Street Diner for breakfast at 7:00 am followed by a study of the Master Criminals of the Bible. We will dig into Scripture and talk about some of the less popular stories and why they are included in Scripture. See you there!

GREETINGS FROM THE DCE!

November has typically been a pretty eventful month over the last four years that I've been here at Immanuel. Sadly, this is the first time in four years that we have not done the "Bread of Life" Lock-In, and to the wonderful people that we have typically delivered bread to, I apologize that we missed you this time.

It was a very exciting month, and December is looking to be just as fun. In November, I had the opportunity to attend the MO District Church Workers Conference and the High School District Youth Gathering back to back, along with leading a chapel service for the students over at Calvary Lutheran High School in Jefferson City. It was wonderful being able to see a lot of old friends and be refreshed for ministry after attending all three events.

The High School District Youth Gathering (that theme was called "Filtered") was probably one of my favorite events all year. I was able to catch up with other DCEs from across the state, and even better, I was able to connect with 4 of our wonderful HS students in this mountain top event. It started on Friday night after traveling down a winding road in an unfamiliar minivan and getting to the camp with 45 minutes to spare. We gathered together to hear the first speaker talk about the filters that we use to see the world around us and that we allow the world to see us through. We have so many walls and masks up that we are hidden from our true identity, that we are Baptized into Christ. We are disciples of the Master Teacher. We are forgiven children of God. We are not the circumstances that we were born into, or the relationships that we have had, but we are Sons and Daughters of the Most High God.

Day Two included different mini-sessions where we had a choice of what topic we'd like to listen to. It was fun watching Josh Derendinger get into the story of Elisha and the prophets of Baal, or sharing jokes with Ashtyn Ayers in-between sessions. Rose and Mabel Schrader attended a few of the other sessions where I also got to learn about anxiety and how this group of High Schoolers and those in that age range are the most anxiety ridden generation in the last 60 years. We learned about relationships, and how to focus on God as our number 1, and our significant other as our number two in our lives. The main speaker on Saturday night made a point that we are Worth More and we are Made for More. This was an emphasis on the theme of looking through the filter of Baptized and a member of the Body of Christ. Since we are in Christ, we are worth more than our sins. This is not a message just for High Schoolers, but also for you.

Sunday was amazing, we were able to worship together, and hear as a group that our sins are forgiven. We are brought back into a right relationship with God through our Confession and Absolution. We were able to make it home safely and to get back to our lives after coming down from the mountain. Ask us what we learned. Ask us what filter we are using. Which ones are you using? How are you seeing the world? How are you making the World see you?

In Christ,
 Josh Cromley, Director of Christian Education

LYF Events

12/10 - Christmas Party at 4pm

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINUTES

November 6, 2017

Attendance: Pastor Ketelsen, Josh Cromley, Jackie Carver, Luanna Carpenter, Linette Meller
 Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Purchase orders:

#007033	Josh Cromley cell phone & mileage	\$279.82
#007026	Concordia Publishing	\$91.91
	German supper door prizes	\$19.97
	3 illuminated catechism	\$26.97
	3 books (conference)	\$44.97

Pastor's Report

- Pastor reported that the adult Bible study on Luther and the Reformation is ongoing.

- An unnamed source came to the Board of Elders to propose a Wednesday evening Bible study for children. Presently there aren't enough children for that to be feasible.
- The elders talked about a request to have another service on a weekday for those who are unable to attend on Sunday. They will be talking to people in the congregation to see how much interest there is.

DCE Report

- Josh reported that leftovers from German dinner were donated to Harvest House.
- 5 adult and 5 Youth attended the trip to the corn maze.
- Josh and Terry Ehlers were the only ones to attend the Man-up conference.
- Josh will be on vacation November 6-9.
- He will attend the District Church Workers Conference on November 15-17.
- The District Youth Gathering will be November 17-19.
- December 10 – The Christmas party for youth will be a PJ party and sock exchange.
- Confirmation classes are currently being held after school at the public library.

Sunday School

- November 12 – Luanna
- November 19 – Linette
- November 26 – Linette
- December 3 – Luanna
- December 10 – Dee
- December 17 – Luanna Christmas lesson
- December 24 – No Sunday School
- December 31 – No Sunday School
- January 7 – Dee

Children in the congregation will sing a song during the worship service on Sunday, December 24.

The meeting was adjourned and closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
 Luanna Carpenter

PRESCHOOL NEWS

November was a very fun month. We learned about opposites and how some of us in the classroom are tall and some are short. We learned about lights being on

and off. We went in the door and out the door. We had lots of fun trying to figure out opposites. We learned about pilgrims and the Mayflower. We read books about Thanksgiving and turkeys. We also learned about Animals in the Winter. Animals actually change color in the winter. There is a winter fox, owl and fox. They were very pretty. Our chapels have taught us about David and Goliath, Daniel in the Lions Den and the Birth of John. We learned that God always keeps His promises to be with us, no matter what. We learned we are God's children and He loves and protects us always. Pastor Ketelsen is teaching us about the Apostles' Creed. We had our Grandparent Cooking Day. It was great to see and cook with all of our grandparents. We had a banquet in all four classes. Thank you to our grandparents. They made our day. Check out the bulletin board in the hallway outside the bathrooms and you will see our pictures.

Upcoming Units: Getting Along with Others Merry Christmas
Upcoming Chapel Stories: The First Christmas A Star Leads the Way

Pastor Ketelsen Chapel
 Apostles' Creed

Upcoming Birthdays in November: Kaitlin Tate and Gentry Rogge

Upcoming Dates:
 December 19th & 20th Christmas Parties
 December 21st – January 2nd No School
 MERRY CHRISTMAS!

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

October 17, 2017

Call to Order: President Tim Meller called the meeting to order.

Opening Prayer: Pastor Joshua Ketelsen opened with prayer.

Acceptance/Amendments of Agenda: A motion by Tim Meller and seconded by Bob Schnetzler to amend the agenda under New Business to include the request for kitchen use. Motion to accept with this amendment passed.

Approval of Minutes: A motion by Gene Cummins and seconded by Suzanne Ayers to approve the minutes from September 19, 2017 Church Council Meeting with a correction under the Pastor's Report, second paragraph,

third sentence to remove the words "at this time". The motion passed.

Pastors Report: Reformation Bible Study began October 15, 2017. Pastor Ketelsen and DCE Josh Cromley will be attending an "all church workers" conference November 14, 2017.

President's Report: No report.

Vice President: No report

Secretary: No report

Treasurer's Report: Suzanne Ayers presented the typed report. Discussion regarding current invoices and Citizen's Bank and Trust balance ensued. Gene Cummins made a motion to transfer \$15,000.00 from the LCEF to Citizens Bank and Trust to meet obligations. The motion passed.

Balances as of 10/15/2017

Citizen's Bank and Trust	\$ 172.83
LCEF	134,604.73
LCEF – CD's	175,000.00
Edward Jones	123,005.14
Edward Jones 2	<u>55,092.86</u>
Total Bank Accounts	\$ 487,875.56
Good Samaritan Fund	\$ 974.87 current balance

Elder's Report: Bob Schnetzler presented the Elder's report from October 1, 2017 meeting. The report included the following.

- There has been a transfer of membership for Dale Kaiser and Kaleigh Kaiser to Faith Lutheran Church in Jefferson City.
- October 8, 2017 there was a Baptism of Allison Dinwiddie.
- Services for the holidays are scheduled as follows.
 Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 22, 7:00pm
 Advent (Wednesdays) 7:00pm
 Christmas Eve Dec. 24 9:00 am and 6:00pm
 Christmas Day Dec. 25 9:00am
 New Year's Eve Dec. 31 9:00am only
- Frank Thacher was nominated to be the delegate to the LCMS Convention.

Board Of Property: No report.

Board of Christian Education: Report dated 10/02/2017 reviewed.

- The youth met on Sept. 17 with four in attendance.
- Josh Cromley DCE continues to work with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Young Life.
- Oct. 21 the youth will be going to corn maze

- Oct 22 is the Man UP conference at Calvary Lutheran High School in Jefferson City
- Oct. 29 is the Youth fundraiser, a German Dinner.
- The District Youth Gathering for high school age youth is Nov. 17-19, 2017. Josh Cromley DCE states the fee is \$165 a person, family pays \$80. It is held at Cross Point Retreat, Rocky Mt. MO, registration deadline is Nov. 1, 2017.

School Board: School Board Report dated Oct. 10, 2017 was reviewed.

Board of Stewardship: Tim Derendinger presented verbal report. Tim presented the 2017-2018 Proposed Budgets. Under Property the Insurance for 2018 Budget needed to be changed from \$9000.00 to \$10,200.00, Property Total would then be updated from \$48,000.00 to \$49,200.00 and the Total Budget 2018 from \$251,806.00 to \$253,006.00. A motion presented by Tim Derendinger to do a six month budget, motion failed for lack of second. A motion by Bob Schnetzler was made to accept the 2017-2018 Budget with the amendments; this was seconded by Suzanne Ayers. Motion passed.

Board of Evangelism: No report. Pastor Ketelsen stated he had received comments regarding directories. The first comment was that the directory was very accurate. The second comment was the disappointment that all members' information was not included, such as shut-ins. Further discussion of this is needed.

Board of Fellowship: No report. Pastor Ketelsen noted that the Church picnic went very well and was enjoyed by all.

A motion by Suzanne Ayers to approve the Pastor's, Officer's and Board's reports that were presented this evening was made. Gene Cummins seconded this motion and it passed.

Unfinished Business: The Circuit Form (November 12, 2017) is in Ashland, MO and we are in need of layperson to attend. The District Convention is in June 10 - 12 2018 in Columbia MO, and Frank Thacher will be attending, but an alternate is needed.

New Business: Tim Meller stated that Evan Melkersman has requested the use of the kitchen for 7 weeks on Tuesdays in 2018 beginning January 9, 2018 for an Educational class through University of Missouri Extension teaching families about how to cook meals. More information will be gathered on this request. (Further information was gathered via email, a vote was taken via email and the request for use of the kitchen for this class passed.)

Announcements: None

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn by Gene Cummins was seconded by Suzanne Ayers. Motion passed.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Josh Ketelsen led the attendees in the Lord's Prayer.

Attendance: Tim Meller, Susan Templemire, Bob Schnetzler, Gene Cummins, Pastor Josh Ketelsen, Suzanne Ayers, Tim Derendinger and Josh Cromley.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Templemire, Secretary

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

November 14, 2017

Attendance: Linette Meller, Gayle Linneman, Glenda Gerhardt, Eva Weston, Wanda Derendinger.

Our meeting was opened with prayer led by Gayle.

Previous minutes were reviewed and approved as moved by Wanda and Gayle.

III. Review PO's

#1202 Walmart \$7.51 Preschool/Supplies

Teacher reports:

Glenda reported that all party supplies for the school year have been ordered.

Grandparents cooking days are next week. The board discussed safety plans and measures in place.

Parent-Teacher conferences are in January.

Linette was asked about after school care, a discussion followed.

Gayle reported that tuition accounts are current except for one and we are working with that family.

The board will ask that a separate account be opened to help keep track of the spending of donations for either pre-school or kindergarten. Bookkeeping matters were discussed.

The ACH auto debit forms will be included with the enrollment packets distributed at the parent-teacher meetings.

CPR certification is due for Glenda and Linette. They will take care of that during Christmas break with UOI.

Term limits for the school board were discussed and tabled again. The board is actively seeking members.

There was discussion of purchasing commercial grade playground equipment to replace the wooden play sets. More investigation is needed. Glenda will work on presenting ideas to the board in January.

The board approved the registration for the teacher conferences in March at the Lake.

It was mentioned that we should pursue getting a grant for getting playground equipment help.

The board will not meet in December. Our next meeting is set for January 9th at 6 p.m.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Eva Weston

ELDERS MEETING

November 5, 2017

Attendance: Pastor Ketelsen, Wayne Atkins, Earl Mangels, Tim Fahrenbrink, Jason Linneman, and DCE Joshua Cromley.

Call to Order – by Pro Tem Chair Earl Mangels

Opening devotion & prayer – Divorce and remarriage

Motion to accept the agenda as printed – Tim Fahrenbrink motioned to accept, 2nd by Wayne Atkins. Motion passed.

Previous Minutes - Jason Linneman motioned to accept, 2nd by Tim Fahrenbrink. Motion passed.

Monthly –

- A. Review of purchase orders.** Jason Linneman motioned to accept, 2nd by Wayne Atkins. Motion passed.

PO#	Vendor	Amount	Account/Description
7005	Bank Card	50.00	Samaritan Fund
7008	Serck	20.50	PM-Office/Payroll Accounting
7009	Walmart	3.94	PM-Office/envelopes & labels
7011	USPS	49.00	PM-Office/one roll stamps
7012	MO District-PCWC	125.00	PM-Pro Services/Conf.
7014	Bank Card	170.17	PM-Pro Services/room
7016	Concordia Publishing	119.90	PM-Misc/Baptism Supplies
7017	Bank Card	52.35	Samaritan Fund
7018	Concordia Publishing	21.99	PM-Office/Pastoral Diary
7019	Concordia Publishing	26.50	PM-Office/bulletins
7020	Walmart	7.87	PM-Office/Calendar
7021	USPS	500.00	PM-Newsletter/Bulk Mailing
7024	Marco	255.22	PM-Office/#21468336
7025	USPS	225.00	PM-Office/Bulk Mailing Fee
7027	USPS	49.00	PM-Office/one roll stamps
7031	Stephen Ministries	44.00	Stephen Ministries/ STL15

B. Transfer of Membership – none

- C. Pastor's Report** - leading a two week Martin Luther study for the Thursday Breakfast Bible Study. Pastor and DCE Josh will be attending the church workers conference from November 15 – 17. The

shut-ins are being mailed a copy of the sermon with a bulletin weekly.

- D. Good Samaritan Fund** – approximately \$953.00

Quarterly Report –

- 1. **October** – Bob Schnetzler
- 3. **November** – Jason Linneman
- 4. **December** – Tim Fahrenbrink

Thanksgiving Eve, November 22, 7:00 pm – Jason Linneman

Advent Wednesday 7:00 pm

- Dec. 6** – Bob Schnetzler
- Dec. 13** – Tim Fahrenbrink
- Dec. 20** – Jason Linneman

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 – 9:00 am and 6:00 pm

Christmas Day, Dec. 25 – 9:00 am

New Year's Eve, Dec. 31 – 9:00 am only

Old Business –

- A. Review worship service schedule or alternatives - tabled
- B. Review Elder list, comments received - tabled
- C. Wedding policy review - tabled
- D. Miscellaneous – roster for members not in directory - tabled

New Business-

- A. 'Pro Tem' Chair, Board of Elders. Jason Linneman motioned for Earl Mangels to be the Pro Tem Chair, 2nd by Wayne Atkins. Motion passed.
- B. Midweek school program – discuss feasibility. Referred to Board of Christian Education
- C. Replacement of the electric boxes are being required by GuideOne Insurance. Property Board Chair Billy Mac Wells and Gene Cummins are researching a new insurance company.

Motion to Adjourn – Jason Linneman motioned to adjourn, 2nd by Tim Fahrenbrink. The meeting was closed with all reciting the Lord's Prayer.

The next Elders meeting will be on Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 11:30 a.m.

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**A new greeting card shipment** has arrived and the card rack (by the elevator) has been restocked. Please stop by and check out the variety of cards available.



The new flower chart for 2018 is posted on the door across from the church lounge. If you wish to donate the altar flowers for a particular Sunday, please sign your name next to that date. Also, **please include a phone number where you can be reached.** The Altar Guild members for that month will contact you concerning floral details and the announcement for the bulletin.

A-Bow-K Floral supplies the arrangements for Immanuel. The cost for regular Sunday vases is \$35 (\$17.50 per vase) plus tax. They will use whatever flowers they have on hand for that week. If specific flowers or larger arrangements are requested, the cost will be more than the initial \$35. However, the donor can certainly use a florist of their choice. If this is the case, be sure to indicate this to the Altar Guild member when she calls.

If you are in need of assistance or have any other concerns, please contact any one of the Guild members. Your input is very much appreciated. Altar Guild members are: Marcella Frederick, Kathy Handley, Karen Schnetzler, Julie Thacher, Susan Templemire, Sharon Thoma, Lavill Morton, Brenda Wells, Carol Norman, Shirley Gerken, Pat Lenger, and Diane Cummins.

The Guild sincerely thanks all who have donated altar flowers for 2017. Your continued support is very much appreciated!

One of the hardest times during deployment for our service members is to be away from loved ones during the holiday season. As we celebrate the reason for Christmas – God's Word becoming flesh – we have the opportunity to get God's Word to those brave men and women who are far from home.

This Christmas Season, express your appreciation for our service members by providing them with a Military BibleStick. This small digital audio player is designed specifically for the safety of deployed Troops, and provides strength and comfort to all our service members – active-duty and veterans.

Each one includes the complete Audio New Testament along with 65 minutes of selected Psalms.

***Your gifts will bring hope to our heroes in time for the New Year! Please place your gift (marked "BibleStick") in the offering plate.***

### Our Church Officers

President of the Congregation - TC Meller  
 Vice President - Gene Cummins  
 Council Secretary - Susan Templemire  
 Treasurer - Suzanne Ayers  
 Board of Property – Billy Mac Wells  
 Chair of Elders - Bob Schnetzler  
 Board of Evangelism - Valerie Holley  
 Board of Stewardship - Tim Derendinger  
 Board of Education - Dee Thalgott  
 School Board Chair - Gayle Linneman  
 Board of Fellowship - Penny Cain

### CHURCH FAMILY:

Please call the church office when:  
 A member of your family is admitted to the hospital  
 Someone you know is very ill or has passed away  
 Your class, board, or group would like to use the church for a meeting or event so it can be scheduled on the church calendar  
 Your contact information or address changes  
 A new baby arrives in your family  
 A member of your family leaves home for college, joins the military, or is getting married  
 You would like to have someone call you to visit or assist you in some way  
 You have a prayer request  
 You would like to share your time and talents  
 You feel the church can assist you in any way

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Special Service Dates

*Advent Wednesday, 7:00 pm*

*December 6, 13, and 20*

*Christmas Eve (Advent 4)*

*Dec. 24, 9:00 am*

*Christmas Eve Candlelight Service*

*December 24, 6:00 pm*

*Christmas Day Worship*

*Dec. 25, 9:00 am*

*New Year's Eve Worship*

*Dec. 31, 9:00 am only*

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The Altar Guild is accepting monetary donations for poinsettia plants for the Christmas season. The plants will be purchased through A-Bow-K Floral. The suggested cost per plant is \$10. Please let us know you are donating a plant(s) by using the sign-up sheet that will be available in the narthex from **November 19 – December 10**. For your convenience envelopes will be available in which to place your donation. **If you are paying by check, please make it payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church. Please place your donation in the offering plate during the church service.** The plants may be picked up after the December 31st church service for those who want one. Thanks again for your continued support!