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Jesus Christ and the exhilarating power and  
undefeatable joy He brings to life!*

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# GOOD NEWS

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## Merry Christmas-ish

*by Pastor Chad Fair*

**T**he Thanksgiving turkey and pies are long gone. The black Friday frenzy is over. It's time we turn the page to the next. So, let me wish you a Merry Christmish. Yep, Merry Christmish. Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines "ish" as a characteristic of, having a trace of. 2020 has been the year of "ish": Easterish, back to schoolish, Thanksgivingish, confirmationish, go out to eatish and worshipish.

Over these last few months, we have tried, in all aspects of our lives to get "back to normal," whatever normal is or was. Instead we've settled for normalish. We've achieved something with the characteristic of normal. We've lamented at length the lack of return to normal and cursed the "ish" of our lives. But

what if the "ish" has a purpose? What if the "ish" is trying to tell us something? What if the "ish" is trying to refocus our lives on the things that are truly important? If we're being honest, we have a tendency to get distracted and, as I said in a recent sermon not "make the main thing the main thing."

I'll leave the secular stuff out of this article, after all it is a church newsletter.

What is the main thing in worship? As much as I hate to say it, it doesn't necessarily have anything to do with the building? Yes, the sense of community, gathering together, singing together, learning together are all ASPECTS of worship, but worship itself is turning our focus, thanks and praise to Jesus. I'll

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**Pastor Chad's**

## MONTHLY MESSAGE

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be the first to say, worship right now feels kinda worshipish. I want more community, more singing, more energy and not having those things makes it feel like worshipish. I realize, as I write this article all the ways I'm convicting myself. All the ways I'm not making the main thing the main thing. This week in worship, maybe we can acknowledge, worship is a little different right now but it is still worship, because we gather to give Jesus our thanks and praise. No "ish" just worship. Maybe after all this time we've been too focused on the "ish" and focusing on the "ish" has taken our focus away from being followers of Christ.

With Christmas sitting on the horizon, maybe we can get a head start on all the Christmas "ish" so we can make the main thing the main thing. Frenzied shopping trips, trees, lights and tinsel (does anybody still use that stuff?), office parties and cookies (yes even cookies) have become part of Christmas. Christmas eve worship packed with people, little kids dressed to perfection, the Christmas story, a perfect sermon (I'm sure some pastor somewhere

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# MERRY CHRISTMAS!



*by John McCluskey  
Council President*

I am writing my last letter for 2020. Woohoo!! This has been a challenging year for Immanuel, our country and each of us. But we will wrap this year up with our Annual Voter's Meeting and then celebrate Christ's Birthday. Celebrating Christmas will be different this year but still sounds like a lot more fun than our Voter's Meeting.

We will have a lot on the docket for that meeting so please join us. We must approve our Ministry Plan for 2021, accept some changes to our Constitution and discuss other discretionary modifications, address the failing roof on the FDC, discuss refinancing our mortgage, approve next year's Council...The list goes on. I will or have discussed each of these in greater detail in a separate letter. It is a very important meeting so please be sure to join us on December 13th either in person or via zoom.

As we wrap up 2020, I have to thank each of you for your support throughout the year. We have faced many difficult decisions as we tried to balance sharing the Good News with keeping everyone safe. Your ongoing support has been greatly appreciated by staff, our Pastors and the Council.

I also have to thank Immanuel's Council Members and Executive Committee for their great stewardship this year. They have spent untold hours investing their time and talents to guide us thru this past year. Our Pastors were challenged with providing worship services during a lock down and responded fabulously. They developed our on-line worship format overnight so we did not miss a single week of worship. Our church staff managed to keep us operating throughout the year. Our Early Learning Center team worked hard to provide this ministry again while keeping everyone as safe as possible. Our Church would not have been able to make it through the year without all their efforts. A big THANK YOU TO ALL!

Finally, the most important item in December is that we celebrate Christ's Birthday. Trish and I will be in Wisconsin again celebrating in a much smaller way than usual but we want to wish everyone a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!! ■

### Staff Christmas Gift

If you'd like to give our hard working church staff a little Christmas gift this holiday season, please send them that gift directly and do not put it in the offering plate. The church will no longer accept donations on the staff's behalf.





# HOLY DISCOMFORT



by Cheryl Gundersdorff  
Deacon

Life is wonderful! Each day is full of joy. Anticipations of joyful future events bring smiles each time they are thought about. Then all of a sudden, wham! Suddenly life seems upside down and the future in a quandary. People give disapproving glances and whisper to their neighbor. There is a shadowing of disapproval, disappointment, and discomfort.

Such was the situation with Mary and Joseph. Betrothed to be married and looking forward to the future, wham! Suddenly an unwed young woman is pregnant and it wasn't Joseph's child. They are overshadowed by disapproval, disappointment, and discomfort. However, this was more than discomfort. It was holy discomfort. It was discomfort with a God ordained purpose.

After the angel's visits to both of them, they understood that. The problem was convincing everyone else. Despite the obstacles, Mary and Joseph kept moving forward knowing they were on the path of God's ordaining. Living life according to God's plan is not necessarily easy.

Have you had a wham moment where suddenly life became different and confusing? Perhaps people looked at you with disapproval and disappointment and there was definitely discomfort. Perhaps it was really a holy discomfort where God was working to bring about something good in your life or the life of someone you knew. While going through those discomforts our vision can be clouded, but in reflecting back we can clearly see God's guiding hand and purpose at work. The truth is, sometimes God needs to ruffle some feathers to accomplish his will and he uses his holy discomfort. It is a discomfort that takes us out of our comfort zone. Human beings love their comfort, so when God takes us down the path of the unknown, we tremble. We question: Are you sure this is what you want me to do, God? People are going to think I am crazy. God answers: Yep. This is what I created you for since before time began.

God has a plan to use each of us in the holy scheme of his kingdom here on earth. It takes us out of our comfort zone, people will look at us as strange and non-conforming to this world, and it will accomplish the purpose for which God intended. Above all, it will glorify God. This Christmas, may our hearts and minds be ready to hear God's calling and our feet ready to move out of our comfort zone with joy. ■

## MONTHLY GOOD NEWS DEADLINE

The deadline to submit items for the monthly newsletter is the 15th of each month. Items received after the 15th may or may not make it into the newsletter. To submit items, send an email to: [ilcmedia2655@gmail.com](mailto:ilcmedia2655@gmail.com)

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gives one every year), and Silent Night sung by candlelight. Yes!!! That is Christmas!!! Everything else is just "ish." Well...not exactly. As much as I love all those things, they ARE the "ish." After all, we all love the feeling of leaving Christmas Eve worship, feeling a sense of hope. There is nothing "ishy" about that feeling of hope.

It is my hope that we put our faith and attention, not into the "ishes" of Christmas but rather into the one for whom there is no "ish" because there is no such thing as Jesusish. It's just Jesus and that's more than enough. ■



## ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY,  
DECEMBER 13TH,  
10:30 am

In-Person & via Zoom  
Meeting ID: 872 8074 9156  
Passcode: 381332

*2021 Proposed Budget Reports  
are available on the website.  
Contact Ron Froehlich with any  
questions or concerns as there will  
be no budget forum.  
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## Snack Bag Thank You!

Since "Covid" started and we have stopped doing inside serving, we have been giving "snack bags" of food to families (one per family) that attend our "Souper Sunday" every week. That number has been increasing, as we were up to 32 bags last week. Everyone of our "guests" say "thank you for all that you do". Each "bag" that we put together costs about \$6.  $\$6 \times 30 = \$180$ . That's a lot of \$\$! We have been able to provide these items so far by using our "Thrivent Action Teams". But, we are running low on supplies and out of Action Teams. If you are a Thrivent Member and haven't used your Action Team, please help by applying for an Action Team project. Many thanks to: Bettye Aderholdt, Daryl Aderholdt, Karen Coombs, Carol Hughes, Laraine Montgomery, Brittany Perrone, Charlene Perrone, James Perrone and Jean Prielipp for sharing their Action Teams. If you would like to assist with this program, you can contribute through your offering by marking it "snack bags" or if you would rather shop, see the list of items needed on page 11.

### We now have more ways for you to give!



**Mobile**  
Text: IPCGIVE  
to 77977



**Online**  
[immanuelpalmcity.org](http://immanuelpalmcity.org)



**Envelopes**

### MONTHLY GIVING REPORT

A report of our giving compared to the approved budget the congregation agreed to at the annual meeting. We're including last year as a comparison as well

	Oct. 2020	Oct. 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019
Given	<b>\$39,628.18</b>	\$46,593.72	<b>\$418,992.93</b>	\$458,408.69
Needed	<b>\$44,692.00</b>	\$44,320.00	<b>\$480,439.00</b>	\$476,440.00
Difference	<b>(\$5,063.82)</b>	\$2,273.72	<b>(\$61,446.07)</b>	(\$18,031.31)

### OPERATING FUND INCOME & EXPENSES

Our year-to-date operating income and expenses using the latest report of the treasurer.

Through 10/31/2020	ILC & IELC
Income	\$690,989.24
Expenses	\$726,412.39
Difference	<b>(\$35,423.15)</b>



## FROM THE CHOIR LOFT AND ORGAN BENCH

by Jim Peppers  
Cantor/Organist/Choir Director

From an article in CrossAccent (the journal of Association of Lutheran Church Musicians) by Brian Wentzel

We church musicians are asked from congregation members, "why don't we sing the old hymns anymore?" This question often frustrates church musicians until we finally figure out what is meant. Most of the time people are not talking about old hymns: after all, if everyone wanted to sing more Gregorian chants and German chorales, musicians would be thrilled. Instead, they are referring to Victorian hymns, such as Abide With Me ELW 629 or gospel favorites, such as "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" ELW 742. What people are actually meaning by "the old hymns" is "hymns that I sang when I was a child." Our childhood experiences stay with us throughout our entire lives, and the music we sang and loved during those times often triggers strong emotions when we hear or sing it again. Take for instance how we feel when "Silent Night" is sung at Christmas to a candlelit sanctuary. People love to sing and hear the old songs; that is why "Oldies" radio stations exist.

We have an expansive hymnal with the ELW drawing from many differing traditions and nationalities. When it comes to hymn selection for Immanuel, we are all bound to the text of the day. It is important to emphasize the Biblical message further in song. Even some of our hymnody today will be the future "Oldies." So, stretch yourself to listen, learn, absorb hymns that you may not be so well acquainted with. You might be pleasantly surprised just how it will affect you. ■

## Family Promise Update

Things are picking up at Family Promise of Martin County!!! We've been busy hiring an executive director, a case manager and securing a day center. That means Family Promise of Martin County is officially up and running and serving the community.

It's no secret that many in our community are struggling financially and that has impacted their housing situation. While Family Promise has not yet started our traditional model of service where family or families are hosted by local congregations, they have begun to serve families in need. Immanuel has received phone calls from two families in the area that needed assistance. We were able to work with Family Promise to stabilize their situation through partnerships in the community. Those partnerships between Family Promise and other community agencies have brought potential families to be screened for entry into the Family Promise model. To this point no families have qualified, which means the screening process in place is working to select the families most suited to succeed.

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## Prayer Requests

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To add someone to the prayer chain contact:

Karen Braid, 772-285-7718





Jessica Morejon

# YOUTH & FAMILY UPDATE

Ah Christmas time is here! Finally, a time for cheer and family and oh yes the holidays. We spoke about that last month, didn't we. I feel like the majority of us here may know the traditional Christmas story – the kings, the manger, the gifts, the star and of course the baby. But have we all really delved into “the story”? Have we sat with others and discussed that story and understood the significance of each of the moments or things that are represented? I'd love to take a moment and choose one aspect this month, Joseph.

Seeing that 2020 has been filled with discussion of social distancing, self & community protection, etc. - can you imagine for a moment the thoughts that Joseph must have had? He was given an opportunity to be a very important care-taker, for Mary that is. He was to protect a single, pregnant virgin female from being culturally shunned and even punished. Goodness, I'm quite sure that was terribly difficult

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# CHILDREN, Y



## Real Life Children's Ranch



It's that time of year again! We are looking to help make Christmas special for the kids at the Real Life Children's Ranch. Monetary donations (make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran with "RLCR" in the memo), WalMart & Target gift cards requested. Please have gifts in by December 20th. Questions, contact Dave & Kaija Hakala at 772-240-9011.

Help make a child's Christmas special!



# YOUTH & FAMILY



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for him at the time. Thankfully we are not all provided the same arduous tasks. However if we truly ponder it, as Christian parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts we kind of are. Protecting our youth from the stigma of being a believer and follower. Providing our future with the appropriate tools which they themselves can share & feel comfortable in sharing their teachings while continuing to spread the word.

Seems like my monthly newsletter thoughts always return to the same practices – love & peace and how to abundantly multiply them. Is there anything else that we should be doing here, earth side? No matter what we look like, who we associate with or what our status may be there is never ever someone that does not accept a helping of love, peace and joy when offered. Let's end 2020 (no pun intended) with spreading an overwhelming amount of love, peace and joy and not focus on how distant we need to be from our neighbors!

*“These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.” – John 16:33*



# Thank You...

## General Election Day Thank You!

Eight of Immanuel's members staffed our "adopted" Precinct #25 poll during the general election on November 3rd. A big thank you goes out to Marcie Balow, Karen Coombs, Ron Froehlich, Carol Hughes, Janelle McPartland, Jerry Pierr, Barbara Thommes and Cindi Walsh for volunteering over eighteen hours each. In addition, Linda Pierr endured over two hours of training as an alternate, but was not needed on election day. The Martin County Supervisor of Elections will donate \$1,300 to Immanuel for their volunteer service. This is patriotic stewardship!

This contribution is really needed due to the decline in offerings and other income due to the cancellation of worship services and group room donations because of the virus pandemic.



## 2020 IN REVIEW

It's safe to say that 2020 has not gone according to plan. Yet I am pleased with what we've been able to accomplish. Our ability to livestream worship not only allowed us to provide a worship experience while under quarantine, it now allows you to decide if you feel comfortable returning to the sanctuary.

We instituted Drive Thru Communion, started a mid-week Bible Study to help grow our faith and we celebrated the confirmation of an incredible group of youth.

Covid 19 has had a negative impact on many in our community. Because of your generosity and our involvement with Family Promise we were able to help several families stabilize their housing situation. Souper Sunday has continued to serve delicious meals to those in need. The pandemic has created some challenges and forced us to shift Souper Sunday to a carryout format. Doing so has been an added expense but well worth it to keep the vulnerable fed.

If you've been reading the monthly newsletter you may have noticed Immanuel has been negatively impacted as well. Several months of online worship only and families economically impacted by Covid-related loss of income reduced our giving this year by just under \$25,000. While that is a big number given all the disruptions that 2020 has brought, we have fared better than many other congregations.

It has been a year of the unknown that has tested us all but in spite of all the chaos it's also a testament to your faith and commitment to the ministry of Immanuel. We have been able to serve our community and share the gospel through it all and will continue to do so in the months and years ahead.

In spite of all the challenges this year has brought, we are grateful for all the ways God has blessed us and the support you have shown.

## Watch our Livestream Services Every Weekend!

### Sunday Morning Livestreaming Worship Times:

6 pm - Traditional Worship • 9:30 am - Contemporary Worship  
11:15 am - Traditional Worship  
visit our website at [immanuelpalmcity.org](http://immanuelpalmcity.org) or  
download our app to watch

*In-Person worship: Saturday, 6 pm & Sunday 9:30 am.*

*11:15 am will continue to be online-only  
as we re-broadcast the 6 pm service.. Drive-thru communion will  
continue from 10:30-11 am & Noon-12:30 pm*

*Masks & social distancing required at all in-person gatherings.*

# EARLY LEARNING CENTER

by Director Beth Tatem



Please note our change to the Winter Wonderland with Santa. This year Immanuel Early Learning will be having a Winter Wonderland with Santa on Thursday, Dec 17th with the gift exchange. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, because we were supposed to have our Christmas program on Dec 18th. Due to Covid-19, we will not be allowed to have a performance and have all our families visit. We will still be having Santa visit the children and do the gift exchange, we will also be doing a lunch with the children on Dec 17th (do not pack lunch). On Dec. 18th the children will be watching the Polar Express and having chocolate milk and cookies, please have them wear their favorite Christmas P.J.'s. Immanuel Early Learning Center will be closing at 12:30 on December 18th, there will be NO WRAP AROUND or FULL DAY. If you need more information, please see your child's teacher or Ms. Beth.

## Gift Exchange:

Parents: For Christmas we will be doing a gift exchange with the children. Please bring in your child's gifts. We need them no later than Monday, Dec 14th. If you have a boy, bring in a boy gift. if you have a girl, bring in a girl gift. Please Wrap them.

Please mark on the present boy or girl. Please try and limit the price to no more than \$5.00.

If we do not have a gift from your child, Santa will not be able to give them one.

## Christmas Break

Just one reminder that SCHOOL is CLOSED from DEC 21st until JAN 4. We come back to school on JAN 6th. Immanuel Early Learning Center would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!!

## Surviving The Holidays

A Special Griefshare Seminar

Dec. 12th • 10 am - Noon • Room 201

The holidays and the isolation of a pandemic amplify grief-related pain. Join Pr. Dave Dangerfield for a special griefshare session that will help manage strong emotions & create new traditions while honoring your loved-ones' memories.

To sign up call the church office at 287-8188 or email [dangerfd@comcast.net](mailto:dangerfd@comcast.net). Masks & social distancing required.

## Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thank you to the following for donating their Thrivent Choice dollars to Immanuel:

Karen Coombs

## Thrivent Members:

Please remember to use your Action Team Benefit. Benefit members are allowed 2 Action Teams per year. Associate Members are allowed one Action Team Activity per year. Don't let this benefit go to waste! Do it today! Need help? Call Karen Coombs @ 772-600-7272.

Thank you!

Also...

Have you directed your "Choice Dollars"? They may be directed once you have \$10. Please do not let this "free" money be left on the table. You have until March 2021 to direct the funds.

## Family Promise Update

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Over the coming weeks I would expect Family Promise will continue to work with families in need and will have its first family in the traditional program model. What does that mean for Immanuel? That means within a month or two we may finally have the opportunity to host a family for a week here on campus, providing food and a place to sleep at night. This is an exciting opportunity for the community and for us here at Immanuel as we work to live out the gospel serving those in need.

For more information be sure to "follow" Family Promise of Martin County on Facebook.

## ADULT EDUCATION

**Deborah Circle**  
2nd Monday of the month  
3 PM • Choir Room

**Sisters in Spirit**  
3rd Tuesday of the month  
7 pm @ Church • Choir Room

**Re-Focus on Scripture**  
Wednesdays, 7 pm via zoom

**Immanuel 328**  
2nd & 4th Sundays of the month  
via zoom

## FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE MINISTRIES

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**  
3rd Wednesday of the month  
6 pm • Room 203  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

**Quilts of Valor**  
Weds 6:00 pm • Room 202  
Info: Jackie Koch, 772.834.8058

**Altar Guild**  
2nd Wednesday of the month  
10 am • Room 202  
Info: Marj Smith, 772.286.8974  
or Alice Windle, 772.220.1590  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

### Stephen Ministry

2nd Monday  
6:30 pm in Room 202

### Thursday Bridge Group

Thursdays at 1 pm • Choir Room  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

### Souper Sundays

Every Sunday @ 4:30 pm • FDC  
Immanuel's Weeks to help are  
the 3rd and 5th Sundays

Contact: Marcie Balow  
772.283.0982 or  
mbalow45@gmail.com

\*Carry-Out only until further  
notice\*

# Bible Study & Adult Ed



## Sisters in Spirit Women's Ministry

**Sisters in Spirit will not meet in December but will resume in January. May you have a Jesus filled Christmas!**

*We meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the choir room at 7 pm. We meet for an hour and follow social distancing & mask guidelines. For more information and to RSVP, contact Deacon Cheryl Gundersdorff at 221-8939.*

## DEBORAH CIRCLE WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Deborah Circle will not meet in December but will resume in January. May you have a Jesus filled Christmas!**

*We are currently journeying through the Gospel of Matthew. We meet the 2nd Monday of each month in the choir room at 3:00. We meet for an hour and follow social distancing & mask guidelines. For more information and to RSVP, contact Deacon Cheryl Gundersdorff at 221-8939*

## STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministry is trained lay people providing confidential, one-to-one Christian care to individuals in our congregation and community who are experiencing difficulties in their lives. They are here for you so you don't have to shoulder your burdens alone. Stephen Ministry is God's gift to you. Contact Deacon Cheryl 221-8939 or Dr. Dave Hakala 219-0715.



## Prayer Chain Ministry

In this season of giving, prayer is a valuable gift to someone we care for. Let the prayer chain bless your loved one with prayer. Call Deacon Cheryl Gundersdorff (221-8939) to get those prayers started.

**\*\*From December 10th through January 5th call Karen Braid 285-7718.\*\***



# RE-FOCUS *on Scripture*

## Wednesdays at 7 pm via zoom

Join us every Wednesday evening as we take a deeper look at the previous weekend's text and message.

Meeting ID: 882 1905 0873  
Passcode: 157323



## Immanuel 328

*"For in Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female." - Galatians 3:28*

Join us every second & fourth Sunday of the month as we discuss the church's role in addressing racism, sexism and other justice issues in our society.

Zoom ID: 864 8101 3401  
Passcode: 929057



## FOOD & TOILETRY BAG DONATIONS FOR SOUPER SUNDAYS



We are continuing to distribute food & toiletry bags at Souper Sunday again. So, we will be accepting donations of the following items:

**Food Bags:** Tuna salad (boxes or foil bags); Chicken salad (boxes or foil bags); Vienna Sausages (small: pull top); Jif to Go; Filled snack crackers (peanut butter or cheese filled); Energy Bars/Breakfast bars; Fruit cups; Keebler/Ritz Crackers (Snack packs)

**Toiletry Bags:** (travel sized preferred) Soap (bar or liquid); Shampoo/Conditioner; Toothpaste/brushes; Hand lotion; Small combs; Wet wipes

Contact Karen Coombs at  
772-600-7272

## MUSIC MINISTRIES

**Contemporary Worship Team**  
Wednesdays @ 5 pm • Sanctuary  
Contact Brittany Lustig  
brittanyannelustig@gmail.com

**Bell Choir**  
Saturdays at 4:30 pm • Sanctuary

**Chancel Choir**  
Sundays at 10 am • Choir Room  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

**Cornerstone Singers**  
Saturdays @ 5:15 pm • Sanctuary  
pdcjimmy@hotmail.com  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

**Children's Choir**  
Mondays at 12:30 pm • FDC  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

**Children's Chimes**  
Sundays at 10:30 am • FDC  
\*Suspended until further notice\*



## Souper Sundays

Immanuel serves every third and fifth Sunday. To volunteer, contact Marcie Balow at 283-0982 or mbalow45@gmail.com



The Salvation Army still desperately needs your donations! Immanuel is a drop-off location for non-perishable foods weekdays from 9 am - 5 pm



LUTHERAN CHURCH  
& EARLY LEARNING CENTER

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### Regular Worship Schedule

Saturdays:

6:00 pm

Relaxed Traditional

Sundays:

9:30 am Contemporary

11:15 am Traditional

OR CURRENT RESIDENT

Nonprofit  
Organization  
US Postage  
PAID  
Stuart, FL  
Permit No. 144

The *Light* shines  
in the  
*darkness*  
-John 1:5

## *Christmas Eve* WORSHIP

3 PM - TRADITIONAL CANDLELIGHT

5 PM - CONTEMPORARY CANDLELIGHT

7 PM - CONTEMPORARY CANDLELIGHT

11 PM - TRADITIONAL CANDLELIGHT

RSVP's requested so we can maintain safe social distancing.  
Please RSVP to 772-287-8188 or [pastorchad@ilcpalmcity.org](mailto:pastorchad@ilcpalmcity.org)  
with your name, service, and number of attendees.

*All services will be livestreamed for those who desire to stay safe at home.  
No communion.*

*Should positivity rates rise to unsafe levels in Martin County, we will switch to livestream  
services only. Decisions will be made by December 20th should we need to move to this  
option. Please check email, website, app, and social media for updates.*