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Sunday Service 10:15

Sunday School 10:30/Youth classes

Tuesdays 11:00 am Prayer Group

7:00pm Ladies Bible study

Wednesdays 9:30 Ladies Bible Study

BRIDGES

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Newsletter



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Core values of Immanuel.

I have been preaching about our morals and ethics, and how we live out what we value most through the ethical decisions we make on a daily basis. I will be doing a short series on the core values that guide the ministry here at Immanuel. First, we value the Headship of Jesus our Christ. We do not just have, and promote, a generic spirituality. We have our life and ministry in Jesus of Nazareth who is the Christ. Jesus is the foundation and the head of His Church.

Ideally, it is our intent that everything that we do or say will come from Jesus and lead back to him. We understand that this is an ongoing area for growth among us. We know that we will never gain perfection in this but it is the ideal we are working towards. We seek to trust Jesus for our daily needs. We seek to love as he loved. We know that to spend time with Jesus is spending time with God himself. God be with you as you walk with Jesus.

Pastor Boyd

Announcement for the Friday morning Bible study

Hello, folks from the Friday bible study. Sorry that I have not been in touch sooner. I have been asked if the Friday morning Pastor's bible study is going to run this year. It seems many of our members have either moved to the other studies held during the week or no longer feel a need for the study. Either way, our attendance was so low last Spring that it seemed to me the study was no longer meeting a need, and so I have chosen not to run it this year. If there are some of you who would like to continue the study, even in a different format, please come and share your ideas with me.

Be blessed.

Pastor Boyd

So much to be thankful for and celebrate. God is with us, in the good but also in the hard places. The Hard Places are made easier when we allow others to share the load with us and that is one of the benefits and blessings that comes out of our weekly gatherings for bible study.

Bible study season has started at Immanuel! Both the Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning women's groups have re-gathered with some shuffling and welcoming of new comers. The group Tuesday evening currently has a potential attendance of 12 women and the Wednesday morning group has a potential attendance of 23 women. A few have joined from other churches. It is a blessing to be able to meet together, enjoy a little social time to get better acquainted and then to have the time and freedom to learn from God and grow in our relationship with Him and subsequently, with each other. These groups are each connected through a phone app called WhatsApp and regularly reach out with requests and answers to prayer. This also builds our faith and our relationship with each other. The Wednesday morning group is doing a study that is building on material from last year, material that the Tuesday evening group is currently using.

There is the potential of having multiple studies on Wed morning, especially if this article has piqued your interest and you want to join in. And, there is still time to join the Tuesday evening group, but don't delay!

Everyone is welcome and we don't want you to miss out, but rather, to listen to what the Holy Spirit is inviting you into this season.

Submitted by Jane Graff

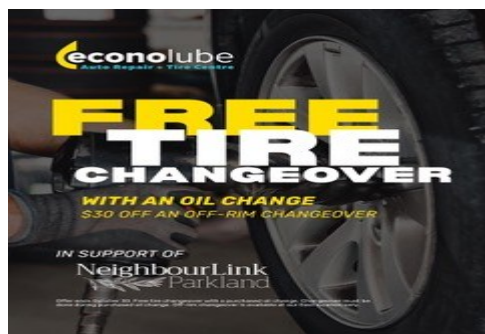
Mark Your Calendars UPCOMING EVENTS



**MEN'S
BREAKFAST**

Join the guys **October 10** for breakfast and fellowship.

NeighbourLink Parkland is pleased to share a quick update regarding a special promotion for which we have been selected to receive a portion of the proceeds. We're asking that you please share this opportunity with your congregation, friends, and family.



Econolube Free Tire Changeover Event:

Starting today - Sept 21, 2026

With an Oil Change you get:

- ✓ FREE On-Rim Tire Changeover OR
- ✓ \$30 OFF your changeover if your tires need to be mounted and balanced
- ✓ No appointment needed — just have your tires with you when you go in for your oil change.

The tire changeover must be done during the purchased oil change.

This promotion runs from September 21 - October 30



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It's time to start thinking about

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes!



Each shoebox is an opportunity to bless a child and share God's love. Here are some helpful guidelines when putting together your box:

- **Choose a standard-size shoebox** and select a **boy or girl** label
- Include a special **“WOW”** gift such as a soccer ball with a pump, doll, stuffed animal or shoes.
- Add other small items such as:
- Toys, jump ropes and toy cars
- Toothbrushes, washcloths, combs and hairbrushes
- Socks, sunglasses, watches and flashlights (with batteries)
- Pens, pencils, crayons, notebooks and colouring books
- Solar calculators
- **Pray for the child** who will receive your shoebox. You can also include a personal note and photo.
- A **\$12 donation per shoebox** is requested to help cover processing and delivery costs. Donations can be made online, by cheque or cash.

Please do not include: candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, war-related items, food, liquids, breakable items, medicines, or food/medicine containers.

Shoeboxes can be dropped off during **National Collection Week, the third week of November here at the church . Last day is November 16th!!**

For additional information and gift suggestions, visit SamaritansPurse.ca/OCC.

Thank you for helping make Christmas special for a child and for sharing God's love around the world!



Lorie Sprokkreeff

Operation Christmas Child Coordinator

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Mark Your Calendars UPCOMING EVENTS



Corn Hole is back. Thursdays starting October 1, in Rose Hall from 7-9pm. Anyone can join the fun. We have children to people in their eighties joining us.

Here's What's Happening!

Potluck

Everyone Brings Something to the Table.



September 27

There was a large variety of foods for everyone to enjoy

The dessert table was covered with everything from cakes, muffins and donuts.



All ten tables were filled so we all could meet and share the lovely meal, enjoying the company.



7 THINGS TO LEAVE WITH GOD THIS WEEKEND

1. The things I cannot control, I leave with You.
2. The people I am worried about, I place in Your hands.
3. The decisions I have not figured out yet, guide me in them.
4. The things that did not go right this week, help me release them.
5. What is unfinished can wait. Give me permission to rest.
6. What I do not understand, I trust You with.
7. Whatever next week holds, go before me.

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Lord, I do not have to carry everything into this weekend. I leave it with You. Amen.

What's Been Happening...



Pastor Boyd is back and cooking up breakfast for the men.



The men's breakfast for Sept. 12 had 11 attendees. The topic was advice for a young couple to be married. We formed two groups and the following tips for a long and happy marriage were as follows:

Group 1:

1. If it's broke fix it.-Do what is necessary. Don't leave it broke.
2. Communicate. Learn to actively listen to each other.
3. Have common measure of truth. Choose the scripture as your baseline.
4. Respect and love one another.
5. Embrace the imperfections.
6. Don't let the world inside your house.
7. Present a united front
8. Understand God's power to unite. Explore how he can bring true strength and unity.

Group 2:

1. Ecc 4:11 a threefold cord. God is the one who builds rope.
2. Make sure she is a girl!
3. Faithfulness-be faithful. Trustworthy. Safe. Dependable.
4. Look for how you complement each other and do it.
5. Identify each other's strengths and practice submitting to each other in those areas.
6. Forgive lots and be trustworthy. Forgiveness is mandated but trust is earned. Don't lose trust!

We are thankful for Pastor Boyd's idea to do this, the cumulative years of marriage represented in these two teams equates to about 300 years of marriage.



VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

DATE	October 4, 2026	October 11, 2026	October 18, 2026	October 25, 2026
Speaker	Len	Boyd	Boyd	John
Leader	Chris	John	Russ	Donna
Music	Al	Caroline/Jacqueline	Al	Mark/Team
Reader	Dee	Donna	Tracey	Rylee
Greeter	Lorne/Linda	Nina	Mitch/Lorie	Leslie
Sound	Neil	Shawn	Graeme	Pat
Mediashout	Connie	Kris	Lillian	Lorie
Prayer Team	Jane/Karen	Kathy/Kelly	Dave/Kathy	Chris/Coreena
Communion	Dietrich	-	Strand	-
Coffee	Jean	Florence	Gill	Colleen
Counters	Theresa/Florence	Colleen/Chris	Gloria/Len	Nina/Sandy
Sunday School	Helen/Margaret	Helen/Margaret	Julie/Cheryl	Julie/Cheryl

Please remember if you are unavailable, find someone who is willing to trade with you or cover for you.



Highlights of the September 22 Immanuel Council Meeting

- ♦ Pastor Boyd and Jacqueline are back from Sabbatical, easing themselves back into the church.
- ♦ Planning for the Live Nativity will begin at the beginning of October.
- ♦ Cornhole (Facility Rental) will be starting up on Thursdays again this fall.
- ♦ Facilities Committee is currently working on an ongoing list of small jobs/tasks to keep up our church.
- ♦ With all the rain, we have seen the headstones moving in the cemetery, with many leaning headstones. A Contractor has provided a quote and will be coming to straighten the headstones.
- ♦ Rock Solid Refuge in Shaunavan, Saskatchewan, a ministry that we currently support with a portion of our benevolence is struggling financially. (Rock Solid Refuge is a 12-month, biblically-based program for 13-18 year-old male adolescents who are struggling with life-controlling issues such as substance abuse, pornography, and challenging behaviour). Immanuel has sent support for this ministry.
- ♦ Sunday School with the new curriculum is going well.

Submitted by Julie Villadsen



Treasurer Report for August:

General Offerings: \$26,868.76

Average Attendance per Sunday: 76

Average Weekly Offerings: \$5,373.76

We are grateful for the continued generosity and faithful giving of our congregation. Thank you to everyone who contributes to the ministry and ongoing work of the church.

Submitted by Angela St Pierre



Pennies for Pastors.

Loose change is collected on the first Sunday of the month for Pastors in the Mission field. In Sept. \$300.00 was collected

THE KIDZ PAGE



Sunday School in September and October

Sunday School got off to a good start in September as teachers and students learned about the new program and the fun it has in it.

In September the students learned that God made a good world, people to love, and consequences.

October's lessons will teach how God made a promise, Jesus made all things, Jesus has power over all things, and God is LOVE.

Parents if you want access to the App so you can review the lessons with your children during the week you can use this QR code that will link you to the app and our particular lessons. You will need to send me your email so I can "invite" you to the App. Email me at: donnaluke@shaw.ca

Submitted by Donna McKean



From The Mouths Of Babes!

You can't fool the kids in Sunday school. They are way too smart.

"If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale, and gave all my money to the church, would I get into heaven?" I asked the children in my Sunday school class.

"No!" all the children answered.

"If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into heaven?"

Again, the answer was, "No!"

"Well," I continued, "then how can I get to heaven?"

A five-year-old boy shouted, "You gotta be dead!"





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1. 7:00-9:00 pm <u>Corn Hole</u>	2.	3.
4. 10:15 Sunday Service/ Sunday School/ Youth Sunday 	5.	6. 11:00 <u>Prayer Group</u> 6:30pm <u>Ladies bible Study</u>	7. 9:30-11:30 <u>Ladies Bible Study</u>	8. 7:00pm-9:00pm <u>Corn Hole</u>	9.	10. 9:00 am <u>Men's Breakfast</u>
11. 10:15 Sunday Service/ Sunday School/ Youth Sunday 	12. 	13. 11:00am <u>Prayer Group</u> 6:30pm <u>Ladies Bible Study</u>	14. 9:30-11:30 <u>Ladies Bible Study</u>	15. 7:00-9:00pm <u>Corn Hole</u>	16.	17.
18. 10:15 Sunday Service /Sunday School/Youth Sunday 	19.	20. 11:00 am <u>Prayer Group</u> 6:30pm <u>Ladies Bible Study</u>	21. 9:30-11:30 <u>Ladies Bible Study</u>	22. 7:00-9:00pm <u>Corn Hole</u>	23.	24.
25. 10:15 Sunday Service/ Sunday School/ Youth Sunday 	26.	27. 11:00 am <u>Prayer Group</u> 6:30pm <u>Ladies bible Study</u>	28. 9:30-11:30 <u>Ladies bible Study</u>	29. 7:00-9:00pm <u>Corn Hole</u>	30.	31.