



January 11, 2008

Dear Immanuel families:

*But now, this is what the LORD says— he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:  
“Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.  
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers,  
they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned;  
the flames will not set you ablaze. Isaiah 43:1-2*

As I was watching the news the other day – there were news stories of the flooding in Indiana and later the story of big pile-up of cars on the Florida highway resulting in cars catching on fire. I doubt that Isaiah had in these modern day scenarios in mind when he wrote these words. But his words ring true for us today. We may not find ourselves in a situation as harrowing as any of these, but we have assurance that we are in the hand of God no matter what the circumstances. He is there for us. He even knows us by name.

Just an up date on the development of the commons property – Phase 1, infrastructure development, is nearly complete. The streets and sidewalks have been installed. The sewer and water drainage pipes as well as water supply have been laid. The water retention area has been dug. The only things left to accomplish are the landscaping of the right-of-way and the removal of materials from the property. The landscaping will occur this spring and the removal of materials will occur in the next year.

The architects are taking the design developed by Hoffman and doing some value engineering so that the cost of the building can be reduced. They will also take the drawings through the process of applying for a special use permit with the city of Crystal Lake. That process could take several months.

The annual voters meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 20 at which time the 2008 budget will be approved, new members of the Board of Governance will be elected and there will be an update on the development of the commons property.

In Christ,

David Ingwersen, Principal

**DINNER NIGHT OUT** – Monday evening, January 14<sup>th</sup> at Georgio's, Crystal Lake! Come eat delicious pizza while supporting our school! A winning combination! No flier is necessary, but please mention to your server you are supporting the Immanuel Lutheran School's event!

**COMING IN FEBRUARY . . .**

**PANTHER KIDS**

**WHO:** All students Grades K – 4

**WHAT:** Basketball

**WHERE:** Immanuel Lutheran School Gym

**WHEN:** Beginning Saturday mornings **FEBRUARY 23**  
from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

(February 23, March 1, March 8 & March 15)

**WHY:** To learn basketball fundamentals and have fun!!

Additional information will be going home in the coming weeks!!

**PANTHER MANIA** -- Look for information coming home with all students in Grades K – 8 for a mascot contest. We are looking for a name for our new Panther mascot. The winner will be announced at the pep rally on January 25.

**JR. VARSITY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** – Wednesday, January 23 – Sunday, January 27

-- We are looking for volunteers to help with the concessions, admissions and/or scorers tables. If you are interested in helping, earning volunteer hour, and enjoying the tournament excitement, please contact Laura Meinhardt or see the sign up sheet posted by the Athletic Office. We will have one-hour shifts for each day of the tournament.

**LIBRARY CORNER** – Happy New Year! Thank you all for prayers, good wishes, Christmas surprises and especially for sharing your most precious ones with us here at Immanuel. I would like to thank Mrs. Audette for covering the library for me while I was in Decatur. . . . the new Calendo baby, **Jacob Andrew**, is beautiful and Tanya and Joe say “hello”. Thank you also to Lee Wilbrandt who donated six lovely books to the library . . . very nice! Also, I would like to finish up with Adopt-A-Book this month . . . so please send in all adopted books and monies owed. Thank you and God's Blessings! I also had special guests in the library with me this week for “Librarian for the Day”, they were on Thursday, Ian Solak, and on Friday, Teagan O'Connor. We had fun! Mrs. Lawin

**STRIKES FOR FAITH** – Attention bowlers and amateurs – Faith Lutheran High School is holding a bowl-a-thon in early March at the end of “Lutheran Schools Week.” Come and join us! Individuals, youth groups, school groups and adult groups interested in participating should contact the high school. Deadline for signing up is January 30. For further details, call the high school office at 815-338-3547.

**VOWS AND VALENTINES** -- You're invited to an evening of Vows and Valentines on February 15<sup>th</sup>. This will be a very special event for our married couples! Make your reservations, book the babysitter, and prepare to have a wonderful evening out with your Valentine. Save the date and look for more details next week.

**MUSIC NOTES** – On Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, the students in grades 1 and 2 will be singing at the 8:00 a.m. worship service. Have your child meet in the church lower level at 7:45 a.m. Thanks! Mrs. Helm

**MANNA!!** We have some inventory available in the school office for “cash and carry”. If you have any questions, please contact Joni Haldeman (815-459-4275).

**FAITH LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL** will be hosting an "OPEN HOUSE" on January 15, 2008 at the current school location. The Open House is scheduled from 6:30PM – 8:30PM. It gives those interested an opportunity to meet staff, tour the facility, find out about programs and curriculum that are available and get answers to any questions they might have.

Faith Lutheran High School is a Christ-centered high school now operating in Marengo. The school will be graduating its first senior class at the end of this school year. The school's program of studies is predominantly college preparatory but also serves the needs of other students who would benefit from a smaller setting. Currently, the student teacher ratio is 6:1.

Mark your calendars! For further information call 815-338-3547 or check out the school on the web at [www.faithlhs.org](http://www.faithlhs.org).

**MARKET DAY** -- Thank you for all your orders this month. We earned over \$355!! Pickup is Saturday (January 12) in the cafeteria between 8:00 a.m. and 9:15. Our next Market Day is February 9, just in time for Valentine's Day! Thank you for supporting Market Day at ILS. Mary Matthei, 847-669-5513

## **TRIVIA NIGHT FOR MEXICO MISSION**

***True or False  
Humans can use their sense of smell while asleep.***

Curious what the answer is? Then you're the perfect candidate to participate in Immanuel's first ever Trivia Night on **Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup> starting at 6:30 PM in the gym** (doors open at 6 a.m.) All proceeds from the evening benefit this summer's Mexico Mission Trip. Never been to a trivia night? Here's how it works: A table of 8 – 10 players answer 10 rounds of trivia. The top table team wins a fabulous prize. Games and a silent auction will also be running between the rounds. Light refreshments will be served, and individuals are encouraged to bring some special snacks for their table. Cost is \$10 per person and you're sure to have a blast! For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Brandy McCoid at 815-459-1441 or at [bmccoid@Imcl.us](mailto:bmccoid@Imcl.us). By the way, the answer is FALSE!

### **JAMZ-Jesus and Me Zone**

JAMZ presents a **piratey** celebration on Sunday 1/20/08 from 9:30 - 10:40 in the church. (In place of our JAMZ classes) Come dressed in your best pirate costume and be ready for games, snacks and prizes. (no weapons please) See the **Pirates Who Don't Do Anything** movie with your family from 1/11/08 to 1/17/08 at your local theater, then come celebrate with us at JAMZ on 1/20/08!

### **Immanuel Lutheran Church Worship Services:**

Saturday	6:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 & 11:00 a.m.
JAMZ, Confirmation & Mid-Pointe	9:30 a.m.

### **Lunch items offered daily are:**

Hot Dog on Bun	Chicken Patty Sandwich
Salad Entrée	Soup w/Roll
Pepperoni Pizza	

## SCHEDULE AND LUNCH

- Saturday 1/12** Varsity Girls @ Fox Valley H.S. Basketball Tournament  
8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Market Day Pick Up
- Sunday 1/13** Varsity Girls @ Fox Valley H.S. Basketball Tournament
- Monday 1/14** **Mini Corn Dogs, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Corn, Peaches, Jello, Milk**  
Dinner Night Out at Georgio's, Crystal Lake  
4:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Girls Basketball Game at St. John, Elgin  
5:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at St. John, Elgin  
6:30 p.m. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at St. John, Elgin
- Tuesday 1/15** **Cheese Quesadilla, Tater Tots, Mixed Vegetables, Peaches, Cookie, Milk**  
8:00 a.m. Graduation Pictures  
2:30 – 3:45 p.m. Jr. Varsity & Varsity Girls Basketball Practice  
3:45 – 5:00 p.m. Varsity Boys Basketball Practice  
5:00 – 6:15 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Practice
- Wednesday 1/16** **Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tomato Soup, Breadstick, Vegetable, Cookie, Milk**  
9:20 a.m. Chapel  
4:00 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at Home vs. St. John, Algonquin  
5:00 p.m. Varsity Girls Basketball Game at Home vs. St. John, Algonquin  
6:00 p.m. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at Home vs. St. John, Algonquin
- Thursday 1/17** **Pork Rib Patty on Bun, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Applesauce, Milk**  
6:15 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Game @ Mt. Prospect Basketball Tournament  
7:25 p.m. Varsity Boys Basketball Game @ Mt. Prospect Basketball Tournament
- Friday 1/18** **American Sub, Baked Chips, Vegetables, Peaches, Jello, Milk**  
End of Second Quarter
- Saturday 1/19  
& Sunday 1/20** Jr. Varsity & Varsity Boys Basketball Tournament continues @ Mt. Prospect
- Monday 1/21** **11:00 A.M. DISMISSAL**
- Tuesday 1/22** **Meatball Sub, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Corn, Fruit Mix, Brownie, Milk**  
4:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Girls Basketball Game at Home vs. Westminster  
5:30 p.m. Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at Home vs. Westminster  
4:30 p.m. Varsity Girls Basketball Game at Roselle  
5:30 p.m. Varsity Boys Basketball Game at Roselle
- Wednesday 1/23** **Baked BBQ Chicken, Potato Au Gratin, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Roll, Milk**  
8:00 a.m. Chapel  
Jr. Varsity Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament @ Home
- Thursday 1/24** **Dinosaur Pasta, Breadstick, Salad w/Dressing, Peaches, Cookie, Milk**  
Jr. Varsity Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament @ Home
- Friday 1/25** **Macaroni & Cheese, Salad w/Dressing, Breadstick, Fruit Mix, Milk**  
Jr. Varsity Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament @ Home

**Saturday 1/26  
& Sunday 1/27**

Jr. Varsity Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament @ Home