

SONSHINE LINE

Immanuel Lutheran School

*"But these are written that you may believe that JESUS is the CHRIST,
the SON of GOD and that by believing, you may have LIFE in His name."*

John 20:31



September 22, 2011

A Word from our Principal

Are you a builder or are you one who tears down? We have the opportunity, through our words to each other, to either build each other up or to tear each other down. A few words of encouragement, a simple, "Thank you", or an expression of gratitude do wonders for building relationships. Similarly, it may only take a few harsh words to cause significant damage to our relationship with someone else. We have a choice each day in how we will interact with the people around us. We can choose to build them up with positive words or we can choose to tear them down with the negative.

I believe this has become a very difficult area for kids these days since so much of what we may see on television dwells on the negative. Watch a comedy show and see how much of the humor is based on one character tearing another down. It doesn't take long for us to get the idea that this is a normal and healthy way for people to relate to each other.

In Ephesians, Paul writes, "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen." That's a tall order! That is difficult to do, but imagine the difference that following this would make in our relationships with others. This is what we aspire to teach our students here at Immanuel. As adults, we know that one of the best teaching tools we have is setting a positive example. I would ask for your help as we, working together, teach this important lesson to God's kids here at Immanuel Lutheran School.

Serving Him and you,

Mr. Busacker, Principal
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Calendar

Thursday, September 22 nd	Mrs. Hemmen's 3 rd Grade – Trip to Good Samaritan
Friday, September 23 rd	4 th Grade Field Trip Class picture order forms due Papa Murphy's Night
Wednesday, September 28 th	7:00 a.m. ~ SEE YOU AT THE POLE; gather at the flag poles for fellowship and prayer. Chapel @ 8:20 a.m. ~ families are invited to attend Early Release: Kindergarten at 2:00 p.m., 1-8 @ 2:15 p.m.
Friday, September 30 th	Fantastic Fours Field Trip
Tuesday, October 4 th	Kindergarten & 3 rd Grade Field Trip
Looking Ahead:	October 5-7 there is NO school. Daycare is open. If care is needed be sure to schedule your child's time with the daycare staff.

Chapel Offerings

Wednesday's Offering: \$38.04

Offering to date: \$208.86

This month's chapel offering will help provide assistance to Martin Luther School in Joplin, MO. The school has opened despite significant damage to two classrooms, the air conditioning, the roof and the playground, which Principal Jeremy Schamber hopes will be ready in the next couple of weeks. Schamber said the school estimates that 35 percent of its students were directly affected by the tornado; if students whose parents' jobs were affected are included, that increases to 45 to 50 percent. Martin Luther's enrollment is 121 students.

Thank You So Very Much!!

To all the parent and grandparent volunteers who gave up time to spend at Immanuel to assist with Vision and Hearing and Picture Day, thank you so much! Without all of you, neither of these events would run as smoothly as they do!

See You At the Pole

Wednesday, September 28th is the annual school prayer event, See You At the Pole. Mark your calendars for 7:00 a.m. and meet at the ILS flag poles. Families are encouraged to attend. After prayer and fellowship, refreshments will be served.

News from the School Office

Class Picture Order Forms: Class order forms are due **tomorrow**, Friday, September 23rd.

Forms: Please make sure you have turned your emergency card and physicals. Every student must have an emergency card filled out in the office. We **MUST** have physicals for all preschool, kindergarten, 5th grade, new students and any middle school student who is or will be participating in sports. Current immunization cards are required for all students who have received a new shot in the past year.

LETA: A list of contact phone numbers, gathered from our database, is being put together to be sent to the Larimer County Emergency Telephone Authority (LETA). LETA is an emergency notification system that will contact you if Immanuel Lutheran School needs to relay emergency information. Examples of these emergencies include, weather closings, building emergencies, etc.

Your contact information will be forwarded to LETA unless you direct us to do otherwise. This information will be used only to contact you in the event of an emergency or an unusual situation. More information can be found at www.LETA911.org or by contacting the school office.

If you **DO NOT** wish to be contacted with emergency information, please stop by the school office and complete the form. If you choose not to be included, you will not receive these emergency notifications from the school.

Tuition Payments

Please remember that **all tuition payments** are paid to Smart Tuition. They are due on the 15th of each month and a late fee will be added if received after the 18th of each month. Payments can be paid online, by mail or by phone. Smart Tuition is separate from the hot lunch and grading system, Sycamore. If you have lost your login for Smart Tuition please see Terri. If you have lost your login for Sycamore please see the school office. Daycare, hot lunch and field trips are all paid directly to Immanuel.

Papa Murphy's Pizza Night

Want a night off from cooking? Tomorrow, Fri, Sept 23rd, is Papa Murphy's Night. A percentage of all ILS sales go directly back to our school. Both Papa Murphy's locations are participating in this fundraiser (Eisenhower and Eagle Dr)... just make sure to tell them you are from Immanuel!

Middle School Parents and Students

The school library will be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 7:50 a.m. to 8:10 a.m. Middle school students are encouraged to look for books at home by accessing the ILS web site, clicking on academics and then on the library link. This way, when they are in the library students will be able to use their time to the fullest benefit. There will be books displayed that will pertain to the book report for the month. Thank you.

Little Leonardo's Art Classes

The little Leonardo's Art classes start next week. There is still a few spots left. For more information, call or talk with Mrs. Meyer by **SEPT. 23rd**. mjermeyer@juno.com or 669-5108.

Immanuel 101 Class to Begin!

You've been part of our school ministry – are you curious at all about what happens here at Immanuel beyond the school? *Immanuel 101* is a 9-week class where you can learn more about who we are at Immanuel Lutheran. There is no obligation for you to join simply by attending the class but you will be given the opportunity to join, if you wish.

This fall *Immanuel 101* will be offered at two different times each week: Sunday mornings during the Education Hour between worship services (9:30am-10:20am) and on Wednesdays during our Midweek Ministries (6:00pm-7:00pm). With two different meeting times each week, if you miss a Sunday class, you can attend the same class on a Wednesday. Or, if you prefer to normally attend the class on Wednesday evenings but know there are some you'll need to miss, you can attend Sunday's class in their place.

Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 28th and on Sunday, October 2nd. All classes will meet in the west atrium. If you are planning to come to this fall's *Immanuel 101*, it would be helpful for me to know if you would most likely attend on Sundays or Wednesdays so I can be sure to have enough materials and seating for everyone.

For those with children, please note that we have education opportunities available for your children during both of these times: on Sunday for 3-year-olds through high school and on Wednesday evenings for 4-year-olds through high school, with childcare available for younger children. Wednesdays also include the option of a low-cost meal which is served between 5-6pm. (For a complete schedule of Wednesday activities visit: www.immanuelloveland.org/ministries/midweek)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or email me or set up a time to visit with me in person. Thank you for your interest and I'm looking forward to a great class!

Pastor Glen

News from Immanuel Lutheran Church

igniteLife Worship Service

Immanuel is starting an exciting new Saturday night service called "igniteLife." This will be a casual and informal service held in the atrium (the big hallway by the sanctuary). We want to offer a worship opportunity that is non-threatening, social, and spiritually uplifting.

The new service is Saturdays at 6:06 pm. Why 6:06? Hosea 6:6 "I'm after love that lasts, not more religion. I want you to know God, not go to more prayer meetings." We know many people have been burned or turned off by church in the past. We want to offer a fresh experience for you to experience God through His community in a new way.

Entertainment Coupons Books Available

Immanuel's music ministry is selling the 2012 Entertainment Books this year and they have arrived! The retail price is \$35, and they will be available for sale through December 31st. Books are available in the finance office, and checks made payable to Immanuel Lutheran.

New Publicity Resource at Immanuel

Do you ever wonder how to get word out about your special event? We're pleased to announce a new publicity resource at Immanuel! PR@ImmanuelLoveland.org

Also available is a PR checklist for those with special upcoming events happening at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School who need assistance with advertising. Any time you have planned an event that includes Immanuel, please take time to submit this form to Kerrie Pucket in the church office. These forms are available at both the church and school offices.

This email address and form have been created in effort to keep everyone informed of the wonderful events and plans coordinated by our volunteer teams, staff, and faculty! This tool will be so helpful in our ministry together, for consistency, coordination, and sharing! Thank you for your support!

Lost and Found - Missing Something?

Our Lost and Found box is almost full. If you or your child is missing anything, please stop by the office. We have everything from water bottles to watches, sweatshirts and t-shirts.

Immanuel Lutheran Church and School, A Family Place, would like to celebrate the special events in the lives of our families. If you have something you would like to share, please email Emily or Holly at schooloffice@immanuelloveland.org.