



# Panther News

March 1, 2024



"We wait in hope for the Lord; He is our help and our shield. In Him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in His holy name. May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you. Psalm 33:20-22 We are so very blessed, Lent gives us time to prepare our minds and hearts for remembering the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Prayer is a significant focus during Lent. During the 40 days, we seek God's forgiveness, accept his love and mercy, and repent or turn from our sins. Giving up from something, like our favorite food or activity, not only gives us time to pray but reminds us of Jesus' suffering and sacrifice. It also connects all of us in our understanding and support of each other! **He is the vine and we are the branches!**  
- Mr. Hipenbecker, Principal

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

<a href="#">Upward Game Day Help</a>	Sat	Mar 2 and Mar 9
<a href="#">Youth Group Lenten Meals</a>	Wed	Mar 20
<a href="#">Daddy Daughter Dance</a>	Sat	Mar 22

Don't forget to record your volunteer hours at [ILS Partnership Hours](#).

## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>FRI</b>	<b>Mar 01</b>	<b>Report Cards sent home (check their backpacks)</b> VBS Registration begins
WED	Mar 06	Dinner 5:45 pm and Lenten Service 7:00 pm
MON	Mar 11	Butter Braid orders due
WED	Mar 13	Early Release 1:00 pm dismissal Dinner 5:45 pm and Lenten Service 7:00 pm
TUE	Mar 19	Butter Braid delivery
WED	Mar 20	Dinner 5:45 pm and Lenten Service 7:00 pm
SAT	Mar 22	Daddy Daughter Dance 6:00 - 8:00 pm
M-F	3/25-3/29	No School: Spring Break



## WHAT'S UP?

### Chess Scholars

The new session begins March 14th and classes are held on Thursday after school in the library. Registration closes on March 10th at 10 pm for the early bird price. To sign up, please visit <https://www.learningmeansfun.com/signup>. Enter the course code **ICL3.14.24** to register. See the attached flyer for more information.



### Butter Braids are back!

An Immanuel favorite -- Butter Braids have been a staple on Easter tables for many years. Butter Braids are a delicious pastry that is delivered frozen and can be thawed and then baked fresh for any occasion. This fundraiser benefits Immanuel's Middle School events and activities. Paper order forms were sent home Wednesday and are due back to school by March 11.



### Daddy Daughter Dance

Join us for the sweetest Daddy Daughter Dance around. Immanuel presents "Candyland" on March 22nd from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the gym. Tickets for this event are available using the link below and include snacks and desserts. See attached flyer for more information. [Purchase Tickets](#) Volunteers needed to help make this night magical. [Volunteer here](#). Questions? Contact Vicky Lewis at [vicky.lewis712@gmail.com](mailto:vicky.lewis712@gmail.com)





### Immanuel's Spring Gala - Roaring 20's "All That Jazz"

This year's Spring Gala and Silent Auction, ALL THAT JAZZ, will be on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at The Boulder Ridge Country Club in Lake in the Hills ([event details](#)). Plans are underway for an incredible evening of food, laughter and supporting our school. Purchase your event and childcare tickets on-line ([tickets](#)). Sponsorships are also available ([sponsorship](#)). Donations towards classroom auction baskets are still in need, use the link to contribute ([auction baskets](#)). This is our school's primary fundraiser and proceeds will go toward academic improvements. See attached flyer for more information.

### Immanuel's Musical - Frozen Jr.

"Do you want to build a snowman?"...rehearsals will begin Monday! Rehearsals are after school from 2:15 - 4:00 pm and are scheduled by scenes. Mrs. Robinson will be emailing a list of who needs to attend each rehearsal going forward.

- Rehearsals are Mondays - Wednesdays 2:15 - 4:00 pm.
- Evening Performances will be held on May 10 & 11.
- Questions? contact Mrs. Robinson at [drobinson@immanuelcl.org](mailto:drobinson@immanuelcl.org)



## REMINDERS

### Immanuel Care Scheduling

Immanuel Care is open before school 6:30-7:30 am, after school 2:10-6:00 pm, and limited space 8:15-2:00 pm. We ask families to sign-up in advance for the before and after school times in order to ensure staff coverage is available. Questions? Email [immanuelcare@immanuelcl.org](mailto:immanuelcare@immanuelcl.org) [Schedule Immanuel Care](#)

### Dress Code

Warmer weather is on its way! (fingers crossed). Before you purchase any warm weather items for school, please refer to the Dress Code Policy from the Parent Handbook. Uniform shorts must be at minimum fingertip length (preferably knee length). While shopping for spring clothing, it may be helpful to include "uniform" and/or "bermuda" in the search for shorts. Questions? Email your teacher or Mr. Hipenbecker [thipenbecker@immanuelcl.org](mailto:thipenbecker@immanuelcl.org).



## PANTHER ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

### Return Basketball Uniform

Don't forget to return your washed basketball jerseys and shorts. Uniforms may be dropped off in the office with your student's name on or in the bag.



### Immanuel Track and Field Season

Grades 4-8 are invited to join Immanuel's Track and Field team this Spring. At this time we are looking to see how many students are interested. Track meets are held on Saturdays. Practice dates and times are TBD. Musical cast members are welcome. Please take a moment to complete the short survey.



### [Track & Field Interest Form](#)

### Track and Field Coaches Needed

The Athletic Program is looking for coaches for the upcoming track season. With many different events, we need several coaches. Available positions include: Head Coach, Throws Coach, Jump Coach, Sprint Coach, and Distance Coach. Questions? Contact Mr. Fritz, Athletic Director [afritz@immanuelcl.org](mailto:afritz@immanuelcl.org)



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## CHURCH EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



### Immanuel's Upward Basketball AND Cheerleading

Volunteers are needed every Saturday through March 9 to support Upward basketball and cheer.

**\*Set up & Take down crew**

**\*Scoreboard operator**

**\*Greeter**

**\*Concessionaire**

Questions? contact Mark Nothdorf [mnothdorf@immanuelcl.org](mailto:mnothdorf@immanuelcl.org)

### [Upward Game Day Volunteers](#)

### VBS Registration Begins

Take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. June 10 - 14 from 9 am-12 noon. Open to youth preschool (3 years old and must be toilet trained) through entering 5th grade. Volunteers needed: entering 6th grade through adults. [Click here for more information.](#)



### First Communion Classes and 6th Grade Verge

Sixth graders are invited to explore the Bible and how it relates to their lives. First Communion instruction is also offered **the first Sunday of each month** during this high energy class where Scripture and how to use the Bible is taught through games, service projects, and interactive activities. First Communion will be April 14 at all services. Verge and Communion class meets Sundays at 9:30 am in room 211. Questions? contact Joe Ferwerda at [jferwerda@immanuelcl.org](mailto:jferwerda@immanuelcl.org)

## WORSHIP at IMMANUEL

### Sunday Worship Schedule

8:00 a.m. (traditional), 9:30 (contemporary) & 11:00 a.m. (contemporary)

### Sunday Morning Education

*Children's Education - Sunday 9:30am*

- Sunday School - Preschool through Grade 5 (rooms posted by grade)  
Questions? contact Dana Robinson at [drobinson@immanuelcl.org](mailto:d robinson@immanuelcl.org)

*Youth, Jr/Sr High – Sunday 9:30 a.m.*

- Verge - Grade 6 (Classroom 211)
- Confirmation - Grades 7 and 8 (Art room 204)
- Forge - Grades 9 - 12 (Youth room)

Questions? contact Joe Ferwerda at [jferwerda@immanuelcl.org](mailto:jferwerda@immanuelcl.org)

*Adult Bible Studies – Sunday 9:30 a.m.*

- Mid-Pointe: PSALM 22 - Crucifixion Prophecies Fulfilled in Jesus - presenter: Don Kearley
- Digging Deep: The Book of Genesis – Rm 210, led by Raymond Monroe  
Questions? contact Don Kearley at [dkearley@immanuelcl.org](mailto:dkearley@immanuelcl.org)

## Important Links

- [Reporting Absence](#)
- [Scheduling Immanuel Care](#)
- [Checking Grades in TADS](#)
- [Record Volunteer Hours](#)
- [School Forms](#)
- [Church & School website](#)
- [Immanuel YouTube](#)



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## How Can We Help?

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