



Immanuel Lutheran Church
of Saratoga

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***** BUILDING PEOPLE, SERVING GOD *****

Coming Events

March 6: Men's Breakfast, normally held @ Effies in Campbell, will be meeting this month via Zoom. Please join us at 8:00 AM by clicking here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82516406200?pwd=VFIBYIM1MFZHVUxNN0xzZW03Umx4UT09> (1st Sat of the Month:, Apr 3, May, Jun 5)

Special Note – Page 2

NOTE: At this time, all scheduled newsletter events will take place online (except where specified). Until further notice, we will NOT be meeting in person. If you're uncertain about whether or not something is going to happen, please email (pastord63@gmail.com) or call (408-499-4866) Pastor Derek to confirm.

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Lent Gatherings Wednesday (March 3, 10, 17, 24), <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86783515550> Meeting ID: 867 8351 5550 One tap mobile +16699009128,,86783515550# US (San Jose) Pg. 14

God's River of Life is accessible by Zoom here- Pg. 14

"Covid Coach"– A useful App for self-care and mental health- Pg. 20

Pl sign up for Altar Guild Shelter Meals Schedule: Sign up to cook or serve



Special Note

Immanuel Lutheran Church continues to meet virtually, as we move forward in the ministry and mission of our Lord Jesus Christ.

PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE DAILY for fresh servings of Daily Bread and more... It's just one click away: <https://ilcsaratoga.org/special.php>

Sunday services have been condensed to about 30 minutes and **posted online** by 9:00 AM each Sunday morning. You can “tune in” at the time you’re used to attending services and participate in the community gathering. You can also access weekly services directly on YouTube by clicking here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXPyEHJ9h9cmNxPpnL-m-vw> You are also invited to join us for a time of live online fellowship in our post-service Zoom gathering, which begins around 9:30. Click here to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81019722507?pwd=bC85VXMxZoViSWZpaFlxWmsvRoU4UTo9> Meeting ID: 810 1972 2507; Passcode: 760944

Sunday School for Children/Youth is held each Sunday beginning at 10:30 via Zoom. Please contact Mitzie, Alyssa or Nola for more information.

Wednesday morning Bible Study (10:00 – 11:30) is LIVE via Zoom. All are welcome. Click here to participate: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83250020639>

Wednesday evening Lenten gatherings will be held each Wednesday in March, from 7:00 – 7:45 PM (excluding 3/31). Join us by clicking here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86783515550>

Thursday morning Bible Study (Yokefellows) also continues to meet virtually LIVE via Zoom at 6:30 AM. You have to provide your own refreshments, but you can stay in your pajamas! Click here to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87581100281?pwd=dEgrblEwUFZlaU5NQy91RE9sWlNlQlQTO9>

Men’s Breakfast & Bible Study also continues to meet virtually LIVE via Zoom at 8:00 AM the first Saturday of each month. You cook your own breakfast, but enjoy the best company of your brothers in Christ. There’s room for you at the table. Click here to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82516406200?pwd=VFIBYlM1MFZHVUxNNoxzaW03Umx4UTo9>

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU NEED SOMEONE TO DO SOME GROCERY SHOPPING OR PICK UP PRESCRIPTIONS FOR YOU. WE’RE HERE TO HELP.

God is with you in these days. Let’s make the best of them, as we continue to love and care for each other and reach out with God’s love to our neighbors in need.

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Jesus would add no fuel to their fiery attitudes. Instead, He told them this was not to be their concern. God had His own timetable, and it was not for them to worry themselves over it. God would bring about the fullness of His plan, all in His own good time. And it would look very different from what they were expecting. For now, they were to stay the course. God would certainly not leave them powerless for the requirements they would find in their future. God would provide all that they needed to fulfill them. Just hold on and hang in. God was surely working it all out for His good purposes.

And so will He do for us.

Don't dispose of your mask quite yet. You're getting close to the end. Don't become casual or careless. Instead, keep your head about you and fix your eyes on the prize. Now is not the time to let up. It's time to keep up the pace and leave enough in you to sprint through the finish line. God will provide all the energy you need to complete the course. Just hold on and hang in.

Easter will come. Death will be defeated, and God will once again bring forth life. Yours is the God of resurrection power. And Jesus is the One who, with dogged determination, fully offered Himself each day to His Father's service and carried to completion the mission entrusted to Him.

Through it all, Jesus made it clear that God is with us and for us. And with God behind us and before us, we have nothing to fear.

So take a deep breath, keep your head in the game, and press forward with confidence. God is faithful and true, and He will grant you sure and certain success.

You can hang on to Jesus, because He's holding on to you...

Joyfully partnering with you in the ministry and mission of our Lord,

Pastor Derek Engfelt



People Helping People !

An experience by congregation member – 1. Man on the Median – Our member was driving and was about to make a left hand turn at Saratoga and Prospect/West Campbell Ave when he saw a man with a sign asking for food or money. Our member unwind his window and showed him the People Helping People clear bag so he could see what was inside. He then told the man” Our church, ILC, made the bags to help people. The man said that he could really use this and then that he and others lived under the bridge on Prospect Ave. near Lawrence and that he was also collecting food and money for them. Our member gave him two bags and he thanked him profusely and said God Bless.

2. Young man sagging by the Store: Our member was shopping at Trader Joes and on his way out saw a young man looking very dejected with a sign asking for food. He sat next to the young man and asked him what was wrong. He answered that he had been living at the shelter and that the other day all his belongs were stolen from the shelter, including his cheap cell phone. He said he needed this in order to get around and look for a job. Our member mentioned about the food packages and that our church ILC was always trying to help people. The young man said that was very special. Before saying goodbye, our member told the young man to try to keep his spirits up and to go back to the shelter. He said he was but was trying to get some food and money to get another phone. They talked about positivity and using all the gov't services available. The young took the two bags and he thanked our member profusely.

Helping anyone even if it is just a little means so much to people who literally have nothing. God's grace.

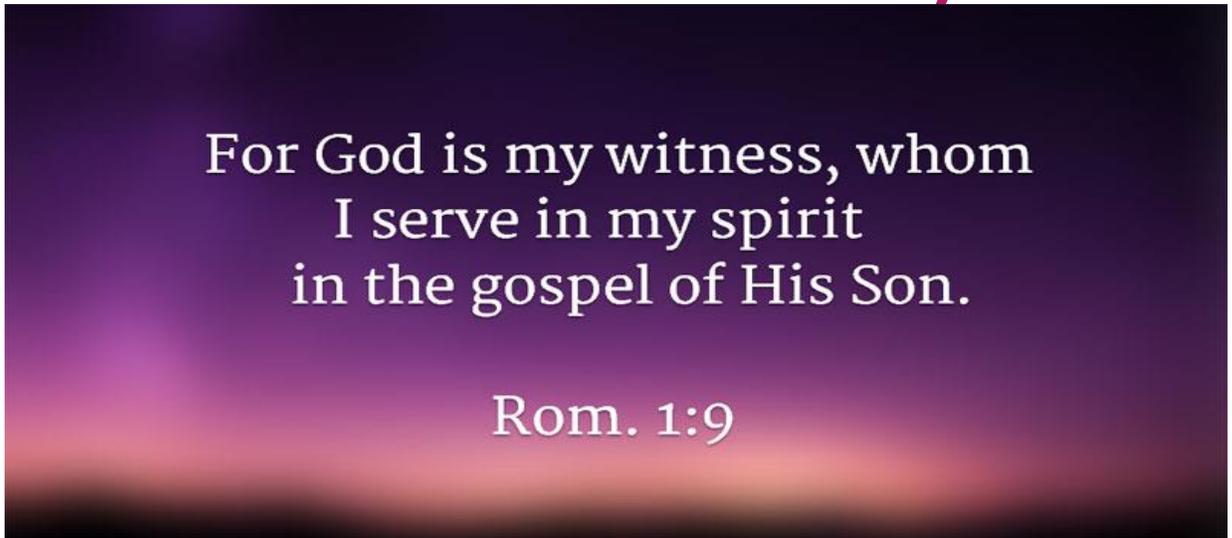
Come join us as we serve those in need in practical ways. As we do so, we're living into our ILC vision of "passionate responding to grace we've received by joyfully serving others in the name of Jesus."

***OUR Sunday
School Kids.
They are close
bonded, young
Spiritual Souls!
They are Our
Future!***



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Volunteer to Serve on Sundays



Thank you for
Serving!

It takes many people to make Sunday mornings “happen.” You’re welcome to participate and be one of them! **Please note that we have a new link to sign up in 2019.** Please go to www.ilcsaratoga.org/volunteer or call Ann at the church office (408-867-0822).

Service Opportunities include:

Altar Guild: Prepare communion elements, prepare sanctuary for worship; clean up after worship.

Audio: Make sure our sound system is in good working order and monitor sound during the service.

Coffee: Provide treats for fellowship time after service

Communion: Help distribute communion during service

Greeter: Warmly welcome people at the door and hand them a bulletin

Lector: Read lessons in church

Liturgists – Prayers: Offer Prayers of the People during the service

Liturgists – Cantor: Assistant leader in worship, chant the opening liturgy

Usher: Hand out announcement pages, take offering, light and extinguish candles

Nursery: Watch over the little ones during service

Sunday School: Teach or assist in our 10:45 Sunday school (preschool – high school)
If you have questions about any of these Sunday Morning Activities, please call the church office.



Worship + Love + Serve



Children's Story



Surrounded by Gifts

No one listening to Sarah complain would have guessed that every day she was the recipient of more gifts than she could count. When she opened her eyes in the morning, there were always a pile of gifts sitting by her bed. All day long, in fact, she received one gift after another.

Yet strangely enough, Sarah took most of the gifts for granted. The only time she really thought about the gifts was when one didn't arrive...or when a friend got a gift that seemed better than hers.

On one particular afternoon, Sarah was feeling especially blue. A gift she'd been longing to have for a long time still hadn't arrived. She was surrounded by all the other gifts that had arrived—yet Sarah wasn't enjoying them. Instead, she was bemoaning the absence of the one gift she longed for.

Sarah had good reasons to want the gift too. Couldn't she serve the king—the giver of the gifts—much better if she had that gift? Wasn't it a good gift she longed for? Indeed, it was! Yet why, then, did it not come?

"Why so downcast, Sarah?" the question came from Sarah's sister, Mary.

"That gift I've been wanting still isn't here," Sarah pouted.

Mary paused before replying, weighing her words carefully. "Sarah, do you trust the king?"

The question startled Sarah a little. Of course she trusted the king! Why the king had rescued her from prison. She'd vowed to serve Him with everything within her.

"Of course," she replied.

"And did you not tell him your life belonged to him?"

Sarah nodded, and Mary continued.

"Then you've no cause to complain about the gifts."

Sarah knew her sister was right. What a fool she'd been! What did it matter if that gift arrived anyway? If she needed this gift to complete the tasks the king had for her, he would send it. If not, then he must have something else for her to do. Either way, though, she'd been missing out on the joy of serving the king and giving thanks for the gifts she had been given.



Sarah gave her sister a hug, and scampered out of the room with a light heart again. She was surrounded by gifts—and it was time to start living like it.

"Thus saith God the Lord, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:" Isaiah 42:5

"And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful." Colossians 3:15

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Men's Breakfast



Men's Breakfast is held the first Saturday of each month at Effie's Restaurant in Campbell (331 W. Hacienda Ave). We meet at 8:00am in the bar, share breakfast, fellowship, and engage in a free-wheeling, bible topic discussion. We conclude by 9:30 am.

All men of the congregation – members and visitors – are welcome

ICL Men enjoying a relaxing Saturday morning breakfast (photo credit: Jack Moorman)



Women's Breakfast

The Women's Breakfast is held the third Saturday of each month at Holder's Country Inn Restaurant at 998 South De Anza Boulevard, San Jose. We meet at 8:30am for a short devotion, after which we share breakfast and fellowship. We conclude by 10:00. All women of the congregation – members and friends – are welcome.



Our ILC ladies enjoying a relaxed morning visiting with each other. (photo credit: Cheryl Moorman)



Sunday School Activities





ILC EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS



WEDDINGS AT ILC

Judy Onton is our ILC wedding coordinator.

To find out more, take a brochure from the pew rack, check out our website: www.ilcsaratoga.org/weddings and follow us on Instagram: ILCsaratogaweddings.

Tell your friends!

THE FOOD CART - Please consider adding a package or two of food for the cart whenever you shop. The hunger problem seems always to be with us and all donations help. Thank you for keeping this in mind when you shop! The Community Service Committee



If you would like to make an E-Donation to ILC, then either download the Givelify App on your smartphone, or go online to <http://ilcsaratoga.org/give>. Givelify gives you a beautiful, easy giving experience using your smartphone, tablet or PC. There are no frustrating web forms or text-to-give codes to memorize. Even better, it's free to download and use. It's safe and secure, and for tax time you have one-tap access to your complete donation records.



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Flower Chart on Kiosk – Sign Up for Altar Flowers

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Building & Grounds: Feel like swinging a hammer, turning a wrench, repairing a sprinkler line, or laying down a coat of fresh paint? Help maintain the appearance of our campus and sanctuary.

Contact: Ken Campbell 408-691-5694; Reed Canerday reedcan2@gmail.com; or Clark Canham, 408-605-3955, cfcam@pacbell.net

Magnification Team: Meets monthly to discuss the worship service plans; reviewing and discussing pastor's thoughts and plans for liturgy, special services, prayer services, frequency of communion, Advent services, choir music plans, etc. and addressing any of his concerns. We also discuss volunteer signups for liturgists, lectors, communion assistants, ushers, etc. This is a way to be engaged in a very important aspect of our church. "The team meets on an as needed basis. If you have a concern, comment or suggestion, please contact Pastor, Clark or Carol."

Contact: Clark Canham 408-605-3955, Carol Flint 408-781-3168, or Pastor Derek.

Mission Team: We communicate using infrequent formal meetings, supplemented by email/conversations. Our aim: spread the Jesus story to the unchurched (Evangelism). Efforts needed: urge & train our members to become disciples, follow up on names on the prayer list, and participate in Pastor's neighborhood walks, and support ILC website upgrades. Currently working with the Magnification Team to make ILC a truly welcoming congregation. Mission team also recognizes and celebrates the evangelism efforts of other Lutherans (e.g., overseas missionaries).

Maturity – promotes the education of children and adults at ILC. Volunteers are needed to assist educating youth during the second service Sunday School hour. In preschool, fun activities with the 3-5 year-olds; in elementary, from 1st to 5th grade, two volunteers to instruct the kids with Bible stories, crafts and games.

Volunteers are also needed to teach the 6th through 8th graders in a rotating schedule with the Youth Ministry Leader, Alyssa McCoy. Meetings are minimal. Bible study materials for the elementary grades are distributed via email. Contact Mitzie Eddy 408-656-7025 or mitzeddy@gmail.com

Church Council: Church council is bicameral, functioning as two teams: Council A and Council B. Council A, led by Congregational President Nathan Sarkisian, addresses administrative components, including church finances, facilities and staff. Council B, led by Pastor Derek, addresses the ministry and mission of the Church, including worship, membership, education, service (within the church and beyond its walls), evangelism and outreach, and website and social media. Each council component meets bimonthly, sometimes jointly.

Contact: Nathan Sarkisian 408-591-4976 or Pastor Derek

ILC Annual Events

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LADIES RETREAT



Habitat for Humanity



Summer Concerts In the Park



Thanksgiving Interfaith Service



Christmas Buffet Decorating



Christmas Concert

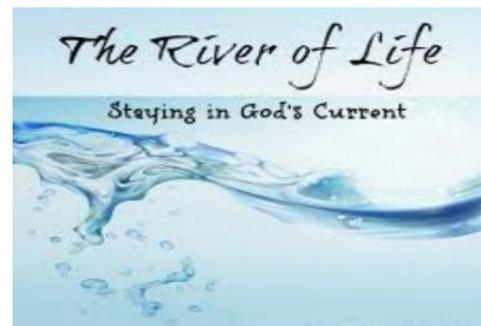
Children's Christmas Play



On The Horizon... (mark your calendars)

God's River of Life...

Pastor Derek teaches a Bible Study **each Wednesday morning** from 10:00 – 11:30. All are welcome to attend. We're currently meeting virtually, using Zoom. If you'd like to participate, click here: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/83250020639> We're presently aboard God's Ship *Grace* cruising down God's River of Life. We're stopping at several ports of call, where we set up camp, take a look around, and come to better know our God, ourselves and each other. We've made our way into the book of *Acts*. For more information, call or email Pastor Derek at pastord63@gmail.com or 408-499-4866.



Midweek Lenten Zoom Gatherings...

For the first four Wednesdays in March (March 3, 10, 17, 24), we'll gather virtually via Zoom for worship, study and conversation. We'll be using a resource from Pastor Max Lucado called *Jesus – the God Who Knows Your Name*.

As Pastor Lucado reveals in this video Bible study, "Because Jesus became human, it is now possible for us to see God and hear his voice. If we want to know what matters to God, all we need to do is look in the Bible to see what matters to Jesus. If we want to know what God is doing in our world, we need only ponder the words of Jesus. By learning more about the person Jesus was and is, we come to understand more clearly the people we were created to be."

We'll explore several characteristics of Jesus. We'll contemplate His incarnation – that He is God with us. We'll see Him as the friend of sinners, the compassionate physician, the great teacher, a miracle worker and our victorious sacrifice.

We gather each Wednesday at 7:00 and conclude by 7:45 PM. Plan to join us, and invite someone else to attend with you. Click here to join the meeting each week:

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86783515550>

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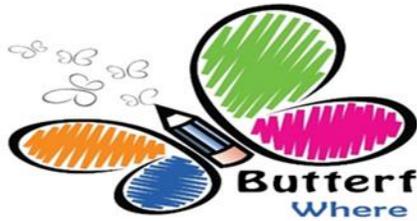
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Youth Handbell Choir

Hopefully you had a chance to see and hear the Youth Handbell Choir perform in church. For our 1st year we had 6-7 ringers and performed in church on 4 Sundays. Based on feedback from you youth and the congregation, our inaugural year was a success!

We are continuing with the Youth Handbell Choir this year and are hoping to grow in numbers. With more ringers, we will have more options in the music that we can play. The Youth

Handbell Choir rehearses on Sundays in between 2nd service and Confirmation classes – from 11:45 to 12:30. All youth 10 years and older are welcome to join us.

Don't know much about music? Well, Handbells are a great vehicle for teaching music. Individuals can very quickly learn the technique for ringing bells compared to other instruments that require a lot of practice to master the technique. With Handbells, we can quickly demonstrate so many elements of music (melody, harmony, rhythm, dynamics, meter, ...)



Another very important reason to join the Youth Handbell Choir is for the teamwork and comradery. In a Handbell Choir, ALL are needed. The music struggles if even one part is missing. This is a place where all individuals can feel needed and be a part of a team to make music and praise God. The Handbell Choir mirrors the body of Christ. Roman 12:5 says: *"so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others."* In the Handbell Choir, we are all separate ringers doing our own thing

and yet we're interconnected and need each other to come together to make a joyful noise to God. It reinforces the idea that you need to work together to achieve something great. In a Handbell team, success comes by including everyone and building up the individuals that struggle.

Please contact Carol Flint or Elisabeth Pintar if you are interested in joining us

Also, Handbells are not just for kids. We could use a few more ringers in the adult Handbell Choir too. Those rehearsals are on Thursday evenings 6:00 – 7:00.

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 408-781-3168

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 408-857-8519

Weddings at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Saratoga



Judy Onton is our ILC wedding coordinator.

To find out more, take a brochure from the pew rack, or check out our website: www.ilcsaratoga.org/weddings. Follow us on Instagram: ILCsaratogaweddings. Share with family and friends of this beautiful and charming sanctuary to hold their matrimony.



Many couples have joined hands to their lives at quaint church and its tranquil surroundings



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



Coronavirus: I have put together hotline numbers and some websites that are useful and informative!

Coronavirus Hotline for Seniors - The hotline number is **1-833-544-2374**.

<https://www.kcra.com/article/gov-newsom-coronavirus-update-march-31/31983378>

Call **2-1-1** in 150 languages. 24/7

Text **211211** to receive texts on updates.

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/phd/news/Pages/covid-19-call-211.aspx>

Emotional Listening Support Contact 24/7 Helpline: **1-800-932-4616** (Toll Free)

<http://www.contacthelpline.org/emotional-listening-support>

Santa Clara County (SSC) Update on Coronavirus – www.sccphd.org/coronavirus.

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/phd/DiseaseInformation/novel-coronavirus/Pages/home.aspx>

Covid-19 on CDC - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

State of California hotline to deliver services & help for older Californians - **1-833-544-2374**.

CDC's corona virus household check list.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/get-your-household-ready-for-COVID-19.html>

Pack your own groceries: <http://www.msn.com/en-us/money/spendingandborrowing/during-coronavirus-pandemic-youll-have-to-pack-your-own-groceries-if-you-have-a-reusable-bag/ar-BB11YLZ5?ocid=ientp>

Data on social distancing scorecard in states and counties -

<https://www.unacast.com/covid19/social-distancing-scoreboard>

County of Santa Clara COVID-19 Data Dashboard -

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/phd/DiseaseInformation/novel-coronavirus/Pages/dashboard.aspx>

Anyone interested in reporting a possible violation - Can email pubhealthreferral@dao.sccgov.org or call 408-792-2300 to leave a voicemail.

For more info, please go to the following websites.

1. <https://covid19.ca.gov/>
2. <https://www.sccgov.org/sites/covid19/Pages/public-health-orders.aspx>
3. <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/#county-status>
4. <https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/>

**There may be a surge in mail-order prescriptions due to the shelter-in-place. Receiving the orders may take a little longer than usual. It may be helpful to place your critical medicine mail-orders, preferably a week ahead to avoid last-minute requests. Again, not hoarding implies that all other patients will receive their vital prescriptions on time!

Just for laughs – This website helps 😊 <http://jokes.christiansunite.com/> Here is a preview!

Here is an Orange



The professor of a contract law class asked one of his better students, "If you were to give someone an orange, how would you go about it?"

The student replied, "Here's an orange."

The professor was outraged. "No! No! Think like a lawyer!"

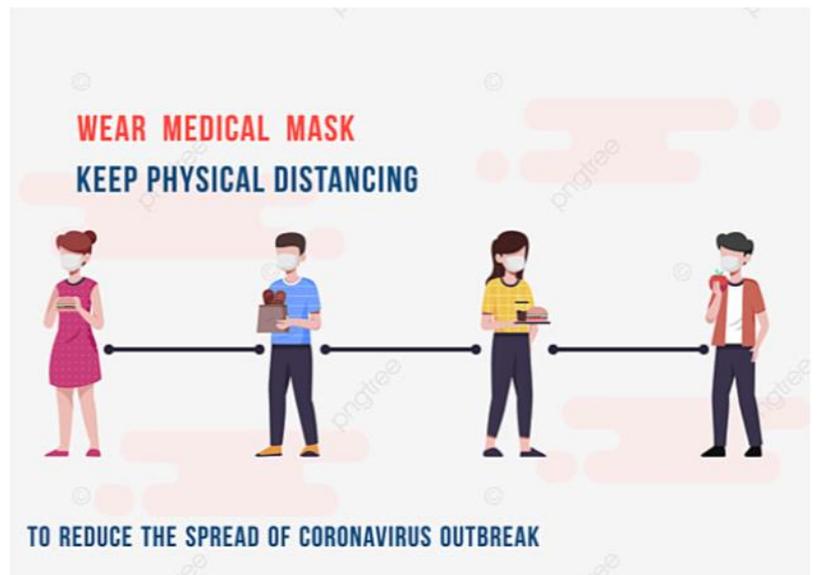
The student then replied, "Okay. I'd tell him 'I hereby give and convey to you all and singular, my estate and interests, rights, claim, title, claim and advantages of and in, said orange, together with all its rind, juice, pulp, and seeds, and all rights and advantages with full power to bite, cut, freeze and otherwise eat, the same, or give the same away with and without the pulp, juice, rind and seeds, anything herein before or hereinafter or in any deed, or deeds, instruments of whatever nature or kind whatsoever to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding...'"

"Covid Coach" for self-care and mental health: App found in Google Play in Android phone, and Apple Store in iPhone or iPad <https://mobile.va.gov/app/covid-coach>

We are all in this together!

God Bless and Stay Safe!

Vaskie Turner



Worship Status

Our intention is to continue recording and posting online services. In addition, we will be gathering again outdoors twice in March, on the 14th & 28th, at 10:00 AM in the church courtyard (weather permitting). The present plan is to continue to meet outdoors every other week. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for these safe, masked-and-distanced gatherings. If you plan to attend, please register your attendance in advance via Eventbrite. Link will be made available in the Daily Communique. If you're not receiving these and would like to, please contact Pastor Derek at pastord63@gmail.com or Jack Moorman at jack.moorman@gmail.com.

The Hills Are Alive... with ILC Hikers!

Have you heard about our hiking group? We explore part of the wonderful nature that surrounds our neighborhoods. It's fun for the whole family, as these are "no one left behind" hikes and friends are welcome. Please plan to join us, and come with a mask (necessary when others pass on the trail).

March 13: Coyote Valley Open Space Preserve. 550 Palm Ave., Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Getting There: From Highway 101, take Bailey Avenue west. Go .7 miles.

- Turn left on Santa Teresa Boulevard. Continue 2 miles.
- Turn right on Palm Avenue. Continue .7 miles.
- The preserve is at the end of Palm Avenue.

Time: 4:00 PM

March 27: Kennedy Rd. Ascent. 15292 Kennedy Rd., Los Gatos, CA 95032

Getting There: From Highway 85, exist Los Gatos Blvd.

- Head south for 2 miles; then turn left on Kennedy
- Continue 2.3 miles to the top of Kennedy Rd. Small parking lot on the right. If full, park across the street.

Time: 4:00 PM

For each of these hikes, plan to arrive by 3:45 PM. We'll gather our group and plan our hike. We'll hit the road at 4:00 and plan to return to our cars by 6:00. March 14 is a loop. March 28 is out-and-back. Both have some hills, with potentially good views.

Please RSVP so I know you'll be coming. In case of inclement weather, I'll send a cancellation note to all who RSVP by 9:00 PM the evening before. Dress in layers, bring a water bottle, and wear comfortable and sturdy shoes/boots. You can RSVP by emailing me at pastord63@gmail.com or calling 408-499-4866.

Trust Fund Scholarship Application Guidelines

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in our Trust Fund Scholarship Awards. Each year Immanuel Lutheran Church (ILC) awards scholarships to members of the congregation who are seeking to achieve degrees from institutions of higher learning. Membership requirements for those applying for the Shonk Scholarship at Saratoga High School do not apply.

For this coming year the following scholarships are available:

1. Shonk Memorial Scholarship, also available to a Saratoga High School Graduate
2. Joseph W. Doherty Memorial Business Scholarship
3. Amundson/Geri Memorial Scholarship
4. Lutheran School Scholarship/ILC Trust Fund Scholarship
5. Richard Johnson Memorial STEM Scholarship

Each Scholarship will be a single award. To be considered for an award, the applicant must submit a written application by Sunday, **MAY 2, 2021** to be emailed to: **anna.popovici@gmail.com**

One application can be submitted for all of the scholarships if the individual qualifies for that scholarship. For the Doherty Scholarship, the student's area of study must include either Business Management, Teaching, Audio, Lutheran Theological Education or Visual Arts. For the Johnson Scholarship, the student's area of study must include STEM subjects (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math).

Your applications for the scholarship must include the following:

A written summary of ILC, school and community involvement during the past four years.

- A written summary of projected educational goals and career plans.
- Transcript of grades to indicate scholarship ability. Also indicate schools applied to and/or Letters of Acceptance.
- A written summary of financial need including expected tuition and living expenses.
- One letter of recommendation from a non-family member, teacher or individual that you have had association with for a number of years. ILC staff members are not eligible.
- A listing of other scholarships applied for or received to date, and any other financial aid that you may receive.

Applications should not be voluminous and each written statement need not be longer than one typewritten page. The review committee is looking for quality and not quantity and our goal is to make the application process a pleasure and not a chore.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO ILC ON OR BEFORE SUNDAY, May 2, 2021, TO BE CONSIDERED

General comments regarding the Tuition-only Scholarships and Award Process:

A committee established by the ILC Trust Fund Board of Trustees shall administer the selection process for awards.

- The award(s) shall be presented at ILC during a service to be determined, but tentatively during the month of July.
- There are no restrictions on age, religion or race.
- Applicants should be planning on or attending a college or a technical school of higher learning.
- Due to the large number of applicants for scholarships, only one scholarship will be awarded per family.

- If the Scholarship Selection Committee determines that no applicant meets the minimum requirement for a scholarship, then no award shall be given.
- The Scholarship Selection Committee may request applicants to attend a scholarship interview with committee members.
- **If selected for an award, it is the student's responsibility to arrange for the school to provide to the ILC Trust fund proof of enrollment and an address where the funds are to be sent before payment can be made.**
- The Trust Fund Board of Trustees reserves the right to make final selection for each of the awards. The awards will be based upon the written application statements, specific and general guidelines established over the years, and each student's scholarship, financial need, and church, school and community involvement. All of these factors shall be considered in making the awards.

Please review the above information regarding our Trust Fund Scholarship Program. We look forward to all students who are eligible to submit applications by MAY 2, 2021. If the tuition funds need to be processed before the June Awards Ceremony please notify the Trust Fund Treasurer, Bill Burk.

If you have any questions regarding your application, please contact Anna Popovici at mobile 650-854-8051 or the church office at 408-867-0822. Thank you very much.

*Matt: 1:23 – " and his name shall be called **Immanuel, which means God is with us.**"*

An Introduction to Immanuel Lutheran Church

New to the church? Just visiting and want to learn more about how we do things at Immanuel? Want to find out more about our values, organization and structure? Join me on Sunday, March 7, at 12:30 PM on Zoom by clicking here: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/85616146449> You'll be introduced to this particular Lutheran congregation in Saratoga – and what makes us distinct. For more info or to RSVP, please contact Pastor Derek at pastord63@gmail.com.

Vaccinations...

GOT YOUR SHOT? If you're over 65, you are now eligible to receive your vaccination shots for COVID-19. The latest updates on vaccine eligibility and how to schedule an appointment are available on the County's website at sccfreevax.org. In addition, residents without internet access or who need additional assistance can make appointments for the County Health System vaccine sites through the Valley Connection Call Center at 408-970-2000. The Call Center is open Monday through Friday from 7 am to 9 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 8 am to 4:30 pm. Assistance is available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, and other languages. If you have trouble making your appointment and need assistance, please let Pastor Derek know. We have people standing by ready to help.

Living Room Conversations... Tuesday, March 2, 7:00 PM.

Join neighbors in Saratoga to have a civil discussion about Free Speech, Fighting Words and Violence. This event is co-hosted by the Saratoga Ministerial Association and the City of Saratoga.

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/81883836356?pwd=TzZEa1M5bE1CTXBSZodUMlFjenpEUTo9>

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Come hear our wonderful choir, bell choir, and organist.

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Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Feed your soul!

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Kids' Place- Infant and Preschool Care during Worship Services

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