# CHURCH of the BELLS

IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## Immanuel Family News

July/August 2021

### PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

God is extremely interested in what we see through our "spiritual eyes". If we have a vision for victory in our lives, we can rise to a new level. But as long as our gaze is on the ground instead of on the possibilities, we risk moving in the wrong direction and missing out on all the great things God wants to do in and through us. It seems to be both a spiritual and a physiological fact: We move toward what we see in our minds.

Our lives will follow our expectations. What we expect is what we will get. If we dwell on positive thoughts, our lives will move in that direction; and if we continually think negative thoughts, we will live negative lives. If we expect defeat, failure, or mediocrity, our subconscious mind will make sure that we lose, fail, or sabotage every attempt to push above average. And if we raise our level of expectancy, we will enlarge our vision.

It is so important that we program our minds for success. We must think positive thoughts of victory, of abundance, of favor, of hope. Each day, we must choose to live with an attitude that expects good things to happen to us. Try starting your day with favor and set your mind in the right direction, then go out expecting the favor of God. Expect the excel in your career and rise above life's challenges. Believe God for a great future. With God you have good things coming!

Maybe you are like me and you find summer the perfect time to work through an attitude adjustment! We get so worked up during our everyday working life that we often miss the opportunity to "reset" and "refresh". Take some time, during these summer months, to let the Holy Spirit refill you and show you all the good things God has in store for you.

Join us for our summer worship at 9:00am each Sunday morning! Our beautiful Sanctuary is ready for you! Or join us via Facebook or YouTube. However you choose to worship... we'll look forward to "seeing" you here at Immanuel!

I can't wait to see you in Church! Pastor Jack Keating

Now then, stand still and see the great things the Lord is about to do before your eyes. 1 Samuel 12:16

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### Youth/Family

### **Kidz Club update:**

Children's Sunday! It was wonderful to see all the

We just had a wonderful

kids again and let them share all of their amazing talents and accomplishments here at Immanuel!

This upcoming summer we are ready to relaunch in-person activities for our K through 6 youth! This August, we will be having our **KIDZ CLUB WEDNESDAYS.** This is a family event happening every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8 pm! There will be dinner, followed by plenty of activities! The parents are free to mingle and socialize with each other and Pastor Jack while your kids have fun learning bible stories and other activities!

We are asking everyone who wishes to join to please fill out the registration form and return it to the office or me by July 15th. We need a minimum of 5 people to register in order to put this on, so make sure you fill out those forms sooner rather than later! The cost for VBS is \$10 a child, and that will include the dinner each week, and a t-shirt for your child to keep! Registration forms are available on our website under Ministry and news/events tabs, in the church office and after worship on Sunday.

> Blessings, Ashley Davis Kidz Club Coordinator



### Children's Day, June 13, 2021



Pastor Jack with our College and High School Graduates



Congratulations to our Gordon Williams Scholarship winners!







We finished the day with ice cream sundaes for breakfast!

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### **Ministries**



### MINI GOLF TOURNAMENT IS BACK!

Very happy to announce that our "fun" fund raiser that benefits Disaster Recovery Missions is back for the 12th year!

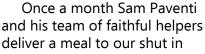
Please save Saturday morning August 7th for the opportunity to support this mission and show off your putting skills.

Details to follow in the coming weeks.

If you'd like to help contact Shelley Dawson Smith @ 315-727-0671.

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#### Meal Ministry-300 meals! Once a month Sam Paver



friends of Immanuel. In June, we hit the "300<sup>th</sup>" mark of serving 300 meals!! Many thanks to all of the volunteers that are the hands and feet of Jesus reminding our shut in friends that God loves them.

### Connect with us!

We are worshipping in person on Sunday mornings at 9am. We are on Facebook live at 9am Sunday as well. On July 25 and August 29, we will be having our lawn chair service in the church parking lot. In the event of inclement weather, we will move worship into the sanctuary.

If you miss the service at 9am on Sunday, you can find it on our Facebook page or on our YouTube channel. You can get to these via our website at <u>www.churchofthebells.org</u>. Click on the Worship online tab.

Fridays Pastor Jack is emailing an encouraging message with up to the minute updates on church news. If you would like to receive these and other church updates, please email the church at <u>churchofthebells@gmail.com</u> to be added to the email list.

Our church office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am-1pm. Please call as times may vary. Appointments are best to be sure you see who you want.

Pastor Jack is available by phone or email. If you leave a message on our church answering machine, he will give you a call back. His email is pastorjackk@gmail.com.



### 3M update:



#### February 2021 3M Donations

Total Collected	\$2,349.00
Mortgage Payment	\$2,564.46
Shortage	\$(215.46) *

March 2021 3M Donations

Total Collected	\$2,884.00
Mortgage Payment	\$2,564.46
Excess	\$319.54 *

\*The funds collected in March were sufficient to pay the mortgage however not sufficient to cover the deficits of \$749.46 in January and \$215.46 in February therefore no distributions were made to Missions or Trustees.

### April 2021 3M Donations

\$3,844.00
\$2,564.46
\$317.08
\$317.08
\$1,279.44

\*The funds collected in April were sufficient to pay the mortgage however due to deficits of \$749,46 in January & \$215.46 in February and only a \$319.54 excess in March the distribution to Trustees and Missions in April is \$317.08.

### May 2021 3M Donations

Total Collected	\$2,582.00
Mortgage Payment	\$2,564.46
Missions	\$8.77
Trustees	\$8.77

Contact Shelley Dawson Smith with questions.



Many thanks to our Tuesday morning crew that keep our church grounds in tip top shape! Here is a picture of some of the guys installing the Memorial Bricks on our back patio.



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Thank you!

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