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Elida Immanuel NEWSLETTER

Pastor Connection



Fall is one of my favorite times of the year. I love the bright, changing colors of the leaves, the cooler air, pumpkins, and pumpkin lattes, pumpkin pie, apple cider, and apple pie. Ooh, I can already taste them. I also enjoy the football season in the fall. Fall also seems to be a time that we return to our regular routines. School is back in session, families are back from vacation, church activities are more prominent. It was good to have a summer break, but even better to be back together again. I am also thankful for all the new people who have been attending our church worship services recently. May God bless

them and all of us in this fall season.

There are many exciting activities this fall at Elida Immanuel, and you will see them in this newsletter. I thought I would highlight the fall sermon and discipleship series coming up. We are currently preaching on the parables or stories of Jesus, utilizing the study, <u>Parables from the Back Side</u>, by J. Ellsworth Kalas. In his book, Kalas attempts to enter the parable from a different side that we might not normally expect. That's not to detract from what the parable actually says, but rather to make its teaching more "clear and biting." So, come journey worship with us and journey through the back side of the parables. This series will continue through Sunday, October 20th.

On Sunday, October 27th, we will begin a second significant fall sermon series entitled <u>The Gratitude Path</u> by Kent Millard. This book reminds us of the importance of giving gratitude, even to simply say thanks for the most basic of gifts we receive. In this sermon series, we will look at the main ways throughout scripture that we are called to give thanks and the reasons for it. Our gratitude then leads us to generosity. Rather than giving out of our abundance or out of fear or compulsion, we give because we want to. We give in thanksgiving for what God has done for us.

This series will take us up to November 17th, which is our Gratitude Sunday, when we will make our financial commitments to God's church, Elida Immanuel, for 2020. We will also have a guest speaker that Sunday, the Rev. Dale Linhart, an excellent preacher and pastor who knows this subject well. And I should know that, because he happens to be my uncle. I've heard him speak many biblically inspiring sermons over the years. And on the evening of the 17th of November, we will have our thanksgiving meal together, culminating a wonderful day and series of gratitude to God. May God bless you all in this beautiful fall season.

Pastor Randy

Connecting Families to Christ

Immanuel Connection



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Sunday Schedule

8:30 A.M. Traditional Service 9:30 A.M. Connection Time 10:45 A.M. Contemporary Service

Sunday -Connection Zone-

Children & Youth Classes

Birth-35 Months Kidz Konnect Nursery
3 Years—KindergartenKidz Konnect Pre-School
ıst – 6th GradeKidz Konnect Room
7th—12th GradeYouth Connect Room

Adult Classes	
Young Adult Class	Adult Connect Room
Pathfinders Class	Adult Connect Room
Friendship Class	Fellowship Hall

September Giving

2019 Monthly Budget Amount	\$24	,657.00
Amount Received	\$20	,390.35
(does not include 9/30		
Designated Giving	\$	125.00
Total		
10% given to Missions	\$	2026. <u>53</u>
Total		





Kids Konnect



TRUNK OR TREAT

This years Trunk or Treat will again be the same night as Elida's Trick or Treat. It will be Thursday, October 31st from 5:00 to 7:00. P.M.

We hope all of our Immanuel family will come, open up their trunks, and pass out treats to the kids. This is such a fun way to be involved in our Elida community. Feel free to decorate your vehicle. This adds to the fun and the kids love it. You can decorate your car with themes such as Ohio State, Hawaiian, football or whatever you come up with. Be sure to have lots of candy to pass out. We always have a large crowd. We will also be passing out 600 hot dogs to those trick or treating.

So, if you are one of the families taking your little ones out to trick or treat that night, be sure to stop by the church for a hot dog and treats. If you won't be out trick or treating, be sure to bring lots of treats and join the fun.

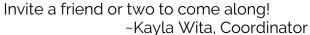
Please let us know if you will be joining us in the parking lot to pass out candy that night by signing up on the connection card beginning October 6th.

Hope to see you there!

Marisha Simmons. Kidz Konnect Coordinator

Bulldog Believers (students -5th & 6th grade)





Youth Group

(students -7th—12th grade) Join us each Sunday as we meet from 6:00-7:30 P.M. Invite a friend or two to come alona!



~Brandy Hollstein, Coordinator

Family Faith Idea

Take your family on a hike and enjoy the fall weather and scenery. While you are hiking, climb a hill and take in the beautiful view. Talk to your children about how God sees our lives. from a higher perspective. As you make your way to the bottom of the hill, explain that God is always with us no matter what happens in our lives. We can trust him to take care of us. Read together Isaiah 55:9.



Compassion Connection

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Thinking of You!

Please send a card to these folks as often as you can. They truly enjoy reading them over & over!

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Gloria Miller. Elida Immanuel's Women Group

Active Connection



Elida Homecoming Parade

Thanks for all the support in making this event a success. It was a beautiful day for a parade!

> Kayla Wita, Coordinator



Charge Conference will be Sunday, October 6th @ 3:00 P.M.

All members of the Leadership Board — please plan to attend. We will be hosting several other churches here that day as well.



ALL Ladies of the church are invited!

Elida Immanuel Women's Group will be going out to eat on Tuesday, October 15th @ 6:30 P.M. Place to meet is still undecided. Watch the

bulletin for details.

The Immanuel Library

The adult library is the room east of the "front double doors" of the church!

Judy Long, Coordinator



Lizzie Searches for Love

(trilogy) by Linda Byler

Running Around

It isn't that Lizzie doesn't want to stay Amish. It's just that there is so much for her to figure out. She has a hot temper. She hates housework and dislikes babies. She loves driving fast horses. Now that Lizzie is running around, will she scare off the Amish boys with her hijinks manners? What will become of Lizzie?

When Strawberries Bloom

A new love and even more questions enter Lizzie Glick's life as she becomes a schoolteacher. She loves the independence of running her own schoolroom. But at home things are in turmoil again. Her sisters have found their perfect matches, but Lizzie doesn't know what to think about Stephen and how he might fit into her life.

Big Decisions

Everything seems to have led up to this moment in Lizzie's life. Her curiosity, concerns, and dreams have brought her to the verge of some very big decisions. Will she join the church? Will she continue teaching? Will she marry Stephen? Does she really want to get married anyway?

Hospitalizations

When you are in the hospital or having surgery, please have someone (yourself, a friend or family member) call the church office @ 419-331-2366. If no one is available, leave a message. Messages are checked regularly Monday-Thursday during business hours. Over the weekend, in case of an emergency (life threatening illness or death) please call the parsonage @ 567-712-6765. (NOTE: this is a land line—will not accept text messages)

When you check in at the hospital and they ask you for "your religion", please inform them you go to Elida Immanuel Church. (And even then, we sometimes do not get contacted by the hospital) If you simply say that you are protestant or United Methodist, they do not contact the church. It is our job as a church to support you in times of sickness, and your communication is an important part of the equation. Thank you for your help.



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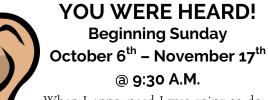
2019 Giving: January-September 291.00

Monthly Mission donation for October: Cleaning Supplies Monthly Mission donation for November: Paper Products

Thank you for being faithful to this Mission Ministry through your "quarter" giving on Communion Sunday! Quarter poles are located at each Sanctuary

Please remember to bring at least 1 item per family to worship EACH month in support of the Allentown food Pantry. Your donations make a difference for families and individuals who visit the Allentown food Pantry.

Active Connection



When I announced I was going to do a study about Heaven last spring for the Ladies Bible Study, several who were unable to attend, including men, let me know they would like to do the study. Soooooo, beginning on Sunday, October 6th, and ending on Sunday, November 17th. I will be offering the study during the Connection Time @ 9:30 A.M. Please join us!

Linda Hoover, Adult Education Coordinator



Elida Immanuel's Chicken & Ham BBQ

THANKS to everyone for all the support in making this year's Chicken & Ham BBQ a success! It takes all of us working together to

make this event happen! You are appreciated!

Gloria Miller, Elida Immanuel Women's Group



M & M Luncheon

It's that time again! Our next luncheon will be Thursday, October 24th @ Noon. The menu will be ham and scalloped potatoes, California blend

veggies, dinner roll, drink and pumpkin pie.

Following our lunch, Joel Mengerink, Elida School Superintendent, will be with us to share some SCHOOL NEWS!!! Hope you can join us!

> Tom and Sally Murphy, Coordinators



Rachel's Recommended Reading:

If you'd like a fresh look at the Gospels--and more importantly, at Jesus!--I recommend N.T. Wright's *Simply*

Jesus: A New Vision of Who He Was, What He Did, and Why He Matters (Harper One, 1989). This is important not just for "head knowledge" but for actual lived-out discipleship. As the author puts it: "Since [Jesus] called people to follow him, and since people have been trying to do that ever since, what might 'following him' entail? How can we know if we are on the right track?"

Dinner 4 Dawgs

Girls Soccer

Dinner 4 Dawgs is busy, busy! The 2019-2020 school season was kicked off at the end of August when we served a meal to the girls' tennis team. During the month of September, we provided meals for....

Girls Volleyball Fall Musical – cast and crew The Elida High School Marching Band

In October, we are scheduled to serve: Boys Soccer Football Teams and Cheerleaders Cross Country



The majority of the meals are served in the church's fellowship hall. The exception was taking the meal to the cast/crew of the school's fall musical as they prepared for that evening's performance. New this year is serving a sack lunch to the band. This meal was shared following the band's halftime performance at the homecoming game – what an exciting opportunity to be in the community serving others!!

Please watch your connection card for opportunities to serve the youth in our own backyard in the name of Jesus! And, as always, thank you for your continued prayers for the students, faculty, and staff of the Elida Schools!

Becky Bollinger D4D Coordinator

October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Men's Prayer 6:00 A.M. Dinner 4 Dawgs 4:30 P.M. Teens for Christ 6:00—9:00 P.M. Ladies Bible Study 7:00 P.M.	2 Lima Sister Cities 7:00 P.M.	3 EMS Teachers 8:00-3:00 P.M. Prayer Time @ 1:00 P.M.	4 Dinner 4 Dawgs Noon—6:00 P.M.	5
6 World Communion Sunday Charge Conference 3:00—6:00 P.M. Youth Group 6:00—7:30 P.M.	7	8 Men's Prayer 6:00 A.M. Teens for Christ 6:00—9:00 P.M. Watercolors 1:00—4:00 P.M. Ladies Bible Study 7:00 P.M.	9	10 Prayer Time @ 1:00 P.M.	11 Our Daily Bread 10:00 A.M. Wedding Rehearsal 5:00 P.M.	12 Wedding 3:30 P.M.
13 Youth Group 6:00-7:30 P.M.	14 Columbus Day	Men's Prayer 6:00 A.M. Teens for Christ 6:00—9:00 P.M. Elida Immanuel Women's Group— "Out to Eat" 6:30 P.M.	16 Our Daily Bread 10:00 A.M. S.P.O.O.N.S 8:00—Noon	17 Prayer Time @ 1:00 P.M.	18	19 Redbird Drop-Off 9:00—Noon
20 Youth Group 6:00-7:30 P.M.	21	Men's Prayer 6:00 A.M. Teens for Christ 6:00—9:00 P.M. Ladies Bible Study 7:00 P.M.	Gratitude Sunday Bible Study Meal @ 5:30 Study @ 7:00	24 M & M Luncheon Noon Prayer Time @ 1:00 P.M.	25	26
27 Youth Group 6:00-7:30 P.M.	28 Leadership Board 7:00 P.M.	29 Men's Prayer 6:00 A.M. Teens for Christ 6:00—9:00 P.M. Ladies Bible Study 7:00 P.M.	Gratitude Sunday Bible Study Meal @ 5:30 Study @ 7:00	31 Prayer Time @ 1:00 P.M. Trunk or Treat 5:00—7:00 P.M.		