

# CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

Fearlessly  
**FORWARD** in Faith



The bells were playing, the children were singing, a dear child was baptized, and so much more was happening as you gathered with us to worship during the week of September 17th. We at Immanuel have many reasons to thank God!

That busy weekend we also had the opportunity to host forums discussing our Fearlessly Forward in Faith Campaign. We were excited to share with the congregation plans to move forward in our marketing efforts, to enhance the church entrance, retire the debt on the D'Angelo property, and perform feasibility studies to improve the school.

Thank you to all of you for the great turn-out! All of your questions were welcomed and appreciated, and we are humbled by your continued support of Immanuel's church and school.

As we move forward, we can't wait to see how God uses our collective efforts to further his kingdom. Don't miss out on being a part of the cottage meetings in October so that you can join the discussion about where we see God leading Immanuel.

## Upcoming Campaign Events

Oct. 13th - Prayer Event  
Oct. 14th & 15th Guest Preacher  
Rev Dr. Eric Kennaugh  
Nov. 5th - Commitment  
Celebration  
Nov 19th - First Fruits



For more information about the campaign please contact the church office at 847.428.4477



## Immanuel's Thrilling New Chapter

I think it's thrilling! God continues to do incredible things for us, here at Immanuel Lutheran Church and School! Please notice: our school continues to thrive – thrilling! Babies (and some adults too) are being Baptized in wonderful numbers – thrilling! Weddings of members are again happening on a regular basis (since Covid) – thrilling! Worship continues to be the focal point of all things Immanuel – thrilling! New people, new relationships, new ideas, new plans, new goals all standing on the foundation of the old, old story of Jesus and His Gospel of grace is so very thrilling!

As we start a new chapter in Immanuel's history, directed by God's Word, accompanied by Jesus Himself, we see this is an exciting and thrilling adventure. As God told Joshua to go forward fearlessly and faithfully into the Promised Land, we are directed likewise in our mission to draw people closer to Jesus to assure them of His gifts of life, love and salvation. We're starting this new adventure with a campaign to raise commitments in following Jesus closer, being more active in the life of the church and in helping to financially support both the present and the new ministries of the church.

The campaign is called "Fearlessly Forward in Faith" based on God's direction to Joshua (Joshua 1:9). We can go Fearlessly, Jesus is with us (Matthew 28:20b – "And I will be with you always until the end of time.) We can go Forward (Philippians 3:13b-14a – "...straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal...") And we can go in Faith (Philippians 4:13 – "I can do everything through [Jesus], who gives me strength.")

Through the month of October, we're hoping to inspire all our members to be a part of this campaign. Weekend sermons, Bible classes, cottage meetings and home visits will all be part of this encouragement. I hope the excitement of this next chapter is contagious and that you can be inspired too. Here at Immanuel, we have had incredible chapters in the past, but a new great one is about to be written – I think it's absolutely thrilling!

-Pastor Yonker



## A Note From Our Principal

Greetings in Christ!

This current campaign is vitally important as to what comes next at Immanuel, especially the school. My goal for the school is to bring in as many students as possible to hear about the love of Jesus. Therefore, if this campaign is successful, there is a genuine possibility that we will next look at school expansion. The possibilities are endless regarding the school's future, such as building a brand-new school.

I am excited about the future here at Immanuel. I taught at Immanuel Crystal Lake when we went out on faith to build a brand-new facility. It was an exciting time, and I want to feel that again here in Dundee.

Blessings,  
Kevin Becker  
Principal

Please join us Friday, Oct 13 for a special Fearlessly Forward in Faith Prayer Vigil. You are welcome to spend whatever time you would like in prayer. Ten minutes to a full hour. Prayer cards will also be available prior to the vigil for you to fill out with special requests. These cards will be prayed over during the vigil. Prayer is powerful for both the one praying and the one being prayed for no matter how long or short the prayer is.





## Meet Our Campaign Consultant

Pastor Eric Kennaugh serves as Vice President, Ministry Solutions, of Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF).

Eric has committed himself to helping local congregations discover and fully live into their God-given purpose. To this end he has served as a consultant with the Ohio District for LCMS' Transforming Congregations initiative; served as a coach to congregations and pastors through Coach Advance; and guided congregations through various vision discovery processes. In his 22 years of pastoral ministry, he has served three congregations: Trinity Lutheran Church in Baton Rouge, LA; Risen Christ Lutheran Church in Springfield, OH; and Immanuel Lutheran Church and School in Batavia, IL. He has led these congregations through Capital Campaigns for building a sanctuary, renovating facilities, and debt reduction.

Eric holds degrees from Western Michigan University; Concordia Seminary, St. Louis; and Ashland Theological Seminary.

Eric and his wife, Amy, reside in Batavia, IL. Amy is a former school teacher and now works as a clinical mental health counselor. They are blessed to be the parents of three teenage daughters.

## Campaign Team

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Pastor Kennaugh will be preaching Oct 14th and 15th