

**Schedule for the week of February 18-24, 2018.** (A complete listing of meetings/events is posted by the church office door. Please check this listing to verify in which room your meeting/event is. Due to conflicting requests, you may not be assigned the room you requested.)

<b>Sunday</b>	9:15 a.m.	Faces of Christ-Library
	10:30 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Living Room
	12:00 p.m.	New Member Orientation-Fellowship Hall
<b>Monday</b>	5:00 p.m.	SW Grief Coalition-Atrium/Fellowship Hall
	6:45 p.m.	Holy Commotion-Luther Hall
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Ministry Team-Offsite
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Library
	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Lenten Worship-Fellowship Hall</b>
	5:00-9:00 p.m.	Wednesday @ Immanuel following Lenten Schedule <b>Dinner: Hamburger and fries</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Lenten Worship-Sanctuary</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square
	6:00 p.m.	Volleyball-Luther Hall
<b>Saturday</b>	5:00 p.m.	Casual Worship-Fellowship Hall

Assisting Today:

	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sunday 9:15 a.m.	Sunday 10:45 a.m.
<b>Acolytes</b>	Faith Larsen	Katharine Morrow Joey Schommer	Gabby Paster Haley Hanson	Andrea Porter Andy Nelson
<b>Greeters</b>		Craig Bertelson	Sharon Peterson	Gail Peterson
<b>Ushers</b>	Kate Moody	Stephen Hanson Paul Wyman	Kevin Lenzen Brian Maenke	Peter Rutkowski Paul Kautz
<b>Lectors</b>		Brad Kingsley	Barbara Link	Jill Maczka
<b>Communion</b>	Twylla Vickmark	Paula Wyman Brad Kingsley	Kari & Tom Totall	Karen Nelson Lori Bryant Susan Geitzenauer
<b>Nursery</b>			Susan Nelson	
<b>Welcome Center</b>	Lorraine Maenke			
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Becky Farniok/Janet Gould/Sharon Hamel/Trevor Fleck			
<b>Counters</b>	Mark Arvidson/Bill Maes			
<b>Coffee</b>	Sara Bonk/Bonnie Berndt/Sharon Hamel			
<b>Treats</b>	Stephanie Vik/Michelle Anderson/Linda Barros			

To preserve the sanctity of our worshipping space, we prefer that you finish your beverages in the atrium, rather than bringing them into the sanctuary. Thank you!

**Large-print Bibles available.** In the back of the sanctuary we have a few large-print Bibles available for your use.

**Wednesday @ Immanuel Schedule in Lent**

- 5:00-6:00 p.m. Wednesday Cafe - Dinner, Atrium
- 5:30-6:00 p.m. Cornerstone Choir
- 6:00-6:50 p.m. Praise Ringers
- 6:05-6:50 p.m. Ascension Choir, Epiphany Choir, Confirmation
- 6:15-6:50 p.m. Adult Faith Formation – Table Talk
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship
- 7:50 p.m. Reformation Choir; Servant Song

**Worship Schedule**

- Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday: 8:00, 9:15, 10:45 a.m.
- Wednesday: 12:00 and 7:00 p.m.



# Welcome

February 17 & 18, 2018

**Welcome! It is a joy to have you worship with us at Immanuel.**

- **Holy Communion:** As we celebrate Holy Communion today, anyone seeking the forgiveness of Christ is welcome to receive the bread and the wine. If you would like the Pastor to bring communion to you, please sit in an aisle seat and let an usher know. We invite every child of God to share in this meal. Everyone who comes forward for communion and holds out their hands will receive the bread and wine. Parents, we encourage you to determine how your child/children can participate in this meal of God's love and grace through your direction and example.
- **Children in Worship:** We welcome and encourage all children to be in worship. Nursery is available for children under age three during all services on Sunday. A room dedicated for nursing mothers is also available in the nursery. Children's Rainbow Activity Bags and Children's Bulletins may be picked up by the west doors of the sanctuary. Please make sure all materials are returned to the bag prior to putting it back on the Rainbow Bag Tree.
- **More information:** Stop by the Welcome Center located in the atrium, use the gold insert and check the appropriate box or go to [www.immanuel.us](http://www.immanuel.us). Please worship with us again.

**Immanuel's Values:**

- Loving God and one another
- Intentional faith development and expression
- Active service in the community
- Practicing transformative generosity

**We ask prayers of comfort, strength, healing, and thanksgiving for:**

(Please let us know when you have a prayer request. You can call the pastor or write it on your gold sheet. Your request will be listed for three weeks. Please let us know if you would like to have it listed longer.)

- Peter G., team member of Jeanne Roudabush, critically ill. Prayers for his progress and family's strength.
- Wilbur Gjersvik, lung cancer. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Caroline Nelson, recurrence of brain tumor. Prayers for successful radiation treatment.
- Ruth Quaal, celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Prayers of thanks and blessings.
- All seeking employment. Prayers that they find fulfilling and meaningful work.
- Molly Brown, brain cancer. Prayers for healing.
- Abby Farniok, stroke/leukemia. Prayers for healing, comfort and strength.
- Don Sarles, ALS. Prayers for strength and comfort.

**Many opportunities available to donate altar flowers.** Donating flowers is a fine way to recognize a special milestone or person in your life and many opportunities are available. Sign up on Immanuel's website; they can help you at the Welcome Center. Cost is \$40 and the flowers are yours to take home after the last service.

**The season of Lent has begun.** Join us for worship on Wednesdays at 12:00 noon. or 7:00 p.m. Wednesday noon worship is in Fellowship Hall and is followed by a soup luncheon and fellowship. Evening worship meets in the sanctuary and includes the music of Holden Evening Prayer. Both services will include Holy Communion each week.

**Lent. A time to pray, contemplate, spend some quiet time with God.** Come to Immanuel's library to select a book that might help center you or guide your thoughts in your quiet time of devotion or prayer. On display on the small shelf in the back of the library are several books that might help you. If you don't find a book to your liking on display, check out the Prayer and Devotion sections on the book cases on the left side of the room, or other books by Max Lucado on the Favorite Authors shelf on the right. May your Quiet Time with God during Lent be a faith-growing time this year.

**Youth Rejoice! – February 25.** Join us for a celebration of Immanuel’s youth and a fundraiser! Students will lead worship on February 24 and 25 while also serving a pancake breakfast (8:45-10:45 a.m.) and hosting a small silent auction. Tickets for the breakfast can be purchased online or at the registration desk in the narthex. \$10 = Adult, \$5 = Youth (13 and under), \$30 = family. There will also be a recessional offering after all services with collected money going toward youth scholarships.

**Auction Items.** We are currently seeking donations for Youth Rejoice! auction items such as: unique gift items, family or couple-oriented gifts/getaways, specific skills you may be willing to volunteer for a day or weekend, gift cards or anything you think may generate “bidding” excitement. Please contact Paul Erdmann with questions or to donate an item.

## SERVICE MINISTRY

**Families Moving Forward week of February 25.** Our next week of hosting families experiencing homelessness is February 24 through March 4. Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve dinner, to provide hospitality and play with kids in the evenings and to stay overnight at the church (sleeping in a room separate from our guests). For ministry descriptions and to sign up go to [www.immanuel.us/serve](http://www.immanuel.us/serve).

**PROP’s 7<sup>th</sup> Empty Bowls Event!** Join your church staff for lunch (11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.) on February 20 or dine with your family for dinner (4-7 p.m.) Join this community event to enjoy a simple bowl of soup as a reminder of those who face hunger in our community. Event location is St Andrew Lutheran Church. No Set Program. Entertainment. Silent Auction. Homemade Bowls. Freewill Donation. Learn more [www.propfood.org](http://www.propfood.org).

**Lenten Service Project to Support Lutheran World Relief.** Assemble Personal Care Kits for families in need around the world. Simple items – a soap, a towel, a toothbrush – can offer hope for families coping with war, poverty and disaster.

**What to Include:** *All items should be new and in good condition.*

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| 1 light-weight bath-size towel, dark color                      | 2-3 bars soap to total 8-9 oz in original wrapping |
| 1 adult-size toothbrush in original packaging                   | 1 sturdy comb, remove packaging                    |
| 1 metal nail clipper (attached file optional), remove packaging |  |

**Wrap all the items in the towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarn. Bring completed Care Kits to Immanuel by Easter!**

**Taste of Tanzania Tour Feb 14-23, 2019.** Join Kim and Martin Rathjen on a trip to Tanzania to visit Immanuel’s Missionaries Dr. Steven and Jodi Swanson. Learn about their life-changing work training people in health care practices, visit other organizations with Lutheran roots working in Arusha, and go on safari to experience God’s amazing creation! Details and registration info is available at [www.immanuel.us/adults/kilimanjaro-tanzania](http://www.immanuel.us/adults/kilimanjaro-tanzania) or at the Welcome Desk.

**EP Congregations Clean Energy Forum.** Sunday, March 11, 1:30-4 p.m. at Pax Christi. The free event will feature Speaker Paul Douglas. Learn about simple actions you can take to save energy and money and to meet our city’s energy goals. Contact [gena.gerard@icloud.com](mailto:gena.gerard@icloud.com) for more information.

**Habitat for Humanity, Saturday, March 17.** Could you help on Saturday March 17, for a Habitat home at the Panel Plant in Minneapolis? Volunteers needed for the construction team, to bring food, take photos, or make phone calls. No experience required. Minimum age 16 for construction volunteers. Not only do we build a home, we build community, putting our faith into action. To sign up, contact Ruth Lunde at [lundeworld@yahoo.com](mailto:lundeworld@yahoo.com) or Lynn Swanson at 952-974-1689.

## ADULT MINISTRY

**Faces of Christ Bible Study.** During the season of Lent you are invited to gather with Kim Rathjen on five Sunday mornings for a study that will help us dive more deeply into who Jesus is *for* us, *with* us and *among* us today. This interactive, small-group-based study will help you to meet and get to know your brothers and sisters in Christ, both here and afar. Come for all five weeks or when you are able—bring your Bible and let’s grow together in faith! Sundays, February 18-March 18, 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the library

**NEW! “TABLE TALK” Wednesday nights 6:15-6:45 p.m.** During our “bridge” time between dinner and worship throughout Lent, come join us for conversation over coffee in the atrium, where we’ll gather for a brief devotion (from *You Are the Way*) and informal conversation around how faith and life connect. See you at the table!