

Schedule for the week of February 25-March 3, 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.)

Sunday	8:45-10:45 a.m.	Youth Rejoice! Pancake Breakfast-Fellowship Hall/Luther Hall
	9:15 a.m.	Faces of Christ-Library
	10:30 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Living Room
Monday	10:00 a.m.	Prayer & Praise-Library
	6:45 p.m.	Holy Commotion-Luther Hall
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
	7:00 p.m.	Lydia Circle-Library
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Library
	12:00 p.m.	Lenten Worship-Fellowship Hall
	5:00-9:00 p.m.	Wednesday @ Immanuel following Lenten Schedule Dinner: Meatballs and smashed potatoes
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Worship-Sanctuary
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square
	9:00 a.m.	Quilting-Room H
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Library
	9:00 a.m.	Do Justice Retreat
	5:00 p.m.	Casual Worship-Sanctuary

Assisting Today:

	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sunday 9:15 a.m.	Sunday 10:45 a.m.
Acolytes	Chloe Thompson	Jacob Heinzen Kami Czech	Eliana Hanson Lindsey Phillips	Thomas Chevalier Noah Szczepaniak
Greeters		Gwen & Marlin Sackett	Youth Rejoice!	Youth Rejoice!
Ushers	Marc Terrass	Kim & Dave Paul	Gay & Dave Ludvig	Karilyn Jons Peter Rutkowski
Lectors		Joy Klemp	Youth Rejoice!	Youth Rejoice!
Healing			Diane Johnson	Debbie Anderson Shannon Fleck
Nursery			Gail Ericson	
Welcome Center	Doris Nelsen			
Altar Guild	Becky Farniok/Janet Gould/Sharon Hamel/Trevor Fleck			
Counters	Steven Jons/Renae Blomquist			
Coffee	Youth Rejoice!			
Treats	Youth Rejoice!			

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 24 & 25, 2018

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

- **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. 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.)

- Daryl Hanson, broken fibula. Prayers for healing and patience.
- Trey Gustafson, grandson of Sharon Peterson's friend. Prayers that white blood cell count goes back to normal.
- 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, receiving radiation for recurring brain tumor. Prayers for successful treatment.
- 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.

We celebrate the baptism of: (Sunday, 10:45 a.m.)

- Eli Paul Baker, son of Molly & Paul. Eli was born on June 11. His sponsors are Andria Jansen and Abby Monnens.
God bless his life journey supported by his parents, sponsors, and church family.

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.

Yoga is coming back to Immanuel starting in March. Watch for details.

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 at the door. \$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.

SERVICE MINISTRY

Families Moving Forward Guests arrive this afternoon! We are expecting 4 families and 15 people total who are experiencing homelessness and will be staying in our building this week. There are several young children in these families and child care help is needed between 6 and 8pm **tonight**, Monday, Friday and Saturday. Contact kim@immanuel.us if you can help provide some support and care for our guests.

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 or at the Welcome Desk.

Camp Noah. Immanuel will be sending a Camp Noah Team to Chetek, WI the week of June 17-22. Last May Chetek experienced an F3 tornado that stayed on the ground for over 2 hours and 80 miles. Camp Noah is a faith-based day camp for children who have been impacted by natural disaster to help them learn resiliency skills and to aid in the recovery process after a trauma. Team members must be 16 years or older. The cost to join the team is \$225. Contact kim@immanuel.us for registration details.

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 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 or Lynn Swanson at 952-974-1689.

Thrivent Policy Holders: If you have a policy that earns Choice Dollars, you must direct your 2017 Choice Dollars by March 31, 2018.

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!

Interested in quilting? Our quilting group, The Piecemakers, meets on Thursdays from 9 a.m. until about 1:00 p.m. (including a lunch break) every other week from September through May. Our next date is March 1. New volunteers are very welcome.