

**Schedule for the week of June 18-24, 2017.** (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>Monday</b>	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	SALT at Arboretum Haven House Board Meeting-Library
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
<b>Wednesday</b>	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Time to Consider-Atrium Bingo Committee-Library
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square Evangelism Committee-Pr. Paul's Office

Assisting Today:

	Sunday 9:15 a.m.	Sunday 10:45 a.m.
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ben Loper/Veronica Hansen	Alec Drieslein/Tyler Lindberg
<b>Greeters</b>	Emily & Lou Raguse	Lori & Joe Ertman
<b>Ushers</b>	Scott Belseth/Craig Bertelson	Derek Lindberg/Peter Rutkowski
<b>Lectors</b>	Kate Brook-Beyer	Barbara Link
<b>Communion</b>	Kathryn Bonine/Beverly Osekowsky	Carrie Determan/Karen Nelson
<b>Nursery</b>	Gail Ericson	
<b>Welcome Center</b>	Katie Thormodsgard	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sharon Peterson/Patti Martens Carter/Connie Ryski	
<b>Counters</b>	Bob Warner/Bonnie Warner	
<b>Coffee</b>	Shirley Truempi/Ruth Hustad	

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.

**Immanuel's Boy Scout Troop 347 collects aluminum cans for recycling.** Look for the trailer in the west parking lot and bring your cans to Immanuel for recycling.

**Lost and Found.** There is a table in the Atrium of items that have accumulated here over the winter. Please take a moment to check and see if any of them are yours. The table is located near the nursery.

**Advertise in Luther's Way.** Our church representative from Liturgical Publications, Inc, is working on setting up the advertising for our newsletter for the upcoming year. We hope that members who have a business will consider sponsoring an ad in the newsletter, since the revenue from the ads is what makes the publication possible at no cost to the church. Also, if you know of any other businesses in the community that would like to support the church, please let them know about this opportunity. Advertisements can be purchased for a business, family, or a sponsor ad can be purchased supporting community service organizations such as emergency pregnancy counseling, the local food shelf, the battered women's shelter, etc. Please give these ideas some thought. We need and appreciate your help!  
If you are interested in getting more information, please either call Liturgical Publications (LPi) at 1-800-950-9952 or go to: [www.4lpi.com/church-bulletin-advertisers/](http://www.4lpi.com/church-bulletin-advertisers/).



# Welcome

June 18, 2017

**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 your prayers 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 for a longer period of time.)

- Students and adult leaders on the Sr. High Mission Trip. Prayers for a safe and meaningful experience for all.
- Harriet Weaver, granddaughter of Kim & Dave Paul, as they celebrate her baptism on June 18.
- Marc Terrass, coronary bypass surgery. Prayers for a successful surgery.
- Tom Adcox, continued prayers for healing, strength and successful rehab from heart attack.
- Tom Frey, friend of Mark Hagen & Sharon Haggard, stomach cancer. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Faye Reimers, stem cell therapy at Mayo Clinic. Prayers for successful treatment.
- Molly Brown, brain cancer. Prayers for healing.
- Abby Farniok, leukemia. Prayers for healing, comfort and strength.
- Brad Smith, son of Deloris Smith, cancer. Prayers for successful chemo and healing.
- Don Sarles, ALS. Prayers for strength and comfort.
- AJ, nephew of Vickie Eichman, recovering from serious accident. Prayers for continued healing and recovery.
- Renae Simenson. Prayers for successful cancer treatment.
- For all those seeking employment. Prayers for a successful search.

**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 share the resurrection hope with:**

- Brian Determan and family. Brian's brother, Joseph Ernst, passed away on Thursday, June 8. His service will be later this month.

**NEW this summer/Prayerline!** Please visit our Prayerline in the atrium this summer to make a prayer flag, offer a word or prayer, and/or take a prayer flag to keep another in prayer. Let's keep our brothers and sisters at Immanuel (and the wider world!) in prayer during our comings and goings this summer!

## Summer Worship at Immanuel

**Lutheran Social Service has recognized Immanuel with the 2017 Servant of Christ Award.** 17 congregations in the Minneapolis Synod have received this award in recognition of their significant partnership with, and deep engagement in, youth services. Your offering changes lives through Immanuel's support of Lutheran Social Service, not only through our general support, but in our specific support of Rezek House, a Transitional Living Program designed to support homeless and at-risk youth in establishing and maintaining an independent household, while preventing future occurrences of homelessness. May God continue to use us as a blessing to others!

### SERVICE MINISTRY

**Summer is... A Time to Consider.** Join your Immanuel friends this summer as we gather to consider how God is working in our community. This will be a safe place to come with questions and doubts about issues. We'll converse, share and become informed about topics we hear about in the news. We'll meet each month on two consecutive Wednesday evenings. On Week 1 we'll stay at Immanuel to learn about a social topic, and on Week 2 we'll follow it up with a "Field Trip" to expand our understanding. Come both weeks in the month or just one as your schedule allows! A light meal will be available for \$5 per person at 5:30 p.m. The programming will run from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Please indicate your intention to attend by emailing [kim@immanuel.us](mailto:kim@immanuel.us) or signing up at the Registration Desk. June topics are:

- June 21 – Learn about how our local community partners serve the working poor and our neighbors in need by visiting the Prop Shop and PROP food. (meet at church by 6 p.m.)

**Compassion International Sponsorship packets** are available at the Registration Desk through June 25. Compassion International sponsorship allows you to make a difference in the life of a child through a monthly sponsorship of \$38. As you exchange letters, send photos and offer encouragement in Jesus' name, your love will bring hope to a child that will last a lifetime. Sponsorship gives a child the opportunity to receive an education, access to health resources, a place to learn social skills, and the opportunity to learn about the love of Jesus. More information about child sponsorship is available at [www.compassion.com](http://www.compassion.com).

**Habitat for Humanity: Volunteers needed for June 29 & July 9.** Two upcoming opportunities to help Habitat for Humanity. One opportunity is on Thursday, June 29 with a Habitat home in St Paul; volunteers needed for the construction team, to bring food, take photos, or make phone calls. The other opportunity is to provide and serve dinner for the Habitat bike ride on Sunday evening July 9 in Victoria. With the Habitat for Humanity ministry, not only do we help in building homes, we build community, putting our faith into action. To sign up or ask questions, contact Ruth Lunde at [lundeworld@yahoo.com](mailto:lundeworld@yahoo.com) or Lynn & Carol Swanson at 952-974-1689.

**PROP Summer Food Collection.** During the summer months families living on limited incomes who rely on the free and reduced school lunch program to feed their children have the added financial burden of feeding their children at home. PROP helps families during the summer months with extra kid-friendly food items. Immanuel has agreed to provide 800 cans of tuna and 800 jars of peanut butter (regular sizes) to help PROP help our community. Your ongoing donations of food, paper and hygiene items are also still needed. Tuna and Peanut Butter can be placed in the red cart in the atrium. Please place other food items in the wooden collection bin outside of Fellowship Hall.

### ADULT MINISTRY

**Join SALT (our senior adult group) at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum Monday, June 19, 10:00 a.m.** Entry is free that day and we will meet in the lobby of the main building's Visitor Center. We can walk to see the annual flowers in bloom, have some lunch, and take the tram (at an extra charge) to learn more about the arboretum. sign up on the website or at the Registration Desk.

**Caregiver Support Group** meeting at the Eden Prairie Senior Center on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month, 4:30-6:30 p.m. This is a free and open group that caregivers may join at any time with the focus on helping individual caregivers as they care for themselves and loved ones. This group provides a place to share experiences, struggles, humor, coping strategies and to learn from one another. Education and empowerment opportunities are presented as well. Contact Lee Ann Eiden 952-934-3370 with questions.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Vacation Bible School supplies needed.** Check board in the atrium.

**Vacation Bible School CDs are available in the church office for \$5.00.** Learn the music before VBS.

**Summer Worship Schedule has begun.** Worship with us on Sundays at 9:15 & 10:45 a.m. through Sunday, September 3 (Labor Day Weekend.) We will be exploring three books of the Bible for this summer's preaching series - Psalms, Ephesians, and Revelation, hearing God's promises of hope for our faith lives - out loud, in community, and in culture.



#### Faith Out Loud: Psalms

June 11-July 9

God gives us the Psalms to speak the biblical faith out loud – whether we delight in God and thank and praise him, or whether we struggle and pray for help in the midst of trouble and suffering and seek to trust God no matter the dangers and unknowns of life.



#### Faith in Community: Ephesians

July 16-August 6

The Apostle Paul wrote letters of encouragement and instruction to many of the early Churches. The Letter to the Ephesians, in perhaps the most accessible way in all of Paul's letters, invites believers to be reconciled in one body through the cross of Christ, regardless of our differences. We, the body of Christ in this place and time, are invited to continue to be reconciled to God and one another as we share the mission of the gospel and help each other live lives worthy of this calling.



#### Faith in Culture: Revelation

August 13-September 3

How do followers of Jesus stay faithful when the "pushes and pulls" of culture challenge? From the 1st century to the 21st century, the answer is the same, follow Jesus! Note: Revelation is more familiar than we might think. We sing it often in our liturgy and hymns.