

Schedule for the week of March 31-April 6, 2019. (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	10:30 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Living Room
Monday	10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Prayer & Praise-Library Library Committee-Library Onward Eden Prairie Board Meeting-Library
Tuesday	6:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square Yoga-Luther Hall
Wednesday	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Lenten Worship-Fellowship Hall Lenten Worship-Sanctuary
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Bakers Square
Saturday	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	Peyton Lettau	Karina Welter	Ella Paul Joey Schommer	Christian Springer
Greeters		Brad Kingsley	Judy Miller	Tom & Jodi Schleyer
Ushers		Dennis Anderson Barry LaBounty	Gary Gilbertson Jim Andreen	Richard Strosahl John Urbanski
Lectors		Jill Patterson	Clare Kooiman	Susan Geitzenauer
Communion	Tami Ehlers			Deb Garvey Jody Ebert
Nursery			Theresa Jabs	
Welcome Center			Shirley Truempi	
Counters	Barb Link/Steven Held			
Coffee	Tom & Kari Totall			
Treats	Jenne Andreen/Vickie Eichman/Joan Meyer			

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

Worship Schedule.

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.



Welcome
March 30 & 31, 2019

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.)

- Sharon Rothnem, mini-stroke. Prayers for healing.
- People and families dealing with anxiety and depression.
- Dave Espe, heart attack. Prayers for healing.
- Mary Shurson, vertigo. Prayers for healing.
- Rhonda Ueland, cancer. Prayers for healing and a successful treatment.
- All seeking employment. Prayers that they find fulfilling and meaningful work.
- Abby Farniok, stroke/leukemia. Prayers for healing, comfort and strength.

Flowers in the church today are given in thanks to God by:

- Laura Churchill
- Terrie Falkenstein in memory of her mother, Elizabeth Ware, on her birthday.

A rose has been placed on the altar to celebrate the birth of:

- Henry Oliver Lenzen, son of Kevin & Rianna. Henry was born on Friday, March 22.

We share the resurrection hope with:

- The family of BJ DeSai. BJ passed away on Friday, March 22. His service will be at Immanuel April 13.

Worship on Wednesdays during Lent. Come for worship at 12:00 noon or 7:00 p.m. every Wednesday during Lent. There will be a light lunch served following the noon service and we sing from Holden Evening Prayer at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday @ Immanuel Schedule in Lent

5:00-6:00 p.m. Wednesday Café	6:05-6:50 p.m. Confirmation
5:30-6:00 p.m. Cornerstone Choir	6:15-6:50 p.m. Adult Faith Formation (not on Ash Wednesday)
6:00-6:50 p.m. Praise Ringers	7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship
6:05-6:50 p.m. Ascension Choir	7:50 p.m. Reformation Choir
6:05-6:50 p.m. Epiphany Choir	8:00 p.m. Servant Song

Wednesday Café will resume on April 10.

Books to Read for Lent. LENT...A time for reflection. A time to renew your faith. A time to walk with Christ on the way to the cross. Come to the bookcase by the Library and Luther Hall and find a book that will enrich your Lenten faith walk. Check out Max Lucado's book, *Six Hours One Friday* and be with Christ on Good Friday. Read the devotional book, *The Journey Begins*, to enrich your quiet time with your Savior. Many other books are available on the shelf; all will renew and strengthen your Faith Journey this Lent. COME! Check out a book; read and reflect.

SERVICE MINISTRY

Lutheran Disaster Response is responding to natural disasters in Southeast Africa (Cyclone Idai) and flooding in the US. Your financial gifts are a necessary and important part of the recovery process and can be made at ELCA.org/disaster.

Immanuel's next blood drive is Wednesday, April 10 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. Due to recent weather events and the flu season, there is currently a critical shortage in our community's blood supply. You can help. Sign up to donate blood at the Registration Desk today OR online at <https://www.mbcherohub.club/index.cfm?group=op> and enter sponsor code 0409 to schedule your donation appointment. Every blood donation makes a difference in someone's life.

Men's Ministry at Simpson April 13. Men of Immanuel will prepare and serve breakfast at Simpson Shelter in Minneapolis on Saturday, April 13. Meet at Immanuel at 5:30 a.m. to carpool; return no later than 9 a.m. Food is supplied by Immanuel. Sign up on the kiosk or kim@immanuel.us.

Easter Egg Hunt Donations. A new Lutheran ministry in the SW metro serving the Latino population needs Easter Egg Hunt donations for the children they serve. Donations of the following will be accepted at Immanuel through Sunday, April 14: bags of candy, plastic eggs, small toys or trinkets that fit inside a plastic egg. Gracias! For more info contact kim@immanuel.us.

Garage Sale May 4. Start putting aside your gently used items for the Immanuel Garage Sale. Donations will be accepted beginning Sunday, April 28. **NEW THIS YEAR:** Sorting clothing donations is the most time-consuming task when setting up for the sale. We are requesting that you presort and label your clothing items this year. Bag or box same-sized clothing together and label (Women, Men, Girl, Boy; S, M, L, etc.) before you drop off. OR – if you drop off on Thursday or Friday, please consider sorting your clothes donations on to the appropriate tables. We are not able to accept donations of computers, printers, televisions, exercise equipment, car seats, cribs, broken items, hanging lights and non-working electrical appliances.

Lenten Service Project for 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.*

- 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 clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

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

Books for Kids. Immanuel has been supplying a free bookshelf for PROP clients for almost 5 years! Clients can take books home with them when they receive their food orders. Our supply of books is getting low. Please donate kids' books for all ages (from toddler to teen) in the yellow box outside Kim's office – good-quality used books are acceptable. All children should have books to read at home!

Camp Noah 2019. Immanuel will be sending a volunteer team to Port Aransas, TX this summer to provide a day camp for kids who were impacted 2 years ago by Hurricane Harvey. The recovery in this area of Texas is slow as the devastation and destruction was monumental. Dates are June 23-28. The team will fly to Texas. Team members costs include Camp Noah fee of \$150, airfare of about \$260, and some meals. Team members must be 16 years old and must complete an online training course and attend team meetings this spring. Contact kim@immanuel.us for more information.

LWR INVEST update. Last fall Immanuel members rose to the challenge to support an agricultural training program in Tanzania Called INVEST. This program, managed by Lutheran World Relief, is up and running in part because of Immanuel's members who gave \$11,180 to support the project. A printed copy of an update of the program is available at the Welcome Desk for those who are interested. More information is available online: www.immanuel.us/serve/lutheran-world-relief.

ADULT MINISTRY

The Tables of Eight Team is Recruiting! If you like to cook and try new recipes, the Tables of Eight Team is looking for you! We're about to begin planning the menus for the next season. Our first meeting will be Monday, April 15, 10:00 a.m. at church. Please contact Carla Beach if you are interested and available: 952-681-2233 or cbeachcoaching@gmail.com.

Immanuel is looking for a few experienced players to play in the Eden Prairie Men's Church softball league this summer. Immanuel has 2 teams in the 8-team league. The season is from late April (weather depending) to early August and games are played at Round Lake or Riley Lake fields. The format is double-headers on Thursday evenings and games are competitive but collegial. Fee is approximately \$75 Contact Andy Vergeront ajverge515@gmail.com or Ben Orton ortonben@gmail.com if interested.

Immanuel Women's 2019 BWCA Trip August 15-19. Join us on this canoe trip in the National Wilderness Boundary Water Canoe Area. Deposit due by Wednesday, April 3. Contact Mary Beth Berg for more information.

Come hear the Luther College Jazz Orchestra on Saturday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. at Waconia High School (1650 Community Drive, Waconia). Under the direction of Juan Tony Guzman, 20 talented students will present a fantastic evening of music. The concert is open to the public; a freewill offering will be taken.

Why does Immanuel have Capital Campaigns?

Immanuel, like most congregations, relies on special appeals to provide finances for larger capital needs. Capital Campaigns are a challenge, but they allow us to meet present needs and address future needs that keep our ministry vibrant and help us to be faithful stewards of our facility. Healthy churches that are effective in their mission embrace capital campaigns as a way of challenging people to grow in their giving. Capital Campaigns invite people to grow in faith as they put more of their lives in God's hands through their financial giving. Successive campaigns also make it possible to engage newer members of Immanuel in these efforts and strengthen our congregational giving.

The church is a gift we hand on to those who follow after us. Faithful and generous servants gave so that there would be a spiritual home in which I could grow. I hope to provide that gift for those who come after me, and I hope you want to pass on that gift as well. Our capital campaigns make it possible for us to care for our facility, responsibly manage our debt, and ensure that we have a healthy church to pass on to those that come after us. Look for detailed information about our Building Up Capital Campaign in the coming weeks, and please support the future of Immanuel with your prayers.