



# Welcome

November 12, 2023

## 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 church office. Your request will be listed for three weeks. Please let us know if you would like to have it listed longer.)

- Shirley Hamre, mother of Janell Weum, in failing health. Prayers for comfort.
- Dorisa Nelson, recovering from surgery. Prayers for healing.
- Tommy Chevalier, deployed to Israel. Prayers for safety.
- People seeking employment. Prayers for a successful search.
- Paula Wyman's mother in failing health. Prayers for comfort.
- Julia & Ryan Egan, friends of Becky Carlson, stillborn daughter, Linden. Prayers for comfort.
- Trevor Fleck. Prayers for healing.
- Melissa Larson, brain cancer. Prayers for comfort and successful treatment.
- Kate Preece, diagnosed with Stage IV melanoma. Prayers for comfort and peace.

## We celebrate the baptism of (Sunday, 10:30 a.m.):

- Amelia Antoinette Magelssen, daughter of Jessica & James. Amelia was born on June 21. Her sponsors are Kyle & Chelsea Malecha.

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

- Kerry Larson in memory of Dr. Richard Gowen.

**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19.** Immanuel will celebrate Giving Sunday next Sunday at our 9 and 10:30am worship. We come together that day to give thanks for the abundant blessings we receive from God, give thanks for the faithful generosity of the people of Immanuel that supports life changing ministry here and out in the world, make our pledge of giving toward our Annual Operating Budget for 2024 by returning our pledge cards or by submitting our pledges online at <https://www.immanuel.us/About/stewardship-sunday>. Then join us for a **Thank You Breakfast: 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.** This free breakfast (Egg bakes, pancakes and fruit) is a way of saying thanks to you for your faithful giving, and to provide a time of fellowship for all of us to enjoy.

**THANKSGIVING WORSHIP Wednesday, November 22, 7:00pm.** Giving thanks is a blessing. Giving thanks connects us to God and to each other. Giving thanks inspires us to focus on what is best in our world and inspires our hope. Join for worship as we Give Thanks! You are invited to bring a food donation for PROP (our local food shelf) and bring it forward to the altar during our processional offering. Immediately following the service join us in the atrium for the annual Thanksgiving Pie Social!

**JOIN US NOVEMBER 26 FOR WORSHIP AND DECORATING THE CHURCH!** Join us in kicking off the advent season with a special gathering to decorate and celebrate together! That Sunday, we will have our usual Traditional Service at 9am followed by carols, hot chocolate, coffee, treats, crafts and decorating! We invite everyone to join us as we set up all our Christmas trees, create new decorations, and make Immanuel festive for the Advent Season. We will conclude our decorating time with a short advent service together in the atrium. All ages, decorative-skill levels, and 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> service attendees are encouraged to join!

**SMORGASBORD.** Please join us December 7 for the Smorgasbord and a special celebration of Advent. Tickets are available in the atrium and cost \$35.00 per person; \$20 if you opt to contribute/bring a menu item. Seating is limited to 200 guests so please secure your tickets promptly.

**ANXIETY, STRESS & COPING Wednesday, November 15, 6:15pm** (during Confirmation) Presented by staff from NAMI - [National Alliance on Mental Illness](#), this one-hour presentation will discuss where anxiety and stress come from, healthy and unhealthy ways to cope, when anxiety may be an anxiety disorder, and where to get help. This presentation is open to all Middle and High School students. **A separate discussion will be held for adults on Creating Caring Faith Communities.** Learn about mental illnesses, the impact of negative attitudes and five things each of us can do to make Minnesota a better place for people who experience a mental illness.

**PRAYER & PRAISE Mondays, 10:00-11:30am** All women are invited to join the Monday Prayer & Praise group beginning Monday, November 27 for a 4-week Advent book study. We have chosen the book "The Season of Waiting" by Kate Bowler. (free download as a PDF or access on-line) at [www.katebowler.com/advent/](http://www.katebowler.com/advent/)

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12-18, 2023

<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Epiphany Choir-Room H
	10:10 a.m.	Smorgasbord Meeting-Library
	10:30 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Room N
<b>Monday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Prayer & Praise-Living Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga-Luther Hall
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
	12:30 p.m.	Game Day-Library
	6:00 p.m.	Executive Committee-Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Church Council-Fellowship Hall
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Fellowship Hall
	5:15 p.m.	Wednesday Café-Atrium <b>Dinner: Tacos</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Commotion-Luther Hall
	5:45 p.m.	Cornerstone Choir-Music Room
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Ringers-Library
	6:00 p.m.	Ascension Choir-Room H
	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation-Luther Hall
	6:15 p.m.	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Stepping Stone-Luther Hall
	6:15 p.m.	Adult Faith Formation-Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Servant Song-Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Reformation Choir-Music Room
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:00 a.m.	Quilting-Room H
<b>Friday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Immanuel Book Club-Library
<b>Saturday</b>	5:00 p.m.	Worship-Sanctuary

**BIBLE STUDY & DISCUSSION GROUPS FOR ADULTS.** Get **CONNECTED** and **grow in faith!** At Immanuel we offer several opportunities for you to engage with others in meaningful conversations surrounding faith, justice, common interests and more. We encourage you to find an opportunity that fits your interests and availability. Have an idea for a group? Contact Pastor Dan [Dan@immanuel.us](mailto:Dan@immanuel.us) and share your ideas! Full list of groups available at <https://www.immanuel.us/adults/bible>.

**SALT (Seniors Actively Living Today) Theology over Coffee Thursday, Nov. 16, 1:00pm.** Have you wondered how to address God? Join a discussion on this topic with Pastor Dan and get to know our new pastor! Register at [www.immanuel.us/adults/senior-adults](http://www.immanuel.us/adults/senior-adults).

**YOGA SESSIONS Mondays at 6:00pm - October 30 - December 11**(no class Dec. 4) **Zoom option available.** Take time for yourself to focus on health, renewal & flexibility. All abilities welcome! Bring a yoga mat & water bottle. Classes held in Luther Hall for 1 hour. Pay what feels right to you - all are welcome regardless of ability to pay. Suggested donation is \$10-\$15/class or \$40-\$70 for the 6-class series. Email [taramurphy3@gmail.com](mailto:taramurphy3@gmail.com) for details & to register.

**HUMANITY ALLIANCE Deliver food to families in need in the Southwest Metro Friday November 17, 1 - 5 pm.** The Humanity Alliance delivers thousands of meals each week to families in need. Adults and youth can come to help prepare food and/or deliver food. Immanuel confirmation students as well as adults have volunteered in the past and found it to be rewarding and fun! Information at [www.immanuel.us/serve/index](http://www.immanuel.us/serve/index).

**MEN SERVE LUNCH AT SIMPSON HOUSE Saturday, December 2.** Join men of Immanuel and serve lunch to residents of The Simpson House shelter. We'll leave Immanuel promptly at 10:15 am, carpool to the new interim shelter site (the former Zion Lutheran Church in south Minneapolis) and serve a hot lunch to 30-40 homeless individuals in need. We'll be back to Immanuel no later than 1:30 pm. Details & Sign-Up at [www.immanuel.us/serve/simpson-shelter](http://www.immanuel.us/serve/simpson-shelter)

**MN TIMBERWOLVES GAME Tentative date: Sunday, Feb. 4, 2024, at 6pm.** We are gathering interest for a fellowship event attending a MN Timberwolves game this winter! Fill out the interest form at [www.immanuel.us/about/fellowship](http://www.immanuel.us/about/fellowship) and let us know! Contact Pastor Dan at [Dan@immanuel.us](mailto:Dan@immanuel.us) with questions.

**BLANKET TIERS NEEDED.** Do you like to tie blankets? Do you want a cozy activity for the winter? See MaryKay about starting to tie the blankets for our 2023 graduation seniors.