



Welcome

November 19, 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.)

- Katie Katzner’s aunt Carol, hospice. Prayers for comfort.
- Raina Lenzen, surgery. Prayers for successful surgery.
- Shirley Hamre, mother of Janell Weum, in failing health. Prayers for comfort.
- Tommy Chevalier, deployed to Israel. Prayers for safety.
- Paula Wyman’s mother in failing health. Prayers for comfort.
- Trevor Fleck. Prayers for healing.
- Melissa Larson, brain cancer. Prayers for comfort and successful treatment.

We celebrate the baptism of (Saturday, 5:00 p.m.):

- Connor Ray Kotta, son of Brittany & Jeffrey. Connor was born on December 27. His sponsors are Kyle Prady & Danielle Swenson.

We share the resurrection hope with:

- Deb & Ly Preece and family. Deb & Ly’s daughter, Kate, passed away Thursday, November 16.
- Alecia Hernandez and family. Alecia’s father, Jim Markeson, passed away Thursday, November 16.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP. Psalm 98:4 *"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise."* At Immanuel we rejoice having children with us in worship!! Will they always be quiet and well behaved? No, but occasional noise and activity is an important part of the commitment we make at each child's baptism to support their caregivers in faith development and teaching about worship. Thanks be to God for this joyful noise!

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY. As people of God, we are created to give, to serve, to share, and to love. At our best, when we do these things, we are shaped by giving to God's work! Use this QR code to quickly and easily use your mobile device and make your pledge to Immanuel in 2024!



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!

THANKSGIVING FAMILY CHOIR Thanksgiving Eve Worship - Wednesday, November 22. You are invited to the Thanksgiving Eve pop-up choir! Singing expresses how much we are loved and love each other in God’s grace. It will be a family-oriented/intergenerational piece, easy to learn in a short rehearsal. Rehearsal at 6:15pm for 7:00pm service. Email Kyung@immanuel.us or just meet in Sanctuary.

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 1st or 2nd 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.

2024 CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19-25, 2023

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| Sunday | 9:45-10:45 a.m. | Stewardship Breakfast-Luther Hall |
| | 10:00-10:30 a.m. | Community Partnership Fair-Atrium |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Epiphany Choir-Room H |
| Monday | 10:00 a.m. | Prayer & Praise-Living Room |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Yoga-Luther Hall |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Hops & Hope-Wooden Hill Brewing |
| Tuesday | 7:00 a.m. | Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Staff Meeting-Library |
| Wednesday | 6:15 p.m. | Thanksgiving Family Choir Rehearsal- Sanctuary |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Thanksgiving Eve Worship-Sanctuary |
| Thursday | | Thanksgiving Day |
| Friday | | Church Office Closed |
| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | Worship-Sanctuary |

YOUTH CHOIR BAKE SALE December 16 & 17. The annual youth choir trip to Duluth is back! Both Ascension and Cornerstone choirs will be attending and are hosting a bake sale to offset costs. Donations are greatly appreciated! This is the choirs' only fundraiser so please help to make this a success! You can help by donating baked goods or any kind of homemade snack/munchies. More details at <https://www.immanuel.us/serve>

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 and share your ideas! Full list of groups available at <https://www.immanuel.us/adults/bible>.

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/

ARE YOU A DRUMMER? Servant Song Worship Team is looking for YOU! Share your musical gifts with a fun, talented, collaborative group at least 2 times a month (or more!). Rehearsals are Wednesdays 7:00-8:30pm, Sundays 9:00-10:00am, Worship Sundays at 10:30am. Contact Beth Hansen at ehansen5@mac.com for details.

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

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 and let us know! Contact Pastor Dan at Dan@immanuel.us with questions.

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 are 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 for details & to register.

DIAPER SQUAD DONATIONS NEEDED! Support our partner Redeemer Lutheran as they help with a food shelf in their neighborhood. Donations of baby wipes & diapers in all sizes are needed - these items are in high demand for families accessing food shelves. We also need a driver to deliver donations once/month! Details at www.immanuel.us/serve/index.

LITTLE DRESSES FOR AFRICA. You can find some examples and pre-made kits with all the supplies and instructions you'll need to make dresses in the Atrium. Any donations of pillowcases, rickrack, or bias tape can also be put in our basket in the atrium. Call Ilene McClusky (952-944-6471) or Harriet Erickson (952-906-0759) with any questions. Thanks!

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.