



Welcome

November 5, 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.)

- 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.
- Dawn Sabatino, sister-in-law of MaryKay Copp, heart attack. Prayers for healing.
- 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 successful treatment and healing.

We share the resurrection hope with:

- Darrel Westby and family. Darrel's daughter, Angela, passed away on Monday, October 23.
- Tina Housker & family. Tina's mother, Ruth Behrendt, passed away on Tuesday, October 31.

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

- Nicole and Scott Seieroe in memory of Nicole's mother, Rosemary.

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!

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 1st or 2nd service attendees are encouraged to join!

SMORGASBORD. Please join us December 7 for the Smorgasbord and a special celebration of Advent. Ticket sales begin Sunday, November 5 and cost \$35.00 per person; \$20 if you opt to contribute/bring a menu item. The evening will include a delicious meal, great conversation, Christmas entertainment, and an opportunity to share in the warmth of fellowship. Seating is limited to 200 guests so please secure your tickets promptly.

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>.

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.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 5-11, 2023

Sunday	8:00-11:30 a.m.	Anna's Craft Sale benefitting Onward Eden Prairie-Atrium
	9:00 a.m.	2 nd Grade Stepping Stone-Luther Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Room N
	10:00 a.m.	Epiphany Choir-Room H
	10:10 a.m.	Smorgasbord Meeting-Library
	10:30 a.m.	8 th Grade Stepping Stone- Luther Hall
Monday	10:00 a.m.	Prayer & Praise-Living Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga-Luther Hall
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Fellowship Hall
	5:15 p.m.	Wednesday Café-Atrium Dinner: Sloppy Joes or Pulled Pork
	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 th 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
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
Friday		Confirmation Retreat Leaves
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Synod EcoFaith Storytelling Workshop-Entire Building
	5:00 p.m.	Worship-Sanctuary

STORYTELLING WORKSHOP AT IMMANUEL Saturday, November 11, 8:30am-3:00pm. Storytelling is an ancient art that has defined humanity for our entire history. Digital tools — like the smartphones so many of us carry every day — can give our stories new reach or help us to frame them in new ways. Stories root us in the power that we have, in the power that we share, and in the power that we build together. More info and registration at www.immanuel.us/justice/the-environment.

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.

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 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.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Next workday Saturday, November. 11, 8:30am-4:00pm in Prior Lake. Volunteer work is needed for: Construction team; bringing lunch for the workers; taking photos. No experience required. Minimum age 16 for construction volunteers. More details and registration at www.immanuel.us/justice/habitat-for-humanity.

WIZARD OF OZ, November 10, 7:00pm at Eden Prairie High School. Women's Ministry is inviting women, men, and children to the Eden Prairie High School production of *The Wizard of Oz*, on Friday, November 10 at 7pm. Cost is \$7/student and \$9/adult. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Carpools from the church will be available. Register at www.immanuel.us/adults/women.

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.