



# Welcome

April 14, 2024

## 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.)

- Mike Krieger, brother of Karen Atkins, cancer treatment. Prayers for successful treatment.
- Children's Choirs and adults traveling to Duluth this weekend.
- Carla, sister of Tracy Woods, successful brain surgery. Prayers of thanksgiving and for healing.
- Laurie Fetterman, mother of Katrina Stern, cancer treatment and upcoming surgery. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Nick Eichman, deployed to the Middle East. Prayers for safety for all 550 being deployed.
- Jim Duvick, prayers for comfort.
- Trevor Fleck. Prayers for healing.
- Melissa Larson, brain cancer. Prayers for comfort and successful treatment.

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

- Cora Grace Lindner, daughter of Rachel & Bryan. Cora was born on September 13. Her sponsors are Matthew & Elizabeth Lindner.

## We share the resurrection hope with:

- Harold Trocke & family. Harold's wife, Shirley, passed away on Monday, April 8. Her service is May 10.

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

- Gena Gerard and family in memory of Eugene Gerard.

**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.

**BICYCLE BILL'S BAKE SALE Sunday, April 28.** This is Bill Middeke's 16th annual sale benefiting World Bicycle Relief. WBR was founded after the 2004 tsunami. Bicycles were given to health care workers, farmers, small business owners and students, with the emphasis on getting girls to school. Only \$165 will buy 1 bicycle. Come shop his tasty breads and cinnamon rolls.

**SPRING CLASSES FOR ADULTS. Join us Wednesdays this spring - 6:15-7:30pm in Fellowship Hall.** We have some great opportunities for adults this spring. No need to sign-up. Come a little early and enjoy dinner at the Wednesday Cafe!

- **April 17:** Land Acknowledgements (Deacon Savannah)
- **April 24:** Lutheranism 101 (Pastor Paul)
- **May 1:** Advanced Care Planning & Hospice (Kari Totall, Parish Nurse)
- **May 8:** End of year celebration (It's a surprise!)

## GRIEF SUPPORT SPRING SERIES Mondays, April 15 - May 20, 6-8pm St. Hubert Catholic Community, Chanhassen

Losing someone we love is one of life's most challenging passages. Learning about this process of grief, along with sharing our experience in a caring, supportive, and confidential setting, helps us to cope and leads to personal growth and healing. The churches of the Southwest Grief Coalition are working together to provide faithful support, community, and education for those grieving. Each session includes light appetizers, speakers, and small group discussion. Register at [www.swgriefcoalition.org/](http://www.swgriefcoalition.org/)

**HOPS & HOPE Monday, April 29, 6:00pm at Wooden Hill Brewing, Edina.** March/April book: "The Planet You Inherit: Letters to My Grandchildren When Uncertainty's a Sure Thing" by Larry L. Rasmussen. More info at [www.immanuel.us/justice/hops-and-hope](http://www.immanuel.us/justice/hops-and-hope)

**ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP - May 4, 8:00am-NOON Many hands needed!** Bring some gloves, a rake, and energy to help us clean up the grounds for spring. We will also be washing all the windows! Come for as long as you can - all help is greatly appreciated. Sign up to help at [www.immanuel.us/Serve/cleanup](http://www.immanuel.us/Serve/cleanup)

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 14-20, 2024

<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Epiphany Choir-Room H
	10:30 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Room H
<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
	6:30 p.m.	Ruth Circle-Living Room
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Fellowship Hall
	5:15 p.m.	Wednesday Cafe-Atrium – <b>Dinner: Pasta</b>
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Commotion-Luther Hall
	5:45 p.m.	Cornerstone Choir-Music Room
	6:00 p.m.	Ascension Choir-Room H
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Ringers-Sanctuary
	6:15 p.m.	Adult Faith Formation-Fellowship Hall
	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation-Luther Hall
	6:15 p.m.	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Stepping Stone-Luther Hall
	6:15 p.m.	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade & Parents-Luther Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Servant Song-Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Reformation Choir-Music Room
	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	6:30 p.m.	Immanuel Book Club-Library
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Council Retreat-Redeemer Luther Church
	5:00 p.m.	Worship-Sanctuary
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Game Night

**ANNUAL YOUTH GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 4, 8:00am - 1:00pm. Start your spring cleaning and make a difference for Immanuel youth!** Funds earned from this annual sale support our youth attending life-changing faith events and trips! Donations will be received beginning Sunday, April 28. Additional donation dates and sale information available at [www.immanuel.us/youth/garage-sale](http://www.immanuel.us/youth/garage-sale) (Please check the list of items we are UNABLE TO ACCEPT).

**VBS 2024 REGISTRATION FOR KIDS & VOLUNTEERS NOW OPEN!** We will embark on an epic underwater adventure July 8-11 as we explore a deep friendship with God at Vacation Bible School! Open to kids age 3 to grade 4 (completed). Volunteer opportunities available for kids in grade 5 (completed) to adults. Don't miss this amazing week! More info and registration at [www.immanuel.us/children/VBS](http://www.immanuel.us/children/VBS).

**SALT (Senior Adults) Guest Speaker Kathy Adams - A Palestinian Perspective Tuesday, April 23, 10:00am at Immanuel.** Are you interested in learning more about the Middle East from the Palestinian perspective? Join us April 23 for speaker Kathy Adams who has a passion for educating people about the Palestinians. The cost of this event is \$10.00 which includes lunch. Please register at [www.immanuel.us/adults/senior-adults](http://www.immanuel.us/adults/senior-adults).

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT 101, DATE CHANGE: April 17, 5:15pm in Fellowship Hall.** In the past year our church body, the ELCA, has initiated the "Truth & Healing Movement" as an intentional opportunity for the church to increase its understanding of our colonizing impacts on Indigenous people in the past and present. For several years Immanuel has wrestled with the idea of creating a land acknowledgement. However, we do not want this to simply be something we check off a list, but instead a process of learning together that helps us to engage in authentic relationship and healing with the Indigenous communities that steward the land we live on. As we continue to discern what this statement might look like for our congregation, we invite you to join Deacon Savannah on April 17 to learn more about the process of writing a land acknowledgment, the "Truth & Healing Movement," and how you can be involved.

**FLEECE BLANKETS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS Help make a gift from Immanuel!** Volunteers are needed to create tie blanket gifts for Immanuel's 2024 graduating high school seniors. We provide the fleece! Simply stop by the desk in the Atrium to sign up and get supplies. Thank you for being a part of this special tradition!

**PROP SUMMER FOOD FOR KIDS PROGRAM.** We will be collecting Tuna again this summer for PROP! Same deal as last year, the goal will be to collect 400 cans in May, 400 cans in June, and 400 cans in July. **Also, all cans must be 5oz to count.**

**UNDIE SUNDAYS-Collecting donations until Mother's Day.** "Mother always said to wear clean underwear!" Now collecting donations of NEW underwear & socks for all genders and sizes, as well as travel size toiletry items (hotel sample sizes) for clients at Loaves & Fishes. You can also donate at [www.immanuel.us/about/giving](http://www.immanuel.us/about/giving) and we will shop for you!