



Welcome

August 18, 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.)

- Karina Nelson's mother, chemo. Prayers for successful treatment.
- 6-year-old friend of Becky Liebl. Prayers for stability in her living situation.
- Pamela Rylance, daughter in law of Robert Rylance, recovering from colon surgery. Prayers for healing.
- Delores Smith, prayers of comfort.
- Karl Jacobson, hospitalized. Prayers for healing.
- Laura Savereide, surgery for broken foot, July 25. Prayers for successful surgery and healing.
- Maggie Johnson, niece of Jody & Jon Ebert, hospice. Prayers for comfort and peace.
- Pat Middeke, prayers for continued healing.
- Laurie Fetterman, mother of Katrina Stern, bladder cancer surgery and treatment. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Nick Eichman, deployed to the Middle East. Prayers for safety for all 550 deployed.

We share the resurrection hope with:

- Cheri Hanson & family. Cheri's mother, Jan Quanbeck, passed away on Monday, August 12.

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.

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!

LARGE PRINT BIBLES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH. Ask an usher if you would like to use one.

BINGO BENEFIT FOR PROP Saturday, September 7, 3-7pm. Join the fun under the BIG TENT at our Bingo Benefit for PROP, our local organization that helps people in need. There will be prizes, food trucks, root beer floats with Culver's custard, special musical guests, and Bingo callers including Immanuel youth & staff members. Invite your friends and neighbors to join in the fun! Come for an hour or play for the whole four hours. **Donations of gift cards for Bingo prizes are still needed.** Please go to www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CAAAB22A46-bingo to sign up or see MaryKay at the Welcome Desk. Thank you for your support!

WELCOME SUNDAY TENT WORSHIP Sunday, September 8, 9am. On Welcome Sunday we kick off our program year with one worship service under the big tent in our parking lot. We will introduce our fall theme and enjoy music, stepping stone blessings, and more. Following worship join us for an all-are-welcome picnic with hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, beans, and dessert.

LISTENING SESSIONS. Change is afoot and your input is an important component of setting our future direction. In September Council leadership will be holding listening sessions to share information and gather feedback. Discussion will include updates on demographics (how our congregation is growing), priorities for ministry to members and to the community, and how these priorities are addressed by our Ministry Team and by the Congregation. Two sessions are planned:

- **Wednesday, September 11 at 6:15pm in Fellowship Hall**
- **Sunday, September 15 at 10:00am in Luther Hall.**

We look forward to seeing you there.

SUMMER POP-UP CHOIR Come and sing August 25! Get ready for fantastic music and share your gifts in worship this summer!

Pop-up choir is designed to unite our community through music - whether you sing all year or occasionally. Meet in the Sanctuary at 8:15am. Contact Kyung@immanuel.us for additional information.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF August 18-24, 2024

Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
	10:00 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Living Room
	10:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship-Outside
	4:00 p.m.	Floyd Hagen Funeral with visitation at 3:00 p.m.
Monday	8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Habitat Work Day-Minneapolis
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation Student Leaders/Adult Guides Orientation-Fellowship Hall
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion

FALL REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN. Registration is now open for Sunday School (Preschool - grade 4 at 9:00 or 10:30am), God Squad (grade 5 & 6) at 9:00am online at www.immanuel.us/children/sundays and Confirmation (grade 7-9) Wednesdays 6:15-7:45pm at www.immanuel.us/youth/confirmation. Scholarships are available by request!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Wednesday mornings 9:30-11am, September 11-October 30. Join us as we connect with the New Testament using the study "The Greatest Story". This study introduces the key people, places, and events of scripture. Participants are invited to explore where they fit in the greatest story and how the greatest story fits in their lives. Please contact Jen Johnson jeninvictoria@hotmail.com or Janell Weum weumjc@gmail.com if interested in joining us. All are welcome!

SIGN UP NOW FOR TABLES OF 8—The gift of community! The best blessings in life are the gifts we share together. These "together" gifts include friendship, faith, support, laughter, and encouragement. Immanuel invites you to share friendship, faith, and the gifts of community by being part of Tables of Eight! Kick-off gathering is Sunday, September 29, 4-6pm at Immanuel. Learn more and register at www.immanuel.us/adults/tables-of-eight.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP 10:30am Come with your family and praise God in the beautiful outdoors as we gather in our backyard each Sunday. The family-friendly elements of the 10:30 a.m. outdoor worship service include Familiar worship songs led by Servant Song. Bubbles and sidewalk chalk. Lots of wiggle room on the lawn and playground. Pets welcome! We will have chairs, but you are welcome to bring your own chairs and blankets! Bring a hat or shade umbrella! If the weather is inclement, we will move indoors.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS Sunday, September 1, 10:30am Bring your pets for a special blessing in the Immanuel backyard during worship! No need to sign-up. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets (we'll also have folding chairs available). All animals should be on leashes and clean-up is the responsibility of owners (thanks!)

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY. Our next Immanuel Habitat for Humanity team will be on Monday, August 19, 8:30am-4:30pm in Minneapolis. Sign up to help at www.immanuel.us/serve.

COMMUNITY MEAL Salem Lutheran, Minneapolis Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve on Tuesday, August 27, 4:30-6:30pm. You are invited to enjoy a meal and community even if you can't commit to serving! Sign up at www.immanuel.us/serve.

MEN SERVE AT SIMPSON Our next Simpson date is Saturday, September 14, once again serving lunch to the homeless guests living in Simpson Housing's emergency shelter. We will meet in the Immanuel parking lot near the front door to carpool over to Simpson's interim shelter no later than 10:15 AM and will be back to Immanuel no later than 1:30 PM.

BECOME A PIECEMAKER! Immanuel's Quilt Ministry begins September 12. Our quilters will start assembling quilts for Lutheran World Relief on Thursday, September 12. We meet every other Thursday from 9:00am to 1:00pm to quilt and enjoy a light lunch together. New volunteers are always welcome! If you can tie a knot, we need you! Questions? Call Jan Walton at 952-465- 9329.

LITTLE DRESSES FOR AFRICA. If you can do basic sewing, you can help - premade kits are available that make 6 pillowcase dresses each. Pick up a kit in the Atrium. Donations of pillowcases, rickrack, bias tape, and thread are also welcome. For more information contact Ilene McCluskey 952-941-8471.

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. Details at www.immanuel.us/serve/index.