



Welcome

January 15, 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.)

- Amanda, friend of Becky Liebl, cancer. Prayers for healing and comfort for Amanda's 5-year-old daughter.
- Sonja Zeithamer, mother of Twylla Vickmark, declining health. Prayers for comfort.
- June Gilbert, friend of Harriet Johnson, pancreatic cancer. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- MaryKay Copp, knee replacement surgery. Prayers for healing.
- Beth Wojah, friend of Sharon Peterson, kidney failure. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Earl Ross, stroke. Prayers for continued healing.
- Melissa Larson, brain cancer. Prayers for comfort and successful treatment.
- Leslee Bode, Stage IV cancer. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Diane Markovich, car accident. Prayers for continued healing.
- Kate Preece, diagnosed with Stage IV melanoma. Prayers for successful treatment and healing.
- Katie Kretchmer Clemence, paraplegic due to a ruptured tumor. Prayers for healing and discernment.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

- **Wednesday, January 18, 7:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall and Zoom:** Discussion of staffing plans for Immanuel
- **Sunday, January 22, 12 Noon, Luther Hall:** Annual meeting and chili feed
- **Sunday, February 5, following 9 a.m. service:** Congregational vote on calling Savannah Olaphson as Deacon

CARING MINISTRY REQUESTS. As a community of faith, we seek to support one another during all the ups and downs of life. When disruptions come up in your life, we want to know and are here to offer prayer and support in whatever way you need. To help us better support you, we have created a Caring Ministry Request Form on our website to keep our caring ministry team updated on any needs you, or your loved ones, might have. If you or someone you know could use extra support (for example, after receiving a new or difficult diagnosis, before an upcoming surgery, when a friend or loved one that has passed away, or any other of life's challenges) please let us know by filling out this form so that we can support and walk with you. Our new Caring Ministry Request form can be found at www.immanuel.us/adults/care

WEDNESDAY CAFÉ Supper is served 5 - 6:15 p.m. Cost: \$5/adult, \$2.50/child. If this cost is a burden to you or your family, please accept it as a gift, gladly given. The menu can be found online: www.immanuel.us/adults/wednesday-menu. Dinner this week is pizza.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: YOU, YOUR FAITH AND THE WORLD-SOCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ELCA, Wednesdays, Jan. 4 - Feb. 15, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Join an important conversation of our church's social statements that include: Jan. 18, *Economic Life*; Jan. 25, *Education*; Feb. 1, *Abortion*; Feb. 8, *Caring for Creation*; Feb. 15, *Race, Culture and Ethnicity*.

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY God's Extraordinary Church: Studies in Ephesians, January 18 – Feb. 8, 9:30-11 a.m. Due to the snow and ice, this study will begin on January 18.

KITCHEN DEEP CLEANING. We're still in need of a few volunteers to assist with deep cleaning the kitchen on Tuesday, 1/17, 10-11:30 a.m. Volunteer on the back of the Connect Sheet or call the church office.

ITALY TOUR. INTEREST & INFORMATION MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 7 P.M. If you are already signed up or if you are interested in this October trip with Pastor Paul, please join us! The trip brochure, highlighting the itinerary and all pertinent details, and the registration information documents available at www.immanuel.us/Adults/italy. Registration deadline is February 1, 2023. Please reach out to Pastor Paul or Karen Nelson if you have any questions about the trip!

Schedule for the week of January 15-21, 2022

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Epiphany Choir-Fellowship Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Room H
Monday	10:00 a.m.	Prayer and Praise-Living Room
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
	7:00 p.m.	Ruth Circle-Living Room
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Italy Trip Information Meeting-Fellowship Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Fellowship Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Wednesday Café-Dinner: Pizza
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Commotion-Luther Hall
	5:45 p.m.	Cornerstone Youth Choir-Music Room
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Ringers-Library
	6:15 p.m.	Adult Faith Formation-Fellowship Hall
	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation-Luther Hall
	6:15 p.m.	9 th Grade Stepping Stone-Luther Hall
	6:15 p.m.	Ascension Choir-Room H
Thursday	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
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Quilting-Room H
	6:15 p.m.	Volleyball-Luther Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Family Beach Party-Atrium
Saturday	6:30 p.m.	Immanuel Book Club-Living Room
	5:00 p.m.	Casual Worship-Sanctuary

FAMILY BEACH PARTY January 20, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. A tropical beach party for all families with young children. Bring your kids to splash in the pool, play in the sand, and enjoy some fun in the sun (or at least under the lights) as we transform Immanuel's atrium into a tropical paradise. Wear your beach clothes, bring your towel and your sand toys, and if you can, bring a picnic dish to share (i.e. beans, potato salad, chips, whatever you can)! We'll supply the hamburgers and hot dogs on the grill, along with fruit punch to complete our authentic beach picnic experience. Contact Pastor Paul paul@immanuel.us or Grace Porter grace@immanuel.us if you'd like to help with this event. For more information or to sign up go to www.immanuel.us/children/beach-party.

CAMP WAPO REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 15! Youth Camp: June 18 – 23; Seeds Weekend: June 23 – 25. For more information go to www.immanuel.us/children/camp-wapo.

FAMILY CAMP July 27 - 29 (Thursday - Saturday) Families are invited to join us for fun connecting with other families at Cleary Lake (Three Rivers Park District), Prior Lake, campground. For more information or to register go to www.immanuel.us/children/family-camping.

THANK YOU to those who have already submitted their pledge/estimate of giving toward our Annual Operating Budget for 2023! This really helps with our 2023 budget planning! If you have not yet pledged, please either return your pledge card to the church office or submit your pledge online at www.immanuel.us/about/pledge.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- **DIAPER SQUAD.** Support our partner Redeemer Lutheran as they help with a food shelf in their neighborhood. Donations of diapers, baby wipes and sanitary pads are needed - these items are in high demand for families accessing food shelves. Sign up online to donate or deliver diapers at www.immanuel.us/Serve.
- **SNOW SHOVELERS NEEDED.** Sign up to shovel snow on 3 or 4 weekends a season and serve our faith community! Snow blower provided! Contact marykay@immanuel.us
- **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: Saturday, January 21** in Chaska. We need volunteers for the construction team, to bring lunch or take photos. No experience required. Minimum age 16 for construction volunteers. Sign up with Ruth Lunde at lundeworld@yahoo.com or Lynn Swanson at 952-974-1689.