



Welcome

January 8, 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.)

- MaryKay Copp, knee replacement surgery. Prayers for healing.
- Beth Wojaho, friend of Sharon Peterson, kidney failure. Prayers for comfort and healing.
- Jan Hron, friend of Sharon Peterson, brain surgery. Prayers for success surgery and healing.
- Doug Keddie family, friends of Nancy Meyhoefer, on his death. Prayers for comfort.
- Earl Ross, stroke. Prayers for 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 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.

We celebrate the baptism of (Sunday, 9:00 a.m.)

- Cohen JL Curry, son of Rachel Atkins & Michael Curry. Cohen was born September 23. His sponsors are Abigail Kunkel and Aaron Atkins.
- Audrey Hope Sienkowski, daughter of Emily and Adam. Audrey was born June 7. Her sponsors are Stacey and Rob Feeney.

We share the resurrection hope with:

- Joan Lee and family. Joan's husband, Jim Lee, passed away January 2, 2023. There will be a service in Spooner, WI, later this year.

ANNUAL MEETING January 22, 12 p.m. Join us as we connect with one another, rejoice as we reflect on the past year and as we plan for the next year! **We will begin the meeting with a chili lunch!**

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.

KITCHEN DEEP CLEANING. Join in with the Fellowship team and help clean the kitchen. We will be having two cleaning sessions: Thursday 1/12, 4:30-6 p.m. and Tuesday 1/17, 10-11:30 a.m. Many hands will make the work much faster and it is a fun way to fellowship with other members. Call the church office and let us know you are planning to help.

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. 4, *Church and Society*; Jan. 11, *Human Sexuality*; Jan. 18, *Economic Life*; Jan. 25, *Education*; Feb. 1, *Abortion*; Feb. 8, *Caring for Creation*; Feb. 15, *Race, Culture and Ethnicity*.

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY God's Extraordinary Church: Studies in Ephesians, Wednesdays, Jan. 4 - Feb. 8. 9:30 - 11 a.m. Go to www.immanuel.us/adults/womens-small-groups for details and to sign up.

PRAYER AND PRAISE will be reading and discussing the book *Fierce: Women of the Bible and their Stories* by Alice Connor beginning January 9, 2023. Join us Monday mornings from 10 to 11:30am in the Living Room at Immanuel. Questions? rathjen.kim@gmail.com

KILIMANJARO '24. INTEREST MEETING JANUARY 8, 7 P.M. Martin Rathjen is planning another Kilimanjaro climb in February 2024. An interest meeting is scheduled for January 8, 7 p.m. Details available on our website or by emailing martin@immanuel.us.

WYOMING BACKPACKING & DAY HIKES INTEREST MEETING, JANUARY 11, 7:45 P.M. Explore Wyoming's Big Horn mountains in July (15 - 22). See the information online - www.immanuel.us/youth/backpacking or ask Pastor Paul paul@immanuel.us for more information.

Schedule for the week of January 8-14, 2022

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Epiphany Choir-Fellowship Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Room H
	7:00 p.m.	Kilimanjaro Interest Meeting-Fellowship Hall
Monday	10:00 a.m.	Prayer and Praise-Living Room
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
	12:30 p.m.	Game Day-Library
	6:00 p.m.	Executive Committee-Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Church Council-Fellowship Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Fellowship Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Wednesday Café-Dinner
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Holy Communion-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.	Ascension Choir-Room H
	7:00 p.m.	Servant Song-Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Reformation Choir-Music Room
	7:45 p.m.	Backpacking Interest Meeting-Luther Hall
	Thursday	7:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.		SALT Event-Fellowship Hall
Saturday	6:15 p.m.	Volleyball-Luther Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Casual Worship-Sanctuary

SALT (Seniors) A Changing Church for Changing Times Thursday, January 12, 10 a.m. We welcome the Rev. Craig Pederson of the Minneapolis Area Synod staff as Assistant to the Bishop for Congregational Vitality. **An optional lunch (\$10) will be provided, and pre-registration is required. To sign up go to www.immanuel.us/adults/senior-adults**

HOLDEN VILLAGE SUMMER 2023 (Dates TBD - see options below). Holden Village is a Lutheran retreat center and community that welcomes people into the wilderness to form and renew their relationships with God, the earth, and each other. Registration opens in early January. The dates we're considering are **June 25-30, July 2-7, or July 31-August 4**. We will submit our top three dates and see what is available. Go to www.immanuel.us/adults/holden-village for more details and to submit the dates you would prefer.

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.

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!

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.