



Welcome

March 24, 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.)

- Carla, sister of Tracy Woods, brain surgery 3/27. Prayers for successful surgery and healing.
- Roselyn Weber, healing & recovery from recent hospitalization.
- Ken & Liz Anderson, friends of Harriet Johnson, Ken healing from stroke, and strength & patience for Liz.
- Gary, father of Jolene Tesch, awaiting kidney transplant & Becky, kidney donor.
- Chris, for insight & healing.
- Vicky Johnson, grandmother of Michael Curry & Rachel Atkins, multiple diagnoses. Prayers for comfort and successful treatment.
- Diane Schubbe, sister of Sharon Peterson, cellulitis from knee replacement. Prayers for healing.
- Orly Maenke, stage 4 esophageal cancer. Prayers for comfort and strength.
- Pat Martin, mother of Deb Melchert, hospice. Prayers for comfort.
- Gregg Hemken, kidney cancer surgery March 13. Prayers for successful surgery and treatment.
- Nick Haugen, son of Anna & Nate Springer, broken arm and broken leg. Prayers for family.
- Michael Krieger, brother of Karen Atkins, cancer diagnosis. Prayers for successful treatment.
- Jen Ames, friend of Nancy Meyhoefer, fall. Prayers 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.
- Tommy Chevalier, deployed to Israel. Prayers for safety.
- Trevor Fleck. Prayers for healing.
- Melissa Larson, brain cancer. Prayers for comfort and successful treatment.

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.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER WORSHIP

Maundy Thursday, March 28	7:00pm	Worship with Holy Communion
Good Friday, March 29	7:00pm	Tenebrae worship with Choir and Instrumentalists
Easter Sunday, March 31	7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am	Celebrate the Resurrection!

ORDER EASTER GARDEN FLOWERS. Flowers can be purchased in honor or memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion. A variety of spring flowers will adorn our sanctuary for our Easter celebration. COST: \$15.00/each. Order online at www.immanuel.us/about/easter-flowers or on back of the connect form.

PERSONAL CARE KITS FOR LWR 2024 LENT SERVICE PROJECT When natural disasters strike or war drives families from their homes, our hearts ache with compassion, but we don't know how to help. Making Lutheran World Relief Kits is a simple, fun, and tangible way to offer comfort and express love to our neighbors in need. During the season of Lent, we are encouraging everyone to help create kits. Items needed are one light-weight **bath towel**; two **bars of soap**, bath size; one **adult toothbrush**, in original packaging; one **sturdy comb**, remove packaging; one **metal nail clipper**, remove packaging. Wrap all the items in the towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarn. Bring completed kits to Immanuel through Lent, **no later than Easter Sunday**.

YOUTH GATHERING ENVELOPES DUE SUNDAY. The easiest fundraiser ever! No need to purchase something! Would you like to support our high school youth attending the ELCA gathering in New Orleans this summer but don't want to purchase something? We've made it easy and fun! Visit the bulletin board in the Atrium and grab an envelope with a \$ amount from 1-100. Simply pick the amount that works for you and return the envelope by Palm Sunday! Don't find an amount that suits you? Pick a plain white envelope from the bottom and determine your own amount.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 24-30, 2024

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Epiphany Choir-Room H
	10:30 a.m.	Brass Rehearsal-Room H
Monday	10:00 a.m.	Prayer & Praise-Living Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga-Luther Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Audit Committee-Library
	6:00 p.m.	Hops & Hope-Wooden Hill Brewing
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Reformation Choir-Sanctuary
	7:00 p.m.	Servant Song-Music Room
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:00 a.m.	Quilting-Room H
	5:30 p.m.	Servant Song-Sanctuary
	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship
Friday	5:00 p.m.	Music Rehearsals-Sanctuary
	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Worship

HOPS & HOPE, Monday, March 25, 6:00pm at Wooden Hill Brewing, Edina. Each month we read a book and gather at a local brewery to discuss it. All are welcome to join, whether you finish the book or not. March/April book is "*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.

BLOOD DRIVE AT IMMANUEL. Are you at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds? If you answered yes to the above question, please consider donating a pint of your blood at the blood drive at Immanuel on **Wednesday, April 3 from 1 - 6pm**. There are 17 time slots available; go to www.mbc.org/donate-blood to sign up. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Evangelista at 952-457-9755.

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.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT 101 April 25, 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 it's 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 24 to learn more about the process of writing a land acknowledgment, the "Truth & Healing Movement," and how you can be involved.

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 (Please check the list of items we are UNABLE TO ACCEPT). Thanks for your donations and for spreading the word about this popular annual sale!

LITTLE DRESSES FOR AFRICA. Thanks to our many sewers, we shipped 486 dresses last year. If you can do basic sewing, you can help - premade kits are available that make 6 pillowcase dresses each. Pick up a kit at the Registration Desk. Donations of pillowcases, rickrack, bias tape, and thread are also welcome. For more information contact Ilene McCluskey 952-941-8471.

SHEETS NEEDED FOR QUILTERS. Our Piecemakers (Quilters) are in need of twin flat sheets in colors or prints. They must be clean and with no stains or tears. Bring donations to the sign-up desk in the Atrium.

FREE PUZZLE LIBRARY Over 200 puzzles are available to borrow from Immanuel's Puzzle Library housed in the cabinet outside the west door of the church. It is open for everyone to use. Sign up on <https://PuzLib.com> to check out puzzles. Besides being fun, puzzles provide cognitive, emotional, and social benefits.