



Welcome

October 20, 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.)

- Dar Sabatino, stepmom of MaryKay Copp, bladder cancer. Prayers for healing.
- Ilene McCluskey, prayers for a speedy recovery
- Gregg Smith, friend of Jim & Lucy Clyde - 3 deep brain surgeries. Prayers for successful surgeries.
- Pat Middeke, prayers for continued healing.
- Laurie Fetterman, mother of Katrina Stern, healing from surgery.
- Nick Eichman, deployed to the Middle East. Prayers for safety for all 550 deployed.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE Donations for those affected by the hurricanes. Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response help provide immediate relief, such as water, clothing, gift cards, tarps and other needs. Since many hurricanes also require a long-term response, Lutheran Disaster Response provides support on the long road to recovery with disaster case management, construction management, unmet needs, and emotional and spiritual care. *Gifts designated to "Hurricane Response" will be used in full (100%) for those affected by hurricanes.* Go to www.elca.org to donate.

PREPARE FOR ADVENT and BE STILL One Day Retreat for Adults - December 7, 2024. Being still might seem like an impossible concept in our fast-paced world, *especially* in the month of December! When the pace of life is so fast, we often don't take the time for self-reflection and can end up exhausted, while operating on autopilot. However, it is in moments of stillness that we often hear God's voice most clearly and can gain clarity and perspective. You are invited to take a break from the "busy-ness" of December and give yourself **"A Gift of Stillness."** On Saturday, December 7 we will gather at Mt. Olivet Retreat Center from 9:00am-4:00pm to be nourished and restored. Learn more and register online at <https://www.immanuel.us/adults/bible>.

ANNUAL SMORGASBORD - SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, December 5 at Immanuel.

SW GRIEF COALITION Monday, October 14 through November 18 at 6 PM at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 13600 Technology Drive in Eden Prairie. 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 Fall 2024 session will be hosted To register, click www.swgriefcoalition.org/, call or email marykay@immanuel.us 952-230-0359.

19th ANNUAL COAT DRIVE FOR LOAVES & FISHES Collecting coats and items of warmth through October. We are collecting hotel samples (soap, shampoo, etc.), coats and items of warmth for men, women & children of all ages & sizes for Loaves & Fishes. Bring donations to the Atrium or consider a financial gift (and we'll do the shopping!). Include "Loaves & Fishes" on the memo line of your check or make an online donation at www.immanuel.us/about/giving (click on the big Loaves & Fishes button). For additional information contact Savannah@immanuel.us.

FAMILY CAMP 2025 AT OUTLAW RANCH INFO MEETING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27! Spend quality time with your family in a relaxed atmosphere, featuring great food and Christian community in a peaceful Black Hills valley. Outlaw Ranch welcomes families of all sizes and descriptions. During this week you'll live in a community of grace surrounded by family and friends as you play, pray, worship, and grow together in faith. **Immanuel tentative week July 13-18, 2025.** Learn more about a week at Outlaw Ranch at www.losd.org/family-camp. Registration opens on 11/18 and fills up fast! Please sign up by 11/1 so we can reserve your spot.

TRUNK OR TREAT Saturday, Oct. 26, 3:00-4:30pm. Provide a trunk, bring your trick or treaters, or better yet – both! Immanuel members, their friends, and community members park their cars together and open their trunks to reveal Halloween-themed decorations. Children can walk from trunk to trunk to look at the decorations and receive candy and treats. If it rains, we'll move indoors, so come rain, snow or shine! Details and trunk sign-up at www.immanuel.us/children/trunk-or-treat.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 20-26, 2024

Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Immanuel Brass-Living Room
Monday	10:00 a.m.	Prayer & Praise-Living Room
	6:00 p.m.	Yoga-Luther Hall
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Fellowship Hall
	5:15 p.m.	Wednesday Café- Atrium Dinner: Pizza
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Commotion-Luther Hall
	5:45 p.m.	Cornerstone Choir-Music Room
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Ringers-Library
	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation-Luther Hall
	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation Photos-Sanctuary
	6:15 p.m.	Adult Education-Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Servant Song-Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Reformation Choir-Music Room
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:00 a.m.	Quilting-Room H
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Fall Cleanup
	3:00 p.m.	Trunk or Treat-Parking Lot
	5:00 p.m.	Casual Worship-Sanctuary

FALL GROUNDS CLEANUP Saturday, October 26 9:00-11:30am. It's time to clear out the gardens and prepare our grounds for the long winter! Projects include trimming, pulling & raking. If you have gloves or rakes, please bring them. Come for as long as you can! Please at www.immanuel.us/Serve/cleanup so we can plan.

BECOME A PIECEMAKER! Immanuel's Quilt Ministry meets every other Thursday from 9:00am to 1:00pm to assemble quilts for Lutheran World Relief 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. **Our next quilting day is Thursday, October 24.**

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WORK DAY, Monday, October 28, 8:30am-3:30pm in Prior Lake. No experience required. Minimum age 16 for construction volunteers, but you can also provide lunch for the workers or take photos. Come join us and help make the dream of home ownership a reality! Sign up at www.immanuel.us/Justice/habitat-for-humanity.

WEDNESDAY WOMENS BIBLE STUDY Advent study begins November 6 at 9:30am Join us as we begin our next study using the book *Awaiting the Already* by Magrey R. deVega. "Each Gospel, in its own way, leads us on the Advent journey of preparation for Christ's coming. This book takes a tour through the four Gospel narratives that announce Christ's birth or make way for his ministry. In doing so, you will recognize an invitation from each Gospel writer to prepare for a fresh experience of Christ in the present." Journey with us as we begin this new study on Wednesday, November 6. We meet weekly 9:30-11. All are welcome! Register at www.immanuel.us/about/register

IMMANUEL SPECIAL FRIENDS All Hallows Eve Party Sunday, Oct. 27 5:30-7:30pm Immanuel Special Friends is a fellowship group for adults with disabilities and their caregivers. Costumes are encouraged, but not required. We will enjoy snacks, games, a devotion time, and a bonfire if weather permits. Events are open to all seeking this community so please spread the word!

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT, Saturday, November 16, 5-8pm at church. Drop your kids off at Immanuel while shop for Christmas presents, enjoy a date night, visit friends, or just relax. *(Children can be dropped off/picked up at any time, as long as it is noted on the registration.)* Youth from Immanuel will be helping care for children of all ages as we eat dinner, make crafts, play games, and more! The youth will be earning money for their church activities, like summer camp and service learning trips. ALL families are invited- tell your friends! Register at www.immanuel.us/children/parents-night-out. **Also there will be a parent social opportunity – meet at Unmapped Brewing Co. for community time with other parents.**

ONE STOP for all signups! Need to register for an activity or event? Want to volunteer at Immanuel or with a Partner Ministry? START HERE! We have a new page on our website which is the best place to find anything you could sign up for: www.immanuel.us/about/register