



Welcome

October 26, 2024

Immanuel's Values:

- Loving God and one another
- Active service in the community
- Intentional faith development and expression
- 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, recovering from surgery. 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.

We share the resurrection hope with:

- Monte Johnson and family. Monte's grandmother, Eleanor Johnson, passed away on Sunday, October 20. Her service was Thursday in Winnebago.

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!

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.

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.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS NIGHT Wed., Nov. 20, 6:15pm (during Confirmation & Adult Education) Anxiety, stress and the pressures of everyday life can weigh on us all. How do we find balance? Is it possible? Immanuel staff are excited to use the movie *Inside Out 2* as a resource as we look at the how our mind/body balance is an every changing puzzle that presents new challenges! We will discuss where anxiety and stress come from, healthy and unhealthy ways to cope, and break down barriers that can often be associated with talking about mental health. More info at www.immanuel.us/youth/mental-health.

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!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 2, 2024

Sunday	9:00 a.m.	1 st /2 nd Grade Stepping Stone-Luther Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Family Camp Info Meeting-Luther Hall
	1:30 p.m.	Confirmation Worship Service-Sanctuary
Monday	8:30a-3:30p	Habitat Work Day-Prior Lake
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer & Praise-Living Room
	6:30 p.m.	Hops & Hope-Boom Island Brewing
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting-Library
	1:00 p.m.	SALT Coffee over Theology-Living Room
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Fellowship Hall
	5:15 p.m.	Wednesday Café- Atrium Dinner: Sloppy Joes
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Commotion-Luther Hall
	5:45 p.m.	Cornerstone Choir-Music Room
	6:00 p.m.	Ascension Choir-Room H
	6:00 p.m.	Praise Ringers-Library
	6:00 p.m.	Stewardship Committee-Pr. Paul's Office
	6:15 p.m.	Confirmation-Luther Hall
	6:15 p.m.	Adult Education-Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Servant Song-Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Reformation Choir-Music Room
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study-Chanhassen Legion
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study-Library
	5:00 p.m.	Casual Worship-Sanctuary

TRANSITION UPDATES. We have a page on the Immanuel website dedicated to updates on the process for calling a new Senior Pastor, work currently being done, and details on celebrations for Pastor Paul. Check www.immanuel.us/about/transition frequently for updates.

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. Tickets will be available for sale in the Atrium on Sundays & Wednesdays beginning November 3. Ticket prices are \$35.00 or \$20.00 if you bring a traditional dish to share.

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

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.**