



The VISITOR

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From The Pastor's Desk....

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission, as disciples of Jesus, is to commit ourselves to making Christ known through worship, service, outreach, learning and loving one another.

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“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance.” (Ecclesiastes 3:1-4)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Easter season, seven weeks of celebrating resurrection and new life, has been for me and for many of us this year a season of loss and mourning. During those seven weeks, eight families in or related to our congregation have lost a loved one, and I have walked part of that road with each of them. It is not an easy road to walk, but one we all must walk from time to time. What a difference it makes to be part of a caring community of faith, to know that others who have been down similar roads in their own lives are walking this road with us.

In such seasons, the wisdom of Ecclesiastes provides a helpful perspective. There is a time to be born and a time to die, a time to mourn and a time to dance. And the new life of Easter always arises from the pain and deep sorrow of the Cross. Without Good Friday there would be no Easter, no Ascension, and no Pentecost gift of the Holy Spirit to be our constant guide and companion, our hope and consolation. In our sorrow, the Spirit reminds us of the joy that waits for us on the other side of the pain. As Jesus said as he spoke to his disciples the night before he died: *“You have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.” (John 16:22)*

May the Holy Spirit accompany you today and every day, in whatever season of life you find yourself.

Yours in the steadfast Love of Christ,

~Pastor Charlie

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND GROW AT IMMANUEL

No previous knowledge of the Bible is required for any Bible study

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Lectionary Bible Study

Meets weekly throughout the year in the Martin Luther Room following the worship service, approximately 10:15 – 11:15am.

On coffee hour Sundays, we meet 10:45 – 11:30am. Each week we will explore the Gospel reading for the following Sunday.

June 3: Mark 3:20-35

June 10: VBS Preview Bible Study

June 17: Mark 4:35-41

June 24: Mark 5:21-43

MIDWEEK PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUPS: Ecclesiastes

Morning Group will meet in the Oak Tree Room every Tuesday in June at 11am.

Evening Group will meet at the Pastor's home, 840 Hughes Shop Rd, Westminster MD 21158 on Tuesday, June 5 and Wednesdays June 13, 20 & 27 at 7pm.

CONFIRMATION CLASS:

We are on summer break and will resume after Labor Day. This two year program is open to youth in grades 7-12. If you are interested in joining, please contact Pastor Charlie this summer so we can get the ball rolling.

VBS “*Shipwrecked Sneak Peek*” Bible Study

Sunday, June 10, 10:30am – 1:30pm including lunch

Pastor Charlie will lead a “sneak peek” VBS Preview Bible Study on Sunday, June 10 from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Lunch will be provided.

We will explore the Bible story and theme for each day of VBS, be introduced to the daily animal “buddies” and hear some of the songs our children will be singing.

All VBS teachers and staff are encouraged to attend, and everyone is invited. Including YOU!! Sign up at church or through Pastor Charlie's weekly email.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYER AND HEALING

Pastor offers individual prayer at the communion rail, with anointing and laying of hands for healing for those who desire it before each service.

ARE YOU RECEIVING

PASTOR CHARLIE'S WEEKLY EMAIL?

If you would like to receive a weekly message from Pastor Charlie with reminders about what's happening at Immanuel, please submit your email address to pastorc@ielcmd.org.

PASTOR CHARLIE'S JUNE BIBLE CHALLENGE: OLD TESTAMENT DAILY LECTIONARY

Our June Bible Challenge is taken from the Old Testament readings in the Revised Common Lectionary daily lectionary. These readings have been chosen to coordinate with the Sunday worship readings for June. The online Bible Study will continue with daily comments from Pastor Charlie on Facebook. Email him at pastorc@ielcmd.org if you would like to join this private group, or if you would like to receive copies via email of the comments he posts there for each day.

6/1	Leviticus 23:1-8	6/16	2 Kings 14:1-14
6/2	Leviticus 24:5-9	6/17	Ezekiel 17:22-24
6/3	Deuteronomy 5:12-15	6/18	Ezekiel 31:1-12
6/4	Exodus 16:13-26	6/19	Jeremiah 21:11-14
6/5	Exodus 16:27-36	6/20	Jeremiah 22:1-9
6/6	1 Samuel 21:1-6	6/21	Job 29:1-20
6/7	Isaiah 28:9-13	6/22	Job 29:21—30:15
6/8	Deuteronomy 1:34-40	6/23	Job 37:1-13
6/9	Genesis 2:4b-14	6/24	Job 38:1-11
6/10	Genesis 3:8-15	6/25	Exodus 7:14-24
6/11	1 Samuel 16:14-23	6/26	Exodus 9:13-35
6/12	1 Kings 18:17-40	6/27	Joshua 10:1-14
6/13	Isaiah 26:16—27:1	6/28	Lamentations 1:16-22
6/14	Genesis 3:14-24	6/29	Lamentations 2:1-12
6/15	1 Kings 10:26—11:8	6/30	Lamentations 2:18-22

MISSIONARY SPONSORSHIP

Rev. Wal Reat is our ELCA Global Missionary sponsor. He serves in South Sudan among the refugees in several camps along the border between South Sudan and Ethiopia. Keep Rev. Wal in your prayers.



COMMUNICATION DEADLINES

Information to print in the weekly service bulletin must be received by noon on the Wednesday prior to worship. Information to print in the monthly newsletter must be received by the 15th of the month prior.

CHECK OUT CHURCH WEBSITE: IELCMD.ORG

*Pastor's sermons: Listen to the pastor's sermon

*Most recent bulletins and newsletters

*Donations: Immanuel secure online giving service

**Jamie Rooney is currently updating our site. Jeff Mullins has volunteered to maintain the website going forward.

Thank you Jamie! Thank you Jeff!

WELCOME

Birth of Evelyn Jane Yingling, daughter of Michael and Lindsey



God Bless Our Confirmands
Ashton Eckhardt and *Sarah Day*

We welcome them into
the membership of our church family

THANKS

Special thanks to Carolyn Phillips and Carroll, Ketti and Jake for donating and planting the flower beds in front of Immanuel. They are beautiful!

The Yingling family would like to thank Pastor Charlie for his visits and prayers and also the congregation for their prayers for Michael, Lindsey and baby Evelyn. They are now home. We are grateful for your concern.

Easter donation received by Esther Miller

Donation received in memory of Richard Sterner by Betty Miller

DEATHS

Families and friends of:

Leann Eltz, niece of Debbie & Chris Miller

Richard Sterner, husband of Bonnie

Doug Brown, friend of the Skelley's

Bruce Blevins, stepfather of Jessica Puller

Kitty Akers, mother of Sharon Slivecky

Gloria Armacost, mother of Barb Guthrie

LEAD

Chris Crouch, Facilitator; John Gregg, Council Liaison
Pastor Charlie, Debbie Miller, Debbie Mace, Terri Rill

In February, Immanuel's LEAD team joined teams throughout our synod and across the country, to engage in the LEAD journey. LEAD, Living Everyday as Disciples, strives to reinvigorate congregations through outreach that strengthens ministries and deepens the connection between church and community, as guided by the Holy Spirit. We are currently working through the "Tuning In" stage. It involves listening deeply to God in scripture and prayer, to each other in our congregation, and to the people of our community.

We recently invited our congregation to let their voices be heard through the LEAD Congregational Assessment. The LEAD organization recommended that the survey be completed by half of our average weekly attendees, or a total of 54 people. We exceeded that number with a total of 60 completed Assessments. Thank you for sharing your opinions and giving us a baseline as we listen to your views in this early stage of the LEAD process. Your involvement is crucial to the success of LEAD at Immanuel. By the end of May, we hope to have a report on results of the Assessment from the LEAD staff in Houston. We'll share those results, and discuss the implications with you in the coming months. There will be several opportunities for your input during the three year LEAD journey.

Please continue to participate, and please pray for our LEAD Team. How blessed we are to be partners with each of you, as together we discern God's will for our future.



Christine Crouch,
LEAD Facilitator

PROPERTY

Chair: Tim Rill

Members: Frank Burnette, John Gregg, Brian Kremen, Steve Burris

- *Boiler is shut down. After a few minor repairs, the AC is up and running.
- *Lock company repaired lock on filing cabinet in office.
- *Received an estimate from Judd Sprinklers for the sprinkler system certification but it is much more than the current company.
- *Have not heard any more issues with Social Hall lights or bathrooms.
- *Car that was left in the parking lot was removed without towing.
- *Delta Restaurant Company replaced several pilots on Vulcan stove. They said it is safe to use and in pretty good condition.
- *Plan of attack for kitchen project:
 - Alford will tear up floor to assess the drain and plumbing - fix and repair as needed
 - Will work on scheduling to have the top cabinets and the ceiling removed
 - Have an electrician run necessary wiring for the improvements
 - Have a new ceiling installed
 - Schedule hood/stove installation
 - Work on replacing the island
 - See what we have left for additional cabinetry



MUTUAL MINISTRY

Chair: Bob Nicoll

Members: Christine Crouch, Rodgers Hagert, Sandy Voight,
Jamie Rooney, Brooks Hoffman, Pastor Charlie, Doris Dell, Brittany Trott

Administration:

1. Members of the committee gave an personal update of their varied lives outside of church.
2. Updates for 2018 programs/activities (LEAD, Synod Assembly, Lutheran Men's Dinner, and joint church planning and discussions between Immanuel, Jerusalem, and St. Marks)
3. Update of planned youth programs/opportunities
4. Discussion concerning further consideration for a retreat to be based on results of the lead assessments.

Activity:

- 1.No new suggestions in the suggestion box (in the back of the church).
2. Capture log is up to date with no unresolved issues pending.

Balance for effective Ministry (Pastors report):

Shows a well balance of spiritual study, activities, and family life.

MISSIONS

Joe Fleck, jpflecksr@gmail.com, 410-848-5919

Special Offering for the June monthly mission
will be collected for New Life for Girls.

New Life for Girls will at Immanuel on June 3. Their mission is:

New Life For Girls Exist To Lead Women
With Drug And Alcohol Problems Into A New Life Of Salvation,
Morality And Temperance Through The Gospel Of Jesus Christ

MONTHLY MISSION SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Please *write checks to Immanuel Lutheran Church*. The collected monies
are sent to the organization as one check from Immanuel.

Carroll Lutheran School

1738 Old Taneytown Road Westminster, MD 21158
(410) 848-1050 www.clsedu.org
info@carrolllutheralschool.org



Updates and Information from Carroll Lutheran School:

* We are currently in Open Enrollment for our K-8
classes and are encouraging all interested members of Immanuel to
schedule a tour or learn more about how to register.

* We are excited to announce a new scholarship program that will be
offered to the local congregations to send a student from their community
to CLS at a significantly discounted rate... we will be in contact with
more information about this program very soon!

* Our 16th Annual Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Friday,
October 5, 2018-- we hope that Immanuel can support this event! There
will be an award given to the congregation that fields the most teams.
For more information about the tournament or to register/sponsor,
visit www.clsedu.org/golf.

Carroll Lutheran School
1738 Old Taneytown Road
Westminster, Maryland 21158

FELLOWSHIP

Chair: Rhonda Kiler, 410-239-7028

Members: Deb Hebrank, 410-952-3320; Brenda Wulforst, 443-507-6753;
Linda Gregg; Matthew Rooney; Jamie Rooney

On May 20th we celebrated the confirmation of Sarah Rose Day and Ashton Eckhardt. Their accomplishments were celebrated with a cake/coffee reception in the Social Hall.

Maurer and Miller Butcher Shop closed their doors in early May. The owners invited Immanuel to provide a food table at their public sale on Friday, June 8th. Please support M & M Meats and your church by stopping by that day. We are asking for donations of food and a sign up sheet is available at the back of the church.

June 6th we will be having our Coffee Hour. The Coffee Hour is always a great way to fellowship with others at Immanuel. There is never a shortage of baked goods to have with your coffee and always something to talk about with your church family

Mar-Lu-Ridge

3200 Mar-Lu-Ridge Rd Jefferson, MD 21755
mlr@mar-lu-ridge.org
1-800-238-9974 301-874-5544

As summer camp approaches, we want to take this opportunity to share some information and extend the invitation to our final Open House.

Mar-Lu-Ridge Summer Camp is a safe, faith-centered outdoor experience for your camper, and a super fun way to connect with new friends and grow in faith and confidence. We offer residential camps for ages 6-17, Day Camp on-site for ages 6-10, and Mobile Mar Lu Day Camps for congregations. There are full week and half week options for our residential campers, and a variety of specialty programs as well as traditional camps from which to choose. Visit our website to learn more!



Open House tour:

If you didn't make it to our Open House,
please contact the office to arrange a time.

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP

Treasurer: Sharon Slivecky, 410-790-6146, sslivecky@ielcmd.org

Chair: Jeremy Edwards, 443-695-6371, jedwards@ielcmd.org

Members: Garth Eckhardt, Audrey Shaffer, Matthew Rooney, Jeff Yingling,
Rachel Murphy, Frank Burnette, Norm Downes

AUTOMATIC AND ONLINE DONATIONS

Immanuel offers a secure online giving service through our website! This is an easy way for you to submit a one-time donation or setup recurring contributions directly from your checking account or a credit card. Visit our website: ielcmd.org.

**Instead of going online, bring this completed form to the church office.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

2018 Set Up of Automatic Donations

Complete the below information to authorize
Immanuel Church/SK Giving to set up automatic donations.



Member Information

Full Name (First, Last) _____

Complete Address (Street, City, State, Zip) _____

Email Address (N/A if none) _____

Donation Details

Select One Fund (use a separate form for each Fund)

- General Offering Land and Building Fund Monthly Mission Special Offering
 Sunday School / Youth Fund Kitchen Fund

Select One Frequency

- Monthly (1st of month) Twice per Month (1st and 16th) Weekly (Every Sunday)
 Monthly (16th of month) Twice per Month (5th and 20th) Bi-Weekly (Every Other Sunday)

Amount (Include Dollar and Cents) \$ _____

How Many Installments? (Circle One)

2	5	8	11	36	60	156
3	6	9	12	48	104	180
4	7	10	24	52	120	360

Start Date (Always on first of the next month and goes out 6 months. Example, if signing this form in January, the possible start dates are: Feb 1, March 1, April 1, May 1, June 1 and July 1) _____ 1, 2018
(Month)

Account Information

Credit Card or Checking/Savings Account

Credit Card (Circle One)
 Check Card Visa MasterCard Discover
 Card Number _____

Expiration Date (Month/Year) ____ / ____

Card Code (on back) _____

Bank (Circle One)
 Checking Savings
 Routing Number (9 Digits) _____

Bank Account Number _____

Name of Bank _____

Signature

Authorized Signature _____ Date: _____

Print Name _____ Date: _____



STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Held at Jerusalem Church on Saturday, June 2nd
from noon to 5pm.

1372 Bachman's Valley Rd Westminster 21158
410-848-4290 www.jerusalemwestminster.org

- * The Alesia Band from 1-4pm
- * Old-fashioned family fun, including cake walks! – Bring your change!
- * Available for Purchase:
 - * Chicken Corn Soup
 - * Pit Beef Sandwiches, Chicken Salad Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Chips
 - * Baked Goods
 - * Ice Cream and *Strawberries!*
- * Support Fill-A-Truck to benefit Humane Society of Carroll County by donating cat and dog food and toys.

ST PAUL'S FLEA MARKET

St Paul's Church (Rt 30 & Dover Rd Upperco, 21155) holds a monthly flea market through October.

With over 70 vendor spaces—there is something for everyone! Stop by and shop. Or consider being a vendor one month! For more information, contact 410-526-7598 or FleaMarket@StPaulsUpperco.org

2018 Flea Market Schedule Rain or Shine from 8am to 2pm.

June 16 · July 21 · August 18 · September 15 · October 13

FREDERICK KEYS BASEBALL GAME

For those that signed up, remember the game is on Friday, August 10.

CHURCH COUNCIL

President: Brenda Wulforst, 443-507-6753

Vice President: John Gregg, 410-599-3091

Recording Secretary: Jamie Rooney

Immanuel's church council met Tuesday, May 8 at 7pm in the Martin Luther room. The following business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

- *Jeff Mullins offered to join council and fill the current vacancy. Council voted to approve Jeff to complete calendar year 2018 and the following two years, 2019 and 2020.
- *Council reviewed information describing The Little Free Pantry opportunity. Jamie Rooney and Brenda Wulforst visited the site of the Hampstead Little Free Pantry and felt this would be a great project for Immanuel. Council approved the project unanimously. Jamie Rooney will work with Boy Scout Troop 320 and the property committee to get this project off the ground. More information will be posted in the weekly bulletin.
- *A reception to recognize confirmation will be held on Sunday, May 20 in the social hall.

OLD BUSINESS

- *Immanuel is invited to join St Marks Snydersburg and Trinity UCC for a Frederick Keys game on August 10. Tickets can be arranged thru the church office before the end of May.
- *ELCA/MD Synod Conference is scheduled for 5/31 thru 6/2. Immanuel can send two delegates—at this point no member has stepped up. See Pastor Charlie if you would like to attend.
- *Information is available thru Deb Hebrank, Social Ministry chair person or Rachel Murphy if you would like to become a Thrivent member. You can become a Thrivent Associate member for \$20, this membership entitles you to a one time \$250 grant to be used for church projects.
- *The Westminster conference dinner hosted by Immanuel on April 23 was quite a success. Fellowship hosted and served a sit down dinner to 150 men of the conference.
- *Kids Feeding Kids, a project hosted last summer to provide meals to children in the area, is currently on hold. Options and details are being explored. More information will be in the weekly bulletin.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Jen Edwards, 443-883-6138, jen@iostreaminfo.com, Jeanne Swain, Angie Eckhardt,
Pete Wulforst, Jen Robinson, Sandy Voight, Brenda Wulforst



We are so excited for Vacation Bible School! From July 8TH – 12TH, we will dig into our theme of “Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus”, which is full of wonderful activities, music and Bible stories to remind us how Jesus is there for us and rescues us in any situation in our lives!

It’s not too late to register – please share this info with friends, family and neighbors. All youth are welcome (ages 0-2 must have adult stay with them). Please complete the registration form and return to the church office.

- * Tuesday, July 4: Immanuel VBS will participate in the Manchester carnival parade!
- * Sunday, July 8: VBS kick off starts at 4:30pm
Dinner and special activities outside,
and then VBS runs 6-8pm
- * Monday–Wednesday: Dinner at 5:30,
(July 9 – 11) VBS from 6-8pm
- * Thursday, July 12: Dinner at 5:30, VBS from 6-8 pm
with a special presentation at 7:30 to celebrate
our week and share all we have learned
All families and congregation are invited to join us at 7:30.
- * Sunday, July 15: During the 9am service, our youth will recap
our VBS week and share some songs they learned

New this year... “Shipwrecked: Sneak Peek” – an adult Bible study and luncheon discussing each of the VBS daily themes and Bible Stories. Join Pastor Charlie as he leads this adults-only sneak peek into our VBS program. Sunday, June 10th from 10:30 – 1:30 with lunch provided. Please RSVP to Pastor Charlie!

We are excited to share Bible stories, songs, games and crafts as we enjoy food, fellowship and fun! If anyone is interested in volunteering throughout the week, please let Jen Edwards or any member of Sunday School team, Pastor Charlie or Rachel know! Hope to see you there!

ELCA Youth Gathering 2018: June 27 – July 1, Houston, Texas

Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.

Over the years, many high school youth from Immanuel have attended this life-changing event. We are blessed to be sending one of our own to this year's gathering in Houston, Texas. Ashton Eckhardt was confirmed on Pentecost Sunday this year and will be entering high school in the fall. He will be traveling to and attending the gathering with other youth from several nearby Lutheran congregations and their adult advisors.

The theme for the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering is "This Changes Everything." Our primary scripture will be Ephesians 2:8 "*For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.*" As young people desire and struggle to find someone to become, somewhere to belong and something to do that will change the world, the Gathering seeks to be a ministry that helps define some of that or at least opens up pathways of discovery. Ultimately, we want youth to understand the fierce love that God has for them, just as they are, and that by grace, through faith, they have been saved. When young people (or really any age person!) truly claim this reality, it indeed changes everything.

Please keep Ashton in prayer, and those who are going with him, for safe travel to and from Houston and for a time of life-changing spiritual growth while they are there. The next gathering will be in 2021, and it will soon be time to begin planning to send more of our youth – including those who will be in middle school this fall.

God go with you, Ashton!!



June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Missions Special Offering 9am Worship / Communion 10:15am Coffee Hour 10:45am Adult Bible Study	4 8pm AI-Anon 8pm AA	5 11am Bible Study 7pm Scouts 7pm Bible Study - Pr Home	6 7:15pm AA	7 Pastor Retreat Day	8 Pastor Day Off 8pm AA 8pm AI-Anon	9 5pm Worship / Communion 6:30pm AA
10 9am Worship / Communion 10:30-1:30 VBS Sneak Peek Training Social Hall Reserved - Eagle Scout Ceremony	11 9am Work Day * 8pm AI-Anon 8pm AA	12 11am Bible Study 7pm Scouts 7pm Council Meeting	13 7pm Bible Study - Pr Home 7:15pm AA	14	15 Pastor Day Off 8pm AA 8pm AI-Anon	16 5pm Worship / Communion 6:30pm AA
17 Father's Day 9am Worship / Communion 10:15am Adult Bible Study	18 8pm AI-Anon 8pm AA	19 11am Bible Study 7pm Scouts	20 10:30am Stephen Ministry Mtg 7pm Bible Study - Pr Home 7:15pm AA	21	22 Pastor Day Off 8pm AA 8pm AI-Anon	23 5pm Worship / Communion 6:30pm AA
24 9am Worship / Communion 10:15am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Luther Men Practice	25 8pm AI-Anon 8pm AA	26 11am Bible Study 7pm Scouts	27 7pm Bible Study - Pr Home 7:15pm AA	28 	29 Pastor Day Off 8pm AA 8pm AI-Anon	30 5pm Worship / Communion 6:30pm AA

← * ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, TX * →

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Leaders: Bob Nicoll, Connie Dattilio

Members: Evonne Brillhart, Christine Crouch, Carol Nicoll, Audrey Shaffer

Where have you been? We've been waiting for you!

A friend of mine, who is also a Stephen Minister, made her weekly visit to one of our church members. This member had maintained a home for a family of five and a pet for 24 hours a day / 7 days a week.

On this particular day, she was at home in her empty nest, now a widow. She was wondering what her children might be doing in their busy lives. However, she is accepting the fact that as we grow older, circumstances change. With the help of a Stephen Minister she is also accepting the fact that she still has a lot to offer to others.

As my Stephen Minister friend stood in the doorway, she didn't notice a sad and forlorn look. What she found was a welcoming smile and a voice exclaiming, "Where have you been? I've been waiting for you." The Stephen Minister had to know her visit meant so much.

It was always difficult for the Stephen Minister to leave because they mutually enjoyed their time together. She assured her that she would be back. As she was leaving, she looked back, waved goodbye and she saw a contented look and a smile. This was different from the first visit.

I, too, am a Stephen Minister. And I, too, am part of an empty nest who knows how great it is to be able to confide in friends willing to listen. That's what Stephen Ministers do: listen and care for those who need someone to talk to.

If you or someone you know has suffered a loss or are having problems adjusting to a change, feel free to contact the Steven Ministers. Call the church office or Pastor Charlie.

And if you would like to experience the feeling of having someone eagerly waiting your visit, please consider becoming part of the Stephen Ministry Team. I can assure you that you will be greeted with "Where have you been? We've been waiting for you."

~Bonnie

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Deb Hebrank, 410-952-3320; Rhonda Kiler, 410-239-7028;
Brenda Wulforst, 443-507-6753, Amanda Yingling, 717-880-5215

Feminine Products Drive

In the month of June, Social Ministry will be collecting feminine products and disposable underwear for the less fortunate in our community. These items cannot be purchased with food stamps. Please consider picking some up during your next trip to the Dollar Store. A basket will be placed in the Narthex for your donations. Any questions contact Amanda Yingling 717-880-5215

Local Pantry Collection

NESAP/TOFF is in need of Dish Detergent for the month of June. Labeled baskets are in the Narthex. Please consider picking up a bottle or two (sold at the Dollar Store!). They are also in need of plastic and paper bags.



Did you know ???

THRIVENT DOLLARS - Anyone can become an Associate Member of Thrivent for \$20 a year. This entitles you to a one time distribution of \$250. Please consider becoming an Associate Member. Social Ministry & Fellowship can put these dollars to WONDERFUL use. Let us know if we can help you apply.

NORTH EAST SOCIAL ACTION PROGRAM

1046 S. Carroll St., Hampstead, MD 21074 www.nesapinc.org 410-374-9099
Lynn Sheavly: Executive Director, nesap.director@gmail.com,

WE HAVE SOME THINGS TO CROW ABOUT!



1. Due to the wonderful generosity of Moorfoot Farm, we sometimes have eggs for our clients and customers. For safe transportation home, we need empty egg cartons to fill with Moorfoot's beautiful brown eggs. If you have empty egg cartons to donate, they can be dropped off at NESAP.

2. AND cock-a-doodle-new! Infant boys and girls clothing up to 24 months are now 50% off. Other items remain on sale:

- Men's shirts, excluding athletic shirts, \$2
- Children's DVDs, previously viewed \$1, new \$2
- Outside toys over \$1, excluding bikes, 50% off
- Lampshades 50% off

3. Store hours will return to 9am-8pm on Thursdays beginning June 7. Since old man winter is no longer in the area and the days are lighter longer, we will be returning to our regularly scheduled Thursday hours.

SPECIFIC STORE NEEDS

We are low on some popular items that sell in the store. If you are doing some spring cleaning-out, would you keep us in mind as a destination for the following items?

- Spring jackets for children, men, and women
- Paperback romance novels-Country and Classic Rock CDs
- Yarn (full skeins with original paper wrapper)

NESAP CHALLENGE UPDATE

Thank you to all of the Challenge Sponsors and Donors! Wait until you see what you have accomplished! **Sponsorships Received:** \$14,800

Sponsors: Sandy Schaller, Penguin Random House, Sandy and Wayne Sanders, Edie Tracey, Max and Gloria Bair, Pastor Mel Strickin, Evelyn Barrett, Steve W. Eline, Eline Funeral Home, the American Legion Post 200, Ridge Engineering, Jeanne Swain, F. Douglas Harrell, Todd and Kim Renfro, Ken and Donna Wright, Quantum Internet and Telephone, and other anonymous sponsors.

Matching Donations: \$14,625.76

Matching Food Donations: \$4,231

Total: \$18,856.76

Goal: Achieved!

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Susan Burnette, 410-357-9466, sb31220@gmail.com, Chariman and Woman's Harmony Choir

Jerry Hoffman, 410-374-2565, Organist/Choir Director;

Audrey Moose, 410-429-4047, Chime Choir Director

Judy Bixler, 717-632-1805, Saturday Evening Service; Jennifer Holbrook, 410-374-6401, Acolytes;

Sandy Voight, 410-239-9428, Altar Guild; Wayne Thomas, 410-374-9538, Adult /Luther Men Choirs

Amanda Yingling, 717-880-5215, Children's Choir Coordinator

APRIL 2018

SATURDAY + SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCES

Weekend Dates	Attendance	Remarks
March 31-April 1	75 + 44 + 137 = 250	Easter Vigil, Sunrise, Resurrection Services
April 7-8	25 + 82 = 107	Easter 2
14-15	20 + 77 = 97	Easter 3
21-22	19 + 76 = 95	Easter 4
28-29	20 + 81 = 101	Easter 5
April Totals	650	
Wkend Average	130	

SAVE THESE DATES

Thurs, May 31-Sat June 2

DE/MD Synod Assembly Convention, Hunt Valley MD

Weekend, June 2-3

Monthly Special Mission Offering collected for 'New Life for Girls'

Sunday Coffee Hour, social hall following service

Weekend, June 16-17

Father's Day Weekend, red carnations presented to all men

Sunday, Children's Choir provide special music

Sunday, June 24

Luther Men practice after worship in choir room

Sunday, July 1

Red, White and Blue Sunday – Luther Men provide special music

Wear something patriotic

Weekend, July 7-8

Monthly Special Mission Offering collected for 'Hampstead Fire Dept'

Sunday Coffee Hour, social hall following service

Weekend, August 25-26

Blessing of the Backpacks

JUNE ALTAR GUILD

Rhonda Kiler
Betty Miller

JUNE HEAD USHERS

Saturdays at 5pm:
Linda Black

Sundays at 9am:
Rhonda Kiler

DAD and ME TRIBUTE

Father's Day is Sunday, June 17th. This tradition, which began around 1907, honors the contributions that our fathers and other 'father figures' have made in our lives and those of our children!

Honor him with a donation of a photo remembering a special activity in your life. Your photos will be displayed on our '**DAD and ME**' Tribute to ALL DADS during June.

Please drop off your photo(s) in an envelope addressed:

Dad & Me and place in the basket on the lamp table
of the church office by Sunday, June 10th

*** During the weekend services of June 16-17, Music and Worship will present a red carnation to every gentleman attending.

RED, WHITE and BLUE SUNDAY

Join us for the *Fourth of July* with a **Red, White and Blue Sunday on July 1st** at the 9 am service. Our favorite patriotic hymns will be sung and the Luther Men will provide another of their special medleys for the occasion. Everyone is being asked to *wear something patriotic* during the weekend!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, AMERICA!



IN GOD
WE TRUST

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION

For those in the congregation, who are gluten intolerant, your weekly communion offers gluten-free wafers along with regular pita bread or regular wafers as your communion host. Please express your wishes to Pastor Charlie when you arrive for communion. A communion steward will present a ciborium chalice of gluten-free wafers for you. Pre-filled grape juice cups are available in addition to poured wine.

BULLETIN SPONSORSHIPS ~ FLOWERS and LESSONS & PRAYERS

Fresh seasonal flowers enhance the altar adding beauty and color. Sponsorship of weekly Altar Flowers and the bulletin's Lessons & Prayers are available for sign-up on the 2018 Flower Chart in the office hallway. Sponsorship forms and envelopes are posted. Your written information with payment must be received by 12 noon of the Wednesday prior to your reserved sponsorship date, in order, to insure its inclusion in each weekend bulletin. Consider co-sponsoring with a friend or family member.

OPEN DATES still available for sign-up:

June 2-3 Center Arrangement

June 9-10 Lessons & Prayers

June 16-17 Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers

June 23-24 Altar Vases

June 30/July 1 Altar Vases

(Red, White & Blue Sunday)

Prices: \$50 for both Altar Vases

\$25 for one vase ONLY

\$30 for a Center Arrangement

\$20 for Lessons & Prayers



DEVOTIONALS

The April, May, June devotional, **Christ In Our Home**, is available in the tiered display case at the stairway. Each quarter is provided in small pocket editions and a few large-print editions. Stop by and get your copy.

LECTIONARY SERIES CONTINUES...

For your Home Bible Study

~ Join everyone as we read through the month of June. ~

Week of:	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
June 4~ 10	Genesis 3:8-15	Psalm 130	2 Corinthians 4:13~ 5:1	Mark 3:20-35
June 11 ~ 17	Ezekiel 17:22-24	Psalm 92:1-4,12-15	2 Corinthians 5:6-17	Mark 4:26-34
June 18 ~ 24 John the Baptist	Malachi 3:1-4	Psalm 141	Acts 13:13-26	Luke 1:57-80
June 25 ~ July 1 Red,White&Blue Sun	Lamentations 3:22-33	Psalm 30	2 Corinthians 8:7-15	Mark 5:21-43

MUSIC MINISTRY @ IMMANUEL

Consider becoming a part of the Music Ministry of Immanuel!

We currently support five various groups:

The Sunday Adult Choir

The Chime Choir

The Luther Men

The Children's Choir

Women's Harmony Choir

If you are not able to commit to regular practices at this time, but could participate occasionally during the year, please contact:

Jerry Hoffman (*Organist/Adult Choir Director*) Audrey Moose (*Chime Director*)

Wayne Thomas (*Luther Men*) Amanda Yingling (*Children's Choir Coordinator*)

Susan Burnette (*Women's Harmony Choir*)

No experience is needed, just a willingness to 'make a joyful noise'!

Practice Schedules:

Sunday Adult Choir weekly practices Thursdays from 7-8pm (Sept-May)

Chime Choir practice on Thursdays at 6pm, as needed (Sept-May)

Luther Men sing quarterly – **practice Sunday, June 24** after worship

*** **singing next on Sunday, July 1st** (Red, White & Blue Sunday)

Children's Choir sing quarterly

Women's Harmony Choir sing quarterly

For more information,

look for our *Music Ministry Bulletin Board* in the office hallway.



Birthday and Wedding Anniversary wishes are listed in the bulletins and newsletters. If you want to be included, please contact Susan Burnette.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

David Mace
Pearl Moffitt
Tim Wenzel
Sharon Martin
Tanner Eckhardt
Paula Leonard
Nick Donhauser
Caroline Grady
Virginia Barron
Nancy Little
Ethel Hunt

Lacey-Leigh Headley
Brian Kremen
Brian Miller
Gulia Vandergucht
Carolyn Kittelberger
Steve Mace
Willis Kiler
Charlotte Lopata
Lilly Lopata
Kelley Day
George Rohrback

Jeanne Swain
Thelma Blizzard
Charles Frase
Luke Robinson
Delores Whitehead
Brenda Wulforst
Dawn Burris
Angie Eckhardt
Linda Schmidt
Bart Walder

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Brooks and Christina Hoffman	June 2, 2013
Paul and Connie Dattilio	June 6
Ken and Rhonda Kiler	June 25

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS ~ SUMMER VACATIONS

If you are currently a weekly or monthly worship assistant, your responsibilities are published in The Visitor for the current month along with an advanced look ahead for the next month. As of this printing, the summer months of **June, July and August** are being finalized.

If you or a family member are regular worship assistants and have planned a summer vacation during these months, please contact Susan Burnette, asap, so adjustments can be made in advance. Thank you.

June 2018 Worship Assistants

~ 5pm Saturday Services ~

	Saturday June 2	Saturday June 9	Saturday June 16	Saturday June 23	Saturday June 30
Head Usher	Linda Black	Linda Black	Linda Black	Linda Black	Linda Black
Greeter	Rodgers Hagert	Barb Davidson	Judy Bixler	Nancy Hoffman	Rodgers Hagert
Lector	Jeanne Swain	Judy Bixler	Jeanne Swain	Luther Myers	Linda Black
Offering Ushers	Ellen Linsenbardt Rodgers Hagert	Barb Davidson Ron Davidson	Linda Black Ellen Linsenbardt	Cindy Ganjon Jeanne Swain	Judy Bixler Rodgers Hagert
Communion	Jeanne Swain	Linda Black	Jeanne Swain	Judy Bixler	Linda Black

~ 9am Sunday Services ~

	Sunday June 3	Sunday June 10	Sunday June 17	Sunday June 24
Head Usher	Rhonda Kiler	Rhonda Kiler	Rhonda Kiler	Rhonda Kiler
Altar Guild	Rhonda Kiler Betty Miller	Rhonda Kiler Betty Miller	Rhonda Kiler Betty Miller	Rhonda Kiler Betty Miller
Greeters	Jane Taylor Delores Whitehead	Carolyn Kittelberger Kathleen Regester	Linda Gregg John Popp	Chris Miller Debbie Miller
Lector	Barbara Guthrie	Connie Dattilio	Joey Pomaes	Andy Kiler
Offering Ushers	Norman Downes Debbie Hebrank Terri Rill Bart Walder	Debbie Mace Steve Mace Alice Warehime Dale Warehime	Laurie Miller Steve Miller Brenda Murray Brenda Wulforst	Barbara Guthrie Barb Skelley Bill Skelley Ernest Weiss
Communion Stewards	Susan Burnette Wendy Maloney Sandy Voight Bart Walder	Susan Burnette Jo Fleck Joe Fleck Barb Yingling	Susan Burnette John Gregg Carolyn Phillips Carroll Phillips	Susan Burnette Connie Dattilio Norman Downes Debbie Hebrank
Acolytes	Jayden Bosnick Jordan Bosnick	Ashton Eckhardt Tanner Eckhardt	Ryan Edwards Austin Gregg	Dylan Andrews Willis Kiler
Pray w/ Pastor	Bob Nicoll	Connie Dattilio	Bob Nicoll	Connie Dattilio
Bell Ringer	Bart Walder	Ernest Weiss	Joe Fleck	Frank Burnette

July 2018 Worship Assistants

~ 5pm Saturday Services ~

	Saturday July 7	Saturday July 14	Saturday July 21	Saturday July 28
Head Usher	Judy Bixler	Judy Bixler	TBD	Judy Bixler
Greeter	Janis Hagert	Charlotte Hann	Barb Davidson	Nancy Hoffman
Lector	Jeanne Swain	Judy Bixler	Linda Black	Luther Myers
Offering Ushers	Rodgers Hagert Ellen Linsenbardt	Charlotte Hann Walter Hann	Barb Davidson Ron Davidson	Linda Black Ellen Linsenbardt
Communion	Jeanne Swain	Judy Bixler	Linda Black	Judy Bixler

~ 9am Sunday Services ~

	Sunday July 1 <small>Red, White & Blue</small>	Sunday July 8	Sunday July 15	Sunday July 22	Sunday July 29
Head Usher	Jamie Rooney	Jamie Rooney	Jamie Rooney	Susan Burnette	Jamie Rooney
Altar Guild	Wendy Maloney Sandy Voight	Wendy Maloney Sandy Voight	Wendy Maloney Sandy Voight	Wendy Maloney Sandy Voight	Wendy Maloney Sandy Voight
Greeters	Betty Miller Bart Walder	Linda Gregg John Popp	Carolyn Kittelberger Kathleen Register	Jane Taylor Delores Whitehead	Chris Miller Debbie Miller
Lector	Bob Nicoll	Connie Dattilio	Matthew Rooney	Todd Robinson	Russell Jensen
Offering Ushers	Rhonda Kiler Terri Rill Tim Rill Audrey Shaffer	Debbie Mace Steve Mace Alice Warehime Dale Warehime	Laurie Miller Steve Miller Brenda Murray Brenda Wulforst	Barbara Guthrie Jennifer Edwards Jeremy Edwards Wendy Maloney	Andy Kiler Barb Skelley Bill Skelley Ernest Weiss
Communion Stewards	Susan Burnette Norm Downes Debbie Hebrank Sandy Voight	Susan Burnette John Gregg Carolyn Phillips Carroll Phillips	Susan Burnette Rhonda Kiler Audrey Shaffer Bart Walder	Susan Burnette Norm Downes Debbie Hebrank Barb Yingling	Susan Burnette Jo Fleck Joe Fleck Amanda Yingling
Acolytes	Jayden Bosnick Jordan Bosnick	Dylan Andrews Austin Gregg	Ashton Eckhardt Tanner Eckhardt	Ryan Edwards Kyle Robinson	Willis Kiler Joey Pomaes
Pray w/ Pastor	Bob Nicoll	Connie Dattilio	Bob Nicoll	Connie Dattilio	Bob Nicoll
Bell Ringer	Bart Walder	Ernest Weiss	Joe Fleck	Frank Burnette	Joe Fleck

NOTE: The Worship Assistant Schedules are subject to change during any weekend service. Reminder emails and/or phone calls are sent each week. Should you be unable to fulfill your responsibility, please contact Susan Burnette at sb31220@gmail.com or 410-357-9466.

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