The family of Immanuel Lutheran Church welcomes you. We hope that you will Worship with us often.



IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
3184 Church Street, P.O. Box 739

Manchester, Maryland
"A Stephen Ministry Congregation"

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

Saturday, May 7, 2016 Sunday, May 8, 2016 Ascension of Our Lord

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!



Immanuel welcomes you to our worship today. We hope that you will feel welcome. If you are without a church home, we invite you to become a part of the ministry of Immanuel.

Please complete the Red Registration Pad found at each center row pew. The Head Usher is available to assist you at any time during the service.

Visit website for more information: www.immanuellutheranccmd.org.

Worship Assistants

	Sat May 7		
	Easter 7		
Head Usher	Judy Bixler		
Greeter	Jeanne Swain		
Lector	Dave Robinson		
Offering	Judy Bixler		
Ushers	Jeanne Swain		
Communion	Dave Robinson		

	Sun May 8 Ascension	
Head Usher	John Gregg	
Altar Guild	Rhonda Kiler Betty Miller	
Greeters	Tony Mancuso Pam Newton	
Lectors	Susan Burnette	
Offering Ushers	Jeremy Edwards Maripat Luntz Todd Robinson Bart Walder	
Communion	Norman Downes Debbie Hebrank Rhonda Kiler Audrey Shaffer	
Acolytes ~ Torchbearers	Jared Patterson Justin Patterson	
Crucifer	Pete Wulforst	
Pray w/ Pastor	Connie Dattilio	
Bell Ringer	Ernest Weiss	

Cell Phone Reminder Announcement Please either turn off or silence your device during our service. Thank you.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Our hope is that you feel welcome at the Lord's Table. We welcome all baptized Christians who proclaim with us the crucified and risen Christ's real presence as he gives us his body and blood as food and drink. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are also available, please let the Communion assistants know of this dietary preference. The pastor also offers a pastoral blessing at the Communion Rail for those who do not wish to receive Communion.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things. Mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Acts 1:1-11

[Luke writes:] ¹In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 47

¹Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy.

²For the LORD Most High is to be feared;

he is the great king over all the earth.

³He subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.

⁴He chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

⁵God has gone up with a shout,

the LORD with the sound of the ram's horn.

⁶Sing praises to God, sing praises;

sing praises to our king, sing praises.

⁷For God is King of all the earth; sing praises with all your skill.

⁸God reigns over the nations; God sits upon his holy throne.

⁹The nobles of the peoples have gathered together with the people of the God of Abraham.

¹⁰The rulers of the earth belong to God, and he is highly exalted.

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Luke 24:44-53

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴⁴[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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Next Week's Readings: May 9 ~ 15 Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21; Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b;

Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17, 25-27

++ CALENDAR ++

Sun May 8	Missions Special Offering	
	Worship Service / Communion	9:00 am
	Sunday School	10:15 am
	Coffee Hour – Social Hall	10:15 am
	Lazarus Church Service –Downstairs	10:30 am
Mon May 9	Finance Meeting	7:00 pm
	Al-Anon	8:00 pm
	AA	8:00 pm
Tues May 10	Scouts	6:30 pm
	Council Meeting	7:00 pm
Wed May 11	AA	7:15 pm
Thur May 12	Scouts	7:00 pm
	Choir	7:00 pm
Fri May 13	AA	8:00 pm
	Al Anon	8:00 pm
Sat May 14	Social Hall Reserved	
	Missions Special Offering	
	Worship Service / Communion	5:00 pm
	AA	6:30 pm
Sun May 15	Pentecost Sunday	
	Worship Service / Communion	9:00 am
	Sunday School	10:15 am
	Lazarus Church Service –Downstairs	10:30 am

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to every lady attending church this weekend!!. Music and Worship presents a long-stem pink carnation to each of you with our love and best wishes.

Thank you to Christine Crouch for sponsoring these carnations.

Carnations are sponsored in honor and memory of the women of Immanuel, whose legacy of love, faith, and service to our church inspire and sustain us

Altar flowers are sponsored in honor of Aunt JoAnn's Special Birthday by Ashton and Tanner

Lessons and Prayers are sponsored in memory of the birthdays of my parents, John and Dottie Wisner on May 15 and 16 by Susan Burnette

Center altar flowers are sponsored in honor of Emma Lewis on her baptism day by her godmother, Sarah Marshall and family

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THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM
5pm Service – May 7, 2016

Emma Ann Lewis

Daughter of George and Catherine Lewis (Lookingbill)

Sponsored by Sarah Elizabeth Marshall
We wish God's blessings on Emma and her family

Donation to Kitchen Fund received in memory of Ethel Hooper by Pat and Don Diseroad

Walter and I would like to thank everyone for all the good wishes and cards and donations honoring our 50th Wedding Anniversary. May God bless each and every one. In Christ name, Walter & Charlotte Hann

TODAY, May 8th, we celebrate the **Feast of the Ascension**. On this day, we remember the day that Christ, in the presence of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven. Tradition designates that Mount Olivet, near the town of Bethany, was the place where Jesus ascended into the clouds. Ascension Day occurs 40 days after Easter Sunday with the actual day having been this past Thursday, May 5th. Please take a moment and enjoy the beauty of our 'Ascension' stained glass window to the right of the choir loft.

Mission Special Offering will be collected on this weekend, <u>May 7 and 8</u>. This is the first FULL weekend of the month.

And remember to join us in the Social Hall for Coffee Hour!



Sunday, July 10 - Thursday, July 14 from 5:30 to 8pm

Would you like to join our VBS team? We would love to have you, and our youth are always excited for new faces to guide them on their week of fun! Please note we will also be holding an adult VBS, to be held at the same dates/times as our youth VBS. Pastor Charlie will lead this group with interesting discussion themes each week. Please see Pastor Charlie or Rachel to sign up!

**Pictures from the Mother's Day Tea are available in the Narthex.

Stop by and pick yours up.**

Does your child like to sing? Would he/she enjoy singing in a children's choir? We love to hear children singing praises to the Lord! I'm trying to get an idea if there is interest to get a children's choir off the ground. We are also looking for adult support in the form of a director and musician.

-- Don't be a "pew potato"! Get involved! -- If interested, contact Amanda Yingling at mandymae1210@gmail.com or 717-880-5215.

PENTECOST SUNDAY Next weekend, **May 14-15**, Immanuel will celebrate the **Festival of Pentecost**. On the fiftieth day of Easter, we will celebrate the Holy Spirit. Pentecost is a day of promises fulfilled. The promised Spirit of God is poured out. The baptized have become "the children of God" and "the joint heirs with Christ." By the power of the Spirit, we have seen the face of the Father in his only begotten Son and have been saved by him. Pentecost is sometimes called the Church's Birthday, but might more appropriately be called its Baptism Day, since the gift of the Spirit is the fullness of baptism.

The color for Pentecost is RED. We encourage everyone attending our weekend Pentecost services to **wear something RED!**

Holy Trinity Sunday is May 22nd, the first Sunday after Pentecost. Though the word 'trinity' is not found in the scriptures, Paul wrote about 'three persons' of the Holy Trinity: the <u>Spirit</u> leads us to recognize that we are children of God, the <u>Father</u> and sister and brothers with <u>Christ, the Son</u>. "O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" On Holy Trinity Sunday, we will celebrate the name of God: holy blessed Trinity. There is no other day quite like this one in the church year. There is no other god like ours. Praise Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

CALLING ALL GRADUATES: Music and Worship would like to congratulate those who will reach an important milestone in their lives ~ **GRADUATION.** If there is a 'graduate' in your family this year, *preschool thru post-graduate*, please provide the needed information. *Information Requested:* the graduate's name; family members; grade-level milestone; any special interests; future plans and a photo of the graduate. Our **Graduates** bulletin board will be on display during the month of June. Information is needed by Sunday, May 22nd.

The finance committee and church council has opened a kitchen improvement fund. This fund will support the memorial money designated towards improving the kitchen. There are envelopes in the back of the church for the fund or you may designate a donation to the fund on your offering envelope.

SAVE THE DATE— **Pastor Charles Marshall** will be installed at 3pm here at Immanuel on Sunday, May 22, 2016. The installation service will take place in the church sanctuary with a celebration to follow in the Social Hall. Please mark your calendars now with this very important date and join our congregation for this service celebration. In order to prepare, we will have a signup sheet in the rear of the sanctuary.

ACOLYTE APPRECIATION SUNDAY: On **Sunday, June 5**th, Music and Worship will congratulate each of our valuable acolytes for their continued service to Immanuel for **Acolyte Appreciation Sunday**. All acolytes serve an important bridge between Pastor Charlie and the congregation at <u>every</u> worship service during the year!

All of the men of the congregation will be celebrated at the June 5th coffee hour held in the social hall after the Sunday service. Each of you, in some way played an important part in the life of a child.

Maybe you taught a child to ride a bike, bait a hook, or how to drive their first car. Maybe you were a scout leader or coached a baseball team, or sat at every soccer and football game or went to the ballet lessons for your daughter.

Some of you also served proudly in the military. Thank you! You also stood with Mom when getting your children to Sunday school and church. You practiced being a good roll model in all aspects of life.

We want to celebrate YOU! Please join us for a light brunch and expanded coffee hour in your honor.



DAD and **ME TRIBUTE**

Father's Day is **Sunday, June 19**th. Honor your dad with a donation of a photo of yourself with your dad during a special time in your life. These photos will be displayed on the '**DAD** and **ME**' bulletin board tribute to ALL DADS during June. Leave your donations in an envelope addressed '<u>Dad & Me'</u> pictures and leave in the basket on the lamp table in the church office by Sunday, June 12th.

During the weekend of June 18-19, Music and Worship will present a long-stem red carnation to every gentleman arriving at church.

Mark your calendars for the Frederick Keys Baseball Game on Friday, July 22 at 7pm. Trinity UCC is coordinating this fun event. Bus transportation provided from our parking lot! \$10-Adults (ages 13-59), \$7-Seniors (60& over), \$7-Youth (ages 3-12)

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SAVE THESE DATES! Looking Ahead

Sun, May 15: Pentecost Sunday - WEAR RED

Sun, May 22: Holy Trinity Sunday

Wkend, June 4-5: Special Missions Weekend Acolyte Appreciation Sunday Sunday Coffee Hour, Social Hall

Sun, July 3: Red, White and Blue Sunday (wear your patriotic colors!)

Luther Men Special Music



NESAP is in need of Toothbrushes and Toothpaste for the month of May. Labeled baskets are in the hall for donations. Please consider donating (variety at dollar store!), your contributions are greatly appreciated.

MAY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Jeff and Jen Yingling May 6, 2006
Fred and Mary Ayers May 16
Tom and Shannon Taylor
Ronald and Janice Martin May 23

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Wendy Maloney Linda Gregg Jennifer Robinson Olivia Yingling Fred Ayers Sunshine Cobak Alice Myers Stephen Swain Betty Wildasin Janet Nickels Howard Miller Ellen Linsenbardt

Cheryl Graf Benjamin Eppley Maripat Luntz Pete Wulforst Tracey Graf Nancy Hoffman

ALTAR FLOWERS

Each weekend, fresh seasonal flowers enhance our worship experience, adding color and beauty to the altar. Open sponsorships remain available for signup on the Flower Calendar, located in the office hallway. Your written information with payment <u>must be received by 12 noon of the Wednesday prior to your reserved date</u> to insure inclusion in the weekly bulletin. *Prices Remain:* \$50 for both Altar Vases

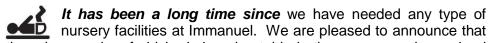
*30 for Center Arrangement

\$20 for Lessons & Prayers

CO-SPONSOR with a family member or friend to split the cost!

OPEN SPONSORSHIP CHOICES AVAILABLE:

- May 21-22 Lessons & Prayers (Holy Trinity)
- ➤ May 28-29 Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers
- ➤ June 11-12 Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement
- June 18-19Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers (Father's Day)



there is a newly refurbished changing table in the nursery and preschool Sunday school room. Immanuel's quilting ladies graciously sewed new sheets for the pad and there are at least 3 blankets also. A pack-and-play is available also, stored under the changing table. Feel free to use when you need these things. Also, a drop down changing area is located in the unisex bathroom across from the church office.

The property committee is looking for some gently used booster seats and high chairs for the social hall. If you have any of these items and would consider donating them to the church, please contact the church office.

May 2016 Lectionaries

Week of:	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
April 25 ~ May 1	Acts	Psalm	Revelation	John 14:23-29
Easter 6	16:9-15	67	21:10,22 ~ 22:5	John 5:1-9
May 2 ~ 8	Acts	Psalm 47	Ephesians	Luke
Ascension	1:1-11	Psalm 93	1:15-23	24:44-53
May 9 ~ 15	Acts 2:1-21	Psalm	Romans 8:14-17	John
Pentecost	Genesis 11:1-9	104:24-34, 35b	Acts 2:1-21	14:8-17, 25-27
May 16 ~ 22	Proverbs	Psalm	Romans	John
Holy Trinity	8:1-4, 22-31	8	5:1-5	16:12-15
May 23 ~ 29	1 Kings	Psalm	Galatians	Luke
	8:22-23, 41-43	96:1-9	1:1-12	7:1-10
May 30 ~ June 5	1 Kings	Psalm	Galatians	Luke
	17:17-24	30	1:11-24	7:11-17

Currently at Immanuel Lutheran Church there are two opportunities to

request you or your loved ones be included in prayer. Each week we publish, on the last page of the bulletin, the names of individuals that have requested prayer. Also, there is a group of ladies, who will include you or your loved one in their daily personal prayers.



In order to be sure that we are meeting the needs of our congregation, please call Immanuel's church office to request either one or both of the two opportunities. The office phone number is 410-374-4463.

Names remain on the church's printed list for four weeks. At the end of the four weeks, without information to the contrary, the name will be removed. If needed, you should call the office to have the name remain or to place the individual back on our prayer list.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Jeff Dell
(parkinsons)
Walter Ruby
June Brown
Ardice Holbrook
Ann Trent
Cary Myers
Gail Brown
Fred Davies
Stella Gary
Reid Ronayne
Brian Nicoll
(cancer)
Dorinda Smith
Ann Miller

Dolly Ruby

Jan Rhoten Robert Rhoten Joey Morris Anna Warehime Ginny Sellers Julianna Carver Dervilla Hynes Kelcie Gavin Lisa Wulforst Jenny Roiser Deborah Moose Gloria Armacost James B. Kenney Loretta Hanson George Colonna Marian Rognlien
Nancy Rohrback
Tomi Unkle
Pat Diseroad
Elissa Snedeker
Nicole Dickson + baby
Marcie Kremen
Carolyn Kittelberger
Laurie Cherewko
Ulli Woschitz
Alice Warehime
Margaret McCullough
Greg Losiewski
Esther Fox

Lazarus Church Members

Those serving in the military:
Brett Richardson Matthew Swain
Kvle Pasta Heather Sargent

*If you have a name to place on the Prayer List, please contact the Church Office. Names will remain on the list for four weeks, unless we are notified to extend the time. Thank you.

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