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, September 3, 2016 Sunday, September 4, 2016 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Assistants

	Sat Sept 3	
	Pentecost 16	
Head Usher	Jennifer Edwards	
Greeter	Janis Hagert	
Lector	Luther Myers	
Offering	Janis Hagert	
Ushers	Rodgers Hagert	
Communion	Jeanne Swain	
Supply Pastor	Jennifer Edwards	

	Sun Sept 4	
	Pentecost 16	
Head Usher	Jamie Rooney	
Altar Guild	Ellen Linsenbardt	
Altai Guilu	Audrey Shaffer	
Greeters	Linda Gregg	
	Bart Walder	
Lector	Christine Crouch	
	Barbara Guthrie	
Offering	Linda Schmidt	
Ushers	Ron Schmidt	
	Audrey Shaffer	
	Frank Burnette	
Communion	Susan Burnette	
Stewards	Carolyn Phillips	
	Carroll Phillips	
Applytos	Jordan Bosnick	
Acolytes	Austin Gregg	
Pray w/ Pastor	Christine Crouch	
Bell Ringer	Frank Burnette	

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 sign in on the Red Pad found at each center row pew. Small children are always welcome at worship. However, a nursery is provided in the education building for your convenience.

The Head Usher is here to assist you at any time during the service.

September through May, Sunday School classes are offered for children 2 years old through adult. We welcome you to join our program! Contact the church office or if classes are in session, simply stop by when you are here. Classes are at 10:15am, following the Sunday service. Registration Forms are in the back and on our website. *Please join us!!*

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

Cell Phone Reminder

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.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYER AND HEALING

Pastor will offer individual prayer at the communion rail, with anointing and laying of hands for healing for those who desire it, 20 minutes before each Sunday service.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so with the wicked;

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

SECOND READING

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Luke 14:25-33

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions." The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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Next Week's Readings: Sept 5~11

Exodus 32:7-14; Psalm 51:1-101; Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

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Lessons and Prayers are sponsored in memory of Ruth and Thomas Murray by their children, Brenda and Ronald, and their grandchildren, Tommy and Ginny ++++++++++

Donation in memory of Arlene Sterner received from Doris Dell

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On Friday, August 19th Immanuel hosted a Stephen Ministry recognition supper in our social hall for Stephen Ministers and their guests from four area congregations. Audrey Shaffer arranged for a wonderful buffet, and Westminster United Methodist Church provided the funds to underwrite the cost of the event. Immanuel did the decorations and provided the attendees with copies of the book "Facing Difficult Days with Hope".

Pastor's Matt & Norma Schenning were among the attendees. Pastor Norma was our Stephen Leader and trainer at Immanuel until 2012. Pastor Matt entertained the group with some beautiful song. Connie Dattilio represented Immanuel and our Stephen Ministry Team at the event.

> Today, we collect a special offering for Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, is the world's largest Christmas outreach of its kind. shoebox is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship—transforming the lives of

children and their families around the world through the Good News of Jesus Christ!

After receiving shoebox gifts, boys and girls are invited to enroll in a 12-lesson discipleship program (The Greatest Journey), where children learn what it means to faithfully follow Christ and share their faith with others.

Join us THIS SUNDAY for Coffee Hour in the Social Hall. Take time to come down and enjoy the fellowship.



The altar flowers are unsponsored for today, Sunday, Sept 4th. Please see Altar Guild after the service if you would like one vase <u>OR</u> both vases of flowers to give to a friend or for your personal enjoyment! The flowers will be bagged for easy transport. Thank you!



The Church Picnic will be held September 11th at Christmas Tree Park in Pavilion 3. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the Church.

If your last name begins with

A to M: please bring a dessert N to Z: please bring a side dish

Join us for Sunday School kick off at the Church Picnic! Our first Sunday School class will be on September 18. Classrooms are:

Preschool – Kindergarten

Group 2 (4th - 5th grade)

Group 1 (1st – 3rd grade)

Group 3 (6th - 12th grade)

We begin together with prayer, music and offering. Then groups go to classroom for lessons, activities, crafts, games and snacks. Lessons follow the lectionary and also include holiday lessons and ongoing learning such as the Lord's Prayer, the 10 Commandments and the Apostle's Creed.

Register now! Forms are available in the back and on our website.

Baby Sunday School (birth -2) will begin on September 11th along with the Sunday School Kickoff at the Church Picnic.

After the kickoff, Baby Sunday School will meet on the first Sunday of the month in the Oak Tree room following the worship service. We look forward to seeing you and your little one on September 11th. If you have any questions,

please contact Jamie Rooney (jamielr126@gmail.com) or

Christine Hoffman (cohoffman22@gmail.com)

Our newest musical singing group will have their first practice on Sun morning, September 11th at 8:15am in the Sunday School room.

They will sing at the 9am Sunday Service on September 25th during the

Young People's Message. There is still time for your child to join this lively singing group.

Contact Amanda Yingling at

mandymae1210@gmail.com or 717-880-5215.



++ CALENDAR ++

Sun Sept 4	Missions Special Offering	
_	Worship Service / Communion	9:00 am
	Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
Mon Sept 5	Office Closed – Labor Day	
	AA	8:00 pm
	Al-Anon	8:00 pm
Tues Sept 6	Scout Meeting	6:00 pm
Wed Sept 7	AA	7:15 pm
Thur Sept 8	Chime Choir Meeting	6:30 pm
•	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Fri Sept 9	Pastor Day Off	
	AA	8:00 pm
	Al-Anon	8:00 pm
Sat Sept 10	Social Hall Reserved	
	Worship Service / Communion	5:00 pm
	AA	6:30 pm
Sun Sept 11	Holy Cross Sunday	
	Childrens Choir Practice	8:15 am
	Worship Service / Communion	9:00 am
	Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
	Church Picnic – Christmas Tree Park SS and Baby SS Kick Off	12:00 pm

The FESTIVAL OF THE HOLY CROSS will be celebrated next Sunday, September 11th at the 9am service. This idea originated from the dedication of the Church of the Resurrection, built by Emperor Constantine, in 335 AD. This magnificent structure was believed to have been near the site where Jesus was crucified and buried. Today, this festival provides our church the opportunity to "Lift High the Cross" with a spirit of celebration for everyone! We encourage everyone attending next weekend to wear RED.

Installation of Sunday School teachers, helpers and other staff will take place at the Saturday and Sunday worship services, Sept. 10 - 11. Please join us as we ask God's blessing upon all who will be serving in our Sunday School this year, and as we commit ourselves to pray for and support them in their work.



For the month of September, we are collecting Spaghetti Sauce and Noodles for NESAP. Labeled baskets are in the hall for donations.



Our Annual Harvest Home Service will be held the weekend of September 24th and 25th. Please remember to participate in the 'Fill Our Baskets' for NESAP. Help fill our harvest baskets to the brim with your donations of canned and boxed food or monetary donations during the Harvest Home portion of the service. Remember to check each

canned or boxed items for <u>expiration dates</u>. Every year, Immanuel donates over 120 items to the NESAP Food Pantry! Please help make this another bountiful harvest year for those less fortunate in our community. Thank you!

SEPTEMBER BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAYS AT 10:30AM

Please join Pastor Charlie for our year-round Sunday morning Bible study in the Martin Luther Room based on the Bible readings for that Sunday's worship service. No previous knowledge of the Bible or of Lutheran doctrine are needed. (In fact, sometimes these can get in the way!) Whether you are new to the church or to the Christian faith or a lifelong member of Immanuel, this Bible study is for you!

CONFIRMATION CLASS IS BACK! Pastor Charlie will be teaching the confirmation class for students in grade 7 or above on Sunday evenings at 6:30pm beginning Sept. 18. This is a two year program which also includes participation in weekly worship, Sunday School and youth activities.

Older students who had begun confirmation instruction with a previous pastor may be able to complete the program sooner. You may enroll by contacting Pastor Charlie at the church office 410-374-4463, by calling or texting message at 443-854-2394, or by email to pastorc@ielcmd.org.

BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUPS FORMING

Pastor Charlie will be leading a small group Bible study and a second small group meeting for prayer, beginning this fall.

Beginning in October, the Bible study group will usually meet the first and third Tuesdays of the month in the church office, and the prayer group will usually meet the second and fourth Wednesdays at the pastor's home (840 Hughes Shop Rd, Westminster MD 21158). The schedule will be adjusted as needed to avoid scheduling conflicts.

October dates will be: Oct. 4 & Oct. 18 for Bible study and Oct. 5 & Oct. 12 for prayer group.

You may enroll by contacting Pastor Charlie at the church office or calling/texting cell phone at 443-854-2394. or bv email pastorc@ielcmd.org.



We are re-forming our Chime Choir this fall. A brief organizational meeting will be held this Thursday, September 8th at 6:30pm. If you are interested, please write your name on the sign up sheet on the back radiator. No experience is necessary. Any questions contact Audrey Moose, Director, at 410-429-4047.

Because of the very nature of a "Mutual Ministry", our achievements are almost always the result of a cooperative process in which a *concern or opportunity* is identified by our committee, the Pastor, a Congregant, or Council, and we then put in place a plan to address them.

To express any concerns, opportunities, or comments please contact Bob Nicoll at 410-871-0206 or email crobnic@msn.com.

SAVE THESE DATES!

Sept 8: Chime Choir Informational Mtg 6:30pm Adult Choir practice resumes 7-8pm

Sept 11: Holy Cross Sunday

Children's-Youth Choir practice at 8:15am

Church Picnic, Christmas Tree Park

Rally Day at Park for Sunday School and Baby Sunday School

Sept 24-25: Harvest Home Weekend at 5pm and 9am

'Fill Our Baskets' For NESAP

Children's Choir Performance at 9am Service

Oct 1-2: Special Missions Offering Weekend

Sunday Coffee Hour

Oct 8-9: Annual Hymn Sing Weekend at 5pm and 9am

Sunday Service – Luther Men special music

SEPTEMBER LECTIONARIES

Week of:	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
Aug 29~Sept 4	Deut. 30:15-20	Psalm 1	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:25-33
Sept 5~11	Exodus 32:7-14	Psalm 51:1-10	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
Sept 12~18	Amos 8:4-7	Psalm 113	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 16:1-13
Sept 19~25	Amos 6:1a, 4-7	Psalm 146	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-31
Sept 26~Oct 2	Habakkjuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4	Psalm 37:1-9	2 Timothy 1:1-14	Luke 17:5-10

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.

\$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:

Sept 10-11 Altar Vases
(Festival of the Holy Cross)

Sept 17-18 Center Arrangement

Oct 1-2 Altar Vases

Oct 8-9 Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers

We're having a card shower! Our oldest member, Hazel Leppo, will be 100 years old in September. Mail your card to address below. Or bring it to Church and Pastor Charlie will take it to her birthday party September 10.

Ms Hazel Leppo 610 Harmony Drive Apt 120 New Oxford PA 17350

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Bill and Delores Whitehead	September 13, 1957
Frank and Susan Burnette	September 14, 1974
Kevin and Cheryl Graf	September 16, 1989
Michael and Catherine Pearson	September 21, 2013
Brian and Stephanie Voight	September 21, 2013
Steve and Dawn Burris	September 29, 2001

Please consider becoming a part of the Music Ministry of Immanuel by joining the Sunday Morning Adult Choir. Even if you may not be able to commit to weekly choir practices at this time, you could lend your voice during one of our special Festival Services throughout the year, such as: Reformation Sunday, Oct 30th, Christmas Eve, Saturday, Dec 24th or next Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017, please talk to Jerry Hoffman, following any Sunday service. NO experience singing in a choir is necessary! The Adult Choir will resume their weekly practices, this Thursday, September 8th from 7-8 pm. Please give the Adult Choir a try!

Princess Pillowcase Project has a Full Workshop Day scheduled for Friday, September 9th from 9am to 3pm at the North Carroll Senior Center. We will work on all aspects of the project: sorting fabric and trims, cutting, making kits and binding, ironing, and of course sewing. It's a great opportunity to see the full scope of the project, share ideas and answer any questions you might have. Pizza, desserts, and drinks will be provided for lunch. A free will donation for lunch would be appreciated. Any monies collected will be used for supplies to be sent along with the dresses.

Carroll County Bureau of Aging presents 'Building a Better Life for Your Child' on Saturday Sept 17, 2016 from 8:30am – 12:30pm at the Westminster Senior Center (125 Stoner Ave Westminster, MD 21157) Topics include:

123 Magic: Practical tips for Unwanted Behaviors Resources: What are they and how to access them? Learning Disabilities: What are they, what to look for, and developmental milestones

For more information and to register, call 410-386-3833 No fee / Lite Breakfast **Pastor Charlie's "pastoral care list"** includes about 25 members and non-members with special needs whom he contacts monthly. If you or someone you know would like to be added, please let him or the church office know. Thank you for helping us ensure no one is forgotten!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Jeff Dell (parkinsons) *Walter Ruby *Ardice Holbrook Ann Trent Cary Myers Gail Brown Fred Davies Stella Gary Reid Ronayne Dorinda Smith Ann Miller *Dolly Ruby Jan Rhoten Robert Rhoten Joey Morris Anna Warehime

*Ginny Sellers Julianna Carver Dervilla Hvnes Kelcie Gavin Lisa Wulforst Jenni Roiser Deborah Moose Loretta Hanson Nancy Rohrback Tomi Unkle *Pat Diseroad Elissa Snedeker Carolyn Kittelberger Ulli Woschitz Alice Warehime Greg Losiewski John Leitner

Carter Murphy *Bonnie Ferrier Rav Ferrier *Randy Thompson *Carl Krauss *Romaine Harper *Debra Hartlaub *Paulyne Hartlaub Arnold Martin Margaret Graham Brian Haga **Brenda Murray** Eleanor Paul Darcie Robinson Richard Sterner Anna Krauss

Family of Arlene Sterner Family of James Regester

Those serving in the military:

Brett Richardson, Matthew Swain, Kyle Pasta, Heather Sargent, David Mace

^{*}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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Mission Statement

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