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, December 3, 2016 Sunday, December 4, 2016 Second Sunday of Advent

### A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

Immanuel welcomes you to our worship today. We hope that you will feel welcome. 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.

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

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.* 

	Sat Dec 3	
Head Usher	Jeanne Swain	
Greeter	Janis Hagert	
Lector	Linda Black	
Offering	Janis Hagert	
Ushers	Rodgers Hagert	
Communion	Linda Black	

### Worship Assistants

	Sun Dec 4		
Head Usher	Tony Mancuso		
Altar Guild	Frank Burnette Susan Burnette		
Greeters	Betty Miller Pam Newton		
Lector	Todd Robinson		
Offering Ushers	Norman Downes Debbie Hebrank Alice Warehime Dale Warehime		
Communion Stewards	Frank Burnette Susan Burnette Carolyn Phillips Carroll Phillips		
Acolytes Pray w/ Pastor	Jordan Bosnick Austin Gregg Bob Nicoll		
Bell Ringer	Ernest Weiss		

## \*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.

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### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

### DECEMBER SPECIAL MISSION OFFERING

New Life for Girls

### LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.

John the Baptist calls all people to prepare the Lord's way for the kingdom of heaven is near. Bless us as we light the candles on this wreath. Baptize us with the fire of your Spirit, that we may be a light shining in the darkness welcoming others as Christ has welcomed us, for he is our light and our salvation. Blessed be God forever. **Amen.** 

"Light One Candle"

<sup>2</sup> Light two candles to watch for Messiah: let the light banish darkness. He shall feed the flock like a shepherd, gently lead them homeward.

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## FIRST READING

<sup>1</sup>A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,

and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

<sup>2</sup>The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

<sup>3</sup>His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; <sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,

and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,

and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

<sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,

and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

<sup>6</sup>The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

**ADVENT 2** 

ELW<sup>#</sup>240 vs 2

Isaiah 11:1-10

<sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,

and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

<sup>9</sup>They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup>On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

### PSALM

### Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

<sup>1</sup>Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the king's son;

<sup>2</sup>that he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice;

<sup>3</sup>that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

- <sup>4</sup>Let him defend the needy among the people, rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.
- <sup>5</sup>May he live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another.
- <sup>6</sup>Let him come down like rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth.

<sup>7</sup>In his time may the righteous flourish;

and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

<sup>18</sup>Blessed are you, LORD God, the God of Israel; you alone do wondrous deeds!

<sup>19</sup>And blessed be your glorious name forever, and may all the earth be filled with your glory. Amen. Amen.

## SECOND READING

### Romans 15:4-13

<sup>4</sup>Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup>Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; <sup>10</sup>and again he says,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; <sup>11</sup>and again,

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; <sup>12</sup>and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope."

<sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL

#### Matthew 3:1-12

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup>"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." <sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" <sup>4</sup>Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup>"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." The gospel of the Lord.

### Praise to you, O Christ.

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#### Next Week's Readings: December 5~11 Advent 3

Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:5-10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11

	++ CALENDAR ++	
Sun Dec 4	Mission Special Offering	
	'All God's Children' Choir Practice	8:15am
	Worship Service / Communion	9:00am
	Sunday School	10:15am
	Baby Sunday School	10:15am
	Coffee Hour – New Members!	10:15am
	Luther Men Practice	10:15am
	Adult Bible Study	10:30am
	Confirmation Class	6:30pm
Mon Dec 5	AA and Al-Anon	8:00pm
Tues Dec 6	Scouts	7:00pm
Wed Dec 7	Scouts – Martin Luther Room	7:00pm
	AA	7:15pm
Thur Dec 8	Chime Practice	6:00pm
	Choir Practice	7:00pm
Fri Dec 9	Pastor Day Off	
	Social Hall Reserved	
	AA and Al-Anon	8:00pm
Sat Dec 10	Worship Service / Communion	5:00pm
	AA	6:30pm
Sun Dec 11	'All God's Children' Choir Practice	8:15am
	Luther Men Practice	8:30am
	Worship Service / Communion	9:00am
	Sunday School	10:15am
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#### ++ CALENDAR ++

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

**Welcome** to the **Season of Advent.** The color for Advent is <u>blue</u>, as displayed on the altar, lectern and pulpit parament cloths. The Advent wreath, with its four blue candles surrounding the center Christ candle, will be lit one candle in succession for each of the four weeks during Advent. Each weekend, the congregation will sing a verse of the traditional Advent hymn ~ "*Light One Candle*" (ELW #240). Join us at Immanuel for this wonderful time of the year, as we prepare to make the journey to Bethlehem and witness the birth of Jesus!

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



\*Brittany Trott\*\*

\*\*Danica Reiley\*\*

\*\*Logan Reiley\*\*

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Center altar flowers are sponsored in honor of Logan's Baptism by Aunt Jen, Uncle Jeremy, Ryan & Madelyn

*This Sunday our coffee hour* will be celebrating new members! Please come to the Social Hall after service and give them a special welcome into our church family.

A Special Offering will be collected this weekend for New Life for Girls. At New Life for Girls, they introduce women over age 18 (including their children) to a new way of living. They provide a comprehensive 24-hour residential program for those who are struggling with life controlling problems such as drug and alcohol addiction, eating disorders, and sexual abuse issues. In a safe and loving environment lives are changed and transformed. So, no matter what clients might be struggling with, New Life for Girls provides Christian caring, support and resources that will help them turn their life around.

**Adult devotionals are available** monthly through <u>Our Daily Bread</u>, but now there is an app available for the younger members of our church! 'Our Daily Bread Ministries' has launched an exciting new **Our Daily Bread for Kids** app for iPads and Android tablets to extend the Sunday School experience they receive following Sunday mornings. Each issue contains thirty devotions centered around a theme; two interactive activities such as puzzles, matching games and drawing pages; two songs with printed lyrics; plus special awards to encourage children to learn. It's designed so that you and your child can have fun - and will grow closer together as you learn more about Jesus. If interested, go to ourdailybreadforkids.org.

*Thrivent Action Team Project!* With the help of Thrivent, Sue Yingling is organizing a project to make gift bags for the clients that Immanuel will serve at 'Table of Grace' on January 31. We would like to include a variety of travel size items in each bag. Please consider donating by Jan 15<sup>th</sup>:

chapstick, hand sanitizer, deodorant, soap,

toothpaste, toothbrush, tissues, any personal hygiene items.

Place items in the labeled basket in the foyer. Thank you!

#### Thrivent Member Reminders... before year end!!:

- Choice Dollars can select Immanuel to receive donation
- Action Teams upcoming projects that can use the \$250 seed money
- Contact Church Office for help with either of these!

#### Sunday School is in session! Please join us!

Classrooms are: Preschool – Kindergarten Group 2 (4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade) Group 1 (1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) Group 3 (6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade) We begin together with prayer, music and offering. Then groups go to classroom for lessons, activities, crafts, games and snacks.

**Baby Sunday School** (birth -2) meets on the first Sunday of the month in the Oak Tree room following the worship service. If you have any questions, please contact Jamie Rooney (jamielr126@gmail.com) or Christine Hoffman (cohoffman22@gmail.com)

Join Pastor Charlie for our year-round Sunday morning Bible study at

10:30am 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.

*There is a new 'Keeping In Touch' ministry* coming to Immanuel Lutheran Church. This ministry will go beyond the walls of the church to reach out to those who are unable to attend worship, and strengthen connections with fellow members. We'll be looking to recruit "visitors" for this ministry.

The Administrative Team for this ministry consists of: Doris Dell, Jo Fleck, Matthew Rooney, and Jeanne Swain. Additional information will be provided in the coming weeks. We will be including family pictures in the new church directory. This will help us put a face to a name. If you have not got your picture taken, please submit your own digital family photo to jamielr126@gmail.com with your family name as the subject line by Dec 18<sup>th</sup>. We hope to begin assembling the directory after the new year. Thank you, Amanda Yingling and Jamie Rooney



*Mandy's Story, a book about the life of Mandy Kent* written by Hermine Saunders, has been published. A limited number of copies are available for sale, and orders will be taken for future copies when received by the printer. The book is not being sold for profit. The Kent family and Hermine Saunders are asking for a minimum \$15.00 donation to the Carroll Lutheran School Scholarship Fund. Christine Crouch will be handling the sales of *Mandy's Story* at Immanuel. The books will be sold after the weekend worship services during the first two weeks of December in the Oak Tree Room. You can also contact Chris at 410-746-0260 or crouchchristine@msn.com to purchase a book.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Rodgers and Janis Hagert Aaron and Lauren Lesser Greg and Donna Patterson Harry and Jean Arbaugh Ron and Gloria Bryant December 11, 1992 December 11, 2010 December 18, 2010 December 24, 1968 December 25, 1964

Donna Kreseski Brett Bohli Lindsey Bohli Sandy Fisher Ken Kiler Johnny Day Lily Haines Ricky Hoffman Todd Robinson

#### **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Alice Warehime Amanda Yingling Madelyn Edwards Ernie Martin Jane Taylor Patrick Rickell Zoe Gregg Colby Trent<sub>9</sub> Eugene Black Tommy Hagert Michael Yingling Lindsay Lopata Donald Diseroad Janet Patterson Debbie Miller Rachel Graf John Popp Kevin Day **Discover God's gift to the world** as you read 10 Christmas reflections in the devotional, '*Gift of Grace*' from <u>Our Daily Bread</u>. These daily readings are designed to help everyone in their spiritual journey. Each article has been selected to help you understand more about God's love for you and that gift of grace He gave because of that love. Get your copy of '*Gift of Grace*', TODAY! These devotionals, with the red cover, can be found at Informational display at the stairway entrance of the church.

| Week of:                         | First Reading   | Psalm             | Second Reading  | Gospel             |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Nov 28~Dec 4<br>Advent 2         | Isaiah 11:1-10  | Ps. 72:1-7, 18-19 | Romans 15:4-13  | Matthew 3:1-12     |
| December 5~11<br>Advent 3        | Isaiah 35:1-10  | Psalm 146:5-10    | James 5:7-10    | Matthew 11:2-11    |
| December 12~18<br>Advent 4       | Isaiah 7:10-16  | Ps. 80:1-7, 17-19 | Romans 1:1-7    | Matthew 1:18-25    |
| December 24<br>Christmas Eve     | Isaiah 9:2-7    | Psalm 96          | Titus 2: 11-14  | Luke 2:1-14[15-20] |
| December 19~25<br>Christmas Day  | Isaiah 62:6-12  | Psalm 97          | Titus 3:4-7     | Luke 2: [1-7] 8-20 |
| Dec 26~Jan 1<br>Lessons & Carols | Numbers 6:22-27 | Psalm 8           | Galatians 4:4-7 | Luke 2:15-21       |

#### **DECEMBER LECTIONARIES**

### SAVE THESE DATES!

#### Today: Advent 2

Special Missions Monthly Offering Weekend Luther Men practice following worship Poinsettia Orders Begin

### December 10~11: Advent 3

Luther Men practice at 8:30am- choir room Sunday Special Music provided by the Luther Men



'All God's Children' -Youth Choir sing Poinsettia Orders

December 17~18: Advent 4 Hanging of the Greens, Saturday at 10am Deadline Poinsettia Orders Sunday School Christmas Program at 9am December 21: The "Longest Night" Worship Service at 7pm (Joint service with Trinity UCC, held at Immanuel) Saturday, Dec 24: Poinsettia Delivery at 9am 3 pm Christmas Eve Service NO 5pm Saturday Evening Service 7pm Christmas Eve Family Service 9pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Sunday, Dec. 25: NO SERVICE Dec 31~Jan 1: Lesson & Carols Services at 5pm and 9am January 7~8: Epiphany Services January 14~15: Baptism of Our Lord Services



**POINSETTIA SALES** begin **TODAY** and continues through December 17/18. Each poinsettia will <u>cost <sup>\$</sup>10</u>. Please use the order form found in your November-December <u>Visitor</u> or use a form that can be found on the <u>'POINSETTIA'</u> bulletin board, outside the sanctuary. Enclose your completed order(s) with payment in the supplied envelopes and leave in the

**'Poinsettia' Basket** on the office lamp table by the <u>deadline of Sunday</u>, <u>December 18</u><sup>th</sup>. All orders received by this deadline will be printed in the special insert of the Christmas Eve bulletin and will help decorate our beautiful sanctuary. Thank you.

**Each weekend, fresh seasonal flowers** enhance our worship experience, adding color and beauty to the altar. 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.

#### REMINDER:

The **2017 Sponsorship Calendar** is NOW POSTED.

Co-Sponsor with a family member or friend to split the cost!
\*\*\* <u>New 2017 Sponsorship Option</u> \*\*\* The altar vases are budgeted for all weekend services each year. If the <sup>\$</sup>50 for both altar vases is too costly,

one vase may be sponsored for <sup>\$</sup>25, beginning in January. Both vases will still appear on the altar each week. Please indicate your sponsorship choice of one or both altar vases when signing up on the 2017 calendar. Contact Altar Guild with any questions.

Prices through December 2016:

\$50 for both Altar Vases \$30 for Center Arrangement \$20 for Lessons & Prayers <u>REMAINING 2016 SPONSORSHIP CHOICES</u>:

- > **Dec 10-11** Center Arrangement
- > **Dec 17-18** Center Arrangement
- Dec 31-Jan 1 Center Arrangement ~Lessons & Prayers Lessons & Carols

### LUTHER MEN ...

The **Luther Men Choir** will be providing the special music during next week's service on **Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** at the 9am service. Rehearsals will be held:

**TODAY, Sunday, December 4**<sup>th</sup> <u>following worship</u> in the choir room <u>Final Practice</u>: **Next Sunday, December 11**<sup>th</sup> at <u>8:30am</u> in the choir room

*Church Council will meet December 13 at 7pm* at the home of Pete and Brenda Wulforst, 3090 Laverne Court in Hampstead, MD. There will be a brief business meeting followed by a buffet. All council members are invited to attend. Newly elected members, Susan Burnette, Jeanne Swain and Todd Robinson are invited to join the council for this meeting.



On **Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>,** beginning **at 10am**, Music & Worship and volunteers will decorate both sanctuaries for the **HANGING OF THE GREENS.** The gathering areas of the church and Christmas tree will be decorated for our Christmas Eve services. Thank you to Wayne and Jean Thomas, of Thomas Tree Farm, for donating our tree. Join us on **December 17<sup>th</sup>** to help decorate for Christmas.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES @ IMMANUEL

Immanuel will offer a **new Christmas Eve** Service this year! For those who wish to not travel after dark, or whose families have many other obligations in the evening, a **3pm Afternoon Christmas Eve Service will be offered**. This service will be informal, but will still offer the wonderful 'awe' of celebrating the birth of the baby, Jesus. Please plan on attending one of our three Christmas Eve Services this year at Immanuel! Immanuel's **2016 Christmas Eve Services: 3pm Afternoon Service 7pm Family Service** 

### Christmas Eve Services Saturday, December 24, 2016 Worship Assistants

|   | 3pm<br>Afternoon Service                        | 7pm<br>Family Service   | 9pm<br>Candlelight Service                                  |
|---|---|---|---|
| Head Usher  | Brenda Wulforst                                 | Tony Mancuso  | Debbie Hebrank  |
| Altar Guild   |   | Laurie & Steve Miller   | Susan Burnette  |
| Greeters  | Greeters Linda Gregg<br>Rhonda Kiler            |   | Jeanne Swain<br>Brian Yingling                              |
| Lector  | Andy Kiler                                      | Barbara Guthrie   | Lindsay Lopata  |
| Offering<br>Ushers<br>Ushers<br>Linda Black<br>John Gregg<br>Jamie Rooney<br>Ernest Weiss |   | Angie Eckhardt<br>Garth Eckhardt<br>Brian Yingling<br>Norman Downes | Frank Burnette<br>Debbie Mace<br>Steve Mace<br>Jeanne Swain |
| Communion<br>Stewards<br>(Intinction)   | Christine Crouch<br>Matt Rooney<br>Rhonda Kiler | Denise Rickell<br>Amanda Yingling<br>Debbie Hebrank                 | Susan Burnette<br>Barb Yingling<br>Gene Yingling            |
| Acolytes ~<br>TorchBearers  | Austin Gregg<br>Willis Kiler                    | Ashton Eckhardt<br>Tanner Eckhardt                                  | TBD<br>TBD  |
| Crucifer  | Pete Wulforst                                   | Bart Walder   | Joe Fleck   |
| Pray w/ Pastor  | Christine Crouch                                | Debbie Hebrank  | Denise Rickell  |
| Bell Ringer   | Ernest Weiss                                    | Bart Walder   | Frank Burnette  |

**Because of the 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 use the Congregational Input Form and place in the locked box in the back of the Sanctuary.

#### MUSIC MINISTRY @ IMMANUEL

### Please consider becoming a part of the Music Ministry of Immanuel!

We currently support <u>four</u> various groups:

~The Sunday Adult Choir

~The Chime Choir

~The Luther Men

~ The Children's Choir – "All God's Children"

Even if you are not able to commit to regular practices at this time, but could participate occasionally during the year, please chat with either



~Jerry Hoffman, Organist/Choir Director, Audrey Moose, Chime Director or Amanda Yingling, Children's Choir Coordinator.

## NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED,

just a willingness to help and 'make a joyful noise'!

- Sunday Adult Choir hold weekly practices on Thursdays from 7-8pm
- Chime Choir hold weekly practice on Thursdays beginning at 6pm
- The Luther Men, sing quarterly, and sing again on Sun, December 11<sup>th</sup>
- 'All God's Children' -Youth Choir sing on Sunday Dec.11<sup>th</sup>

More information on our *Music Ministry Bulletin Board* in the office hallway.

**TAX TIP FOR 2015 & 2016 INCOME** Consider a donation to Immanuel Church! For parishioners that must take required distributions and those 59½ years of age and older, distributions are tax free. Distributions must be paid directly from the trustee to Immanuel Lutheran Church (a qualified charitable organization). Contact the Church Office for more information.

### Immanuel Church Cancellation Policy

We hold that every member of the congregation is a gift and blessing from God. Keeping this in mind, it is our responsibility to care for the safety of each member of the congregation. We are aware that weather conditions and circumstances may establish the need to cancel worship services and activities at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church. Every attempt will be made to decide to cancel services/activities <u>two hours prior</u> through the following official sites:

✓ WBAL Ch 11 Television closure site (immanuellutheranccmd.org)

 ✓ Church Phone Message (410-374-4463)

- ✓ Immanuel Facebook page
- ✓ Web Site

Whenever possible, cancelled services will be rescheduled in consultation with the Pastor and will be announced via Facebook, Website and Church Phone Message.

### 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 Dervilla Hynes Kelcie Gavin Lisa Wulforst Jenni Roiser Deborah Moose Loretta Hanson Nancy Rohrback Tomi Unkle \*Pat Diseroad Elissa Snedeker Carolyn Kittelberger Ulli Woschitz Kelly McNeal Greg Losiewski John Leitner Carter Murphy \*Carl Krauss \*Romaine Harper \*Debra Hartlaub \*Paulyne Hartlaub Arnold Martin Margaret Graham Brian Haga Eleanor Paul Darcie Robinson Richard Sterner Anna Krauss Jamie Walker John Andrews Al Phillips Brenda Kiler Perry Ethel Hunt Woody Swam Phyllis Zumbrun Nicolas Campbell

\*Pastoral Care list

#### 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.



# Immanuel Church invites you to join us!

Worship Service Times: Saturday at 5pm (Informal) Sunday at 9am (Traditional) Sunday School at 10:15am

## 2016 Christmas Eve Services

Saturday, December 24 3pm Afternoon Service 7pm Family Service 9pm Candlelight Service

> NOTE: No 5pm Service on Saturday evening, Dec 24 No 9am Service on Sunday morning, Dec 25

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