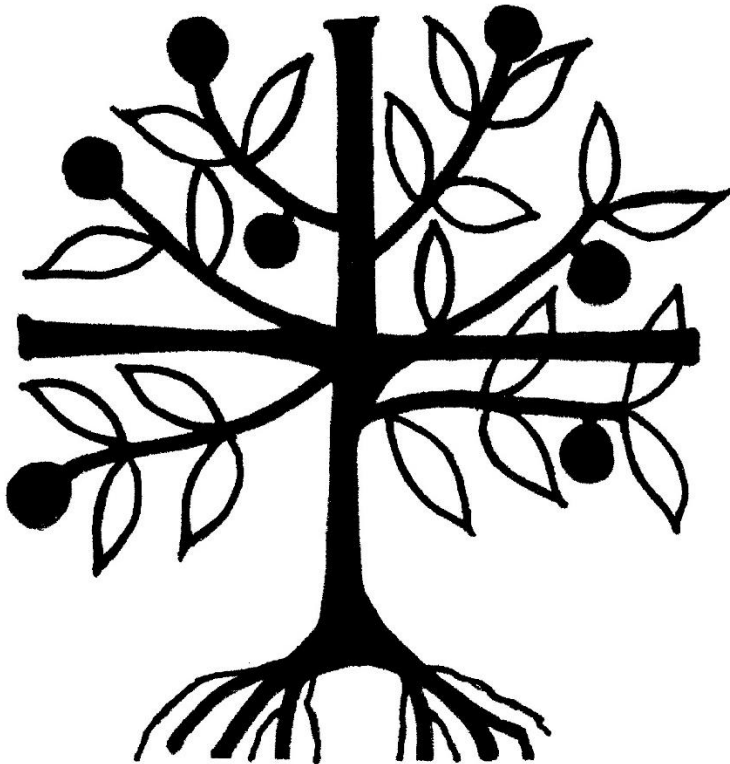


The family of Immanuel Lutheran Church welcomes you.
We hope that you will Worship with us often.



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, March 4, 2017
Sunday, March 5, 2017
First Sunday in Lent

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!!***

Worship Assistants

	Sat March 4
Head Usher	Linda Black
Greeter	Janis Hagert
Lector	Judy Bixler
Offering Ushers	Janis Hagert Rodgers Hagert
Communion	Judy Bixler

	Sun March 5
Head Usher	Todd Robinson
Altar Guild	Rhonda Kiler Betty Miller
Greeters	Tony Mancuso Pam Newton
Lector	Christine Crouch
Offering Ushers	Andy Kiler Brian Kremen Linda Schmidt Ron Schmidt
Communion Stewards	Frank Burnette Susan Burnette Denise Rickell Audrey Shaffer
Acolytes	Jordan Bosnick Willis Kiler
Pray w/ Pastor	Denise Rickell
Bell Ringer	Frank Burnette

Cell Phone / Electronics Announcement

Kindly, turn off or silence
ALL devices during our services.
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 Charlie 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

MONTHLY MISSION

Special Offering for ELCA Missionary

FIRST READING

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” ²The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 32

¹Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

²**Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁶Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**⁸"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.**

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

**¹⁰Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

SECOND READING

Romans 5:12-19

¹²Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many.

¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

⁷Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” ¹⁰Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’”

¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him. The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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Next Week's Readings: March 6~12 Lent 2

Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5,13-17; John 3:1-17

++ CALENDAR ++

Sun Mar 5	Special Mission Offering Worship Service w Communion Sunday School Baby Sunday School Coffee Hour Adult Bible Study Confirmation Class	9:00am 10:15am 10:15am 10:15am 10:30am 6:30pm
Mon Mar 6	Finance Meeting AA Al-Anon	7:00pm 8:00pm 8:00pm
Tues Mar 7	Centering Prayer in Oak Tree Room Cub and Boy Scout Meeting	11:00am 7:00pm
Wed Mar 8	Lenten Soup/Study at Immanuel Lenten Soup/Study at Immanuel AA	12:00pm 6:00pm 7:15pm
Thur Mar 9	Choir Practice	7:00pm
Fri Mar 10	Pastor Day Off Office Closed AA and Al-Anon	 8:00pm
Sat Mar 11	Social Hall Reserved Worship Service w Communion AA	 5:00pm 6:30pm
Sun Mar 12	Worship Service w Communion Sunday School Adult Bible Study SS Bowling Party Confirmation Class	9:00am 10:15am 10:30am 6:30pm

WELCOME to the season of Lent at Immanuel. Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage.

In the early church, Lent was a time of '*intense preparation*' for those wishing to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we will receive the 'bread of life' to nourish us for the days ahead.

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Altar vases are sponsored in honor of:
my grandson, William Black III for his 31st birthday on March 4,
my great-grandson, Jaiden Knouse’s 12th birthday on March 1,
and a great granddaughter –
expected to make her entrance into this world on Friday!!
by Grandmother, Linda Black

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This weekend:

- Coffee Hour in Social Hall after service on Sunday, March 5.
- Special Offering collected for monthly mission. Our mission for March is the South Sudan Missionary being supported by Immanuel through the ELCA Global Outreach.

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.

MARCH 2017 LECTIONARY SERIES CONTINUES...

Week of:	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
March 1 Ash Wednesday	Joel 2:1-2,12-17	Psalm 51:1-17	2 Corinthians 5:20b~6:10	Matthew 6:1-6,16-21
Feb 27~March 5 Lent 1	Genesis 2:15-17 Genesis 3:1-7	Psalm 32	Romans 5:12-19	Matthew 4:1-11
March 6~12 Lent 2	Genesis 12:1-4a	Psalm 121	Romans 4:1-5,13-17	John 3:1-17
March 13~19 Lent 3	Exodus 17:1-7	Psalm 95	Romans 5:1-11	John 4:5-42
March 20~26 Lent 4	1 Samuel 16:1-13	Psalm 23	Ephesians 5:8-14	John 9:1-41
March 27~April 2	Ezekiel 37:1-14	Psalm 130	Romans 8:6-11	John 11:1-45

Pastor Charlie’s Bible Challenge *Jesus said... “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”* (John 8:31b-32) Our focus during Lent will be Martin Luther’s Small Catechism, following the devotional book *Free Indeed!*. Daily readings will be from the book, and I will continue the Facebook group to share my comments and stimulate online conversation. ~Pastor

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Walter & Charlotte Hann March 5, 1966

John & Mary Popp March 5

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Meghan Lee

Greg Miller

Iva Martin

Ketti McCarty

Janis Hagert

Heather Hoffman

John Taylor

Doris Dell

Rodgers Hagert

Audrey Shaffer

Pat Hentz

Jennifer Holbrook

Jared Patterson

Dolly Ruby

Matthew Rooney

Dave Robinson

Daphne Lee

Laura Kiler

Logan Reiley

Bryan Lopata

Susan Adami

Brittany Trott

Henry Adami

Dana Martin

Jennifer Biden

Brooks Hoffman

SAVE THESE DATES!

TODAY: **Lent 1**

Wed, March 8: **Lenten Wednesdays @ Immanuel**

Soup/Study at 12noon and 6pm

March 11~12: **Lent 2**

Spring forward–Daylight Savings Time begins 2am Sunday

Wed, March 15: **Lenten Wednesday @ Trinity UCC**

Soup/Study 12noon and 6pm

March 18~19: **Lent 3**

Wed, March 22: **Lenten Wednesday @ Immanuel**

Soup/Study 12noon and 6pm

March 25~26: **Lent 4**

Easter Lily Orders begin

Mark your Calendars for these upcoming meetings and events from the Carroll County Health Department: Opioid Prevention Coalition Meetings 9:00am on: **March 8, 2017** May 10, 2017 July 12, 2017

"Chasing It" documentary and opioid awareness program on **March 13**, from 6 to 8pm at Carroll Arts Center. *Free and Open to the Public.

Carroll County Health Department 410-876-4802 (Flyer on bulletin board)

Princess Pillowcase Project makes dresses out of pillowcases, sheets and fabric for local missionary groups to deliver. We meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at the *North Carroll Senior Center* from 9am to 2:30pm. We iron, sew, cut, organize, make kits and bind and packso there is always a job for everyone!! Join us on **March 8** and March 22.

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Sat, March 25 from 5pm–7pm in Immanuel's Social Hall to support Boy Scout troop 320 going to Sea Base, (a High Adventure camp) this summer. Can't make it? Donations are welcome!

\$8 per adult, \$5 for children under 10

Dinner includes: spaghetti with (or without) meatballs, salad, bread & dessert.

Tickets must be pre-ordered. Not available at the door.

Contact Maureen at mmladerer@aol.com

2017 ALTAR FLOWERS ~ LESSONS & PRAYERS SPONSORSHIP

New Sponsorship Option: The altar vases are budgeted for every weekend. However, should you not wish to sponsor both vases, **you may now sponsor only one vase for \$25.** (Both vases will still be on the altar)

Co-Sponsor with a family member or a friend to split the cost. Sponsorship forms and envelopes are found on the FLOWER SPONSORSHIP bulletin board in the office hallway. Your written information, with your payment, must be received by 12 noon of the Wednesday prior to your reserved sponsorship date. Contact Altar Guild with questions.

Prices: \$50 for **both** Altar Vases **vs** \$25 for **one vase ONLY**

\$30 for Center Arrangement

\$20 for Lessons & Prayers

Sponsorship Dates OPEN:

- **March 18-19** Altar Vase(s) ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers
- **March 25-26** Altar Vase(s) ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers
- **April 1-2** Altar Vase(s) ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers
- **April 8-9** Altar Vase(s) ~ Center Arrangement (Palm Sunday)

LENTEN SOUP, STUDY, AND WORSHIP

Immanuel Church (IELC) and Trinity United Church of Christ (TUCC) will share a meal, study, and worship together on Wednesdays during Lent.

We offer two times for the Wednesdays during Lent. Each of the gatherings are an hour, starting at noon and at 6pm.

The schedule is as follows:

It is not necessary to attend all the mid-week gathering, but we hope you attend most of them.

Wednesday Date	Location	Day Time	Evening Time
March 8	IELC	12pm	6pm
March 15	TUCC	12pm	6pm
March 22	IELC	12pm	6pm
March 29	TUCC	12pm	6pm
April 5	IELC	12pm	6pm



We need your help –

If you are interested in donating soup for our Lenten Suppers, then please contact the Church Office or Rhonda Kiler.

The Lutheran Church Men of the Westminster Conference will hold their Spring Dinner Meeting on Monday, April 24 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 833 Deer Park Rd, Westminster, MD 21157. The ladies of the church will be serving a family-style dinner at 6:30pm of Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Vegetables, Rolls & Butter with Ice Cream and cookies for dessert. A free-will offering will be received for the meal with at least \$12 expected. Following dinner a short devotion and hymn sing will take place. RSVP by Sunday, April 9th (Palm Sunday). Please contact Ed Leister by email at eleister@qis.net or cell phone 410-259-5922 with your reservations or any questions.

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

No experience is needed! We currently support four groups:



~The Sunday Adult Choir

~The Chime Choir

~The Luther Men

~The Children's Choir

Even if you are not able to commit to regular practices, but could participate occasionally during the year, please contact:

Jerry Hoffman (*Organist/Choir Director*)

Audrey Moose (*Chime Director*)

Wayne Thomas (*Luther Men*)

Amanda Yingling (*Children's Choir*)

- **Sunday Adult Choir** holds weekly practices on Thursdays from 7-8pm
 - **Chime Choir** holds weekly practice on Thursdays beginning at 6pm
 - **The Luther Men** sing four times a year-singing on Palm Sunday, Apr 9.
 - **The Children's Choir** sing quarterly-singing on Mother's Day, May 14.
- More information on our [Music Ministry Bulletin Board](#) in the office hallway.

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 Church. Every attempt will be made to decide to cancel services/activities two hours prior through the following official sites:

WBAL Ch 11 Television closure site, Immanuel Facebook page,
Immanuel Web Site, and the Church Phone Message.

Whenever possible, cancelled services will be rescheduled 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

*Pat Diseroad
Elissa Snedeker
Carolyn Kittelberger
Ulli Woschitz
Kelly McNeal
Greg Losiewski
John Leitner
Carter Murphy
*Carl Krauss
*Romaine Harper
*Debra Hartlaub
*Paulyne Hartlaub
Tommy Leonard
Darcie Robinson
Richard Sterner
Anna Krauss
Jamie Walker
Al Phillips
Brenda Kiler Perry
Ethel Hunt
Phyllis Zumbrun
Nicolas Campbell
Cheryl Myers
Leann Eltz
Linda Calhoun

Terry Sutton
Jennifer Bortner
Gary Eppley
Audrey Moose
George Colonna
Larry Hentz
Barbara Johnson
Danny Myers
Donnie Gonzalez
Joe Hunter
Dick Hebrank
Fred Ayers
Connie Dattilio
Bart Walder
Esther Miller
Bob Shaffer
Mark Strawbridge
Ryan Whitehead
Joan Shifrin
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Those serving in the military:

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