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, June 24, 2017 Sunday, June 25, 2017 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

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 June 24
Head Usher	Brenda Wulforst
Greeter	Barb Davidson
Lector	Judy Bixler
Offering	Barb Davidson
Ushers	Ron Davidson
Communion	Judy Bixler

Sun June 25				
Jamie Rooney				
Susan Burnette				
Wendy Maloney				
Frank Burnette				
Steve Burris				
Bob Nicoll				
Brian Kremen				
Barb Skelley				
Bill Skelley				
Barb Yingling				
Susan Burnette				
Norman Downes				
Carolyn Phillips				
Carroll Phillips				
Ashton Eckhardt				
Tanner Eckhardt				
Bob Nicoll				
Ernest Weiss				

*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.

<u>INDIVIDUAL PRAYER AND HEALING</u>
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.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed;

you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed.

I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me.

⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out,

I must shout, "Violence and destruction!"

For the word of the LORD has become for me

a reproach and derision all day long.

⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,"

then within me there is something like a burning fire

shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around!

Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"

All my close friends are watching for me to stumble.

"Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him."

¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior;

therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail.

They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten.

¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD!

For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18

⁷Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach, and shame has covered my face.

⁸I have become a stranger to my own kindred, an alien to my mother's children.

⁹Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

¹⁰I humbled myself with fasting, but that was turned to my reproach.

[11 I put on sackcloth also, and became a by-word among them.

¹²Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, and the drunkards make songs about me.

¹³But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set,

O LORD: "In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help.

14Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.

¹⁵Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up; do not let the pit shut its mouth upon me.]

¹⁶Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind;

in your great compassion, turn to me.

¹⁷Hide not your face from your servant;

be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

¹⁸Draw near to me and redeem me; because of my enemies deliver me.

SECOND READING

Romans 6:1b-11

^{1b}Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Matthew 10:24-39

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother,

and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;

³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me.

³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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Sun June 25	Worship Service w Communion	9:00am
	Luther Men Practice – Choir Room	10:15am
	Adult Bible Study	10:30am
Mon June 26	Kids Feeding Kids	12 – 2pm
	VBS Bible Study – Oak Tree Room	2-3:30pm
	Al-Anon & AA	8:00pm
Tues June 27	Kids Feeding Kids	12 – 2pm
Wed June 28	Kids Feeding Kids	12 - 2
	VBS Bible Study – Oak Tree Room	7-8:30pm
	AA	7:15pm
Thur June 29	Kids Feeding Kids	12 – 2pm
	Immanuel Softball	8:30pm
Fri June 30	Pastor Day Off	
	Kids Feeding Kids	12 – 2pm
	AA	8:00pm
	Al-Anon	8:00pm
Sat July 1	Special Mission Offering	
	Worship Service w Communion	5:00pm
	AA	6:30pm
Sun July 2	Special Mission Offering	
	Luther Men Practice – Choir Room	8:30am
	Worship Service w Communion	9:00am
	Adult Bible Study	10:30am
	Coffee Hour	10:30am

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THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM 5pm Service – June 24, 2017

Braxton Thomas Martin

Son of Justin and Katie (Taylor) Martin Sponsored by Tom Taylor and Melody Martin We wish God's blessings on Braxton and his family

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Altar flowers are sponsored in honor of Braxton's Baptism from his grandparents. Tom & Jane Taylor

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Lessons and Prayers are sponsored in memory of my brother, Darren by Chris Miller

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Center altar flowers are sponsored in honor of the 2nd birthday of our twin granddaughters, Charlotte and Lilly Lopata, today, June 25th We love you! ~Nana & Papa Burnette

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Luther Men Practice following morning worship today in the choir room. They will provide the special music next Sunday, July 2nd for Red, White and Blue Sunday.

In order to carry out its purpose more fully, the Mutual Ministry Committee is conducting a survey of the congregation to get a sense of the state of the congregation, and to surface "important issues, joys and concerns" regarding the pastor and our congregation for discussion and follow-up. Thank you to all who have completed the survey!

It is urgently important that as many as possible of our members and worshipers age 15 and older complete this survey. Therefore, we have extended the deadline to Sunday, July 9 to enable us to reach more people. Forms are available in the back of the sanctuary or from the church office; take one for each eligible person in your household and return completed forms by July 9. Or you may complete the survey online by July 12 at: http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/immanuellutheranccmd

We will schedule a special presentation to share the final results and talk about the implications. The presentation will be held on a Saturday before the 5pm service and at a luncheon following the Sunday service.

**Remember to sign the attendance sheet! Red folders are at the end of every pew. Please write neatly and include first and last names of everyone!*

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

We currently support four various groups:

- ~ The Sunday Adult Choir ~ The Chime Choir
- ~ The Children's Choir 'All God's Children' ~ The Luther Men

Even if you are not able to commit to regular practices,

but could participate occasionally during the year, please contact:

Jerry Hoffman (Organist/Choir)

Wayne Thomas (Luther Men)

Audrey Moose (Chimes)

Amanda Yingling (Children's Choir)

NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED .. just help 'make a joyful noise'!

- ~Sunday Adult Choir practices weekly on Thursdays from 7-8pm
- ~Chime Choir practices on Thursdays at 6pm, auditorium
- ~Luther Men practice following worship Sunday June 25, in choir room Sing: Red, White & Blue Sunday on July 2 (practice at 8:30am)
- ~Children's Choir sing quarterly

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

SAVE THESE DATES!

Today, Sunday, June 25: Luther Men practice after worship, choir room Next Weekend, July 1-2: Special Missions Offering~Boys&Girls Club

'Red. White and Blue Celebration' at 9am svs

wear your patriotic colors

Luther Men provide special music,

final practice at 8:30am choir room

Sunday Coffee Hour

July 9-13: Immanuel's Vacation Bible School:

'Maker Fun Factory' - Sunday kick-off 4:30pm

Monday thru Thursday - dinner 5:30pm - activities 6-8pm

August 19-20: Blessing of the Backpacks at 5pm and 9am services

Next Weekend:

Missions Special Offering collected for the Boys & Girls Club of Westminster. Their mission is "To inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens."

Coffee Hour in Social Hall after Sunday Worship Service.

Join us next Sunday, July 2nd for our Fourth of July Red, White and Blue Celebration. The Luther Men will provide the special music. Everyone attending church is encouraged to wear their favorite patriotic colors. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, AMERICA!!

Pastor Charlie's Bible Challenge for June: The Book of Acts

June 22 Acts 19:1-10 June 25 Acts 20:1-12 June 28 Acts 21:1-14 June 23 Acts 19:11-22 June 26 Acts 20:13-24 June 29 Acts 21:15-26 June 24 Acts 19:23-41 June 27 Acts 20:25-38 June 30 Acts 21:27-40

For July: Paul The Prisoner

This month we conclude our reading of The Acts of the Apostles and finish with Paul's letter to the Philippians. Acts 22-28 depict Paul's last years, spent as a prisoner in Jerusalem and Caesarea, then taken as a prisoner to Rome. Philippians is a letter Paul wrote during his imprisonment to thank and encourage his faithful friends in Philippi. 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 group, or if you are not on Facebook and would like to receive copies via email of the comments he posts there each day.

 July 1
 Acts 22:1-11
 July 3
 Acts 22:22-30
 July 5
 Acts 23:12-22

 July 2
 Acts 22:12-21
 July 4
 Acts 23:1-11
 July 6
 Acts 23:23-35

July 2017 LECTIONARIES

For your Home Bible Study ~ Join everyone as we read through July.

Week of:	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
June 26~July 2	Jeremiah 28:5-9	Psalm 89:1-4,15-18	Romans 6:12-23	Matthew 10:40-42
July 3~9	Zachariah 9:9-12	Psalm 145:8-14	Romans 7:15-25a	Matthew 11:16-19,25-30
July 10~16	Isaiah 55:10-13	Psalm 65:[1-8],9-13	Romans 8:1-11	Matthew 13:1-9,18-23
July 17~23	Isaiah 44:6-8	Psalm 86:11-17	Romans 8:12-25	Matthew 13:24-30,36-43
July 24~30	1 Kings 3:5-12	Psalm 119:129-136	Romans 8:26-39	Matthew 13:31-33,44-52
July 31~Aug 6	Isaiah 55:1-5	Psalm 145:8-9,14-21	Romans 9:1-5	Matthew 14:13-21

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS~Summer Vacations Many of you are regular worship assistants at our weekend services during the summer. Schedules are published in the newsletter and the bulletin. During the **months of June, July and August** ~ if you know that you and your family will be away from church for a particular weekend, please contact Susan Burnette as soon as possible so adequate adjustments may be made in your absence.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Brooks & Christina Hoffman June 2, 2013 Paul & Connie Dattilio June 6

Ken & Rhonda Kiler June 25



Vacation Bible School

Adult VBS Bible Study: *Update*

We are doing something different to prepare for our Vacation Bible School. Pastor Charlie is leading a study of this years Bible stories and themes for teachers, staff, parents and others who are interested.

* To accommodate various schedule conflicts, below is the schedule for the remaining sessions of the adult VBS Bible study. The final two sessions will be combined into one, so no sessions will be held during 4th of July week.

VBS Days 4 & 5 study: Monday, June 26 at 2-3:30 pm and Wednesday, June 28 at 7-8:30 pm

Each session works as a stand-alone, so come to as many as you can.

Kids VBS Week: July 9 – 13

Our theme this year is "Maker Fun Factory", which has some great hands on activities to help us realize we were "Created by God, Built for a Purpose"!

The first day, Sunday, July 9 will start at 4:30pm for the kickoff! Dinner is served at 5:30pm for the remainder of the week. VBS activities from 6 to 8pm each night. A presentation on Thursday evening will celebrate our week and share what we learned – invite your family and friends!

If you would like to volunteer or sign up for donation items, please see the sheets in the rear of the sanctuary or see Jen Edwards for more information. Get the Registration Form from the newsletter mailing, our website, or the back of the church.

*New: Sign up for the Mommy and Me VBS crew. We will follow a schedule that ends at 7pm – so the little ones can go home and get ready for bed. For more information contact Jamie Rooney, jamielr126@gmail.com.

A yard sale is being planned in September, partnering with Trinity UCC! We are accepting donations now, storing in the (labeled) back room of church downstairs. If you have items, please contact Rhonda Kiler 443-340-2357 or Brenda Wulforst 443-507-6753.

2017 ALTAR FLOWERS ~ LESSONS & PRAYERS SPONSORSHIPS

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

Co-Sponsor with a family member or a friend to split the cost. Forms and envelopes are on the <u>FLOWER SPONSORSHIP</u> bulletin board by the office. Your written information, with your payment, <u>must be received by 12 noon of the Wednesday prior to your reserved sponsorship date.</u>

Contact Altar Guild with questions.

\$50 for both Altar Vases or

\$25 for one vase ONLY

\$30 for Center Arrangement

\$20 for Lessons & Prayers

Sponsorship Dates OPEN:

July 8-9 Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers

July 15-16 Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement

July 22-23 Altar Vases ~ Lessons & Prayers

July 29-30 Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers

The Maryland Faith Health Network is a group of volunteers from your congregation that works with you and LifeBridge Health System to help you stay healthy after you leave the hospital. It is FREE and confidential.

- 1. Sign up using the registration form in the church office or in the back of the sanctuary. You receive a Network card to keep in your wallet.
- 2.If you ever stay overnight in a LifeBridge Health hospital, tell them you are a part of the Maryland Faith Health Network or show them your card.
- 3. Volunteers from your congregation will check on you. When you go home, they will stay in touch and help you and your family with things that are important for keeping you out of the hospital.

Sign up now! ~Judy Bixler, Immanuel Faith Health Network Liaison

Please remember in your prayers:

Jeff Dell *Carl Krauss Ann Harden (parkinsons) *Romaine Harper John Marshall *Walter Ruby *Paulyne Hartlaub Donna Frase *Ardice Holbrook Tommy Leonard Doug Brown Ann Trent Darcie Robinson Maggie Schuster Cary Myers Richard Sterner Ken Gundling Gail Brown Anna Krauss Rich N. Lippy Fred Davies Sue Muller Al Phillips Stella Garv **Brenda Kiler Perry** Thelma Blizzard Reid Ronayne Ethel Hunt Cassandra Fleckenstein Dorinda Smith Phyllis Zumbrun Chap Craft Ann Miller Nicolas Campbell Elaine Cullison *Dolly Ruby Cheryl Myers Todd Robinson Jan Rhoten Leann Eltz Pete Wulforst Robert Rhoten Terry Sutton Austin Grega Joey Morris Jennifer Bortner Brian Haga *Ginny Sellers Gary Eppley Merridith Mooth Dervilla Hynes Barbara Johnson Steven Garv Kelcie Gavin Joe Miller Pat Bowen Lisa Wulforst Patsy Graf Joe Hunter Jenni Roiser Karen Schaefer Dick Hebrank Deborah Moose **Gary Southard** Fred Ayers Loretta Hanson Connie Dattilio Bart Walder Nancy Rohrback Esther Miller Susan Esworthy Elissa Snedeker **Bob Shaffer** Paul Moffitt Carolyn Kittelberger Mark Strawbridge Sandy Voight Kelly McNeal Ryan Whitehead Don Diseroad John Leitner

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Our Missionary in South Sudan refugee camps: Rev. Wal Reat

Barb Twigg

Doris Weeks

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