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 9, 2017 Sunday, September 10, 2017 14th Sunday after Pentecost

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!



Immanuel welcomes you to our worship today. We hope that you will feel the welcoming presence of Christ. We invite you to become a part of what God is doing at Immanuel. For more

information about the church and how you can get involved, please speak with the pastor following the service.

Please enter your name and contact information on the red registration pad found in each pew by the center aisle. The Head Usher is here to assist you at any time during the service.

Sunday School classes resume Sept 17 and are offered following the Sunday worship service for children 2 years old through adult. We encourage you to stop by while you are here or contact the church office for information. Registration forms are in the back of the sanctuary and on our website.

BABY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginning Sept 17, Baby Sunday School will meet every Sunday during worship. Small children will be dismissed following the children's sermon, accompanied by an adult, and return before communion. The class will follow our regular Sunday School curriculum and based on the same readings used in worship.

Worship Assistants

	Sat Sept 9
Head Usher	Jennifer Edwards
Greeter	Charlotte Hann
Lector Jeanne Swain Offering Charlotte Hann	
Communion	Jeanne Swain

Cell Phone / Electronics Announcement Kindly, turn off or silence ALL devices during our services. Thank you.

	Sun Sept 10	
Head Usher	Jamie Rooney	
Altar Guild	Betty Miller	
Altai Guilu	Audrey Shaffer	
Greeters	Linda Gregg	
Greeters	John Popp	
Lector	Russell Jensen	
	Debbie Mace	
Offering	Steve Mace	
Ushers	Alice Warehime	
	Dale Warehime	
	Susan Burnette	
Communion	Norman Downes	
Stewards	John Gregg	
	Debbie Hebrank	
Acolytes	Dylan Andrews	
Acolytes	Austin Gregg	
Pray w/ Pastor	Bob Nicoll	
Bell Ringer	Brian Kremen	

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.

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

Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 33:7-11

⁷So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" ¹¹Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 119:33-40

³³Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching; I shall keep it with all my heart.

³⁵Lead me in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.

³⁶Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.

³⁷Turn my eyes from beholding falsehood; give me life in your way.

³⁸Fulfill your promise to your servant, which is for those who fear you.

³⁹Turn away the reproach that I dread, because your judgments are good.

⁴⁰Behold, I long for your commandments; by your righteousness enliven me.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Matthew 18:15-20

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.** [Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵"If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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	~~ Calendar ~~	
Sun Sept 10	Sunday School Staff Installation	
	Worship Service w Communion	9:00am
	Adult Bible Study	Cancelled
	Christmas Tree Park #3 Church Picnic & SS Kickoff	After Svs
Mon Sept 11	Finance Meeting	7:00pm
	Al-Anon & AA	8:00pm
Tues Sept 12	Bible Study – Oak Tree Rm	11:00am
•	Church Council Meeting	7:00pm
	Scouts	7:00pm
Wed Sept 13	Bible Study – Pastor's Home	7:00pm
	AA	7:15pm
Thur Sept 14	Chime Choir Practice	6:00pm
. Choir Practice		7:00pm
Fri Sept 15 Pastor Day Off		
·	AA & Al-Anon	8:00pm
Sat Sept 16	* Community Event – Yard Sale *	8am-2pm
	Worship Service w Communion	5:00pm
	AA	6:30pm
Sun Sept 17	Holy Cross Sunday	
	Worship Service w Communion	9:00am
	Sunday School	10:15am
	Adult Bible Study	10:30am
	Confirmation Class	7:00pm

The **Altar Vases** are <u>unsponsored</u> for <u>this weekend</u>, <u>Sept 9th and 10th</u>. Please contact Altar Guild if you would like to take one or both vases of flowers after the service. The flowers will be bagged for your easy transport.

Thank you to everyone for their thoughts, prayers, cards and well wishes as I recovered from my recent leg injury. ~Gloria Armacost



Immanuel's Church Picnic and Sunday School Kickoff is TODAY at Christmas Tree Park, Pavilion *3 following the 9am service. Please join us for some fun fellowship!

The chime choir will begin rehearsing September 14 at 6pm. We rehearse for one hour every Thursday evening. If you can count 1,2,3 and 1,2,3,4 and know your colors, we invite you to join us!! We need your help. Give one hour a week to God and your church, help the chime choir make good music, and you enjoy a feeling of fulfillment. Contact Audrey Moose with any questions.

Anyone donating pies or baked goods for the yard sale on Saturday, Sept 16 —please bring your baked items to Immanuel on Friday, Sept 15 between 9 and 3pm. Put your name on the containers.

You can also bring the items Saturday morning before 8am.

Many of you have made donations of cash. Thank you so very much and also thank you to our bakers.

MANCHESTER COMMUNITY EVENT: YARD & CRAFT SALE

Proceeds donated to Rising Above Addiction September 16 from 8-2pm. Let us know if you are available to help call Rhonda Kiler 443-340-2357 or Brenda Wulforst 443-507-6753.

Bring your family and friends to the event!



Kids Activities

Vendors

The Shred Mill Truck *Yard & Crafts Sale* *Live Music*

Food & Drinks

The FESTIVAL OF THE HOLY CROSS will be celebrated on next Sunday, Sept 17th 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. We encourage everyone attending to wear RED.

Our Annual Harvest Home will be held during the weekend services of September 23rd and 24th. Plan now to participate in the 'Fill Our Baskets' for NESAP. Everyone's help is needed to overflow our Harvest baskets with donations of canned and boxed food or monetary donations. Please check for <u>expiration dates</u>. Last year, Immanuel donated over 120 items to NESAP's Food Pantry! Help make this another bountiful harvest year for those less fortunate in the Carroll County community. Thank you!

Our 9th Annual Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing will be held during the weekend services of October 7th-8th. During both services, many familiar hymns will be sung. The Luther Men will provide the special music at the



Sunday Service. Please invite your family and friends to attend and enjoy hearing and singing those long-loved songs of yesteryear!

COMING OCTOBER 8: MINISTRY FAIR Our two big goals from the congregational survey are to improve communication within and outside the congregation and to increase involvement by all our members in the church's ministries.

The Ministry Fair planned for the coffee hour on Sunday, October 8, will help all our members to learn about the full range of ministries and activities at Immanuel and how they can get involved. Each of our congregational ministries, including Christian Education and Youth, Worship and Music, Stephen Ministry, Mutual Ministry, Fellowship, Social Ministry, Keeping in Touch (visitation ministry), Faith Health Network (hospital ministry) and more will have displays describing their activities and opportunities for people to serve. You can visit the displays, speak to a representative, and sign up to participate in whatever ways best fit your individual abilities and interests. The Ministry Fair is a great way to accomplish our two big goals. Please mark your calendars and join us in the Social Hall on Sunday, October 8!

SEPTEMBER 2017 LECTIONARIES

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

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Week of:	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
August 28~Sept 3	Jeremiah	Psalm	Romans	Matthew
	15:15-21	26:1-8	12:9-21	16:21-28
September 4~10	Ezekiel	Psalm	Romans	Matthew
	33:7-11	119:33-40	13:8-14	18:15-20
September 11~17	Genesis	Psalm	Romans	Matthew
Holy Cross Sunday	50:15-21	103:[1-7] 8-13	14:1-12	18:21-35
September 18~24	Jonah	Psalm	Philippians	Matthew
Harvest Home	3:10 ~ 4:11	145:1-8	1:21-30	20:1-16
Sept. 25~Oct 1	Ezekiel	Psalm	Philippians	Matthew
	18:1-4, 25-32	25:1-9	2:1-13	21:23-32

BIBLE STUDY and PRAYER GROUPS

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY continues weekly throughout the year in the Martin Luther Room following the worship service, approximately 10:15-11:15am. On coffee hour Sundays, we meet 10:45-11:30am. We are currently studying the gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday. Beginning September 10 through October 29, Pastor Charlie will lead a study of Luther's 95 Theses, using a new book by world-famous Luther scholar, Dr. Timothy Wengert. (Pastor Charlie will be away Sept 19-22)

MIDWEEK PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Morning Group meets in the Oak Tree Room at 11am on Tuesday **Sept 12 & 26**.

Evening Group meets at the Pastor's home, 840 Hughes Shop Rd, Westminster MD 21158 at 7pm on

Wednesday Sept 13, and Tuesday, Sept 26.

PASTOR CHARLIE'S SEPTEMBER BIBLE CHALLENGE: GOD'S PLAYLIST: PSALMS 1 – 60

The book of Psalms is the songbook of God's people. During September we will read selections from the first 60 songs on "God's Playlist" and reflect together on how God is speaking to us through them. The online Bible Study will continue with daily comments from Pastor Charlie on Facebook. Email him at pastorc@ielcmd.org to join this private group, or if you would like to receive copies via email of the comments he posts there each day.

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	Sept 8	Ps 16	Sept 14 Ps 24	Sept 20 Ps 37:1-17	Sept 26 Ps 50
	Sept 9	Ps 18:1-20	Sept 15 Ps 25	Sept 21 Ps 40	Sept 27 Ps 51
	Sept 10	Ps 19	Sept 16 Ps 27	Sept 22 Ps 42	Sept 28 Ps 53
	Sept 11	Ps 20	Sept 17 Ps 30	Sept 23 Ps 45	Sept 29 Ps 57
	Sept 12	Ps 22	Sept 18 Ps 32	Sept 24 Ps 46	Sept 30 Ps 60
	Sept 13	Ps 23	Sept 19 Ps 34	Sept 25 Ps 48	

2017 ALTAR FLOWERS, LESSONS & PRAYERS SPONSORSHIPS

Fresh seasonal flowers enhance our weekend worship experience, adding color and beauty to the altar. Sponsorship forms and envelopes are found on the FLOWER SPONSORSHIP CALENDAR bulletin board of the office hallway. Your written information and payment, <u>must be received by 12 noon of the Wednesday prior to your reserved sponsorship date</u> to insure inclusion in the weekly bulletin. Contact Altar Guild with questions.

Co-Sponsor with a family member or a friend to split the cost.

Prices: \$50 for both Altar Vases or

\$25 for one vase ONLY

\$30 for Center Arrangement

\$20 for Lessons & Prayers

Sponsorship Dates OPEN:

Sept 16-17 Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers Holy Cross Sunday

Sept 30-Oct 1 Altar Vases ~ Lessons & Prayers

Oct 7-8 Lessons & Prayers

Oct 14-15 Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers

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

Music

Carol Walder

We currently support four various groups:

~ The Sunday Adult Choir ~ The Chime Choir ~ The Luther Men ~ The Children's Choir

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

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

Jerry Hoffman (Organist/Choir) Audrey Moose (Chimes)

Wayne Thomas (Luther Men)

Amanda Yingling (Children's Choir)

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

- ~Sunday Adult Choir resume practices on Thursday, Sep 14 at 7pm
- ~Chime Choir resume practices on Thursday, Sept 14 at 6pm, auditorium
- ~Luther Men sing Sunday, Oct 8 for our Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing Sunday
- ~Children's Choir sing quarterly

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

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Barbara Guthrie	Luke Campbell	Bobby Yingling
Ashton Eckhardt	Betty Miller	Dessie Ann Hann
Kyle Robinson	Rachel Murphy	Bob Nicoll
Frank Burnette	Norman Downes	Mike Haddaway
Mia Wenzel	Milton Herman	Andy Kiler
Alice Downes	Debbie Hailey	•

Erik Adami

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

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

SAVE THESE DATES!

TODAY Sunday, Sept 10: Church Picnic – Christmas Tree Park *3
Thursday, Sept 14: Chime Choir resuming practices @ 6pm
Adult Choir resuming practices @ 7pm

Saturday, Sept 16: 8am-2pm Immanuel/Trinity Community Yard Sale

Sunday, Sept 17: Holy Cross Sunday – wear RED

Sept 23-24: Decorating for Harvest Home @ 10am

Harvest Home Celebration at 5pm and 9am services

October 8-9: Annual Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing at 5pm and 9am

Sunday Luther Men provide special music Special Missions Weekend Offering

Sunday Coffee Hour following morning service



Martin Luther Exhibit The Walter's Art Museum in Baltimore has an exhibit on display from now through the end of October titled, "Uncertain Times: Martin Luther's Remedies for the Soul". The exbibit focuses on the ways in which Martin Luther comforted the distressed souls of his contemporaries by approaching them as a father, a husband and a friend, rather than as a priest or theologian.

(DE-MD Synod E-Letter, August 15,2017)

NESAP fundraiser at Spargo's Restaurant on Thursday, Sept 21st from 4 to 10pm. Mention that you are supporting NESAPs fundraiser and 10% of your dine-in purchases will be donated. Questions? Contact Lynn at NESAP: 443-952-0097 or Spargo's Restaurant: 410-374-0035

Trinity Lutheran Church, Taneytown is celebrating 500th the Anniversary with an Oktoberfest on Sept 23rd from 2 to 6pm. http://bit.ly/TrinityOktoberfest

German Food! German Music! German Beer! Craft Market and raffles benefit Habitat for Humanity of Carroll County. 38 W Baltimore St Taneytown, MD 21787

410-756-6626 telctoffice@gmail.com Trinitytaneytown.org



Join us for a festival worship opportunity as we commemorate the significant anniversary of a church that is always reforming.

Our guest preacher will be The Rev. Dr. Mark Oldenburg, Steck-Miller Professor of Worship and Dean of the Chapel on the Gettysburg Campus of United Lutheran Seminary (a reforming effort to train church leaders).

There will be a festival choir as we celebrate our mutual work within the Kingdom of God. Our offering will support the work of Carroll Lutheran School.

Following worship there will be the opportunity to go to one of many restaurants to raise money for Shepherd Staff, NESAP, and Caring and Sharing Ministries.

Please join us!



The Lutheran Church Men of the Westminster Conference will hold their Fall Dinner Meeting on Mon, Oct 30th at Trinity Lutheran Church (38 West Baltimore St Taneytown 21787). The ladies of the church will serve a family-style dinner at 6:30pm. A free-will offering received for the meal with at least \$12.00 expected. Pastor Cris Frigm will lead a short devotion and hymn sing along with their new director of music. Sign up or contact church office. RSVP no later than Sunday morning, Oct 22.





Every \$1 you give now provides a Bible for open hearts in China through the American Bible Society!

Our Goal: 500 Bibles for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation Your donation will help provide a Bible for someone longing for God's Word:

- A hard-working father in a remote village in China
- · A Chinese mother who loves God
- A family that faithfully attends their local church ... but has no Bible

Please remember in your prayers:

*Ethel Hunt Jeff Dell Michelle Richie (parkinsons) Gladys Ricketts Leann Eltz *Walter Rubv Janis Hagert Joe Miller *Ardice Holbrook Dot Matthews *Dick Hebrank Ann Trent Esther Miller Donna Marshall Cary Myers Ann Harden Wesley Martin family Gail Brown Jerry Hoffman John Marshall Fred Davies Doug Brown Joan Shrifon Reid Ronayne

Vito Tunzi

Dorinda Smith Cassandra Fleckenstein Mary Alice Steger Ann Miller Chap Craft *Julia Berwager *Dolly Ruby Steven Gary *Carl McCullough Jan Rhoten

Thelma Blizzard

Pat Bowen Ed Kuhn Robert Rhoten Jeff Mullins Patsy Graf

Joe Morris Karen Schaefer Carolyn Kittelberger

*Ginny Sellers **Gary Southard** Bill Skelley Deborah Moose Susan Esworthy Gary Eppley Elissa Snedeker Paul Moffitt Kelly McNeal John Leitner Gaiser Family Carter Murphy *Carl Krauss Gene Yingling Maria Barczak

*Romaine Harper Ally Crossley *Paulyne Hartlaub Angela Locke

*Pastoral Care list

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

Those serving in the military:

Brett Richardson, Matthew Swain. Jenelle Espinoza, Kyle Pasta, David Mace

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