

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, October 28, 2017
Sunday, October 29, 2017

Reformation Sunday

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 Oct 28 500 th Reformation
Head Usher	Rodgers Hagert
Greeter	Judy Bixler
Lector	Jeanne Swain
Offering Ushers	Judy Bixler Jeanne Swain
Communion	Judy Bixler

	Sun Oct 29 500 th Reformation
Head Usher	Todd Robinson
Altar Guild	Susan Burnette Sandy Voight
Greeters	Chris Miller Debbie Miller
Lector	Jordan Bosnick
Offering Ushers	Barbara Guthrie Carolyn Phillips Carroll Phillips Ernest Weiss
Communion Stewards	Susan Burnette Joe Fleck Audrey Shaffer Sandy Voight
Acolytes ~ Torchbearers	Ashton Eckhardt Tanner Eckhardt
Crucifer	Pete Wulforst
Pray w/ Pastor	Christine Crouch
Bell Ringer	Joe Fleck

Cell Phone / Electronics Announcement

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

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.*

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalms 46

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
²**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**
³though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**
⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.
⁶**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**
⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
⁸**Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**
⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.
¹⁰**“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**
¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING

Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

John 8:31-36

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.” The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Next Week's Readings: Oct 30–Nov 5 All Saints

Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

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Sun Oct 29	Reformation Sunday Luther Men Practice Worship Service w Communion Sunday School Reformation Conference Service at Big Baker Chapel in Westminster	8:30am 9:00am 10:15am 3:30pm
Mon Oct 30	Al-Anon & AA	8:00pm
Tues Oct 31	Office Closed Table of Grace - Westminster Scouts	7:00pm
Wed Nov 1	Pastor Retreat Day Bible Study – Pastors Home AA	7:00pm 7:15pm
Thur Nov 2	Bible Study – Oak Tree Room Chime Choir Practice Choir Practice	11:00am 6:00pm 7:00pm
Fri Nov 3	Pastor Day Off AA & Al-Anon	8:00pm
Sat Nov 4	Mission Special Offering Worship Service w Communion AA	5:00pm 6:30pm
Sun Nov 5	Mission Special Offering Worship Service w Communion Coffee Hour Adult Bible Study Confirmation Class	9:00am 10:15am 10:45am 7:00pm

**Please Note: Annual Congregation Meeting is on Sun, November 19.

Altar flowers are sponsored
in loving memory of Pastor Ellis Kretschmer
by the people of Immanuel Lutheran Church

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Center altar flowers are sponsored
in memory of Frank Dell for his October birthday
by Doris Dell and family

THANK YOU to the **Music Ministry at Immanuel** for the special music for the **500th Reformation Celebration!** Our thanks are sent to the Sunday Adult Choir combined with the Luther Men Choir, the Chime Choir and the Children's Choir, 'All God's Children' for providing the beautiful music and anthems to help us celebrate a once-in-a-lifetime Reformation Service!

WELCOME to our 500th Reformation Anniversary Service at Immanuel!

The Reformation begun by Martin Luther did not abandon the theological, sacramental, and liturgical traditions of the church. It sought to reform them so that the gospel would shine through all the church does. Since the beginning of the Lutheran Reformation to this day, there have been 26,000 Sundays to proclaim the gospel and share in the gracious presence of Christ in the communion meal. How many souls have heard the good news because of what happened in 1517? How many hearts have been transformed? Today, let's celebrate the impact of the Lutheran Reformation on the real lives of ordinary people like us! (Sundays and Seasons, 2017)

Six Centuries of Praise

One of the greatest gifts of the Reformation was a renewed emphasis on music and singing. During our worship service today we will sing one hymn or song from each of the six centuries since the Reformation, and a second from the 20th century. Pastor Charlie will lead us in the 21st century selection, by contemporary Lutheran singer/songwriter Rachel Kurz, during the sermon.

16th century: A Mighty Fortress is Our God (Martin Luther, 1529)

17th century: O Sacred Head (Paul Gerhardt, 1656)

18th century: Rock of Ages (Augustus Toplady, 1776)

19th century: The Church's One Foundation (Samuel Stone, 1866)

20th century: I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (Dan Schutte, 1981)

20th century: I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry (John Ylvisaker, 1985)

21st century: Make a Difference (Rachel Kurz, 2012)

A special thank you to the LUTHER MEN FOR assisting in today's service. It is a very Lutheran theme to be "God's People" as Luther called the congregation a "priesthood of all believers." Thanks Luther Men! Hope to see many of you at Big Baker Chapel at McDaniel this afternoon.

October is Clergy Appreciation Month. Join us after the 9am service **TODAY** to honor Pastor Charlie and let him know how much you appreciate all he does for Immanuel and the community.

At next weekend's **All Saints Services, on November 4th and 5th,** Immanuel will honor and remember all its members and friends who died during the past year. Families will be invited to attend either weekend service and will be given a white carnation in their loved ones memory.

Immanuel serves lunch at Table of Grace THIS TUESDAY, October 31. Please join us! If you are not able to help during the day, then consider donating a baked good (homemade or store bought). The clients love pies and desserts with icing. Bring items to Church on Monday (leave in marked areas in the office or kitchen)

Feed the Fish! The Tree of Friends Food Pantry is currently in need of cans of Tuna Fish. Please place donations in the labeled baskets in the narthex. Thank you!



At the **weekend services of November 11th and 12th**, we will thank all our veterans, past and present, for a **Veteran's Thank You Tribute**. A special recognition bulletin board will be displayed during the month of November thanking all the men and women from our congregation who have served in the military. If you or a family member have recently retired from the military and would like to be included for this tribute, please contact Susan Burnette (sb31220@gmail.com) with your name(s) and branch of service.

The **Annual Planning Meeting for Altar Guild** will be held on **Sunday, November 12th**, following the morning service in the Oak Tree room. Members are urged to attend this important meeting.

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND GROW AT IMMANUEL

→ **SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: LUTHER'S 95 THESES**

Meets 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. Now through the end of November, Pastor Charlie will lead a study of **Luther's 95 Theses**, using a new book by world-famous Luther scholar, Dr. Timothy Wengert.

→ **MIDWEEK PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUPS**

Morning Group meets in the Oak Tree Room at 11 am on

***Thursday Nov 2 and Tuesday Nov 7, 14, 21 & 28** for "**See Through the Scripture**" which provides a bird's eye view of the entire Bible that will help you see how it all fits together. No previous knowledge of the Bible is required for this or any other of our Bible studies.

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

Wednesday Nov 1 and Tuesday Nov 21 & 28 for a study of some of the lesser-known prophets of the Old Testament and their message for us today.

→ **CONFIRMATION CLASS** meets on **Sunday evenings at 7pm** in the **Oak Tree Room** except for tonight and Nov 12, when Pastor Charlie will be at the annual meeting of Carroll Lutheran School.

NOVEMBER BIBLE CHALLENGE: GOD'S PLAYLIST II

For the month of November, we return to the Psalms for our daily reading and online discussion, reading selected passages from Psalms 61-91. 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 private group, or if you would like to receive copies via email of the comments he posts there each day.

11/1 Psalm 61	11/11 Psalm 71	11/21 Psalm 80
11/2 Psalm 62	11/12 Psalm 72	11/22 Psalm 81
11/3 Psalm 63	11/13 Psalm 73	11/23 Psalm 82
11/4 Psalm 65	11/14 Psalm 74	11/24 Psalm 84
11/5 Psalm 66	11/15 Psalm 75	11/25 Psalm 85
11/6 Psalm 67	11/16 Psalm 77	11/26 Psalm 86
11/7 Psalm 68	11/17 Psalm 78: 1-31	11/27 Psalm 87
11/8 Psalm 69:1-18	11/18 Psalm 78:32-55	11/28 Psalm 88
11/9 Psalm 69:19-36	11/19 Psalm 78:56-72	11/29 Psalm 90
11/10 Psalm 70	11/20 Psalm 79	11/30 Psalm 91



Sign up sheets in back of church for the GERMAN Brunch at the Congregational Meeting on Nov 19th. If you can help or have an idea, please see someone on Fellowship.

Listen! God is Calling!

We will elect new council members at our annual meeting. We trust that God will raise up leadership for Immanuel. One of those God-appointed leaders just might be **YOU!**

I urge you to spend some time in quiet prayer, listening for God's voice. If you sense that God may be calling you to serve Christ on our church council, please let me or any council member know.

If a council member approaches you about it, please keep an open mind and heart and respond as God leads, whether your answer be 'yes' or 'no'. Either way, please join me in praying for God to raise up faithful leaders for our church council. Thank you! ~Pastor Charlie

500 BIBLES TO CHINA Sponsorship CHALLENGE

During the month of October, Immanuel would like to sponsor 500 Bibles to be delivered to the people in China. This service project is a way to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. With the help of the American Bible Society, for every **\$1 we donate, 1 Bible will be made available to someone in China** to read in their own language! Sponsorship forms on bulletin board at the Educational door entrance.

Sponsorships may be offered to

~Glorify of God~ or ~In Memory Of~ or ~In Honor Of~.

Place forms with payment in the supplied envelopes and leave in the Worship & Music basket on the office lamp table. **As of this past week, a total of 518 bibles have been sponsored! Can we challenge everyone to sponsor 600+ Bibles? Think about it, one bible at a time will get us over the top!! DEADLINE: Tuesday, October 31st.**

Please consider becoming a part of the Music Ministry!

We currently support four various groups:

~ *The Sunday Adult Choir* ~ *The Chime Choir*

~ *The Luther Men* ~ *The Children's Choir* – 'All God's Children'

If you are not able to commit to regular practices at this time, 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'!

~**The Sunday Adult Choir**– weekly practices, Thursdays at 7pm (Sept–May)

~**The Chime Choir** – practice Thursdays at 6pm (auditorium) as needed
provide special music on Oct 29th at 9am 500th Reformation Service

~**The Luther Men** - sing quarterly (choir room) following Sunday worship,
as needed (next special anthem, Sunday, Dec 10)

~**The Children's Choir** – sing quarterly with pre-scheduled practices set

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

LOOKING AHEAD ...



October 28-29

Luther Men Practice @ 8:30am (before Reformation Service)
Immanuel's **500th Reformation** Service @ 5pm and 9am
Westminster Conference Reformation Service
@ 3:30pm (Big Baker Chapel)

November 4-5

All Saints Remembrance Services at 5pm and 9am
Special Missions Weekend Offering for 'ELCA World Hunger'
Sunday Coffee Hour following service

November 11-12

Veterans' Thank You Appreciation Weekend at 5pm and 9am
Generosity Sunday
Youth Sunday
Altar Guild Planning Meeting, Sunday, Nov 12 (OTR after svcs)

Sunday, November 19

Congregational German Meal and Annual Meeting
following morning service, Social Hall (signup to attend)

Wed, November 22

Thanksgiving Eve Community Service at 7pm

November 25-26

Christ the King Services at 5pm and 9 am

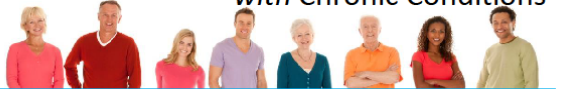
North Carroll Middle School Food Pantry is open every Thursday 3:30-4:30, unless schools are closed. Food is Free to anyone in need. Pantry is in a room by the parent pick up entrance in front of building next to gym. (2401 Hanover Pike Hampstead 21074) Questions or concerns: School Principal, Ralph Billings or School Counselor, Mary Dee Oxen at 410-751-3440 or madoxen@carrollk12.org.

The Maryland Faith Health Network is a group of volunteers from the congregation to help you stay healthy after you leave the hospital. It is **FREE** and **confidential**.

1. Sign up using the form in the church office or in the back of the sanctuary to 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 Immanuel will help you and your family as needed.

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

Living Healthy, Living Well with Chronic Conditions



This researched and proven program is designed to help you manage your health. Adults who have health problems and people caring for ones with a chronic condition, are encouraged to attend!

The small group workshops are led by two trained facilitators to meet for **2 ½ hours once a week for six weeks**. The workshop does not replace existing treatments, but complements a participant's current medical plan.

Some Topics Include:

- What is self-management?
- Sharing & Problem-Solving
- Setting short-term goals
- Healthy Eating: Meal Planning
- Fitness for exercise & fun
- Stress & depression management
- Planning for the future
- Relaxation techniques
- Managing difficult emotions
- Partnering with health provider

**South Carroll (Sykesville)
Senior & Community Center**
9 to 11:30am on
Tuesdays: Oct 24 – Nov 28

**Taneytown
Senior & Community Center**
9 to 11:30am on
Wednesdays: Nov 1 – Dec 6

MAMA (Manchester Area Merchants Association) **is having a Halloween Event** this afternoon Sun, Oct 29 from 2-4pm at Manchester Elementary School. In addition to the cake & pizza walks, they asked the community to join for Trunk or Treat.

CARROLL COUNTY
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REFORMATION 2017
OCTOBER 29, 2017 @ 3:30pm
Baker Memorial Chapel
McDaniel College

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

We're hoping for 500 Lutherans to
celebrate 500 years of being
church together.

Special organ preludes begin at 3:10.
Our offering will support the work of
Carroll Lutheran School.

Please join us!

** Pick up blue papers in back of church **
-it has map and parking information for TODAY

Pig Roast and Silent Auction to benefit Jacob Armacost Foundation
on Saturday, November 18th from 6 to 10pm at the Arcadia Fire Hall
Activity Building (Upperco) \$15 in advance / \$20 at door. For tickets contact:
Donna Armacost 410-967-7748 or Della Dell 410-848-0777.
Proceeds pay for therapies and equipment not covered by insurance.

Jamie Rooney is planning a Multi/Vendor shopping event
at Immanuel from 6 to 9pm for the Manchester Area Black Friday Event on
Nov 24th. There will be a raffle, 10 vendors selling items such as hand
painted signs, embroidered towels, Scentsy, Thirty-One, Perfectly Post
and more! We will be handing out cookies and cocoa for shoppers.
If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact Jamie Rooney at
443-536-3541 or jamielr126@gmail.com.

Please remember in your prayers:

Jeff Dell	Ann Harden	Bill Skelley
*Walter Ruby	John Marshall	Gary Eppley
*Ardice Holbrook	Doug Brown	Kelly McNeal
Ann Trent	Thelma Blizzard	Carter Murphy
Cary Myers	Cassandra Fleckenstein	Maria Barczak
Gail Brown	Steven Gary	Jerry Betzler
Fred Davies	Pat Bowen	Jodi Grossman
Reid Ronayne	Karen Schaefer	Dave Jones
Dorinda Smith	Gary Southard	Jeffrey Jones
Ann Miller	Susan Esworthy	Jim Federici
*Dolly Ruby	Paul Moffitt	Emory Headley
Jan Rhoten	Gaiser Family	Dan Riley
Robert Rhoten	Gene Yingling	Kathryn Riley
Joe Morris	Ally Crossley	Gene Black
*Ginny Sellers	Angela Locke	Ken Gundling
Deborah Moose	Michelle Richie	Joeann Peach
Elissa Snedeker	Gladys Ricketts	Jan Engman
John Leitner	Janis Hagert	Bill Whitehead III
*Carl Krauss	Dot Matthews	Tricia
*Romaine Harper	Donna Marshall	
*Paulyne Hartlaub	Wesley Martin family	
*Ethel Hunt	Jerry Hoffman	
Leann Eltz	Mary Alice Steger	
Joe Miller	*Julia Berwager	
*Dick Hebrank	Jeff Mullins	
Esther Miller	Carolyn Kittelberger	

*Pastoral Care list

Family of Carl McCullough

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

Arrangements for Carl McCullough:

The family will receive friends from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9pm on Sunday, Oct 29 at the Eckhardt Funeral Chapel, and from 10am until time of service at 11am on Monday, October 30, at Immanuel.



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