

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, November 11, 2017
Sunday, November 12, 2017
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Youth Sunday
Generosity Sunday

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.immannuellutheranccmd.org.

Worship Assistants

	Sat Nov 11 Veteran's Thank You
Head Usher	Jeanne Swain
Greeter	Charlotte Hann
Lector	Luther Myers
Offering Ushers	Charlotte Hann Walter Hann
Communion	Jeanne Swain

	Sun Nov 12 Veteran's Thank You Youth Sunday
Head Usher	Debbie Hebrank
Altar Guild	Rhonda Kiler Betty Miller
Greeters	YOUTH
Lector	YOUTH
Offering Ushers	YOUTH
Communion Stewards	Susan Burnette Connie Dattilio Andy Kiler Wendy Maloney
Acolytes ~ Torch Bearers	Dylan Andrews Willis Kiler
Pray w/ Pastor	Connie Dattilio
Bell Ringer	Bart Walder

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 Charlie will offer individual prayer at the communion rail, with anointing and laying of hands for healing for those who desire it, before each Saturday and Sunday service.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Amos 5:18-24

¹⁸Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why do you want the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, not light; ¹⁹as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake.

²⁰Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? ²¹I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

²²Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon.

²³Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. ²⁴But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

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

PSALM

Psalm 70

¹Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; O LORD, make haste to help me.

²**Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.**

³Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.

⁴**Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the LORD!"**

⁵But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God.

You are my helper and my deliverer; O LORD, do not tarry.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ ¹⁰And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹²But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ ¹³Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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Next Week's Readings: Nov 13~19

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18; Ps 90:1-8 [9-11],12; 1Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

~~ Calendar ~~

Sun Nov 12	Veterans / Youth Sunday Generosity Sunday Worship Service w Communion Sunday School Adult Bible Study Mutual Ministry Meeting CLS Delegate Mtg (No Confirmation Class)	9:00am 10:15am 10:15am 11:30am
Mon Nov 13	Al-Anon & AA	8:00pm
Tues Nov 14	Bible Study – OTR Council Meeting Scouts	11:00am 7:00pm 7:00pm
Wed Nov 15	Stephen Ministry Presentation (see insert) AA	11:30am 7:15pm
Thur Nov 16	Chime Choir Practice Choir Practice	6:00pm 7:00pm
Fri Nov 17	Pastor Day Off Social Hall Reserved AA & Al-Anon	8:00pm
Sat Nov 18	Social Hall Reserved Worship Service w Communion AA	5:00pm 6:30pm
Sun Nov 19	Worship Service w Communion Congregation Meeting and German Brunch Confirmation Class	9:00am 10:15am 7:00pm

**Please Note: Annual Congregation Meeting is on Sun, November 19. There is no Sunday School this day. However, an activity will be in the Sunday School rooms for the children, so parents can attend the meeting.

Altar flowers are sponsored in honor of
Sophie Kiler's 8th Birthday
by Mom, Dad and Willis

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Center arrangement is sponsored
in memory of my husband, Frank, and in honor of my son, Jeff,
for this weekend's Veterans Thank You
by Doris Dell

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Donation received in memory of Carl McCullough from
Brad and Iva Martin

Today is Generosity Sunday.

Today we count our blessings and reflect upon the amazing generosity of God, and consider how we will practice generosity in our giving to God's mission at Immanuel in the coming year. God is good - all the time!

VETERANS THANK YOU

TODAY, veterans from our congregation will be honored. A special Veterans' Thank You bulletin board is displayed outside the sanctuary during November. We thank each one of you for sacrificing your time in the service, so that we can enjoy freedom today!

~ Thank you ~

Thank you to everyone who donated time, money, and supplies for Operation Christmas Child. With your generous donations we packed 60 boxes this year! That's double the amount we packed last year. We will be dropping off the boxes at the distribution center in the coming weeks. We will track a few boxes like we did last year.

Thank you again for all your support!

~Matthew, Jamie and Declan Rooney

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Braxton Martin

Charlotte Hann

Elaine Cullison

Kathryn Groomes

Dorothy Townshend

Lisa Duckson

Sophie Kiler

Chris Miller

Ardice Holbrook

Rhonda Kiler

Linda Black

Catherine Strevig

Amber Hagert

Harry Arbaugh

Kieran Hoffman

Andrew McCarty

Kevin Graf

Austin Gregg

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Jerry & Nancy Hoffman Nov 19,1977

ALTAR GUILD'S Annual Planning Meeting will be held **TODAY**, following the morning service, in the Oak Tree room. All members are urged to attend.

You are invited to join us at the:

Presentation and Discussion on Assisted Living, Skilled Nursing, and
Dementia/Alzheimer's Care Options for the Elderly

Wednesday, November 15, 11:30am

in the Immanuel Social Hall

(see bulletin insert for more information)



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:

Tuesday Nov 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:

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 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.

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| 11/11 Psalm 71 | 11/18 Psalm 78:32-55 | 11/25 Psalm 85 |
| 11/12 Psalm 72 | 11/19 Psalm 78:56-72 | 11/26 Psalm 86 |
| 11/13 Psalm 73 | 11/20 Psalm 79 | 11/27 Psalm 87 |
| 11/14 Psalm 74 | 11/21 Psalm 80 | 11/28 Psalm 88 |
| 11/15 Psalm 75 | 11/22 Psalm 81 | 11/29 Psalm 90 |
| 11/16 Psalm 77 | 11/23 Psalm 82 | 11/30 Psalm 91 |
| 11/17 Psalm 78: 1-31 | 11/24 Psalm 84 | |

500th REFORMATION GERMAN BRUNCH

Next **Sunday, November 19th**, Fellowship and Worship & Music will host a **German-Style Brunch** in the Social Hall, following the morning service. Reservations are requested by TODAY for adequate food preparation.

Menu includes:

Sauerkraut with Mashed Potatoes and Pork, Sauerbraten with Dumplings, Chicken Pot Pie, Slippery Dough Pot Pie, Hotdogs, Sausages, Ham and Green Beans, German Potato Salad, German Potato Casserole, Pepper Slaw, Apple Butter & Cottage Cheese, Rolls, and Beverages

Desserts include:

German Chocolate Cake, Apple Dumplings and Shoo Fly Cake
Enjoy a wonderful meal with your family and friends, then stay and exercise your voting right as a church member to approve the 2018 budget items and new council members.



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

NOVEMBER 2017 LECTIONARY SERIES CONTINUES...

For your Home Bible Study

| Week of: | First Reading | Psalm | Second Reading | Gospel |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Oct 30~Nov 5
All Saints | Revelation
7:9-17 | Psalm
34:1-10, 22 | 1 John
3:1-3 | Matthew
5:1-12 |
| Nov 6~12 | Amos
5:18-24 | Psalm
70 | 1 Thessalonians
4:13-18 | Matthew
24:1-13 |
| Nov 13~19 | Zephaniah
1:7, 12-18 | Psalm
90:1-8 [9-11], 12 | 1Thessalonians
5:1-11 | Matthew
25:14-30 |
| November 22
Thanksgiving Eve | Deuteronomy
8:7-18 | Psalm
65 | 2 Corinthians
9:6-15 | Luke
17:11-19 |
| Nov 20~26
Christ the King | Ezekiel
34:11-16, 20-24 | Psalm
95:1-7a | Ephesians
1:15-23 | Matthew
25:31-46 |
| Nov 27~Dec 3
Advent 1 | Isaiah
64:1-9 | Psalm
80:1-7, 17-19 | 1 Corinthians
1:3-9 | Mark
13:24-37 |

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 7-8pm (Sept–May)

~The Chime Choir

- practice Thursdays at 6pm (auditorium) as needed

~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 ...



TODAY, November 11-12

Veterans' Thank You Appreciation Weekend at 5pm and 9am
Generosity Sunday / Youth Sunday
Altar Guild Planning Meeting TODAY (Oak Tree Room after svcs)
German Brunch Reservations Deadline

Sunday, November 19

German Brunch and Congregational Annual Meeting
following morning service, Social Hall

Wed, November 22

Thanksgiving Eve Community Service at 7pm

November 25-26

Christ the King Services at 5pm and 9 am

December 2-3 Advent 1

'Hanging of the Greens' (sanctuary & tree decorating) at 10am
Poinsettia sponsorship orders begin (deadline Dec 17)
Special Missions Weekend Offering
Sunday Coffee Hour following service

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 moxen@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

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.

Masterworks Chorale of Carroll County presents Fall Concert 2017 **HERE I SING** commemorating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. Features works by Michael Praetorius including “A Mighty Fortress” marking the McDaniel College Sesquicentennial. Information: 410-871-3371
3pm on Sunday, November 19 at Big Baker Chapel
\$12 adults (\$10 in advance), students with ID and children are free.
Tickets available:

- online: MasterworksofCC.org
 - at the door
 - from Chorale Members
 - at Carroll Arts Council
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***Worship Assistants for Thanksgiving Eve Service
on November 22 at 7pm***

Head Usher: Rhonda Kiler

Altar Guild: Susan Burnette

Greeters: Linda Black and Luther Myers

Lector: John Gregg

Offering Ushers: Judy Bixler, Frank Burnette, Audrey Shaffer, Jeanne Swain

Communion: Susan Burnette, Chris Crouch, Norm Downes, Sandy Voight

Acolytes: Ashton Eckhardt and Tanner Eckhardt

Pray w/ Pastor: Bob Nicoll

Bell Ringer: Bart Walder

There is 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! If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact Jamie Rooney at 443-536-3541 or jamielr126@gmail.com. We will be handing out cookies and cocoa to the shoppers. Sign up in the back to donate cookies for this event!



CHRIST the KING SERVICES

The church's liturgical calendar year ends in two weeks on **November 25th and 26th**, as we celebrate the **Festival of Christ the King**. Special music for the Sunday service will be provided by the Adult Choir.

HANGING of the GREENS



On **Saturday, December 2nd**, beginning at **10am**, Music and Worship will gather for our yearly **HANGING OF THE GREENS**. The gathering area of the church and our Christmas tree will be decorated for the holiday season. Thank you to Wayne and Jean Thomas, of Thomas Tree Farm, for donating our holiday tree. Join us for festive decorations and fellowship!

ADVENT IS COMING!

The **four weeks of Advent**, leading up to Christmas Eve, will **begin the weekend of December 2-3** and conclude during the 9 am service on Sunday, December 24th. Prepare for this journey by attending the service of your choice each Advent weekend that leads us to Bethlehem for our Christmas Eve services.

2017 ALTAR FLOWERS SPONSORSHIPS ~ LESSONS & PRAYERS

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, must be received by 12 noon of the Wednesday prior to your reserved sponsorship date to insure inclusion in the weekly bulletin.

Co-Sponsor with a family member or a friend to split the cost. Contact Altar Guild with questions.

Prices: \$50 for **both** Altar Vases
\$25 for **one vase ONLY**
\$30 for Center Arrangement
\$20 for Lessons & Prayers

Sponsorship Dates STILL AVAILABLE:

- **Nov 18-19** Center Arrangement
- **Nov 25-26** Altar Vases~Center Arrangement
- **Dec 2-3** Altar Vases~Center Arrangement~Lessons & Prayers
- **Dec 9-10** Altar Vases~Center Arrangement~Lessons & Prayers

Immanuel Church Weather Cancellation Policy

We, at Immanuel, 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 and every member of the congregation. Therefore, we are aware that weather conditions and circumstances may establish the need to cancel worship services and/or activities at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church:

The policy is to evaluate the situation, be it weather or other conditions that may affect the cancellation of services.

Every attempt will be made to make the decision to cancel services or activities **two hours prior** to the service or activity through the following official sites:

- WBAL Ch. 11 television closure site
- Immanuel's Facebook page
- Immanuel's Web site (www.immanuellutheranccmd.org)
- Immanuel's Office Phone Recorded Message (410-374-4463)

In the event of a cancellation of service(s), the message will be conveyed in the above media forms and an alternative service time is encouraged to be scheduled in consultation with the pastor at the earliest possible convenience.

The decision to cancel activities will be made by a review of the NOAA.gov website, in consultation with the Council President and Pastor (and with the option of consulting with the executive committee). This policy may be amended or changed at any time with the consent of the council.

Please remember in your prayers:

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| 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 | Dan Riley |
| Jan Rhoten | Gaiser Family | Kathryn Riley |
| Robert Rhoten | Gene Yingling | Gene Black |
| Joe Morris | Ally Crossley | Ken Gundling |
| *Ginny Sellers | Angela Locke | Joeann Peach |
| Deborah Moose | Michelle Richie | Jan Engman |
| Elissa Snedeker | Gladys Ricketts | Bill Whitehead III |
| John Leitner | Janis Hagert | Tricia |
| *Carl Krauss | Dot Matthews | Joe Fleck |
| *Romaine Harper | Donna Marshall | |
| *Paulyne Hartlaub | Wesley Martin family | |
| *Ethel Hunt | Jerry Hoffman | |
| Leann Eitz | Mary Alice Steger | |
| Joe Miller | *Julia Berwager | |
| *Dick Hebrank | Jeff Mullins | |
| Esther Miller | Carolyn Kittelberger | |

*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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