

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, February 24, 2018**  
**Sunday, February 25, 2018**  
Second 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 Feb 24	
<b>Head Usher</b>	Susan Burnette
<b>Greeter</b>	Susan Burnette
<b>Lectors</b>	Jeanne Swain
<b>Offering Ushers</b>	Linda Black Judy Bixler
<b>Communion</b>	Judy Bixler

Sun Feb 25	
<b>Head Usher</b>	Tim Rill
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Wendy Maloney Sandy Voight
<b>Greeters</b>	Chris Miller Debbie Miller
<b>Lector</b>	John Gregg
<b>Offering Ushers</b>	Barbara Guthrie Debbie Mace Barb Skelley Bill Skelley
<b>Communion Stewards</b>	Susan Burnette Christine Crouch Wendy Maloney Bart Walder
<b>Acolytes</b>	Austin Gregg TBD
<b>Pray w/ Pastor</b>	Christine Crouch
<b>Bell Ringer</b>	Frank Burnette

### **\*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 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 weekend service.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## FIRST READING

**Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16**

*As with Noah, God makes an everlasting covenant with Abraham and Sarah. God promises this old couple that they will be the ancestors of nations, though they have no child together. God will miraculously bring forth new life from Sarah's old womb. The name changes emphasize the firmness of God's promise.*

<sup>1</sup>When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. <sup>2</sup>And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, <sup>4</sup>"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

<sup>15</sup>God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

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

## CHIME CHOIR

*"And He Never Said a Word"* based on hymn tunes arranged by M. Ryan

## SECOND READING

## Romans 4:13-25

*Paul presents Abraham as the example for how a person comes into a right relationship with God not through works of the law but through faith. Though Abraham and Sarah were far too old for bearing children, Abraham trusted that God would accomplish what God had promised to accomplish.*

<sup>13</sup>The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

<sup>18</sup>Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” <sup>23</sup>Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup>who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus tells his disciples for the first time what is to come. Peter's response indicates that he does not yet understand the way of the cross that Jesus will travel.*

<sup>31</sup>[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.<sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.<sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.<sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.<sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life?<sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?<sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## ++ CALENDAR ++

Sun Feb 25	Children's Choir Practice <b>Worship Service w Communion</b> Sunday School Adult Bible Study Confirmation Class	8:15am <b>9:00am</b> 10:15am 10:15am 7:00pm
Mon Feb 26	VBS Meeting AA and Al-Anon	7:00pm 8:00pm
Tues Feb 27	Scouts	7:00pm
Wed Feb 28	Soup 'n' Bible Study Soup 'n' Bible Study Evening Prayer Service AA	12-1pm 6-7pm 7:15pm 7:15pm
Thur Mar 1	Chime Practice Choir Practice	6:00pm 7:00pm
Fri Mar 2	Pastor Day Off AA and Al-Anon	 8:00pm
Sat Mar 3	Monthly Mission Special Offering <b>Worship Service w Communion</b> AA	 <b>5:00pm</b> 6:30pm
Sun Mar 4	Monthly Mission Special Offering Children's Choir Practice <b>Worship Service w Communion</b> Sunday School: Group Project Coffee Hour Adult Bible Study	 8:15am <b>9:00am</b> 10:15am 10:15am 10:45am
	** Choral Vespers –Gettysburg Seminary Chapel	7:00pm
	** Confirmation Class mtg on Monday, March 5.	

**Thank You** We had a great turn out for our Shrove Tuesday Supper. Over 70 people attended the supper of pancakes, sausages, fastnaughts and a table with all the toppings you could want on your pancakes! Thanks to our Boy Scouts for helping with cleanup and the many others who helped make this event possible. We are blessed to have so many people to help whenever they are needed.

Fellowship is hosting the Easter breakfast again this year. It is at 8am on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> in the Social Hall. You can enjoy a breakfast after the 7am service or before the 9am service. Either way it will be a great day to start your Easter morning. Mark your calendars to come enjoy a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausages, eggs and baked goods.

The **Altar Vases** are **un-sponsored** for **this weekend, February 24-25.** Contact Altar Guild following the Sunday service if you would like to take one or both vases of flowers. Thank you.

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During the **Sundays of Lent**, our readings lead us to focus on **five covenants** God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. The book of First Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us, individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world. (Sundays and Seasons, 2018)

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**\*\* NEXT WEEKEND \*\***

**MONTHLY SPECIAL OFFERING:**

Anthony's Way is a non-profit, that helps anyone suffering from drug and alcohol addiction, and related conditions to achieve a better quality of life and become accountable individuals.

Anthony's Way supports anyone suffering with the disease of addiction and their families begin their journey to recovery.

**COFFEE HOUR:**

Join us in the Social Hall for Coffee Hour next Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.

**PEACE, LOVE, DOLLS:**

Makenna Steel, a middle school student in Westminster, uses her allowance to purchase used Barbie dolls at yard sales and consignment shops. She cleans them, restyles their hair, and puts them in a new outfit. The dolls are then donated to local shelters and relief organizations to give to girls in need. According to Makenna, no Barbie is beyond repair!

Makenna will visit our youth on March 4<sup>th</sup> immediately following coffee hour. She will share her story of how she started Peace, Love, Dolls. Our youth will help make tags for dolls that are ready to be donated.

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***Solemn Lenten Vespers for Lent:***

Contemplative music for a contemplative season, in a service of Evening Prayer led by the Schola Cantorum of Gettysburg.

Lenten Choral Vespers at Gettysburg Seminary Chapel at 7pm on Sunday, March 4. (\*Confirmation class will meet Monday, March 5 at 7pm.)

Seminary Chapel at Gettysburg  
147 Seminary Ridge  
Gettysburg, PA 17325

## PASTOR CHARLIE'S FEBRUARY BIBLE CHALLENGE – MARK 10-16

This year in worship we will read mostly from the Gospel according to Mark. We began the year by reading Mark chapters 1-9. In February we conclude with chapters 10-16. The online Bible Study will continue with daily comments from Pastor Charlie on Facebook. Email [pastorc@ielcmd.org](mailto:pastorc@ielcmd.org) if you would like to join this private group, or if you would like to receive copies via email of his daily posts.

2/23 Mark 15:1-15

2/25 Mark 15:21-32

2/27 Mark 15:40-47

2/24 Mark 15:16-20

2/26 Mark 15:33-39

2/28 Mark 16:1-8

***Weather Cancellations:* Every attempt will be made to announce any decision to cancel services/activities at least 2 hours prior.**

- WBAL Ch. 11 television closure site
- Immanuel's Facebook page
- Immanuel's Web site ([www.immannuellutheranccmd.org](http://www.immannuellutheranccmd.org))
- Immanuel's Office Phone Message (410-374-4463)
- Pastor Charlie's weekly email list

When possible, an alternative service time will be announced.

### Wedding Anniversaries

Tom and Ardice Holbrook  
February 7, 1970

Chris and Debbie Miller  
February 14

Bobby and Susan Yingling  
February 17

### February Birthdays

Sam Guthrie  
Earl Nace

Luther Myers  
Katie Taylor

Sarah Marshall  
Pam Miller  
Brenda Murray

Jacob McCarty  
Katharyn Black  
Ryleigh Hoffman  
Ron Davidson  
Brian Yingling  
Ellen Stickles  
Christian Adami

## 2018 Easter Lily Sales begin Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>.



Each lily plant will cost **\$10.50**. Please use the order form from your February or March Visitors or take an order form from the Easter Lily display outside the sanctuary. Complete the needed information along with your payment and drop in the 'Easter Lily' basket on the lamp table of the church office. If the office door is locked, drop your order in the door slot.

The **deadline is Palm Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**. All Easter Lily order sponsorships will be printed in the special Easter bulletin insert.



## LOOKING AHEAD ...



### TODAY, February 24-25

#### Lent 2

(\*Feb 24 Youth Saturday rescheduled)

### Wednesday, Feb 28

**Soup 'n' Bible Study:** (daytime) 12 noon - 1 pm  
(evening) 6 – 7 pm\*

\*Evening Prayer at 7:15 pm\* (Sanctuary)

### March 3-4

#### Lent 3

Monthly Special Missions Offering collected

Sunday Coffee Hour

### Wednesday, March 7

**Soup 'n' Bible Study:** (daytime) 12 noon - 1 pm  
(evening) 6 – 7 pm\*

\*Evening Prayer at 7:15 pm\* (Sanctuary)

### March 10-11

#### Lent 4

Sunday Daylight Savings Time begins – spring forward

Easter Lily sales begin

### Wednesday, March 14

**Soup 'n' Bible Study:** (daytime) 12 noon - 1 pm  
(evening) 6 – 7 pm\*

\*Evening Prayer at 7:15 pm\* (Sanctuary)

### March 17-18

#### Lent 5

Easter Lily sales continue

Luther Men practice @ 10:30 (choir room)

### Wednesday, March 21

**FINAL Soup 'n' Bible Study:** (daytime) 12 noon - 1 pm  
(evening) 6 – 7 pm\*

\*Evening Prayer at 7:15 pm\* (Sanctuary)

### March 24-25

**Passion Saturday ~ Palm Sunday Services @ 5 pm and 9 am**

'Passion Reading, According to Mark' during both services

Sunday, Chime Choir and Luther Men special music

Deadline for Easter Lilies

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### **ARE YOU RECEIVING PASTOR CHARLIE'S WEEKLY EMAIL?**

If you would like to receive a weekly message from Pastor Charlie with reminders about what's happening at Immanuel, please submit your email address to [pastorc@ielcmd.org](mailto:pastorc@ielcmd.org).

## Consider becoming a part of the **Music Ministry of Immanuel!**

We currently support four various groups:

- ~ *The Sunday Adult Choir*      ~ *The Chime Choir*
- ~ *The Luther Men*              ~ *The Children's Choir – 'All God's Children'*
- ~ *Woman's Harmony Choir* (COMING SOON!)

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 Director)
- ~ **Audrey Moose** (Chime Choir Director)
- ~ **Wayne Thomas** (Luther Men Choir)
- ~ **Amanda Yingling** (Children's Choir Coordinator)
- ~ **Susan Burnette** (Woman's Harmony Choir)



### **NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED,**

just your willingness to help and '*make a joyful noise!*'

- **The Sunday Adult Choir** – weekly practices on Thursdays @ 7-8 pm (September thru May)
- **The Chime Choir** - practice Thursdays @ 6 pm (auditorium)
- **The Luther Men** sing quarterly, following Sunday worship, as needed
- **The Children's Choir** sing quarterly, practices scheduled as needed
- **The Woman's Harmony Choir** will sing quarterly(organization in progress)

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

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## **2018 ALTAR FLOWERS SPONSORSHIPS ~ LESSONS & PRAYERS**

Sponsorship forms and envelopes are found on the 2018 FLOWER SPONSORSHIP CALENDAR bulletin board of the office hallway. Written information and payment, must be received by 12noon of the Wednesday prior to your reserved sponsorship date to be included in the bulletin.

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

**Prices:** \$50 for both Altar Vases or \$25 for only one sponsored vase

\$30 for Center Arrangement

\$20 for Lessons & Prayers

OPEN WEEKENDS:

- **March 3-4** Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers
- **March 10-11** Center Arrangement
- **March 17-18** Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers
- **March 24-25** Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers

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***Fellowship Committee is hosting*** the Lenten Soup meals on Wednesdays at Immanuel! A meal of soup, bread, fruit and drink will be served at 12noon and 6pm in the evening. There is a signup sheet in the back, if you are attending.



## OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND GROW AT IMMANUEL

No previous knowledge of the Bible is required for any Bible study

### —> SUNDAY MORNING: LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY

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. Each week we explore the Gospel reading for the following Sunday.

### —> MIDWEEK PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

During Lent, the **Morning and Evening Groups** will join in the Wednesday Lenten Soup Study.

### —> CONFIRMATION CLASS: Every Sunday at 7pm in Oak Tree Room.

### —> Lenten Soup & Study and Worship

**“God Is Speaking! Are We Listening?”**

**Wednesdays: February 21 – March 21**

#### *Soup ‘n’ Bible Study*

12-1pm and 6-7pm  
(Social Hall)

#### *Evening Prayer*

7:15pm  
(Sanctuary)

God speaks to us in many ways: through prayer and the reading and study of God’s Word, through our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ, through the people around us in our community, and through the events and experiences of life. In our Lenten Bible study we will see how the early Church experienced phenomenal growth by listening and responding to God. We conclude the day with a simple service of evening prayer in the sanctuary. Please join us, and bring your friends!

Feb 28: Acts 2: 1-21 The Holy Spirit Comes

Mar 7: Acts 2:37-47 Life in the Early Church

Mar 14: Acts 8:26-40 Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch

Mar 21: Acts 10:1-48 Peter and Cornelius

## HOLY WEEK @ Immanuel

### *Passion Saturday~Palm Sunday*

5pm March 24 & 9am 25

### *Maundy Thursday*

6pm Agape Meal  
7pm March 29

### *Good Friday*

7pm March 30

### *Saturday Vigil of Easter*

5pm March 31

## EASTER SERVICES

### @ Immanuel

### *Easter Sunday Sunrise*

7am April 1

### *Easter Breakfast*

8am

### *Easter Sunday Resurrection*

9am April 1

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES Worship Assistants

	<b>Maundy Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm</b>	<b>Good Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm</b>
<b>Head Usher</b>	Susan Burnette	Jeremy Edwards
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sandy Voight	Susan Burnette
<b>Greeters</b>	Linda Black Bart Walder	Betty Miller Bart Walder
<b>Lector</b>	Luther Myers	GoodFridayReaders
<b>Offering Ushers</b>	Rhonda Kiler     Barbara Yingling Norman Downes     Debbie Hebrank	Silent Offering
<b>Communion Stewards</b>	Susan Burnette     John Gregg Todd Robinson     Sandy Voight	-----
<b>Acolytes</b>	Austin Gregg Kyle Robinson	Ashton Eckhardt Tanner Eckhardt
<b>Pray w/ Pastor</b>	Christine Crouch	Bob Nicoll
<b>Bell Ringer</b>	Frank Burnette	Bart Walder

## EASTER WEEKEND SERVICES Worship Assistants

	<b>Easter Vigil 5pm Sat, Mar 31</b>	<b>Easter Sunrise 7am Sun, April 1</b>	<b>Easter Resurrection 9am Sun, April 1</b>
<b>Head Usher</b>	Jeanne Swain	Sharon Slivecky	Joe Fleck
<b>Altar Guild</b>	-----	Audrey Shaffer	Barb and Gene Yingling
<b>Greeter(s)</b>	Rodgers Hargert	Dawn Burris Steve Burris	Chris Miller Debbie Miller
<b>Lector</b>	Luther Myers	Barbara Guthrie	Bob Nicoll
<b>Offering Ushers</b>	----- Rodgers Hager Walter Hann -----	Garth Eckhardt Andy Kiler Ken Kiler Audrey Shaffer	Norman Downes Linda Schmidt Ron Schmidt Bart Walder
<b>Communion Stewards (Intinction)</b>	----- Linda Black Jeanne Swain -----	Christine Crouch Amanda Yingling TBD -----	Susan Burnette Barb Yingling Gene Yingling -----
<b>Acolytes ~ Torchbearers</b>	-----	Tanner Eckhardt Willis Kiler	Dylan Andrews Jayden Bosnick
<b>Crucifer</b>	-----	Ashton Eckhardt	Jordan Bosnick
<b>Pray w/ Pastor</b>	-----	Christine Crouch	Connie Dattilio
<b>Bell Ringer</b>	-----	Garth Eckhardt	Bart Walder

## **Please remember in your prayers:**

Jeff Dell	Cassandra Fleckenstein	Gene Black
*Walter Ruby	Steven Gary	Joeann Peach
*Ardice Holbrook	Karen Schaefer	Jan Engman
Ann Trent	Gary Southard	Bill Whitehead III
Cary Myers	Paul Moffitt	Tricia
Gail Brown	Gaiser Family	Joe Fleck
Fred Davies	Gene Yingling	Daniel Woo
Reid Ronayne	Ally Crossley	Lisa Wulforst
Dorinda Smith	Angela Locke	Katie & Brian Benden
Ann Miller	Michelle Richie	Denise Rickell
*Dolly Ruby	Janis Hagert	Connie Dattilio
Jan Rhoten	Dot Matthews	Tonia Files
Robert Rhoten	Wesley Martin family	Katy Moran
Joe Morris	Jerry Hoffman	Justin Tawney
*Ginny Sellers	Mary Alice Steger	Jackie Losiewski
Deborah Moose	Jeff Mullins	Brenda Kiler Perry
Elissa Snedeker	Carolyn Kittelberger	Janet Gross
John Leitner	Bill Skelley	June Hale
*Carl Krauss	Gary Eppley	Mary Ayers
*Romaine Harper	Kelly McNeal	Gretchen Jensen
*Paulyne Hartlaub	Carter Murphy	Mary Popp
Leann Eltz	Maria Barczak	Jim Menges
Joe Miller	Jerry Betzler	Cyndi Seibel
Esther Miller	Jodi Grossman	Nancy Rohrback
Ann Harden	Dave Jones	Jack Kremen
John Marshall	Jeffrey Jones	
Doug Brown	Barry Rill	
Don Diseroad	Jim Federici	
Thelma Blizzard	Dan Riley	
Terri Blevins	Kathryn Riley	

\*Pastoral Care list

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

### **Those serving in the military:**

Brett Richardson, Jenelle Espinoza, Kyle Pasta,  
David Mace, Cassy Sanders, Gavin Bussard

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