

The family of Immanuel Lutheran Church welcomes you.
We hope that you will Worship with us often.



IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
The Rev. Charles P. Marshall

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 4, 2018
Sunday, September 5, 2018
15th 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 can assist you at any time during the service.

Worship Assistants

	Sat Sept 1
Head Usher	Jeanne Swain
Greeter	Linda Black
Lector	Jeanne Swain
Offering Ushers	Judy Bixler Linda Black
Communion	Jeanne Swain

	Sun Sept 2
Head Usher	Jeremy Edwards
Altar Guild	Betty Miller Audrey Shaffer
Greeters	Kathy Register Bart Walder
Lector	Pete Wulforst
Offering Ushers	Jennifer Edwards Audrey Shaffer Sandy Voight Bart Walder
Communion Stewards	Frank Burnette Susan Burnette Christine Crouch Rhonda Kiler
Acolytes	Jordan Bosnick Ryan Edwards
Pray w/ Pastor	Christine Crouch
Bell Ringer	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.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYER AND HEALING: Pastor Charlie offers individual prayer at the communion rail, with anointing and laying of hands for healing for those who desire it, 20 minutes before each service.

FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN: *We are glad you are here!*

- Activity bags are available in back to help little ones keep themselves occupied.
- The Oak Tree Room and the Pre-School Room are available for nursing mothers and others with small children and allow you to listen to the service.
- Baby Sunday School is offered for little ones accompanied by an adult most Sundays during worship (after children's sermon and return before Communion).

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

MONTHLY MISSION SPECIAL OFFERING

~Operation Christmas Child

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

The Israelites believed the law was a divine gift that provided guidelines for living out the covenant. Moses commands the people to obey the law and to neither add to nor subtract from it. The Israelites are also to teach the law to their children and their children's children.

¹So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. ²You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

⁶You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" ⁷For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? ⁸And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

⁹But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

¹LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your holy hill?

²**Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,
who speak the truth from their heart;**

³they do not slander with the tongue,
they do no evil to their friends;
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

⁴**In their sight the wicked are rejected,
but they honor those who fear the LORD.**

**They have sworn upon their health
and do not take back their word.**

⁵They do not give their money in hope of gain,
nor do they take bribes against the innocent.
Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

SECOND READING

James 1:17-27

The letter of James was intended to provide first-century Christians with instruction in godly behavior. Here, Christians are encouraged to listen carefully and to act on what they hear, especially by caring for those least able to care for themselves.

¹⁷Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²²But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world. The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark's gospel depicts Jesus as challenging traditional ways in which religious people determine what is pure or impure. For Jesus, the observance of religious practices cannot become a substitute for godly words or deeds that spring from a faithful heart.

¹Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” ⁶He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; ⁷in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’”

⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.”

²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

++ Upcoming Week ++

<u>Sun Sept 2</u>	Monthly Mission Special Offering Worship Service w Communion	9:00am
	Coffee Hour	10:15am
	Sunday Adult Bible Study	10:45am
<u>Mon Sept 3</u>	Labor Day – Office Closed	
	AA and AI-Anon	8:00pm
<u>Tues Sept 4</u>	Scouts	7:00pm
	Bible Study – Pastor’s Home	7:00pm
<u>Wed Sept 5</u>	AA	7:15pm
<u>Thur Sept 6</u>	Pastor Retreat (Day)	
<u>Fri Sept 7</u>	Pastor Day Off	
	AA (in Social Hall) and AI-Anon	8:00pm
<u>Sat Sept 8</u>	Monthly Mission Special Offering Worship Service w Communion	5:00pm
	AA	6:30pm
<u>Sun Sept 9</u>	Worship Service w Communion	9:00am
	Gods Work. Our Hands.	
	Little Free Pantry Ceremony	10:15am
	Church Picnic at Christmas Tree Park	following

Altar flowers are sponsored in honor of
Alicia Stegmayer and Davanie Walder, our September girls
by Barb & Carol Walder

Lessons and prayers are sponsored
in memory of Ruth & Thomas Murray
by their children, Brenda & Ronald,
and their grandchildren, Tommy & Ginny

Center flower arrangement is sponsored
in honor of David Mace and Rachel Wilkins
who will be married at 6:30pm on September 2nd
by Steve and Debbie Mace

THIS weekend:

September Missions Offering is for Operation Christmas Child.

The Sunday School students will be packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child in early November. Boxes will be delivered to children in need around the world. Money raised from the Missions offering will go towards paying for shipping cost. It cost \$9 to ship each box.

We are collecting the following items during September and October. All the items can be found in the dollar section at Carroll Drugs Pharmacy in Manchester or at the Dollar Store!

Bars of soap

Combs

Activity/coloring books

Wash cloths

Toothbrushes

Packs of Pencils

Hair ties

Packs of crayons

Small toy/stuffed animal

(no liquids or war related items)

Place donations in the Operation Christmas Child boxes outside of the sanctuary. Remember, we cannot pack food, liquid, or any war related items. As of 2017, toothpaste cannot be included.

Last year we packed 60 shoeboxes. Our goal is to beat that number this year! If you have any questions please contact Matthew or Jamie Rooney at 443-536-3541 or jamielr126@gmail.com



More information about Operation Christmas Child:

Every shoebox gift is an excellent resource for evangelism and discipleship which leads to the multiplication of new believers and churches around the world. In addition to hearing the Gospel before they receive their shoebox gift, children also receive The Greatest Gift, a storybook that shares the message of salvation. With the Apostle John as narrator, the booklet shares 11 Scripture stories and invites children to follow Christ. Children take this home to share with family and friends. It is used in more than 80 languages.

Remember to join us in the Social Hall

after Sunday morning service for





Our Church Picnic is NEXT WEEKEND, September 9th.

After the 9am Sunday Service there is a ribbon cutting for the 'Little Free Pantry'. After this ceremony, we will go to Christmas Tree Park, pavilion 2 for our Church Picnic!

Fellowship is providing hamburgers, hotdogs, drinks and paper products. Sign up sheet in the back of church to list how many are attending and what dish you are bringing to share.

~ Fun time for all ages! ~

From a special guest making balloon animals

to playing bingo for some prizes ...and other things in between!

ARE YOU RECEIVING PASTOR CHARLIE'S WEEKLY EMAIL?

If you want a weekly message from Pastor Charlie with reminders about what's happening at Immanuel, send your email to pastorc@ielcmd.org.

The September, October, November devotional, Our Daily Bread is now available for your home study in the tiered display case at the stairway entrance. Stop by and get your copy before they're gone!

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND GROW AT IMMANUEL

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



SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Our year-round Sunday morning Bible study is held in the Martin Luther Room following the worship service, approximately 10:15 to 11:15am. (Coffee Hour Sundays, we meet 10:45–11:30) Each week we explore the Gospel reading for the following Sunday. Everyone is welcome!

Sept 2: Mark 7:24-37 Sept 9: Church Picnic Sept 16: Mark 9:30-37
Sept 23: Mark 9:38-50 Sept 30: Mark 10:2-16



MIDWEEK PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUPS:

THE BIBLE & THE AFTERLIFE

What happens when we die? Beginning Sept 11, our midweek groups will be exploring Bible passages that help answer this perennial question. We will learn how the understanding of the afterlife developed from ancient Israel to the New Testament Church. Everyone is welcome.

Morning Group will meet in the Oak Tree Room

on Tuesdays Sept 11, 18 & 25 at 11am.

Evening Group will meet at the Pastor's home, (840 Hughes Shop Rd, Westminster MD 21158) on Wed Sept.12 and Tuesday Sept 18 & 25 at 7pm.

Looking Ahead ... **Save these Dates**

Today, September 1-2

Special Missions Weekend Offering for 'Operation Christmas Child'
Sunday Coffee Hour in Social Hall following worship

Sunday, September 9

God's Work-Our Hands: Ribbon Cutting for 'Free Little Pantry'
Church Picnic, Christmas Tree Park following ribbon cutting ceremony

Thursday, September 13

Chime Choir practices resume @ 6pm
Sunday Adult Choir practices resume @ 7pm

Sunday, September 16

Holy Cross Sunday – wear RED

September 22-23

Decorate for Harvest Home, Saturday @ 10am
Harvest Home Weekend Services @ 5pm and 9am
~ Fill-Our-Harvest Baskets for *Tree of Friends* and *NESAP*

October 6-7

Special Missions Weekend Offering for 'Community of St. Dymas'
Luther Men practice following Sunday worship
Sunday Coffee Hour in Social Hall following worship

October 13-14

Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing Weekend at 5 pm and 9 am
Luther Men provide Sunday special music

SEPTEMBER 2018 LECTIONARY ~ for your Home Bible Study

Week of:	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
Aug 27 ~ Sept 2	Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9	Psalm 15	James 1:17-27	Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23
Sept 3 ~ 9	Isaiah 35:4-7a	Psalm 146	James 2:1-17	Mark 7:24-37
Sept 10 ~ 16 Holy Cross Sunday	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Psalm 116:1-9	1 Corinthians 1:18-24	Mark 8:27-38
Sept 17 ~ 23 Harvest Home	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	Psalm 65	2 Corinthians 9:6-15	Mark 9:30-37
Sept 24 ~ 30	Numbers 11:4-6,10-16,24-29	Psalm 19:7-14	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50

2018 ALTAR FLOWERS SPONSORSHIPS ~ LESSONS & PRAYERS

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

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

Options Available:

- **Sept 8-9** Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers
- **Sept 15-16** Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement
- **Sept 22-23** Altar Vases
- **Sept 29-30** Altar Vases ~ Lessons & Prayers

Our **Annual Harvest Home** will be held **the weekend services of September 22nd and 23rd**. Plan now to participate in the **'Fill Our Baskets' for Tree of Friends and NESAP**.

Everyone's help is needed to overflow our harvest baskets with donations of canned and boxed food or monetary donations. Please check your canned or boxed items for expiration dates. Last year, Immanuel donated over 100 items. Help make this another bountiful harvest year for those less fortunate in the Carroll County community. Thank you!



The weekend services, OCTOBER 13-14 is our **Annual Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing**. Many songs, during the service, will be those familiar from our childhood! The Luther Men will be leading the singing during the Sunday service and will be providing the special music as the offertory anthem. Invite your family and friends to attend and enjoy singing those long-loved hymns of yesteryear!

PASTOR CHARLIE'S SEPTEMBER BIBLE CHALLENGE:

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER WE DIE?

Our September Bible Challenge will parallel our midweek Bible study for this fall on the Bible and the afterlife. The online Bible Study continues with daily comments from Pastor Charlie on Facebook. Email pastorc@ielcmd.org to join this private group, or if you would like to receive copies via email of the comments he posts there for each day.

9/1	Genesis 2:7-9,16-17	9/16	Isaiah 25:6-8
9/2	Genesis 3:17-19	9/17	Isaiah 26:14-19
9/3	Ecclesiastes 9:5-6	9/18	Ezekiel 37:1-6
9/4	Job 14:7-12	9/19	Ezekiel 37:7-14
9/5	Psalms 88:1-5	9/20	Luke 20:27-38
9/6	Psalms 88:10-12	9/21	Romans 14:7-9
9/7	Isaiah 14:9-11	9/22	1 Corinthians 15:12-19
9/8	Isaiah 14:12-15	9/23	2 Corinthians 5:1-9
9/9	Psalms 116:3-9	9/24	John 11:21-27
9/10	1 Samuel 28:1-11	9/25	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
9/11	1 Samuel 28:12-19	9/26	Luke 16:19-31
9/12	Genesis 5:21-24	9/27	Romans 2:5-11
9/13	2 Kings 2:1-12	9/28	2 Thessalonians 1:6-10
9/14	1 Peter 3:18-22	9/29	Revelation 20:11-15
9/15	Revelation 1:17-18	9/30	Revelation 21:1-8

September Wedding Anniversaries

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



September Birthdays

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



Kids Feeding Kids served their final meal on Friday, Aug. 31. It has been different this year, working around the kitchen renovation project and having meals brought in from the Manchester Elementary School kitchen. Our youth volunteers and adults who worked with them did a great job. Director Sharon Bonner gave her all once again this year. Thank you to those who filled in while she was away!

If all goes well, we hope to have Kids Feeding Kids back again next summer, this time with a newly renovated kitchen. No official plans have been made yet, but we will let you know what happens.

Carroll Lutheran School *New Scholarship Program***** CLS is offering a Conference Church Scholarship to a student of our choosing. The program allows one student from Immanuel to attend CLS for a tuition cost of just \$2,000/year (standard tuition approx \$7,000).

The goal of CLS is to bring high-quality education to as many students as possible. They are striving for 100% participation from all conference churches. ***Let us know if you are interested in this great opportunity.***

Large Community Fall Bazaar / Yard Sale on Sept 15th at St. Mark's Lutheran Church of Snydersburg (1616 Cape Horn Rd 21074) from 8 to 2. Vendors Needed (set up 6:30-7:45am) Cost \$15/space or \$20/space w table
Contact Diane Aberts @ 410-239-1891 dfaberts@gmail.com or
Bev Martin @ 410-374-6519 bamedd40@gmail.com

Trinity Lutheran Church hosting Oktoberfest to benefit Habitat for Humanity of Carroll County. Event includes a buffet of German and American dining options. Live German music. Come dressed in your favorite German attire and you may win a prize! Games, raffles, and contests for everyone. There is a Market consisting of local vendors selling their wares in the Bier Garten. Tix: \$15 in advance, \$10 children under 10, \$18 at gate, Free under 6
Contact office@trinitytaneytown.org for tickets or to become a vendor.



Sat, September 22, 2018 from 2 – 6pm
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
38 West Baltimore Street Taneytown, MD 21787

*** Vendors Wanted *** for a well-established event (35 years!) that is very well attended (about 1,500 last year!). Your space is reserved for all three days of the Arcadia Bluegrass Festival:

Thur, Sept 20 · Fri, Sept 21 · Sat, Sept 22

Vendor spaces are 12' x 12', have electric and include admission for two people each day! (The cost of 3 single days admission is \$85!) Contact Rachel Murphy for more details.



This is a great way to support the local fire company
AND
get your product/service seen by thousands!

Lazarus UCC is hosting a Songfest to benefit Trinity UCC Restoration Project on September 30th from 3 to 5pm. Performances by local church choirs, soloist, duets, quartets and/or instrumentalist will 'make a joyful noise to our Lord', including from Immanuel Church! Free will offering. Reception will follow the program.

****Back by Popular Demand****

Immanuel and Trinity UCC will host our

Manchester
COMMUNITY
Event

on October 6 from 8am to 2pm.

There is a *Yard Sale signup* sheet in the back of the church to reserve a vendor space (\$20), to offer help or if you have any questions.

We will have:

- *The Shred Mill Truck (1-3pm)
- *Kids Activities
- *Live Music
- *Food & Drinks

Immanuel Church Contact: Rhonda Kiler 443-340-2357 / kiler@hughes.net
Trinity UCC Contact: Sue Myers 443-375-6788 / wsmdem@comcast.net

****Remember to invite your family and neighbors to attend this event!**

Please remember in your prayers:

Jeff Dell	Terri Blevins	Daniel Woo
*Walter Ruby	Cassandra Fleckenstein	Lisa Wulforst
*Ardice Holbrook	Steven Gary	Katie & Brian Benden
Ann Trent	Karen Schaefer	Denise Rickell
Cary Myers	Gary Southard	Connie Dattilio
Gail Brown	Paul Moffitt	Justin Tawney
Fred Davies	Gaiser Family	Jackie Losiewski
Reid Ronayne	Angela Locke	Brenda Kiler Perry
Dorinda Smith	Janis Hagert	Janet Gross
Ann Miller	Dot Matthews	June Hale
*Dolly Ruby	Mary Alice Steger	Mary Ayers
Jan Rhoten	Carolyn Kittelberger	Mary Popp
Robert Rhoten	Bill Skelley	Jim Menges
Joe Morris	Gary Eppley	Cyndi Seibel
*Ginny Sellers	Kelly McNeal	Nancy Rohrback
Deborah Moose	Carter Murphy	Janet Brady
Elissa Snedeker	Maria Barczak	Marianne Lieberman
John Leitner	Jodi Grossman	Pastor Greg Knepp
*Romaine Harper	Dave Jones	Bill Melliush
*Paulyne Hartlaub	Jeffrey Jones	Donna Frase
Joe Miller	Jim Federici	Susie Zepp
Esther Miller	Dan Riley	Arnold Speert
Ann Harden	Kathryn Riley	Diana Thompson
John Marshall	David MacArthur	Brian Yingling
Don Diseroad	Lindsey Yingling	Angie Keffer
Thelma Blizzard	Max Murphy	Aurthur Ensor Sr.
Donna Mummert	Joeann Peach	Jess (Biondo) Redifer
Pam Miller	Jan Engman	Don Sites
Jim Moose	Bill Whitehead III	Susan Yingling
Dhruv Dhingra	Tricia	Nathan and Jackson
Nancy Hoffman	Sarah Kline	Sharon Heyet
Janice Farley	Ryan Whitehead	
Bonnie Sterner	Julie Carl	
Bryan Ridgely	Olivia Yingling	

*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, Austin Maloney



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