

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 8, 2018
Sunday, September 9, 2018
17th Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Cross 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 can assist you at any time during the service.

Worship Assistants

	Sat Sept 15
Head Usher	Brenda Wulforst
Greeter	Barb Davidson
Lector	Pete Wulforst
Offering Ushers	Barb Davidson Ron Davidson
Communion	Brenda Wulforst

	Sun Sept 16
Head Usher	Jeremy Edwards
Altar Guild	Betty Miller Audrey Shaffer
Greeters	Steve Burris Linda Gregg
Lector	Russell Jensen
Offering Ushers	Frank Burnette Laurie Miller Steve Miller Brenda Murray
Communion Stewards	Susan Burnette Norman Downes John Gregg Audrey Shaffer
Acolytes	Jayden Bosnick Austin Gregg
Crucifer	Tanner Eckhardt
Pray w/ Pastor	Connie Dattilio
Bell Ringer	Frank Burnette

***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, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

LEAD JOURNEY PRESENTATION

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be
put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 116:1-9

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

²**for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**

³The cords of death entangled me;
the anguish of the grave came upon me; I came to grief and sorrow.

⁴**Then I called upon the name of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”**

⁵Gracious is the LORD and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

⁶**The LORD watches over the innocent;
I was brought low, and God saved me.**
⁷Turn again to your rest, O my soul.
for the LORD has dealt well with you.
⁸**For you have rescued my life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;**
⁹I will walk in the presence of the LORD in the land of the living.

SECOND READING

1 Cor 1:18-24

At the heart of the Christian message is the word of the cross. This proclamation seems foolish to many because it reveals true divine power in the absolute weakness of Christ's crucifixion. True wisdom understands how ours is a God who suffers for and with humankind in the cross.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-38

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

This story provides the turning point in Mark's gospel. Peter is the first human being in the narrative to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah, but he cannot accept that as the Messiah Jesus will have to suffer. Moreover, Jesus issues a strong challenge to all by connecting discipleship and the cross.

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah."

³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he 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. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³But 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.”

³⁴He 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. ³⁵For 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. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those 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.

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Lessons and Prayers are sponsored in honor of
our granddaughter, Mia Wenzel’s 6th birthday on September 13th.
We love you so much! ~Nana ande Papa Burnette

++ Upcoming Week ++

<u>Sun Sept 16</u>	Holy Cross Sunday Worship Service w Communion	9:00am
	Sunday School	10:15am
	Bible Study-Martin Luther Room	10:15am
	Confirmation Class – Oak Tree Rm	6:30pm
<u>Mon Sept 17</u>	AA and Al-Anon	8:00pm
<u>Tues Sept 18</u>	Bible Study – Oak Tree Rm	11:00am
	Scouts	7:00pm
	Bible Study – Pastor’s Home	7:00pm
<u>Wed Sept 19</u>	Stephen Ministry	10:30am
	AA	7:15pm
<u>Thur Sept 20</u>	Chime Choir Practice	6:00pm
	Adult Choir Practice	7:00pm
<u>Fri Sept 21</u>	Pastor Day Off	
	AA (in Social Hall) and Al-Anon	8:00pm
<u>Sat Sept 22</u>	Harvest Home Weekend	
	Decorate Sanctuary	10:00am
	Worship Service w Communion	5:00pm
	AA	6:30pm
<u>Sun Sept 23</u>	Harvest Home Weekend	
	Worship Service w Communion	9:00am
	Sunday School	10:15am
	Bible Study-Martin Luther Room	10:15am

TODAY, we celebrate **The Festival of the Holy Cross**. Modern archaeologists believe that two churches, built by Emperor Constantine, are on the sites of Jesus’ crucifixion and burial. The celebration of the Holy Cross originated with the dedication of the Church of the Resurrection in 335 AD.

Holy Cross Sunday provides the church the opportunity to ‘*Lift High the Cross*’ with a spirit of united celebration for ALL future generations. Thank you to everyone for wearing **RED** for **Holy Cross Sunday!**

The **Altar Vases** are **un-sponsored** for **this weekend, Sept 15-16**. Please contact Altar Guild if you would like to take one or both vases of flowers following the Sunday Service. Flowers will be bagged for your easy transport. Thank you.

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.

We are collecting the below 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!

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| 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. 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.

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

Our *two devotionals*, **Our Daily Bread** (for September, October and November) and **Christ In Our Home** (for October, November and December) are available for your home study in the tiered display case at the stairway entrance. Stop by and get your copies!

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, 10:45–11:30) Each week we explore the Gospel reading for the following Sunday.

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 18 & 25 at 11am.

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

Looking Ahead ... Save these Dates

Today, Sunday, September 16

Holy Cross Sunday

Sunday School classes begin today following worship

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 *Little Free Pantry*

October 6-7

Special Missions Weekend Offering for 'Community of St. Dysmas'

Luther Men practice following Sunday worship

Sunday Coffee Hour in Social Hall following worship

October 13-14

Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing Weekend at 5pm and 9am

Luther Men provide Sunday special music

October 27-28

Reformation Weekend Services at 5 pm and 9 am

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.

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

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

Options Available:

- **Sept 22-23** Altar Vases
- **Sept 29-30** Altar Vases ~ Lessons & Prayers
- **Oct 6-7** Altar Vases ~ Lessons & Prayers
- **Oct 20-21** Altar Vases ~ Center Arrangement ~ Lessons & Prayers

Immanuel's Annual Harvest Home will be held during next weekend's services of September 22- 23. This year, donations to '**Fill Our Baskets**' will help Tree of Friends and Little Free Pantry. Please be generous with your donations of canned and boxed food items or monetary donations and remember to check your food donations for expiration dates. Let's help make this another bountiful harvest year for those less fortunate in the Carroll County community. Thank you!



The weekend services of **OCTOBER 13-14** will showcase 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!

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.**

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.

9/14 1 Peter 3:18-22

9/23 2 Corinthians 5:1-9

9/15 Revelation 1:17-18

9/24 John 11:21-27

9/16 Isaiah 25:6-8

9/25 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

9/17 Isaiah 26:14-19

9/26 Luke 16:19-31

9/18 Ezekiel 37:1-6

9/27 Romans 2:5-11

9/19 Ezekiel 37:7-14

9/28 2 Thessalonians 1:6-10

9/20 Luke 20:27-38

9/29 Revelation 20:11-15

9/21 Romans 14:7-9

9/30 Revelation 21:1-8

9/22 1 Corinthians 15:12-19

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

Oct 6 from 8am to 2pm,

Immanuel and Trinity is hosting our

**Manchester
COMMUNITY
Event**

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.

**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!*

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

We currently support five various groups:

- ~ *The Sunday Adult Choir* ~ *The Chime Choir*
- ~ *The Luther Men* ~ *The Children's Choir* – 'All God's Children'
- ~ *The Woman's Harmony Choir*

If you are not able to commit to regular practices at this time, but can participate 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 contact)

NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED,

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

- **The Sunday Adult Choir** resume practices on Thur, Sept 13 @ 7pm
- **The Chime Choir** resume practices on Thur, Sept 13 @ 6pm
- **The Luther Men** sing quarterly, practices scheduled as needed
*** **Hymn Sing practice, Sunday, Oct 7 @ 10:15am**
- **The Children's Choir** sing quarterly,
practices scheduled as needed
- **The Woman's Harmony Choir** sing quarterly,
practices scheduled as needed

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

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 and more. Contact office@trinitytaneytown.org for tickets:

\$15 in advance, \$10 children under 10, \$18 at gate, Free under 6

Sat, September 22, 2018 from 2 – 6pm

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (38 W Baltimore St Taneytown 21787)

* **Vendors Wanted** * for a well-established event (35 years!) that is well attended (about 1,500 last year!). Contact Rachel Murphy for more details.

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



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.

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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