

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 2, 2019**  
**Sunday, February 3, 2019**  
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

## 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!!***

### **\*Cell Phone Reminder\***

Please either turn off or silence your device during our service. Thank you.

### ***Worship Assistants***

	<b>Sat Feb 2</b>
<b>Head Usher</b>	Susan Burnette
<b>Greeter</b>	Rodgers Hagert
<b>Lectors</b>	Luther Myers
<b>Offering Ushers</b>	Frank Burnette Rodgers Hagert
<b>Communion</b>	Susan Burnette

	<b>Sun Feb 3</b>
<b>Head Usher</b>	Brittany Trott
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Betty Miller Audrey Shaffer
<b>Greeters</b>	Betty Miller Kathleen Register
<b>Lectors</b>	Joe Fleck
<b>Offering Ushers</b>	Audrey Shaffer Sandy Voight Bart Walder Ernest Weiss
<b>Communion Stewards</b>	Frank Burnette Susan Burnette Christine Crouch Norman Downes
<b>Acolytes</b>	Dylan Andrews Danica Reiley
<b>Pray w/ Pastor</b>	Christine Crouch
<b>Bell Ringer</b>	Ernest Weiss

### **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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE and SILENT MEDITATION

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
who creates us and forms us, who redeems us and calls us,  
who unites us and sends us. **Amen.**

Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty and loving God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin  
and cannot free ourselves.**  
**We seek our own way.**  
**We divide the body of Christ.**  
**In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us.**  
**Let the words of our mouths,**  
**the thoughts of our hearts,**  
**and everything that we do**  
**be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.**

Hear the voice of Jesus:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to proclaim release to the captives.”

In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that your sins are forgiven and you are released.

The joy of the Lord is your strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are yours forever. **Amen.**

# GATHERING HYMN

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

ELW #705



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple  
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -  
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;  
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age  
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.  
serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969  
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## MONTHLY MISSION OFFERING

### FIRST READING

**Jeremiah 1:4-10**

*God calls Jeremiah to be a prophet and consecrates him in the womb. Jeremiah's task is to preach God's word in the midst of the difficult political realities of his time, before the Babylonian exile. He is to make God known not only to Judah, but also to the nations.*

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

<sup>6</sup>Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.”

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM

**Psalm 71:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

<sup>2</sup>**In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;  
incline your ear to me and save me.**

<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;  
you are my crag and my stronghold.

<sup>4</sup>**Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

<sup>5</sup>For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, my confidence since I was young.

<sup>6</sup>**I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my  
mother's womb you have been my strength;  
my praise shall be always of you.**

## SECOND READING

## 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

*Christians in Corinth prided themselves on their spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that God gives us many gifts through the Holy Spirit, but the purpose behind all of them is love, the kind of love that God showed us in Jesus Christ.*

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup>It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup>For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup>but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL

Luke 4:21-30

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*People in Jesus' hometown are initially pleased when he says that God will free the oppressed. Their pleasure turns to rage when he reminds them that God's prophetic mission typically pushes beyond human boundaries so that mercy and healing are extended to those regarded as outsiders.*

<sup>21</sup>Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."<sup>22</sup>All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?"<sup>23</sup>He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'"<sup>24</sup>And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown."<sup>25</sup>But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land;<sup>26</sup>yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon.<sup>27</sup>There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian."<sup>28</sup>When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage.<sup>29</sup>They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff.<sup>30</sup>But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

# HYMN OF THE DAY

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

ELW#631



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry  
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

## APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

### *A brief silence.*

We pray for the church. Inspire us by your Spirit as we respond to your call. When we are reluctant, strengthen us; when we are doubtful, encourage us. Above all, let your love shine through us.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the earth. For mountains and prairies, cities and farms, rain forests and deserts. Awaken us to the mystery and diversity of your creation. Nurture all living things and protect your creation from harm.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations. Kindle within us a spirit of respect for one another. Protect those fleeing their homes to escape danger or oppression. Bring peace to communities torn apart by warfare and violence.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those in need. Protect those who suffer abuse and encourage those who lack hope. Guide all who provide medical care. Comfort those who grieve and bring healing to the sick including those on our prayer list and those we now name before you... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For this assembly. Bless our children and our elders. Gather us into a community guided by your love. Inspire in us a spirit of hospitality and kindness. Teach us to bear one another's burdens with compassion.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### *Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We give thanks for those who have gone before us in faith, and who now see you face-to-face (including our loved ones whom we remember before you...). Inspire us by their example and bring us into your everlasting presence. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PEACE

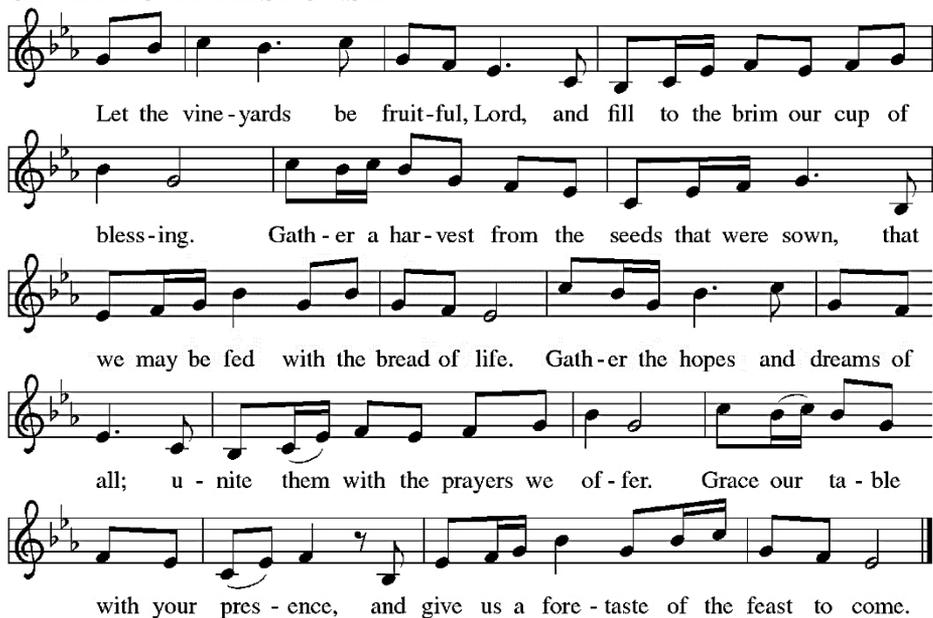
The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## OFFERING

# ANTHEM

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that  
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of  
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble  
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

## OFFERING PRAYER

God of all creation,

**all you have made is good, and your love endures forever.**

**You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine.**

**Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,**

**thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come to the table.

Feast on God's abundant life for you.

## LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*Beginning from the front row and moving toward the back, please come down the center aisle from both sides. Take an empty cup if you wish wine, walk to either end of the communion rail to kneel or stand. Pita bread will be the host or a gluten-free wafer will be provided upon request. If no empty cup is presented for wine, you will be given a prepared cup of grape juice.*

*After communing, stay as long as you wish to pray. Place empty cup in the basket at either end of the pew. Return to your seat by the side aisle.*

# COMMUNION HYMNS

## "I Love to Tell the Story"

ELW #661



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.  
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

### *Refrain*



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



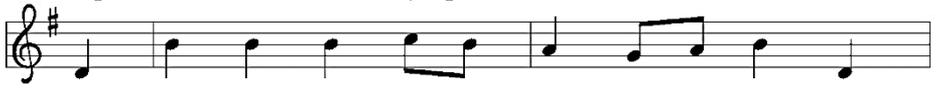
to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911

Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849-1936

“Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak”

ELW #676



1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in  
 2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the  
 3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the  
 4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -



liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so  
 wan-d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that  
 pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that  
 til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and



let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.  
 we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.  
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.  
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt.  
 Music: CANONBURY, Robert Schumann, 1810-1856

“O Word of God Incarnate”

ELW #514



1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,  
 2 The church from you, dear Mas - ter, re - ceived the gift di - vine;  
 3 Oh, make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of bur - nished gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:  
 and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.  
 to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,  
 It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,  
 oh, teach your wand - ring pil - grims by this their path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
 mid mists and rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.  
 till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see you face to face.

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.  
 Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you  
 and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path;  
and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

*“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”*

*ELW #836*



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - jice in thee.  
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852–1922

Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, adapt.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

**++ CALENDAR ++**

Sun Feb 3	Monthly Mission Special Offering <b>Worship Service w Communion</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
	Sunday School	10:15am
	Adult Bible Study	10:15am
	*Coffee Hour (Reception) on Feb 10	
Mon Feb 4	Cub Scouts	7:00pm
	Confirmation Class	7:00pm
	AA and Al-Anon	8:00pm
Tues Feb 5	Bible Study	11:00am
	Bible Study – Pastors Home	7:00pm
	Scouts	7:00pm
Wed Feb 6	AA	7:15pm
Thur Feb 7	Pastor Retreat Day	
	Choir Practice	7:00pm
Fri Feb 8	Pastor Day Off	
	AA and Al-Anon	8:00pm
Sat Feb 9	Church Anniversary Weekend <b>Worship Service w Communion</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
	AA	6:30pm
Sun Feb 10	Church Anniversary Weekend <b>Worship Service w Communion</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
	Brunch Reception in Social Hall	10:30am
	Confirmation Class	7:00pm

The **Altar Vases** are un-sponsored for **this weekend, February 2-3**. Please contact Altar Guild if you would like to take one or both vases of flowers following the Sunday Service. Thank you.

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Lessons and Prayers are sponsored in loving memory of  
Clair & Ethel Sterner for their February birthdays  
by their daughter, Betty Miller and grandson, Brian

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Donations received in memory of Harry Arbaugh from  
Frank & Susan Burnette, designated to the Building Fund  
Janet Patterson and family  
Jean Arbaugh, designated to the Kitchen Fund

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The Arbaugh and Myers family wishes to thank everyone for their kindness during the sudden death of my husband, Harry.

Again, thank you all. ~Jean

THIS WEEKEND, Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Special Offering collected for Carroll Lutheran School

**MONTHLY MISSION SPECIAL OFFERING FOR FEBRUARY:**

Carroll Lutheran School (CLS) is our baby! It began as a dream shared by the congregations of our Westminster Conference and opened its doors in September 2000. Eighteen years later CLS is still owned by the Conference congregations, including Immanuel, as an extension of our ministry to families in Carroll County.

CLS is among the best schools in Carroll County and provides a quality education where the love of Christ sets the tone to develop, cultivate, and nurture all aspects of learning, including spiritual, academic and social. CLS provides special scholarship support for members of the Westminster Conference congregations, so that families will be able to afford to send their children. CLS is experiencing financial challenges right now, and needs to boost enrollment and to receive financial support from the community and especially from Immanuel and other Conference congregations.

Please spread the word about CLS to families with school age children, and please give generously to CLS through this monthly mission offering.

CLS's mission is "Exceptional Education, Formed in Faith."

Let us help to ensure that CLS will continue to carry out its mission for many years to come!

*\* Note:*

Coffee Hour is Feb 10<sup>th</sup> after our Anniversary Sunday service with the Bishop.

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**Christ In Our Home** (for January, February and March) and **Our Daily Bread** (for December, January and February) devotionals are still available in the tiered display at the stairway entrance.

Copies are nearly gone, stop by and get your today!

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**February Lectionary**

<b>Week of:</b>	<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Psalm</b>	<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
Jan 28 – Feb 3	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Psalm 71:1-6	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Luke 4:21-30
Feb 4 – 10	Isaiah 6:1-13	Psalm 138	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Luke 5:1-11
Feb 11 – 17	Jeremiah 17:5-10	Psalm 1	1 Corinthians 15:12-20	Luke 6:17-26
Feb 18 – 24	Genesis 45:3-11,15	Psalm 37:1-11,39-40	1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50	Luke 6:27-38

## 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	5	Pam Miller	8	Ron Davidson	17
Earl Nace	5	Brenda Murray	9	Brian Yingling	17
Luther Myers	7	Jacob McCarty	13	Ellen Stickles	20
Katie Taylor	7	Katharyn Black	14	Christian Adami	24
Sarah Marshall	8	Ryleigh Hoffman	14		

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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 what's happening at Immanuel, please submit your email address to [pastorc@ielcmd.org](mailto:pastorc@ielcmd.org).

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### Pastor Charlie's FEBRUARY Bible Challenge – Jesus Begins

The season of Epiphany focuses on the beginnings of Jesus' ministry in Galilee: teaching, healing, casting out demons, and driving his opponents crazy! Our Bible Challenge will take us straight through chapters 4-8 of the Gospel according to Luke. The online Bible Study will continue with daily comments from Pastor Charlie on Facebook. Email him at [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 the comments he posts there for each day.

2/1	Luke 4:1-13	2/11	Luke 6:1-11	2/21	Luke 7:36-50
2/2	Luke 4:14-21	2/12	Luke 6:12-19	2/22	Luke 8:1-8
2/3	Luke 4:22-30	2/13	Luke 6: 20-26	2/23	Luke 8:9-15
2/4	Luke 4:31-37	2/14	Luke 6:27-36	2/24	Luke 8:16-21
2/5	Luke 4:38-44	2/15	Luke 6:37-42	2/25	Luke 8:22-25
2/6	Luke 5:1-11	2/16	Luke 6:43-49	2/26	Luke 8:26-39
2/7	Luke 5:12-16	2/17	Luke 7:1-10	2/27	Luke 8:40-48
2/8	Luke 5:17-26	2/18	Luke 7:11-17	2/28	Luke 8:49-56
2/9	Luke 5:27-32	2/19	Luke 7:18-23		
2/10	Luke 5:33-39	2/20	Luke 7:24-35		



**Local Pantry Collection for February:** Pantries at NESAP and Tree of Friends need *Egg Noodles*. Labeled baskets are in the Narthex for your donations. Thank you!

**\*Rescheduled date LEAD focus groups with SS families and staff**

The Sunday School parents and grandparents are invited to meet with the LEAD team on Sunday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at **10:30am** in the Social Hall. The Sunday School staff will follow with a meeting at **11:15am**.

The LEAD team looks forward to your input as we work together to discern God's plan for our future.

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**LOOKING AHEAD ...**

**TODAY, February 2-3 Epiphany 4 Services @ 5pm and 9am**

Monthly Special Missions collected for 'Carroll Lutheran School'

**February 9-10 Immanuel's 259<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Weekend**

\*\*\* Bishop Bill Gohl attending and participating at both services

Sunday '259<sup>th</sup> Anniversary' Brunch reception in Social Hall

following morning worship (in place of 2/3 Coffee Hour)

**March 2-3 Transfiguration Weekend Services @ 5pm and 9am**

Monthly Special Missions for 'Boys & Girls Club of Westminster'

Sunday Coffee Hour in Social Hall following morning worship

**Wed March 6 Ash Wednesday Services @ 1pm and 7pm**

**March 9-10 Lent 1**

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***Keeping in Touch (KIT)***

Ministry Admin Team: Jo Fleck, Jeanne Swain, Matthew Rooney

2019 brings new goals for KIT as we broaden this ministries vision and impact within Immanuel. We will continue to visit members of Immanuel who may not be able to worship with us, but KIT will now also reach out to those whom we have not seen in a while.

For this reason, the KIT administration team is *looking for eager volunteers* to visit or contact designated members of Immanuel. If you would like to find out more about this ministry, please contact the KIT admin team.

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***Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church invites you to a Men's Retreat on February 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am to 2pm. A Hot Lunch will be served by the Pleasant Grove United Methodist Women.***

15300 Dover Rd · Reisterstown, MD 21136

410-429-5080 · Pleasantgroveumcmd.org · pleasantgroveumcmd@gmail.com

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***Join us Feb 9-10 as we celebrate Immanuel's 259<sup>th</sup> anniversary.***

Bishop Bill Gohl will be our honored guest. \*\*For this reason, the February coffee hour will be held Feb 10 (instead of the usual 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month).



***\*Please sign up in the back to help us plan the food and refreshments.***

## ALTAR FLOWERS SPONSORSHIPS ~ LESSONS & PRAYERS

Fresh seasonal flowers enhance each weekend worship experience, adding color and beauty to the altar. Sponsorship forms and supplied envelopes are posted on the *2019 Flower Sponsorship Calendar* outside the church office. Your written information and payment must be received by 12 noon of the Wednesday before your reserved sponsorship date to ensure inclusion in the weekend bulletins. Leave your information and payment in the Music & Worship basket on the lamp table in the office. Sign-up early and often to reserve the dates of your choice during 2019. Contact Altar Guild with any questions.

### Sponsorships still available:

- **Feb 16-17** Altar Vases~Center Arrangement
- **Feb 23-24** Altar Vases~Center Arrangement
- **March 2-3** Altar Vases~Center Arrangement~Lessons&Prayers  
Transfiguration
- **Wed, March 6** Lessons & Prayers



### 2019 Prices: Co-Sponsoring is encouraged.

\$60 for both altar vases OR

\$30 for one vase ONLY

\$30 for a Center Arrangement

\$20 for Lessons & Prayers

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### 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*        ~ *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) ~**Wayne Thomas** (Luther Men Choir)  
~**Sandy Voight** (Chime Choir contact) ~**Amanda Yingling** (Children's Choir)  
~**Susan Burnette** (Women's Harmony Choir)

**NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED,**  
just 'make a joyful noise'!



- **Sunday Adult Choir** – practice on Thursdays @ 7pm
- **Chime Choir** – 6pm Thursday practices resume Feb 28<sup>th</sup> !
- **Luther Men** sing quarterly, practices scheduled as needed
- **Children's Choir** sing quarterly, practices scheduled as needed
- **Women's Harmony Choir** sing quarterly, practices scheduled as needed

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

**The stand outside the church office** is a Book Exchange and Painted Rocks. Feel free to take one or leave one. We hope to spread kindness through the painted rocks!



(Most rocks were painted during our 'Kids Feeding Kids' summer program.) Take a Rock. Hide the rock. When people find it, they can keep it to be inspired every time they see it or they can hide it again for someone else to find. Spread Kindness. ☺

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## OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND GROW AT IMMANUEL

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

### → **SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** 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 will explore the Gospel reading for the following Sunday. Everyone is welcome.

### → **MIDWEEK PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUPS:**

1 & 2 Peter: Courage in the Times of Trouble

Our two Bible study groups are on slightly different schedules. The morning group is finishing "All About Angels." The evening group is beginning a study of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter, providing guidance and encouragement for those going through dark and difficult times. Join us!



**Tuesday Morning Group** will meet in the Oak Tree Room at 11am throughout February.

**Evening Group** will meet at 7pm at the Pastor's home, (840 Hughes Shop Rd, Westminster MD 21158)

on Tues Feb 5, Wed Feb 13 and Tuesdays Feb 19 & 26.

### → **CONFIRMATION CLASS:** The Lord's Prayer

Confirmation Class meets Sundays, Jan 27 at 7pm throughout February in the church office. This year we are exploring the Small Catechism. In February we will continue our study of the Lord's Prayer.

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**Mar-Lu-Ridge Summer Camp Registration is open NOW** and Early Bird savings of \$35 off each camp are in effect until February 18<sup>th</sup>.

**REGISTER NOW!** We all want to see our youth grow and learn with Christ. There is a special individual at Immanuel that feels time at MLR will help with this important mission. We are so blessed that this individual will cover the cost of summer camp for active members! Please visit [mar-lu-ridge.org](http://mar-lu-ridge.org) to view the camp brochure. Send your completed registration form to Rachel in the church office and she will process your registration. Again, we are *blessed by the generosity of the anonymous donor* and hope that you participate! If you have any questions, please reach out to Rachel.

## ***New Cooperative Joint Ministry!***

Some upcoming events planned in cooperation with the congregations of Immanuel Lutheran, Jerusalem Lutheran and St. Paul's Lutheran (and hopefully more to come!).

**Everyone in the congregation is invited to attend!** *Please take advantage of these great events so we continue to plan more!*

**\*Rescheduled for February 17<sup>th</sup>.** We hope the weather will allow Ski Liberty to be open for this makeup date! Join us from 2-4pm for **Snow Tubing!** Contact Angie Eckhardt for more information and to RSVP. Email to Angie\_Eckhardt@verizon.net or call/text 410-215-8894.



We will meet at 12:30 at Immanuel for a caravan up, otherwise we will meet at the snow tubing ticket office at 1:45pm. As a reminder, the cost for families is \$15 per youth, Immanuel will cover the rest of the youth costs. Cost for adults who are also tubing is \$33 each.

**\*February 22, 2019 at St. Paul's Church** (March 1 snow date):

*Mario's Italian Restaurant* is open for one night.

***Please accept this as your special invite!!***

Come and see something strange ....

The kids doing the work for a change!

Join us between 5:30 and 7:30pm and take a seat.

Then St Paul's Youth will serve something to eat.

Other desserts are available to purchase, so take home and share.

*We sure do hope to see you there!*

Ticket Cost: your donation. Proceeds help us go to the ELCA Youth Gathering in 2021. Contact Rachel Murphy for more information.

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## **Weather Cancellation Policy @ Immanuel**

Weather conditions and circumstances may establish the need to cancel worship services and/or activities at Immanuel. **Every attempt will be made to announce** any decision to cancel services and/or activities **at least 2 hours** prior to such activities through the following official means:

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

When possible, an alternative time will be scheduled and announced.

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

Jeff Dell	Bobby Patterson	Daniel Woo
*Walter Ruby	Barbara Patterson	Justin Tawney
*Ardice Holbrook	Steven Gary	Jackie Losiewski
Ann Trent	Gary Southard	Brenda Kiler Perry
Cary Myers	Paul Moffitt	Janet Gross
Gail Brown	Gaiser Family	June Hale
Fred Davies	Angela Locke	Mary Ayers
Reid Ronayne	Janis Hagert	Jim Menges
Dorinda Smith	*Dot Matthews	Cyndi Seibel
Dolly Ruby	Carolyn Kittelberger	Janet Brady
Jan Rhoten	Bill Skelley	Marianne Lieberman
Robert Rhoten	Gary Eppley	Susie Zepp
Joe Morris	Kelly McNeal	Arnold Speert
Deborah Moose	Carter Murphy	Diana Thompson
Elissa Snedeker	Maria Barczak	Angie
John Leitner	Jodi Grossman	Jess (Biondo) Redifer
*Romaine Harper	*Dan Riley	Don Sites
*Paulyne Hartlaub	*Kathryn Riley	Nathan and Jackson
Joe Miller	David MacArthur	Sharon Heyet
Esther Miller	*Jan Engman	Delores Whitehead
Ann Harden	Bill Whitehead III	Jeff Petrusky
John Marshall	Ryan Whitehead	Heather Petrusky
*Don Diserod	Norma & Joe Rawlings	John Petrusky
*Thelma Blizzard	Pat Morris	Elise Decker & family
Donna Mummert	Linda Price	Ed Marshall
Pam Miller	Jean Honeycutt	Lainey Loftus
Jim Moose	*Gladys Riley	Donna Marshall
Dhruv Dhingra	Martha Hyson	Linda Calhoun
Nancy Hoffman	Linda Slate	Mike
Janice Farley	David Barnhart	Debbie Myers
*Bonnie Sterner	Bonnie Hull	Sarah Kline
Bryan Ridgely	Nick Campbell	Brittany Trott
Ch Jimmie Schwartz	Brenda Wulforst	

**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, Christian Evans



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