

Announcements

For the week of Sunday, October 8, 2023

Informational materials for *Preparing for God's Blessings* expansion program were made available at each of the Group Presentations the last two weeks. The final presentations are:

October 8, Sunday, 11:30 AM

October 9, Monday, 6:30 PM

We'd love for you to come and learn more about your church family's future! If you haven't been able to attend a presentation, material may be downloaded on our church website. Please take the time to read through and contemplate the exciting opportunities God has placed before us! A **Response Sheet** is included on the website. If you'd like a hard copy instead, please stop in at the church office or request a mailing. All response sheets should be completed and returned to the box in the Gathering Room by **October 18**. May God bless us with widespread participation and many responses!

The Group Presentations outline major expansion plans for our school space. Immanuel's continuing goal is to better share the gospel of Jesus with its own members and those of our community. We'll be MOST blessed if every member of Immanuel can study and reflect upon these plans before giving input.

If our church-family's goal is to better share the good news of Jesus' forgiveness with our own members and those of our community, then there is a direct correlation between these building design plans and how we can best serve the souls entrusted to us. *Preparing for God's Blessings* is all about sharing Jesus. All are invited to respond and be involved!

RSVP now, Immanuel's Family Photo Directory –Spots are limited. There are still open times on November 30 from 2:30-6:15pm. If you have any questions please call or text Judy Fuerbringer at 920-973-3355.



Mornings with Mommy: It's FALL! - Join us for our October session! Mornings with Mommy is a place where moms/caregivers can mingle with each other and enjoy activities with their children including: arts and crafts, sensory play, flannel stories and story time, music, themed activities and a snack. This month's theme is It's Fall. We'll meet Thursday, Oct. 12th from 10-11am in the church lower level. Scan the QR code to RSVP + claim your spot! New faces always welcome. (Geared toward children ages birth - 5.)

Ladies of Immanuel - All ladies of the congregation are invited to come to the **October 12, 1:30pm**, meeting of Ladies of Immanuel. We begin with a devotion, have a snack, and hear the latest news from the Shoreline LWMS and MLHS. Come for some time in the Word! Come learn about missions! Come for fellowship! See you there! We meet at church in the fellowship hall!

The LWMS Shoreline Circuit Rally - will be Saturday, Oct. 14 at 9am. Lunch to follow. The Presenter will be Pastor Mark Zondag who will speak on bringing God's Word to Asia, and specifically, Thailand.

Esther Circle Meeting - Esther Circle is the group that takes care of the altar area of church. We also set up the special displays for Lent, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Our next meeting is on **Sunday, October 22 at 11:45 AM, following the late worship service.** We will meet in the Music Room located in the lower level of church. **We are in need of more help!** If you are interested in finding out more about Esther Circle or interested in helping, please join us for our meeting (no commitment required) or contact Judy Fuerbringer at 920-973-3355, with any questions.

Grace Mission Festival - Pastor Gregory Bey (former WELS Missionary in Indonesia) will be preaching at Grace Lutheran Church (2426 N. Rapids Rd.) on Sunday, October 22 (Services 8 & 10:45am) and Monday, October 23 (6:30pm). All are welcome! Pastor Bey will have a presentation in the fellowship hall at Grace on Sunday, October 22 at 9:20am. He will be presenting on his work in Indonesia. The theme for this Mission Festival is WELS in Indonesia: An Exercise in Spiritual Bodybuilding!

OKTOBERFEST - Join us for Oktoberfest on Sunday, October 29 at 11:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy music by Jerry Krueger along with some classic Oktoberfest food, fellowship and samples of Oktoberfest beer/root beer. Meat and beverages will be provided. Please bring a favorite dish to pass. **TO HELP** we will be utilizing signupgenius.com again for people bringing a dish to pass and to sign up to help set up and clean up afterwards. More information will be in the upcoming Sunday bulletins.

GriefShare Session – GriefShare is a support ministry to help people who are grieving the loss of a loved one. There is a short video on various topics presented by mental health experts who have also gone through the grieving process. This is followed by group discussion time. Between each weekly session there is a workbook that has daily exercises that point you to God's Word and help you work through your grief. . A new session of GriefShare has just begun and **will continue meeting Wednesdays thru November 22nd.** We will be meeting at Immanuel **from 5:30 to 7:30pm** in the church Conference Room. If you are interested in getting more information or know someone who we should personally invite, please contact Larry Verlinden at 920-323-2297 or verlinden@comcast.net. More information and registration is available online at the GriefShare website, griefshare.org. There is a charge of \$20 per person which is to cover the cost of workbooks. Anyone is welcome to join the group at any time during the new session. Please share this information with a family member and/or friend who is grieving the loss of a loved one.

Handbell Ringers Needed - Ring your praises to the Lord! Seeking ringers to join Handbell Choir. Don't know how? We will gladly teach you. If you are unsure come and try it out. Practice is starting today, **after second service at 11:45 AM** for about an hour. Please speak with Kathy Gast or send an email to gkgast@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us!

SAVE THE DATE - ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT - All women of Immanuel are invited, and are encouraged to invite your female family members, friends, and neighbors to join you at this year's Advent by Candlelight on **Saturday, December 9th at 5:30 PM** in the church Fellowship Hall. Please plan to join us for an evening of visiting, encouragement, and enjoying beautiful music and delicious dessert. This evening is a wonderful event to prepare your hearts for Advent. There is no charge for this event. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK – You may wish to prepare for worship next week by meditating on the Scripture lessons for the twentieth Sunday after Pentecost.

Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 25:6-9; Romans 1:16-17; Matthew 22:1-14

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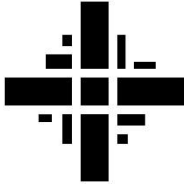
Our Thanks for God's Love

Last Week's Attendance: **52 + 103 + 118 = 273**

Thankful Gifts Offered (*last wk*): **\$7,370** Thankful Gifts Needed (*weekly*): **\$15,610**

This Week at Immanuel – October 8, 2023

Monday, Oct 9	6:00pm	God + Me Class #7
	6:00pm	Adult Choir
	6:30pm	School Expansion Presentation #6
Tuesday, Oct 10	6:30pm	Church Council
Wednesday, Oct 11	10:30am	Evangelism Meeting
	4:30pm	Public School Confirmation Class
	5:30pm	GriefShare
	6:30pm	School Choice Study Meeting
Thursday, Oct 12	1:30pm	Ladies of Immanuel
	6:30pm	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper
Friday, Oct 13		A Team VB Tournament (weekend)
Saturday, Oct 14	8:00am	Men's Bible Study – First German
Sunday, Oct 15	8:00am	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper
	9:15am	Bible Study
	10:30am	WORSHIP w/ Lord's Supper



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Worship Schedule:
Thursdays at 6:30 PM
Sundays at 8 AM & 10:30 AM

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