



PARISH NEWS

OCTOBER 2021



[Jesus] 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." Mark 8:34

The cross is at the heart of the gospel. During the course of his ministry, Jesus tells his disciples time and again what to expect: that he would be betrayed, condemned and killed. That he also tells them he will be raised from the dead seems to go over their heads, as they understandably seem to focus on the cross.

We have more positive associations with the cross. For us, it's a sign of life and hope. Anyone who has heard the Easter story knows about the transformation of death giving way to new life. The disciples knew only the horrors of the cross. It's likely they had seen people crucified, or at least they had seen the aftermath as the desecrated bodies of criminals were left up as a warning to anyone who might act against the Roman oppressors. When Jesus tells them that, in order to follow him, they must take up the cross, they would have had every reason to think he was being literal, that following Jesus meant facing the threat of death.

We focus on the cross a lot in the church, and rightly so. But I think sometimes we forget the scandal and danger of the ministry Jesus calls us to be a part of. Jesus doesn't avoid the suffering of the world; he goes out of his way to take it upon himself and transform it into something new. The gospel is God's answer to a broken world, a promise to seek out every place of suffering and grief, every moment of heartbreak and death, and transform it into the means of everlasting life.

So let's be bold, and take up the cross, joining Jesus as he moves through this world, working to redeem all of creation with the same grace that brings new life out of death.

In Peace,
Pastor Micah Sievenpiper

WORSHIP IN PERSON OR ONLINE

As Christ welcomes us, we welcome all to worship, which begins at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday. All in-person services in the sanctuary also are streamed live on Immanuel's YouTube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/immanuelkansascity>.

During in-person worship or other events and activities at Immanuel, please help limit health risk:

- Do not attend if you have tested positive for COVID-19, have experienced COVID-like symptoms (e.g., fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath) or have had close contact with someone who has tested positive within the past 14 days.
- Wear a mask over your nose and mouth.
- Practice safe hygiene (e.g., coughing or sneezing into your elbow.)
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COFFEE/REFRESHMENT TIME AND ADULT EDUCATION CONTINUE



-- **Help yourself to refreshments outside following Sunday services**, weather permitting. We still need hosts to help set up for refreshment time. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the main sanctuary-level hallway.

-- **In-person Adult Forum education** in Spong Common Room begins 15 minutes after Sunday worship. During the first three Sundays of October, Don Arney will lead a discussion of the book, *The Heart of Christianity*, by Marcus Borg. Available to borrow from area libraries or to purchase online for a nominal price, the book helps readers focus on loving God and loving what God loves. Even if you haven't read the book, you'll enjoy the discussion.

Here's a look at the full Adult Forum schedule for October:

Oct. 3 — Book Study/Discussion: *The Heart of Christianity* by Marcus Borg, part 1

Oct. 10 — Book Study/Discussion: *The Heart of Christianity* by Marcus Borg, part 2

Oct. 17 — Book Study/Discussion: *The Heart of Christianity* by Marcus Borg, part 3

Oct. 24 — Thoughts and Questions: Worship Online and Future Worship Engagement

Oct. 31 — No Adult Forum. Join Immanuel friends for Oktoberfest/Reformation Day brunch.

SPRUCE-UP DAY SET FOR OCT. 2

Join the Immanuel Stewardship team 8-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, to spruce up the Immanuel grounds. We'll pull weeds, prune, trim bushes and remove dead plantings.

Everyone is welcome! Can't make it at 8 a.m.? Come when you can. Bring your gardening gloves and water bottle. If you have clippers, lawn bags or other useful tools, bring those, too. Your stewardship team thanks you.



OCTOBER WELCA GATHERINGS FEATURE STUDY AND A SPECIAL PRESENTATION

WELCA fellowship and study continues at 1 p.m. Wednesdays via Zoom with "The Gift of the Spirit: A Divine Wild Goose Chase" in the September/October issue of *gather* magazine, which is a ministry of WELCA.

Join at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5143355703>

Meeting ID: 514 335 5703

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Wednesday WELCA gatherings online and in person are open to all. Here's a full look at the October lineup:



Oct. 6 — "The Gift of the Spirit," from *gather* magazine, via Zoom

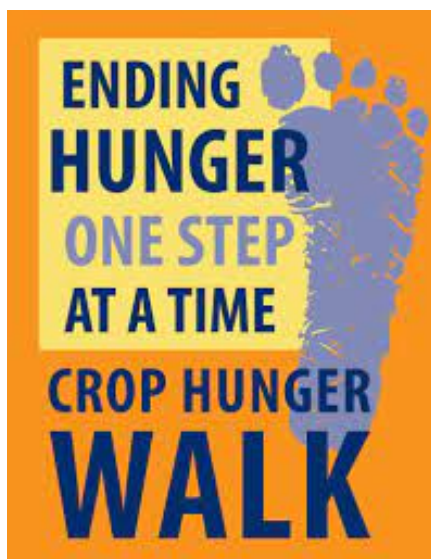
Oct. 13 — Fall break; no WELCA meeting

Oct. 20 — "The Gift of the Spirit," from *gather* magazine, via Zoom

Oct. 27 — "Union Cemetery: A Kansas City Jewel." Immanuel member Kevin Fewell, who is president of Union Cemetery Historical Society, will share photos and interesting historical tidbits about Kansas City's oldest public cemetery. You can experience this presentation face-to-face in Spong Common Room (masks required) or via Zoom.

Questions? Contact Pastor Ann, pastorannrundquist@gmail.com or 785-643-7697.

CROP WALK STEPS OFF VIRTUALLY OCT. 9



The Heart of America (HOA) CROP Hunger Walk is virtual again this year, and Immanuel team members Karen Bame, Rick Sundell and Kevin Fewell are among those who are ready!

Despite this year's virtual format, Karen will lace up her sneakers — her actual sneakers — at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 9, for her 32nd consecutive HOA CROP Hunger Walk. Rick will join her, and they will walk 10,000 steps in their neighborhood. Kevin has pledged to run five miles — also in real time and space — in and around his neighborhood.

You can help fight hunger through CROP by:

- **Donating to the team online.** Visit the CROP Hunger Walk website, <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/event/kansascitymo>. Scroll down to the Search box and enter *Immanuel Lutheran Church ELCA*. On the Immanuel Team page, click the *Make a Donation* button, which is on the right side of the page. Follow the instructions to make your donation.
- **Writing a check payable to CWS/CROP.** You can give checks to Karen or Rick on Sundays at church (watch for their CROP buttons and stickers), or mail checks to them at 6803 Edgevale Road, Kansas City, MO, 64113.

- **Joining Immanuel's team** by clicking the *Join the Team* button at the bottom of the Immanuel Team webpage. Follow the instructions to register as a virtual walker. Then contact your friends and family about donating to your Oct. 9 virtual walk.

Kansas City agencies engaged in the fight against hunger — including Metro Lutheran Ministry, Kansas City Shepherd's Center and a Raytown summer lunch program for kids — receive 25 percent of HOA CROP Hunger Walk donations. Global projects receive 75 percent of the money raised. Those projects address:

- Food security and nutrition.
- Water, sanitation and hygiene.
- Refugee protection and resettlement.
- Disaster preparedness and response.

Visit <https://resources.crophungerwalk.org/about-the-crop-hunger-walk-and-cws/> for more information about Church World Service/CROP and the work it does here and around the world.

FUN-AND-LEARNING PACKETS, PLAYGROUND GATHERINGS KICK OFF SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School families have received fall fun-and-learning packets — one for each child. The lessons in the packet, which are related to the scriptures for each week, are designed to be used at home.

But there is Sunday School action at Immanuel, too! Immediately following worship, Sunday School families are invited to gather outside on the playground for fun activity and Alleluia Music.

The outdoor gatherings will continue through the end of October, weather permitting.



CONFIRMATION STUDENTS EXPLORE *EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP BOOK*

Exploring the many resources in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW, the cranberry-colored hymnal) kicks off 2021 confirmation classes this month. Students and parents should watch email to confirm the class date and time. Students can gather in the confirmation room off the Gathering Space or participate via Zoom. Join at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5143355703>
Meeting ID: 514 335 5703
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The ELW class is among requirements in "Seeds of Faith," the new confirmation curriculum that debuts this year. Two other upcoming classes are optional, and are among a menu of activities from which students can choose to complete their confirmation study.

November — The Pentateuch

December — The Old Testament

If you have questions, or if your child is in 7th grade, has not yet been contacted about Confirmation and is ready to participate, contact Pastor Ann, pastorannrundquist@gmail.com or 785-643-7697.

FRIENDS OF LITERATURE MEETS TO DISCUSS *THE BOOK OF LOST FRIENDS*



Friends of Literature will meet at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 14, via Zoom to discuss *The Book of Lost Friends* by Lisa Wingate.

All are welcome! To request the Zoom link, contact Don Arney, 22sora@gmail.com or 816-918-5371, or the church office, office@immanuelkc.org or 816-931-8483.

A new novel inspired by historical events, *The Book of Lost Friends* is the story of three young women in search of family amidst the destruction of the post-Civil War South, and of a modern-day teacher who rediscovers their story and its connection to her students' lives. Wingate brings to life stories from actual "Lost Friends" advertisements that appeared in Southern newspapers after the Civil War as freed slaves desperately searched for loved ones who had been sold off.

SIGN UP AND BE THERE FOR OKTOBERFEST BRUNCH

It's time for a good old-fashioned Immanuel fellowship event! Join Immanuel friends after worship Oct. 31 for a festive Oktoberfest/ Reformation Day brunch outside by the firepit. Please volunteer to bring an egg casserole, pastries, fruit or juice. You also can help set up or clean up. You'll find signup sheets on the bulletin board in the main sanctuary-level hallway. Questions? Contact Scott Thompson, sthomp4297@aol.com or 816-728-7766.



REMEMBERING DORCAS DOERING



A memorial service for Dorcas Doering will take place at 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 16, at Atonement Lutheran Church, 9948 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, KS, 66212. Dorcas died Dec. 24, 2020. She and her husband, Rev. Paul Doering, who preceded her in death, and their son and daughter-in-law, Tad and Mary Doering, were longtime members of Immanuel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are welcomed and should be mailed to Bethany College, 335 East Swensson Street, Lindsborg, KS, 67456, or to the American Association of University Women, 1310 L St. NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC, 20005. Those donation recipients reflect Dorcas's belief in church-related higher education and the advancement of women's issues. You can read Dorcas's obituary at <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/kansascity/name/dorcas-doering-obituary?id=4538736>.

THRIVENT MEMBERS: ACTION TEAM GRANTS BENEFIT PROJECTS

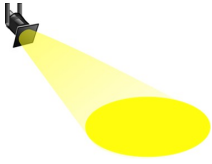
Any charitable activity that involves a group can qualify for a \$250 Thrivent Action Team grant. Each Thrivent member can apply for a grant once a year. For example, Action Team grants can help pay for:

- Small gifts and supplies for Christmas bags that Immanuel distributes to shut-ins.
- Gifts to donate to the Metro Lutheran Ministry (MLM) Christmas Store.
- Transportation (leasing a vehicle) to transport people from Gathering Table in northeast Kansas City to the MLM Christmas Store at Immanuel.
- Food served during Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners at Gathering Table.

For more information about Thrivent Action Team grants and to apply, visit <https://www.thrivent.com/what-we-offer/generosity/thrivent-action-teams.html>.



TENDING OUR GARDEN: SPOTLIGHT ON KC SHEPHERD'S CENTER



Established in 1972 by an interfaith group led by Dr. Elbert Cole, senior pastor at Central United Methodist Church, KC

Shepherd's Center (KCSC) provides comfort, companionship, connection and resources to build relationships and independence for older adults in Kansas City. Founded 50 years ago, it is the original agency that inspired the creation of more than 50 Shepherd's Centers in 16 states, and its work is grounded in the belief that aging well should be done with dignity, choice and friendship – but never alone.

Immanuel provides funding to KC Shepherd's Center through its social ministry budget. Immanuel members Linda Fewell and Brenda Hayes Kumm currently are on the board, and Kathy Linder is our liaison to the organization.

Former member Janet Carlson Baker, daughter of Dale and Virginia Carlson, is KCSC's executive director. "Dad was a big fan of Dr. Cole's vision, and actually was serving in the Shepherd's Center office when he passed away," Janet recalls. "This organization is a personal mission for me, and I try to honor his work every day."

Linda Fewell says she has been both stunned and amazed to learn about the extent of the deep-seated needs among Kansas City's older population – needs that grew exponentially when the pandemic set in and still are growing today. "Meals on Wheels was KCSC's inaugural program and, today, KCSC provides Meals on Wheels to more than 700 seniors each week," she says. "That includes a 1,300 percent increase during the past year alone, and KCSC and its volunteers have stepped up to meet the challenge."



Volunteers make most Meals on Wheels deliveries using their own vehicles, but KC

Shepherd's Center Meals on Wheels vans cover some routes.



People of all ages who have disabilities qualify for many KC Shepherd's Center services.



KC Shepherd's Center volunteers rake between 50 and 100 yards each year for people who can't do it themselves. Saturday, Nov. 13, is KC Rakes day this year.

In addition to Meals on Wheels, KCSC programs include:

- **Senior Companions**, which matches older adults who are homebound or have disabilities with trained low-income AmeriCorps Senior volunteers. The volunteers receive a small stipend for spending up to 40 hours per week with their homebound clients.
- **Phone Pals**, a program created during COVID when in-person programming was suspended. It matches older adults with volunteer callers who provide friendship and connection over the phone several times each week.
- **Medicare Counseling**, which provides those who qualify for Medicare benefits with free one-on-one counseling, helps people enroll in Medicare Advantage plans, and provides guidance to help clients choose the best Medicare Supplement and/or Medicare Part D Prescription plan each year. Mary Jo Moore, chair of Immanuel's Stewardship Committee, highly recommends the Medicare counseling program. "I first encountered this service when I was about to turn 65. The counselor asked a series of questions that led me to choose a Medicare supplement plan. Last year, the counselor recommended a lower-cost prescription plan, which saves me a substantial amount of money."
- **Continuum-of-Care Case Management**, which provides clients who have multiple needs with case managers who connect them with assistance available both from KCSC and other agencies.
- **Adventures in Learning**, which offers discussions about current events, presentations from artists and thought leaders, how-to sessions about computers and technology, and important social connection for attendees.
- **KC Rakes**, through which KCSC coordinates one-day, all-hands-on-deck raking of more than 50 yards for older adults who are not physically able to do so and who can't afford to hire help.
- **70 Over 70**, which celebrates 70 Kansas Citizens each year who are 70 or better, and who are examples of meaningful aging. Honorees are parents, neighbors, mentors, organizers, Sunday school teachers and community volunteers.

Baker says KCSC's staff of 16 can't meet the growing needs of the metro's older adults alone. To learn about how you can get involved, contact Terri Goddard, 816-293-9614. You also can donate at www.kcshepherdscenter.org/donate.

"We are so grateful for Immanuel's continued support, and we are eager to find more ways to work with the people of Immanuel in service," she adds.



Immanuel helps transform lives by supporting organizations such as KC Shepherd's Center.

Check future issues of *Parish News* for additional Tending Our Garden articles that illustrate how our "garden of ministry" extends far beyond our church walls.

NEWS FROM YOUR CONGREGATION COUNCIL

Pastor's Covid-19 Advisory Committee is formulating health guidelines for Metro Lutheran Ministry Christmas Store volunteers and visitors. The store will take place at Immanuel again this year. Advisory Committee members also continue to monitor current pandemic conditions, and they recommend our in-person ministry guidelines. Thank you, Advisory Committee.

Immanuel member Brian Thomas prepared a 5-year financial trend analysis to aid in congregational budget preparation. Council members will review and discuss his first draft during their October meeting. Thank you, Brian.

Pastor Micah advised that 550 Afghan refugees could settle in the Kansas City area and that several Immanuel members have inquired about how we might help welcome them. Council member Kate Hauber will contact Della Lamb, an organization with significant experience in refugee resettlement and support, to inquire about how Immanuel might get involved. Thank you, Kate. And thanks to organizations such as Della Lamb for helping to bring hope and healing to people who have experienced hardship.

The air conditioner at the Immanuel Genesee Residence — which now is the location for Westport Oxford House, a residence in which women who have completed substance-abuse treatment can continue their recovery — quit working Sept. 15. The system had failed several times in recent years, so the Immanuel Property Committee concluded that it was time to replace both the air conditioner and furnace. Marc Winkler coordinated the effort, including obtaining three bids. Dillon Heating and Cooling installed the new system Sept. 17 for \$6,000. Excess contributions that came in to help pay for the water leak earlier this year will cover the majority of the cost. Thank you to Marc, the Property Committee and to all who made important contributions earlier this year. Thanks also to Westport Oxford House for providing a structured environment for women in recovery.

DONATIONS TO KENYAN CHILDREN'S FUND HELP 45 NEEDY CHILDREN



The Kenyan Children's Fund (KCF), Immanuel's global mission project, continues to support orphans in Masii, Kenya. Four times a year, our church wires funds to the Kenyan KCF team to pay for food, clothing, education expenses, medical care and other necessities for 45 needy children and their guardians.

Your contributions to KCF always are welcome. No donation is too small! You can donate:

- By check. Please make your donations payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church, designating KCF in the memo line.
- Via the [Tithe.ly](https://signup.tithe.ly/) online program, <https://signup.tithe.ly/>. Select KCF from the drop-down menu.
- By arranging a direct contribution from your bank.

For more information, contact Mary Jo Moore, 816-309-7858 or maryjom50@gmail.com.



Guardians of children who are assisted by the KCF gather once a month to receive food donations that help them stave off hunger.



Grains and cereals are among food staples that the KCF team in Masii, Kenya, distributes each month.

'GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS:' WE HELPED FEED THE HUNGRY HUNDREDS THOUSANDS!

For the 2021 "God's Work. Our Hands." weekend, Immanuel's goal was to help feed the hungry hundreds.

We actually helped feed the hungry thousands!

Saturday, Sept. 11, Immanuel volunteers packed hundreds of sack lunches that now are being distributed by Gathering Table in northeast Kansas City.

Sunday, Sept. 12, worshippers went from the sanctuary to Luther Hall, where they packed 1,100 sack lunches that already are feeding people served by the midtown location of Metro Lutheran Ministry.

Heartfelt thanks to all who donated food, and to the energetic volunteers who packed the lunches and had fun doing it. It really was God's work with our hands!

Check the Immanuel Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/ImmanuelLutheranChurchKC> to view additional photos of both sack-lunch-packing events.



In less than an hour, Immanuel volunteers packed 1,100 sack lunches for hungry people served by Metro Lutheran Ministry.



Sack-lunch packing was an event for people of all ages. Immanuel's children love it.



A lot of food for a lot of hungry people. Thanks be to God!

OCTOBER SCRIPTURE READINGS AND WORSHIP LEADERS

10/3

First Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

Psalmody: Psalm 8

Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

Assisting Minister: Connie Benolkin

Psalmist: Megan Sawyer

Communion Steward: Melodee Blobaum

Media: Kevin Fewell

Ushers: Terry and Lori Kueker, BJ Laven,
Hastings Family

10/17

First Reading: Isaiah 53:4-12

Psalmody: Psalm 91:9-16

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-10

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

Assisting Minister: Beth Callstrom

Psalmist: Lauren Park

Communion Steward: EB Walker

Media: Michael Hamlin

Ushers: Hanson/Roddy Family, Tracy and
Cece Atherton, Kate Hauber

10/10

First Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Psalmody: Psalm 90:12-17

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16

Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

Assisting Minister: John Anderson

Psalmist: Dave Peterson

Communion Steward: Karen Bame

Media: Jack and Tori Friedrich

Ushers: Michael Hamlin, Pam Edvalds,
Del Karmeier

10/24

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

Psalmody: Psalm 126

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Assisting Minister: Melodee Blobaum

Psalmist: Jeff Fox

Communion Steward: Linda Fox

Media: Milan Hanson

Ushers: Kevin and Linda Fewell, Randy
Callstrom, Gretchen Bishop

10/31, Reformation Day

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalmody: Psalm 46

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

Gospel: John 8:31-36

Assisting Minister: Catie Tomlin

Psalmist: John Anderson

Communion Steward: Kathy Linder

Media: Linda Fox

Ushers: Mason and Kayla Carey, Milan Hanson, Connie Ross

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Here's a look at upcoming events that take place at Immanuel or via Zoom:

Oct. 2

8 a.m. Spruce-Up Day, Immanuel grounds

8:30 a.m. Immanuel Altar Guild, Spong

9:30 a.m. Immanuel Worship and Arts Committee via Zoom

9:30 a.m. Shin Do Ryu Karate, Luther Hall

Oct. 3

9:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

10:15 a.m. Refreshments outside

10:15 a.m. Sunday School Gathering, Playground

10:30 a.m. Adult Forum, Spong

3 p.m. OA-KC, Gathering Space

Oct. 4

5:30 p.m. Youth Chorus, Sanctuary/Luther Hall/Spong/Gathering Space

Oct. 5

10 a.m. Coffee and Conversation via Zoom

5 p.m. Soundwave, Gathering Space

6 p.m. Immanuel Executive Committee via Zoom

6 p.m. Scandinavian Dancers, Luther Hall

7:30 p.m. Immanuel Stewardship Committee via Zoom

Oct. 6

1 p.m. WELCA Bible Study via Zoom

5:30 p.m. Shin Do Ryu Karate, Luther Hall

Oct. 7

2 p.m. Adult Forum Planning via Zoom

5 p.m. Choral Spectrum, Luther Hall

7 p.m. OA-KC, Gathering Space

7 p.m. Immanuel Social Ministry Committee via Zoom

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Visit <https://immanuelkc.org/calendar> to view the full calendar of upcoming events at Immanuel. If you have questions or would like to add an event to the calendar, contact the church office, 816-931-8483 or office@immanuelkc.org.

MORE NEWS TO USE

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE BRINGS HOPE

Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, LDR stays to assist those in need.



LDR experts and volunteers currently are assisting people affected by U.S. wildfires, the earthquake and subsequent tropical storm in Haiti, hurricanes Ida and Nicholas, and flooding throughout the south and eastern U.S. To learn more and donate, visit <https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response>. The full 100 percent of your contribution will assist those affected.



BEER, CHILI, PIE, LIVE MUSIC AND AUCTIONS HIGHLIGHT HOLLIS CHILI COOKOFF

The grounds of Hollis Lodge are the place for a fun fall evening of chili, live music, craft beer, pie and the most unorthodox live auction west of the Mississippi! It all takes place 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, at Hollis Renewal Center, 11414 Kansas Ave., Kansas City, KS, 66111. The event is free to attend, but donations gladly will be accepted at the door. All proceeds will benefit the mission and ministry of Hollis Renewal Center. Hollis volunteers

would love to know if you plan to be there, so please register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hollis-chili-cook-off-live-auction-tickets-169344083713>.

Hollis will provide chili, beer and pies, and guests will have the opportunity to bid on silent auction items during the meal. A live auction will conclude the event, and you'll be home in time for the Chiefs game. To donate an item for either auction, contact Erin Tieman or Dave Mareske at info@holliscenter or 913-441-0451.

YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS

Our work together matters — to each other and to the wider community. Your contributions help Immanuel do its work. You may give by:

- Placing contributions in the offering plate on Sundays.
- Mailing checks to the church office, 1700 Westport Road, Kansas City, MO, 64111.
- Donating online through Tithe.ly, <https://signup.tithe.ly/>.
- Setting up an automatic payment through your financial institution.

Additional ways to support Immanuel include Amazon Smile, https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/homepage/ref=smi_chpf_redirect?ie=UTF8&ein=44-0562040&ref_=smi_ext_ch_44-0562040_cl. Simply register, and Amazon will donate a percentage of what you spend to Immanuel with every purchase you make.

Thank you for your continued giving to Immanuel! Questions? Please contact the church office, office@immanuelkc.org or 816-931-8483.

KINDLY RETURN CHURCH RECORDS, FILES AND PHOTOS

Have you borrowed Immanuel records, files or photos? Please return them to the church office when your work is completed.

CHURCH OFFICE WILL CLOSE OCT. 11

The Immanuel office will be closed Monday, Oct. 11, which is Indigenous People's Day/Columbus Day.

KANSAS CITY MARATHON WILL CAUSE ROAD CLOSURES/DETOURS OCT. 16

Saturday, Oct. 16, is the date for this year's Kansas City Marathon. It will cause road closures and detours 7 a.m.-2 p.m. Runners will go as far south as 75th Street, as far east as The Paseo, as far north as Independence Avenue and as far west as Roanoke Parkway. If you have meetings or activities at Immanuel that Saturday, plan accordingly.

THINKING OF ONE ANOTHER

Your prayers, calls, notes and cards can brighten someone's day!

Members of Immanuel

Joe & Lori Clanin, Rick Crawford, Andree Cuthbertson, Theresa Draper, Pat Durie, Ann Erickson, Peg Himebaugh, Naomi Karmerier, Dottie Keough, Rev. Keith Klockau, Wilbur & Gerry Niewald, De Pfoftrner, Deanne Schlehuder, Suzanne Steffen & Bob Hyland and all family of David Steffen, and Carolyn Wilson.

Friends of Immanuel

Baby Reylyn & family, friends of Peggy Dollard
Bakeberg family, friends of Betty Pera
Pinky Brauer, sister-in-law of Carolyn Brauer
Jack Cannon, brother of Lori Kueker
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Jim & Ethel Clanin, parents of Lori Clanin
Denise, friend of Linda Setterburg
Tad and Mary Doering and all family of Dorcas Doering
Chloe & Carley Engler, great nieces of Sally Baehni
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Lee Hass, grandmother of Catie Tomlin
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Laura Winkler Johnson, aunt of Marc and Patti Winkler
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Margaret Kohler, aunt of Lori Clanin
Betty Kueker, mother of Terry Kueker
Kat M. & Janice M., friends of Peggy Dollard
Major, friend of Linda Taylor & Peggy Dollard
Chris McCallum, nephew of Mike Ortmann
Patty and her son J.J., friends of Linda Setterburg

Rev. Bill Peterson, friend of Pastor Ann Rundquist
Judy Robinson, friend of Mary Jo Moore
Harry Roth, friend of Henrik Anderson
Beth Shepard, sister of Patti Winkler
Janet & Randy Spicer, friends of Mary Lynn Coleman-Renoe
Anne Wiedenkeller, friend of Immanuel and Gathering Table
Paula Weir, friend of Betty Pera
Rock Westfahl, friend of Kevin & Linda Fewell
Arnold and Irma Wuertz, parents of Linda Taylor
Karen Wuertz, sister-in-law of Linda Taylor

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

10/3 **Dane Callstrom**
10/6 **Ellen Parson**
10/7 **Suzanne Steffen**
10/9 **Lisa Erickson**
10/10 **Louisa Gear**
10/11 **John Gardner**
10/12 **Laura McGrew**
10/14 **Dave Wahlgren**
10/15 **Madelyn Dalbom**

10/18 **Mary Arney**
10/20 **Connie Ross**
10/22 **Micah Harris**
10/22 **Jennifer Pfeiffer**
10/24 **Bob Hyland**
10/26 **George Nelson**
10/29 **Gena Atzenweiler**
10/31 **Laurel Gibson**
10/31 **Natalie Hyland**

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