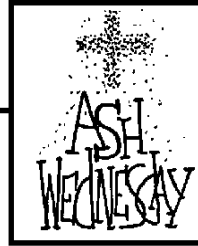


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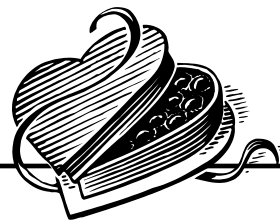
SHARE IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

- SUNDAY SERVICES AT 11:00 AM
- CHOIR
- SUNDAY SCHOOL
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
- BIBLE STUDY
- ADULT EDUCATION HOUR
- SOCIAL MINISTRY
- OUTREACH
- HALF CENTURY GROUP
- MEN'S BREAKFAST MINISTRY


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FEBRUARY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 11:00 AM Virtual Worship	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 11:00 AM Virtual Worship 1:00 PM Outreach Mtg.	15 Happy Valentines Day! 	16 6:00 PM Resource Mtg.	17 7:00 PM St. Matthew Woodlyn drive thru imposition of ashes & service. 	18	19	20
21 - Lent 1 11:00 AM Virtual Worship 12:00 PM Council Mtg.	22	23	24	25	26	27

28 - Lent 2
Easter Flower
Orders Start

11:00 AM
Virtual Worship

**DUETO THE INCREASED CASES OF
COVID19 IN PA, ALL IN CHURCH SERVICES
& GROUP EVENTS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

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THE PASTOR'S PEN

I spent this Christmas season paying attention to the Christmas music that played on the radio and my Pandora station. I observed in conversation how people talked about Christmas. I have done some reading and some thinking and this is what I have come up with.

Gift-giving practices are universal in every human culture around the world. In fact, you could probably argue that the whole "holiday" thing is just an elaborate excuse for people to give each other stuff. It makes sense. Gift-giving generates social cohesion, brings people closer together, and makes everyone a little bit happier.

In happiness research, there are many findings that I sometimes think of as, "surprising yet unsurprising." For example, the fact that lottery winners end up no happier after having won the lottery is both surprising and totally unsurprising when you remember how most lottery winners spend the money. The fact that parents of young children are measurably less happy than the average person is both surprising and completely unsurprising when you consider how little sleep they must be getting.



Another of these "surprising yet unsurprising" findings is that spending money on other people makes you happier than spending money on yourself. Again, kind of surprising when you think about how awesome you'd look in that swank pair of new shoes—but, it's totally unsurprising when you think of the joy on the face of someone you care about.

CHURCH STAFF

- *Pastor*
Scott R. Lee
- *Secretary*
Vi Mayberry
- *Director of Music*
Kathleen Schneider

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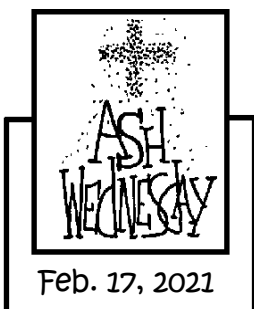
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- *Tom Graham*
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- *Colleen Kelly*
- *Janice Narcavage*
- *Vicki Slotterback*
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- *Jeanne Warner - Treasurer*
- *Robin Woodrow - Vice President*

But here's what's even more surprising: research shows that spending money on others makes you happier, even if that other person is a total stranger.

Yes, indiscriminate altruism is actually good for your mental health and emotional well-being, as well as the health and well-being of others. Gift-giving may be one of those rare social activities with almost no psychological downside (ugly sweaters aside). So the next time you're wandering through the department store grumbling to yourself, just remember, this is supposed to make you feel better.

Peace and Blessings, Pastor

Easter Flowers brighten the altar, contributing to our Easter celebration. This year we are ordering **Mums and Lilies!** Due to worship services going virtual once again, we will be taking orders either by mail or by dropping off orders during office hours. Please include **type of plant, number of plants, payment, and dedication** for the bulletin in your envelope. Orders are being taken beginning February 28th and the last day to order is Monday, March 22nd. The cost **per** plant is **\$7.00** each. For pick-up information after Easter, please contact the church office at 610.586.5860.



Ash Wednesday is February 17, 2021!

The Interboro Ministerium is pleased to announce that on February 17th we will hold a drive through imposition of ashes and short service in the parking lot of St. Matthew Lutheran church located on Fairview Road, between MacDade Blvd. and Chester Pike. Please Join us at 7PM on the corner of Fairview and Essex Ave in Woodlyn PA.

The Interboro Ministerium will continue the tradition of worshipping together for Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

Watch for all your Lenten news in your
Bulletins and March newsletter!

Little Free Pantry. Outreach is moving forward on the effort for Immanuel to join the Little Free Pantry movement. A Little Free Pantry is designed to hold non-perishable pantry items and would be accessible to anyone walking by the church. People are invited to “Give what you can. Take what you need.” We have volunteers to build our cabinet and look forward to it being installed near the Chester Pike entrance.

If you would like to learn more, general information is available at <https://www.littlefreepantry.org/> Interested in helping as we operate the pantry? Call or email Joyce Morrison, Outreach Chair – 610-506-5387 or jemorrison28@gmail.com.



I am praying for the COVID virus to be gone this year! I'm so excited and looking forward to being able to start our Bible Adventure Club classes once again. So please stay well and we will let you know when it is safe to return to class. Any questions, please feel free to get a hold of me. Blessings, Mary Lyn

HELP YOUR CHURCH WHILE YOU EAT!!



WE SELL ACME/GIANT/SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS!!!

AVAILABLE IN \$10 - \$100 DENOMINATIONS!!



FOR EVERY GIFT CARD WE SELL WE GET **5%**

IT REALLY ADDS UP!!

TYPICALLY, CARDS ARE AVAAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER WORSHIP SERVICE. DURING OUR COVID19 CLOSURE PLEASE CALL ALEX NARCAVAGE AT HIS HOME NUMBER.



Happy Valentine's Day to All!

We are already in the second month of the New Year! By the time you receive this we all hope and pray that the COVID vaccine distribution is picking up steam!! We all look forward to getting back to seeing each other in person in church again, once it is safe.

With February comes **Valentine's Day!** With "Love in the Air" we have to say *Thank you* for the LOVE you have been showing toward Immanuel with your generous support. Which also is a reflection of the LOVE which GOD showed us by GOD giving us his own Son, Jesus Christ, to take away our sin that provides the way to eternal life. What a miraculous Valentine's gift!



Your gifts to Immanuel (Time, Talents and Treasures) enable our Church to fulfill our mission, even during these unique and challenging COVID times.

Let's continue with generous support so we can continue our Mission doing God's Work....the best we can virtually for now (and keep using Face Masks, Social distancing, washing of hands and following CDC guidelines) until it is safe to meet again in person.

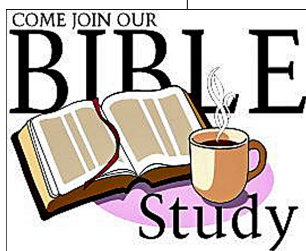
Once again, Thank you and Happy Valentine's Day!

Sincerely, Your Resource Committee

Jeanne Warner & Karl McClellan (Co-chairs)

Carol Henderson, & Peg Martinsen

Immanuel Bible Study to start via "ZOOM"



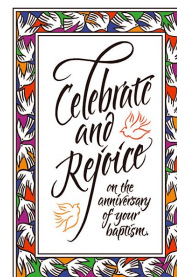
We are going to have a weekly Bible Study on "ZOOM" starting **February 4th**. It will be **7PM to 8PM on Thursday nights**. This way we can do it virtually and stay safe during the pandemic. You will be able to log in via ZOOM or as long as you have a phone you can dial in as well. Watch for how to connect in upcoming bulletins or for those without computer access, call the church office for dial in instructions. Fred

Warner and Karl McClellan will be leading the sessions.

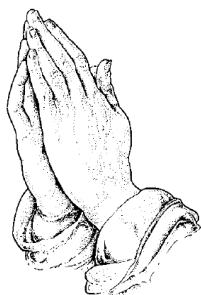
Our prayers include the following persons as they recall their

Baptism in February and promises made to God and by God:

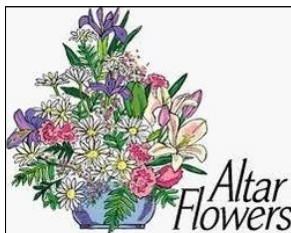
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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| † Carol Hendrickson | † Donald Watts |
| † Patricia Barker | † Alexis Paglia |
| † Michael Essick, Jr. | † Jane McGuire |
| † Deanna Marucci | † Caddie Campbell |



THE POWER OF PRAYER



- | | |
|---------------------|--|
| ♥ Leanne Crouthamel | ♥ Frank Martinsen |
| ♥ Margaret Swingle | ♥ Baby Atkins |
| ♥ Bill Fisher | ♥ Joe Kintsche |
| ♥ Mary Cole | ♥ Aaron Johnson |
| ♥ Caroline Harlan | ♥ Barb Calciano in the passing of her grandson, Jeffrey. |
| ♥ Teri Lanan | |
| ♥ Betty Wharton | |



Sponsor **Altar Flowers!** Call Fran Fisher at 610.586.3095 with the details of when you would like to sponsor the altar flowers, and the wording of dedication you would like to appear in the Sunday bulletin for that day. Spruce up the Altar!! Flowers are \$30.

CONGREGATION STATISTICS

	Members Removed	Members Added	Avg. Weekly Attendance COVID19	Avg. YTD Attendance 26 WKS
Dec. 2020	0	0	0	38



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Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

February 2021



ALTAR FLOWERS AND BULLETINS

For Whom:

ALTAR FLOWERS

- In Honor of
- In Memory of
- In Celebration of

BULLETINS

- In Honor of
- In Memory of
- In Celebration of

DETAILS:

- ANNIVERSARY
- BIRTHDAY
- BAPTISM
- GRADUATION
- LOVED ONES
- OTHER

Prices and Ordering Information

Altar Flowers: \$30.00
 Contact Fran Fisher (610.586.3095)
Bulletins: \$20.00
 Contact the Church Office for available dates.

Name of Sponsor(s): How it will appear in Service Bulletin

Envelope No: _____

Phone _____