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PASTOR'S PEN

The celebration of Easter is absolutely central to the life of the church and to faithful Christians. Why? Without the new life of Christ to touch every aspect of who we are and what we do, we are simply going through not only religious motions, but going through the motions of our lives.

We take the time in Lent to remember that one day we will die. This acknowledgement has a way of putting life into perspective. For me, I realize the most important thing I have is time; how do I want to spend it?

While Christmas is most popular in our culture, as Christians, we are an Easter people and people of the resurrection which means new life. To grow in faith is to deepen, extend, and perhaps revise our understanding of its meaning and to arrive at clearer means by which to state and act on our convictions.

There is in Dostoevsky's *The Brothers Karamazov* a passage in which Father Zossima pours forth his profound sense of the mystery of love which surrounds not just Christmas or Easter but the life of faith.

"Brothers, love a man even in his sin, for that is the semblance of Divine Love and is the highest love on earth. Love all God's creation, the whole and every grain of sand in it. Love every leaf, every ray of God's light. Love the animals, love the plants, and love everything. If you love everything, you will perceive the

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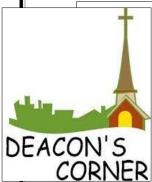
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divine mystery of things. Once you perceive it, you will begin to comprehend it better every day. And you will come at last to love the whole world with and all-embracing love."

Easter isn't just about eggs, bunnies, jelly beans, hollow chocolate Easter bunnies, and dressing up. It's about the new life we have in Christ, in which we are set free to love, forgive and serve, and thereby find a sense of peace and joy in all that we do. By grabbing hold of the cross, we share in Jesus' victory over sin, death and all that would keep us from living a life with a deeper sense of love, purpose and happiness.

Peace and Blessings, Pastor



Praying everyone is staying healthy and strong in Gods faith.

Mary Lyn and I will be participating in our Puppet Ministry very shortly. This will be along with Pastor Lee. We are all very excited and jumping at the bit. More information will be forthcoming.

Mary Lyn and I, as your Deacons, look forward to helping Pastor Lee in anyway we possibly can. We are excited in filling in on Sundays when Pastor is not able to attend. Please give us your feedback when we do as this is new to us and we want to do quality work for you.

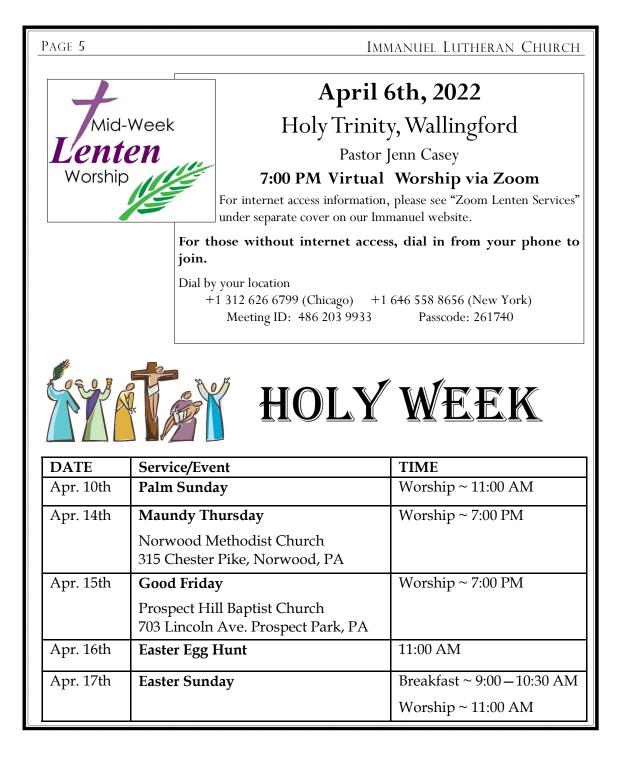
**COVID.** Should anybody need to just talk or a visit please contact either Mary Lyn or myself and we will make sure this happens.

Looking forward to serving you in the future. God Bless, Mary Lyn and Joe

#### CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY

Come help Immanuel get ready for Palm Sunday and Easter on **Church Clean-Up Day, Sat. April 9th at 10:00am.** Bring buckets and rags if have you them, cleaning solutions will be provided. Let's wash the remnants of a brutal winter away together and make way for a joyous Easter Celebration!!





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#### Everyone is Welcome to Immanuel's weekly "Virtual" Bible Study!

Our Bible study on ZOOM continues on **TUESDAY NIGHTS at 7PM.** We'll finish the "Life Guide" bible study about Jesus' Final Week by Easter then we will start another series! All you need is your Bible and we'll provide the discussion questions when we "connect". Sessions will be led by Karl McClellan and Fred Warner. See our web site for details to connect.





On April 16th at 11:00 am sharp we will have our **Easter Egg Hunt** rain or shine. Please bring your own basket or containers to collect the eggs. There will be a lite lunch served immediately after the Easter Egg Hunt.

An **Easter breakfast** will be served on Sunday, April 17th from 9:00am-10:30am. There will be scrambles eggs, pancakes, sausage, and sweets. The Free Will Offering will go towards the church general fund. All are welcome!



#### HELP YOUR CHURCH WHILE YOU EAT!!

WE SELL ACME/SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS!!!

Available in 10 - 100 denominations!!

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

### IT REALLY ADDS UP!!

Please contact Mary Lyn Horne-Onimus to purchase gift cards either at church on Sunday, or by calling her at 610-888-2579. Cash or checks are welcome!

**IT'S TIME TO EAT AND HELP YOUR CHURCH TOO!** 

WE NEED TO GET EVERYONE ON BOARD! IT'S THAT EASY!

PLEASE BUY THE GIFT CARDS AND HELP OUT IMMANUEL!

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# 2022 Synod Service Day

#### Saturday, April 23,2022 Hope For Today, Strength For Tomorrow Through Community In Christ

The 2022 Synod Assembly will be held on Saturday, April 30 as an online business meeting. **Conferences will participate in service projects on Saturday, April 23**, The theme for this year's assembly gathering is **Hope for Today, Strength for Tomorrow Through Community**  Hope for today

# Strength for tomorrow

Our DELCO conference is partnering with the Central Philadelphia Conference to serve the City's Homeless. To get started, Immanuel will be collecting the following:

- Toothbrush Toothpaste MouthWash Soap Sanitizer
- Wipes-wash and sanitizer Pocket Tissues Lotion
- Chapstick Socks Slippers (hardsole) Masks

Look for the collection spot in the Hospitality Area. We will deliver what we have by April 7<sup>th</sup>. There will be opportunities to help if you can on April 9<sup>th</sup> assembling packets and on April 23<sup>rd</sup> to distribute. More details on those dates to come! Any questions or suggestions you may have please see Karl McClellan, DELCO Conference Executive Committee. Thank you!

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# Jesus Lives!

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#### THE Greatest Gifts Ever from GOD Jesus' Resurrection and Our Sins Being Forgiven!

In the month of April we celebrate Easter. It brings the end to the pains of Holy week and the crucifixion. GOD had his SON suffer and die to pay for our sins. GOD is lovingly, radically, abundantly and over the top with his generosity toward us.

We all need to prayerfully consider our generosity toward Immanuel in light of God's gifts to us.

- Remember, we did something unique in your February newsletter by enclosing a stamped envelope addressed to the church with the hope that this would make it very convenient for you to catch up from our "paused time" and/or to make an added donation to help. We have seen some of those envelopes flowing in which is great! But we have many still out there. If you have not yet had the chance to use that envelope, we hope & pray that you will!
- ♦ For those receiving the newsletter by email and those <u>doing church virtually</u>, we have 3 EASY and VIRTUAL ways for you to DONATE to IMMANUEL. You will see on our Website and on our Facebook page, "links" which you can click and make a secure donation. And in the weekly BULLETIN + this Newsletter, is a <u>QR code</u> which you can scan with your smart phone:



If you have any questions or suggestions on our virtual ways to give, please see Karl McClellan (in person) or call him 610-761-4804 or email him at: <u>krmcfamily@aol.com</u>

As you know at our Annual Meeting we passed a 2022 budget with a deficit of about \$20,000. Some costs have gone up (like Heating Oil and the PPP loan repayment). We all

have to "roll up our sleeves" and do our parts to succeed as we work to close the Deficit. Your Resource committee and Church Council have been busy doing what we can. For example, in March we successfully evaluated our Insurance coverage and made a change to a new carrier (Church Mutual). Plus some changes to our coverage, we will save about \$2,500./year on the cost side J. But <u>we need your help</u> on the income side this year with your donations. All your gifts to Immanuel (*Time, Talents and Treasures*) equip our Church to fulfill our mission.

By the way, if you are a Thrivent member please consider using their "Thrivent Choice" program which allows members to direct some funds to their church for eligible topics.

#### Please do your best to provide <u>generous support</u> so we can continue our Mission doing God's Work....the best we can!

*Thank you,* Your Resource Committee Jeanne Warner & Karl McClellan (Co-chairs), Sandy Hendrick & Peg Martinsen.

Please note in your 2022 envelope giving box, there is now a **new Lent Offering envelope**. This envelope replaces the Lenten coin cards. Please be generous in your giving during the season of Lent





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April is here and we are all patiently waiting for the blooming of the flowers and trees, patiently waiting to enjoy the outdoors beauty. Candy orders are in and the making process has begun. Remember that pick up date is Palm Sunday. This continues to be one of Immanuel's money makers to keep us going. Thank you for your Irish Delight orders. A big thank you goes out to Mary Lyn for Making these treats.

We look forward to celebrating all our wonderful mothers after service on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Let us hope Spring has sprung by then. May everyone stay healthy, happy and safe. May everyone have a Blessed day with the Lord watching over us all.

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# The Resurrection of Jesus Christ

Early Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. She ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved. She said, "They have taken the Lord's body out of the tomb, and I don't know where they have put him!"

Peter and the other disciple ran to the tomb to see. The other disciple outran Peter and got there first. He stooped and looked in and saw the linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in. Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there, while the cloth that had covered Jesus' head was folded up and lying to the side.

Then the other disciple also went in, and he saw and believed

~ John 20:1-8

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