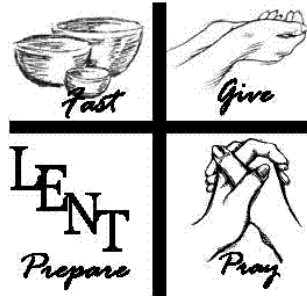


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SHARE IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

- SUNDAY SERVICE AT 11:00 AM
- CHOIR
- SUNDAY SCHOOL
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
- BIBLE STUDY
- ADULT EDUCATION HOUR
- SOCIAL MINISTRY
- OUTREACH
- HALF CENTURY GROUP

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
The Calendar reflects “Church” events only. For information in regard to “Use of Building” by outside groups , please contact Vi Mayberry or Fred Warner.						
<p>Please pick up your “Fellowship Cup”, an all-in-one wafer and juice set (the bread and wine) when entering the sanctuary before worship.</p> 		1 7:00 PM Bible Study Zoom	2  12:00 PM St. Matthew Woodlyn drive thru imposition of ashes.			
6 Order Flowers 12:00 PM Christian Ed Mtg Worship & Music Mtg. 1:00 PM Puppet Workshop		8 5:30 PM Resource Mtg. 7:00 PM Bible Study Zoom	9 7:00 PM - Lenten Service Zoom Holy Spirit, Secane			12 Set Clocks ahead before bed! 
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27 Order Flowers 10:00 AM– 3:00 PM Blood Drive 11:00 AM Virtual Worship 1:00 PM Puppet Workshop		29 7:00 PM Bible Study Zoom	30 7:00 PM - Lenten Service Zoom St. Timothy, Aston			
<div>  <p>We will still practice safe distancing and wearing of masks unless otherwise announced.</p> </div>						

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PASTOR'S PEN

This year March will kick off our Lenten journey. Ash Wednesday is March 2nd. The ministerium will be holding a “drive by ashes” in the parking lot of St. Matthew Lutheran church. Similar to last year, we will have a short liturgy followed by the imposition of ashes.

Our midweek Lenten services will be via Zoom again this year. Our theme is Journey to the Easter Vigil. Something new we are trying this year will be an Easter Vigil.

March is full of activities to connect with God but also to connect with our family members in a fun activity. The paper puppet workshop was postponed from February to March due to Covid numbers.

Children and caregivers are invited to the Paper Puppet Workshops at Immanuel Lutheran Church. This unique opportunity will be led by the Segal Puppet & Theater Company, they will guide the participants through four weeks of fun beginning March 6! We will build puppets, create scripts and record puppet shows. Each 45-minute session will be held at the church on four consecutive Sundays at 1:00 pm. Children should be at least five years old and have an adult with them for each workshop. To enroll, contact the office at 610-586-5860 or EMAIL secretary.immanuel@verizon.net or Pastor Lee at pastor.immanuelnorwood@gmail.com. The series costs \$50 per child or \$80 per family for all four sessions. Scholarships available.

We hope you will utilize these opportunities to deepen our relationships with one another, and have a little fun too! I look forward to journeying with you this Lenten season.

Blessings, Pastor Lee

ASH
WEDNESDAY



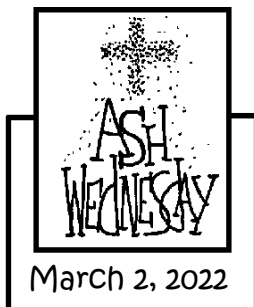
Remember that
You are dust, and to
dust you shall return.
Ecclesiastes 3:20

CHURCH STAFF

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

CHURCH COUNCIL

- *Jean Crane*
- *Jason DeLong*
- *Siobhan Delong*
- *Fran Fisher*
- *Mary Lyn Horne-Onimus*
- *Joe Kintsche - Vice President*
- *Frank Martinsen*
- *Karl McClellan*
- *Joyce Morrison - Secretary*
- *Fred Warner*
- *Don Watts*
- *Robin Woodrow - President*



Immanuel is combining Worship Services for Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday with our neighboring members of the Interboro Ministerium. Members are encouraged to attend the drive-by distribution of ashes at St. Matthew, Woodlyn beginning at 12:00 PM.

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world. *John 16:33*

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING & COUNCIL UPDATE

Please welcome our new council members elected at the Annual Congregational Meeting on Feb. 6th They are:

3 year term:

Robin Woodrow

Joseph Kintsche

Karl McClellan

Joyce Morrison

2 year term:

Jean Crane

Fred Warner

The newly elected Executive Committee:

President - Robin Woodrow

Vice President - Joe Kintsche

Treasurer - Jeanne Warner

Secretary - Joyce Morrison



Thank You to our Council Members for their commitment and years of service to the church and the congregation:

LENTEN VIRTUAL & DIAL IN LENTEN WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Lenten Service Schedule: This year Immanuel - Norwood; St. Matthew - Woodlyn; Holy Trinity - Wallingford; St. Timothy - Aston, Holy Spirit – Secane, and Holy Trinity - Narberth will be working together. This year's theme is: **A Lenten Journey to the Easter Vigil.**

7:00 pm: Virtual Worship Offering: John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge

For internet access information, please see "Zoom Lenten Services" under separate cover on our Immanuel website.

For those without internet access, dial in from your phone to join. Please mute your phone, use *6 to mute, then noises around you will not be heard by anyone else. Thank You

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 (Chicago)

+1 646 558 8656 (New York)

Meeting ID: 486 203 9933

Passcode: 261740



DATE	Location	Preaching
Mar. 9th	Holy Spirit, Secane	Pr. Rachel Scheible
Mar. 16th	Holy Trinity, Narberth	Pr. Daniel Smith
Mar. 23rd	Immanuel, Norwood St. Matthew, Woodlyn	Pr. Scott Lee
Mar. 30th	St. Timothy, Aston	Pr. Marie Sager
Apr. 6th	Holy Trinity, Wallingford	Pr. Jenn Casey

Easter Flowers brighten the altar, contributing to our Easter celebration. This year we are ordering **Tulips and Hyacinths!** If you would like to place an order, please complete the holiday flower envelope, enclose your money, and place in the offering plate Please include **type of plant, number of plants, payment, and dedication** for the bulletin in your envelope.



Orders are being taken beginning March 13th and the last day to order is Monday, April 3rd. The cost **per plant** is **\$7.00** each. For pick-up information after Easter, please contact the church office at 610.586.5860.



Happy St. Patrick's Day to all.. and Lent gets underway!



Did you know that according to St. Patrick's Day lore that Patrick used the three leaves of the shamrock to explain the holy trinity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit? Ash Wednesday starts our Lenten journey, a 40 day stretch where we should reflect on the amazing gift we have received through God. He gave us his Son who went to the cross to pay for our sins then rising on Easter morning and ultimately giving us the way to eternal life. God sacrificing his Son for us is the epitome of generosity! ***We all need to prayerfully consider our generosity toward Immanuel in light of this gift God gave us.***

In January during the "pause" in live worship we fell behind on our normal offerings, yet the expenses continued on.

- ♦ **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 people to catch up or to make an added donation to help. **Have you had a chance to use that envelope yet? If not we hope and pray that you will!**
- ♦ For those receiving the newsletter by email and those **doing church virtually**, we have **3 EASY and VIRTUAL ways for people to DONATE to IMMANUEL!** We are using "Tithe.ly", the company that partnered with the ELCA and is recommended by our Synod. You will see on our Website and on our Facebook page, "links" which you can click and make a secure donation! In this Newsletter and in the weekly BULLETIN you will find a **QR code** which you can scan with your smart phone! This will take you right to the Tithe.ly site.



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

At our Annual Meeting we passed the 2022 budget. Some costs have gone up (like Heating Oil and the PPP loan repayment) so we'll all have to "roll up our sleeves" and do our parts to succeed as we

make our way through 2022. All your gifts to Immanuel (*Time, Talents and Treasures*) equip our Church to fulfill our mission even during these unique & challenging COVID times.

Let's do our best to provide more generous support so we can continue our Mission doing God's Work....the best we can for now (Using Face Masks, Social distancing, washing of hands, following CDC guidelines and seek a vaccine/booster).

Once again.....Thank you!

Sincerely, Your Resource Committee

Jeanne Warner & Karl McClellan (Co-chairs), Sandy Hendrick & Peg Martinsen.

I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

Philippians 3:10-11



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!

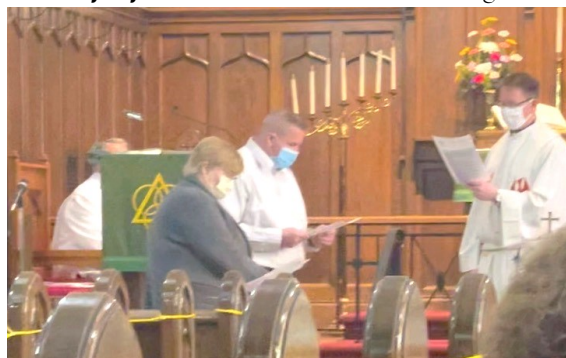
WE NEED TO GET EVERYONE ON BOARD! IT'S THAT EASY!

**PLEASE BUY THE GIFT CARDS AND
HELP OUT IMMANUEL!**



Deacon's Corner

Introducing the Deacons, Joe Kintsche and Mary Lyn Horne-Onimus. We have gone to Diakonia class for two very informative years. Joe works as a teacher's aide. He serves on many committees here at church. Joe serves on Church Council, Altar committee and serves as a Eucharistic Minister and assist the Pastor at the altar. I, Mary Lyn, also serve on different committees, Church Council, Mutual Ministry, Christian Education, as a Eucharistic Minister, as well as helping out with other committees. We are here to help and assist the Pastor and the congregation. We will at times be leading the service. Blessings, the Deacons



Historical Overview of Deacons

In February we celebrated the achievement of Joe Kintsche and Mary Lyn Horne-Onimus, I bet many of you are wondering "what is a congregational deacon?"

The office of deacon stems most clearly from Acts 6, where seven men are appointed to a ministry of service as distinct from a ministry of Word and Sacrament. The term "deacon" stems from the Greek word "to serve" and so contains the idea of doing something for another. Not much is said in scripture about the actual duty of deacons. Both Stephen and Philip are described as proclaiming the Word. In the writings of the early church, the office of deacon indicates some involvement in the liturgy, often as an assistant to the bishop. As bishops became the leaders of groups of congregations, some deacons remained attached to a single congregation under the presbyter (i.e., pastor/priest).

The latter half of the 20th century saw a re-awakened interest in the office of deacon. A changing culture with new needs was met by emphasis on the people of God as having a servant role.

Synod has identified two arenas of lay ministry under the name of Deacon: Congregational and Conference Deacons. Joe and Mary Lyn are Congregational Deacons.

Congregational Deacon: Congregational Deacons are persons who, after two years of training, are recognized leaders within an intentional ministry in a congregation under the supervision of the Pastor.

Congregational Deacons may lead liturgy, assist, and/or preach in their own congregation or parish. **Congregational Deacons** may publicly proclaim the Word by a sermon they have prepared in accordance with their training and under the supervision of the Pastor, or read a sermon given them by the Pastor.

Please sign up to donate blood at our upcoming **American Red Cross blood drive Sunday March 27th**, 10 am to 3 pm. The need is great and your donation is needed to save lives. It doesn't take long and if you sign up early you have the best opportunity to pick the perfect time for you. Please share with friends and family. We have about 50 slots to fill and the goal is a minimum of 30 units of blood from this drive. I think we can do that and more. Sign up through www.redcrossblood.org, by calling 1-800-Red Cross (800-733-2767), or ask Colleen to schedule a time for you.



Social Ministry hopes everyone is staying healthy and safe!

Valentine bingo was postponed to a later date (TBD) due to COVID, but stay tuned. We look forward to seeing everyone gather and enjoy themselves.

Homemade Irish Breads and Irish Potatoes Candies are back again this year! Mary Lyn has graciously offered to bake them again. Thank you Mary Lyn! Dead line for orders are March 6th. Pick up will be March 13th.



Homemade Easter candy will again be for sale with the generous help of the ladies of Immanuel. Their time and hard work is greatly appreciated. If you would like to join in the candy making fun please let one of us know and we will tell when the fun begins. A lot of love, fun and time goes into making our delicious candy, so pick up an order form and fill up those Easter baskets. Thank you ladies! Deadline for orders is March 27th. Pick up is Palm Sunday April 10th.

Look for both of those order forms on the table at the back of the church. Both of these sales are a way to financially support Immanuel. God Bless and stay healthy.

What Immanuel Means to Me

The outreach committee is working on a project and needs your help. We would like to build our knowledge of all that Immanuel is doing or supporting that excites and/or interests the members of the congregation. The committee expects that our reasons for membership and participation are many and vary as much as the individual members. We will report back next month with the thoughts of the members. To give us your thoughts, please speak to one of the members of the committee by phone or at church: Jean Crane (610-534-9730), Piee (Margaret) Fagan (610-331-5825), Colleen Kelly (610-996-8109), Pastor Lee (814-490-4325), Frank Martinsen (610-543-5558), Karl McClellan (610) 761-4804, or Joyce Morrison (610-506-5387) OR email Joyce at jemorriison28@gmail.com



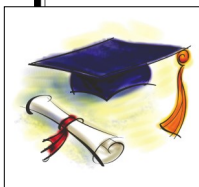


The "new" piano now in our church is an old friend to Kathleen. She played this Cunningham Grand for 10 years at the First Baptist Church of Ridley Park.

When that church closed in October and became Hope Community Church the piano sat unused. Hope Church has generously made the piano a gift to Immanuel Lutheran Church. Kathleen is very excited and pleased to be reunited with this beautiful 100 year old instrument. May God be exalted by the music we make!

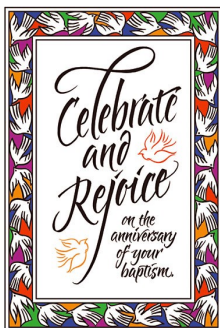
Little Free Pantry

Thank you! Despite the COVID closure for worship in January, our members and outreach volunteers have maintained a supply of nutritious food in our Free Little Pantry. Neighbors have been observed taking items and donating items to the pantry. It's working as planned! Please keep the pantry in mind as you shop for groceries. Soups, stews, canned pasta are all appreciated in the cold weather – but please, no glass until the weather warms up again. Thanks again! If our pantry is full, items can be placed inside the Chester Pike door on the left. You can bring donations on Sunday morning or the church secretary can buzz you in the door during office hours, 9:00 – 1:00 most weekdays, except holidays.



Graduations? Anyone graduating from High School, College or Graduate School? Immanuel would like to know about it. Notify the church office at 610.586.5860 or email us at secretary.immanuel@verizon.net to send us the details.

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



Our prayers include the following persons as they recall their **Baptism in March** and promises made to God and by God:

† Florence Grantland	† Bennett Saunders
† Ingeborg Grieb	† Amy Graham
† Joan Paglia	† David Luty
† Stephan Firkser	† Thomas Neher
† Ryan Firkser	
† David Firkser	



THE POWER OF PRAYER

♥ Leanne Crouthamel	♥ Phillip Hunsberger	“Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. <i>James 5:13</i>
♥ Margaret Swingle	♥ Barbara Stauffer	
♥ Mary Cole	♥ Brittany & Sean	
♥ Caroline Harlan	♥ Jason Friel	
♥ Betty Wharton	♥ All affected by Covid	
♥ Robin Johnson		
♥ Gina		



CONGREGATION STATISTICS

	Removed	Added	Avg. Weekly	Avg. YTD
JAN.	2	0	32	32

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The Rev. Scott R. Lee, Pastor

Church Office Hours

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



ALTAR FLOWERS AND BULLETINS

For Whom:

ALTAR FLOWERS

BULLETINS

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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

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