

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Pentecost Flowers Piano Dedication 12:30 PM Worship & Music Mtg. Christian Ed Mtg.	2	3 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i>	4	5	6	7
8 Pentecost Flowers 12:00 PM Outreach Mtg. 	9	10 5:30 PM Resource Mtg. 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i>	11	12	13	14 8:30 AM Council Retreat St. Matthew's Woodlyn
15 Pentecost Flowers 12:00 PM Council Mtg. 1:00 PM Puppet Workshop	16	17 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i>	18	19 12:00 PM Half Century	20	21
22 Pentecost Flowers 1:00 PM Puppet Workshop	23	24 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i>	25	26 Ascension Day 6:00 PM Refreshments 7:00 PM Worship Holy Trinity Wallingford	27	28
29 9:00 AM Youth Outreach (Zoom) 11:00 AM Worship	30 Memorial Day 	31 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i>	The Calendar reflects "Church" events only. For information in regard to "Use of Building" by outside groups , please see the church calendar in church office, or contact Vi Mayberry or Fred Warner.			



Please pick up your "Fellowship Cup", an all-in-one wafer and juice set (the bread and wine) when **entering** the sanctuary before worship.

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PASTOR'S PEN

May is a great month, the weather is getting warmer and Memorial day is just around the corner. Did you know that May 5th is the National Day of Prayer? In light of this I thought it would be a good idea to talk about prayer, specifically intercessory prayer.



Intercession comes from the root to intercede. So prayers of intercession are prayer for others. Have you ever noticed that there is a structure to the prayers? Perhaps before we get started we should think about why we pray in the first place. We pray because the Bible commands us to (Matthew 6:5; Romans 12:12 to give two

examples.). Prayer is how we communicate with God and participate in his works. It grants us the privilege of experiencing God, keeps us humble and strengthens the bonds between believers.

We start with prayers for our nation, but why? God answers the prayers of his people. In 2 Chronicles 7:14, the Lord instructs as in the importance of praying for our nation. Ask God to move in your neighborhood and community. Pray that people will turn to His mercy and seek His will for our land.

Sometimes separate, sometimes joined, we pray for Leaders. The Bible instruct us to pray for our leaders (Feel free to Google). We are told to pray for our leaders "that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness (1 Tim. 2:2). We pray that leaders will seek and serve God in a manner that is worthy of their positions of authority.

We also pray for our families. The family is an institution ordained by God. A healthy family should be a place of love, support, spiritual

CHURCH STAFF

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

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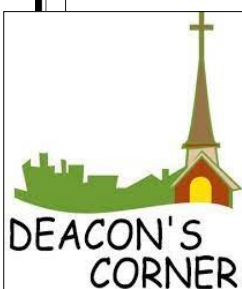
growth, and prayer. Now is the time to pray for families in our country and community. We ask the Lord to grant strength, peace and guidance to families that are struggling each and every day.

Lastly, we pray for youth. We pray for young people who are bombarded by conflicting moral standards, violence and the latest media scandals. In the midst of this turmoil, God is raising up young people, we ask the Lord to make them bold in their faith.

Peace and Blessings, Pastor Lee

Paper Puppet Workshops Children and caregivers are invited

to the Paper Puppet Workshops at Immanuel Lutheran Church, **May 15, 22 and June 12**. Segal Puppet and Theater Company will guide the participants through three sessions of Sunday afternoon fun. We will build puppets, create scripts and record puppet shows. Each 45-minute session will be held at the church on 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 \$10 per child. For scholarship assistance, contact Pastor Lee directly.



Marylyn and I are praying everyone is doing well and are strong in the Spirit of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is such an exuberant feeling to see everyone's face without the mask the last couple of Sundays. At the present time the Puppet Workshops have been rescheduled to begin Sunday, May 15th. We are looking forward to assisting Pastor Lee with this ministry.

If you would like or need someone just to talk to in these trying times, Mary Lyn and I are here for you. Take note and be assured anything discussed will be kept confidential.

May God Bless each one of you, Mary Lyn and Joe

Wearing masks while attending service will be optional. We do request that you stay at home should you experience symptoms or suspect that you may have COVID. Please see COVID Protocol available online and in the hospitality area.



Greetings to the Congregations of the Delaware Conference!
Ascension Day May 26th 2022!



We celebrate Ascension Day 40 days after Easter and 10 days before Pentecost, always on a Thursday. We celebrate that Jesus was taken up into heaven 40 days after his resurrection from the dead. In the Creed we say that we believe in Jesus who "*ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty*". Jesus' ascension marks the end of his life on earth. This year we are inviting our conference's 20 congregations to join us **IN PERSON!**

At **Holy Trinity Lutheran Church** located at 927 South Providence Road, Wallingford, Pennsylvania, 19086

6 PM for light Refreshments 7 PM Communion Service

Service conducted by members of the Conference Executive Committee

Sermon by Rev. Dr. Moses Suah-Dennis, the pastor of Faith-Immanuel Lutheran Church in East Lansdowne and recently appointed Co-Director Of SEPA's Evangelical Mission

Musical Accompaniment by Kathleen Schneider

A Virtual option to join us will also be available

Getting to Holy Trinity Wallingford ~ Getting to Holy Trinity Wallingford is easy. We're right where Providence Road (PA Rt. 252) joins with Chester Road (PA Rt. 320), just south of Swarthmore and just north of Chester, Pennsylvania.

We hope and pray that you can join us for this celebration service!
Sincerely, Your Delaware Conference Executive Committee

How are YOU Responding to THE Greatest Gift Ever?

In the month of May we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus to sit at the right hand of the Father. This is 40 days after Easter, when 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. HE GIVES US ETERNAL LIFE!! How are **YOU** responding to that gift?

In the current Zoom Bible study we are doing there was a quote in the 2nd lesson: "Life is short but eternity is forever". The gift GOD gave each one of us is forever!

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

- ♦ **DO YOU 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! **IT HAS A FOREVER STAMP that does not expire so you can still use it!**
- ♦ For those receiving the newsletter by email and those **doing church virtually**, 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 **QR code** 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: krmcfamily@aol.com

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. But **we need YOUR help** on the income side this year, **this month** 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. We are grateful that at least one family did this so far and we saw some much needed funds come in. Thank you! If you are a member and did not yet please do!

Please do your best to provide generous support 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.*

**WE NEED YOU!
TO MAKE IT HAPPEN**

Little Free Pantry

Thank you! Your support throughout the winter has been great!

Now that groceries are getting more expensive, we hope you can still provide some items for the pantry. Protein items are particularly appreciated, including cereals (just remember our pantry is not very large, so really big boxes won't fit.) Neighbors have been observed taking items and donating items to the pantry. 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. Thanks again.



THANK YOU!

Order Your Geraniums for Pentecost! We will be ordering Geraniums to adorn our Altar area on Pentecost Sunday. If you would like to place a plant (s) in the Sanctuary, we will be taking orders **May 1st through Sunday, May 22nd**. Please use the envelope provided by the Altar Guild members for the completion of your order and include the **number of plants, payment, and dedication** for the bulletin in your envelope. The price per plant this year will be \$4.00.



COUNCIL & CHAIRPERSONS RETREAT

MAY 14, 2022

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

ST. MATTHEW'S, WOODLYN

As a **Reconciling in Christ congregation**, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Norwood, commits to celebrating the love of God with ALL people as we are all made in God's image. Whatever your abilities, gender identity, sexual orientation, relationship status, race, culture, faith tradition or economic circumstance; whatever your past or present – you are welcome to share in God's love and our community.



**We are a
RECONCILING *in* CHRIST
Congregation**

The logo features the words "KEEP" and "UP" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The letters are stacked, with "KEEP" on top and "UP" below it. The letters are set against a dark, irregular background that resembles a splash or a cloud.**Visit our website:**

www.immanuelnorwood.org

Like/Follow us on Facebook:

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Norwood

Church Office hours 9am-1pm

Answering machine: 610-586-5860

Send us your email address:

secretary.immanuel@verizon.net

**HELP YOUR CHURCH WHILE YOU EAT!!**

YOU CAN SUPPORT IMMANUEL BY PURCHASING GIFT CARDS FOR
ACME AND SHOPRITE!



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

**FOR EVERY GIFT CARD WE SELL, WE GET 5% AS A
DONATION TO IMMANUEL!! IT REALLY ADDS UP!!**

PLEASE SEE OR CONTACT Mary Lyn Horne-Onimus
TO PURCHASE GIFT CARDS. (*Cash or checks are welcome!*)

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



**Graduating May 20, 2022**

Amanda Onimus - Arcadia University School of Education
B.A. in Elementary Education.

Mike McCoy - Arcadia University College of Arts & Sciences

Congratulations!

**THE POWER OF PRAYER**

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| ♥ Leanne Crouthamel | ♥ Phillip Hunsberger | ♥ Art McClellan |
| ♥ Margaret Swingle | ♥ Barbara Stauffer | ♥ Family & Friends in the passing of Betty Wharton. |
| ♥ Mary Cole | ♥ Brittany & Sean | ♥ All affected by Covid |
| ♥ Caroline Harlan | ♥ Jason Friel | ♥ Peace in Ukraine |
| ♥ Robin Johnson | ♥ Dee Luty | |
| ♥ Gina | ♥ Art Hunter | |
| | ♥ Bud McClellan | |

**YOU NEED THE CHURCH
AND
THE CHURCH NEEDS YOU!**

**MARCH CONGREGATION STATISTICS**

	Members Removed	Members Added	Avg. Weekly Attendance	Avg. YTD Attendance
March	0	0	37	35

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



Carly Daly	Joseph Hager, Jr	Susan Stevenson
Jason DeLong	Lauren Hanly	Paul Warner
Brianna DeLong	Keira Lee	Diane Weatherill
Lily Eiserman	Julia Lee	Faith White
Carolyn Campbell	Dolores Luty	Robin Woodrow
Richard Guzik	Vincent Milbert	Alejandro Enriquez
David Guzik		Elena Enriquez

Join the
DELAWARE COUNTY
NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
 Celebration

Rose Tree Park in Media, PA
 (Rt 252 & Rt 1)
 11:30 AM
Thursday May 5, 2022

Celebrating 71 years of annual prayer in the
 United States!

Bring a chair for comfort. Picnic lunches
 welcome! Feel free to come and go as your
 schedule allows. The program usually runs
 until 2:30PM.

[https://
 www.nationaldayofprayerdelco.com/](https://www.nationaldayofprayerdelco.com/)



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The Rev. Scott R. Lee, Pastor

Church Office Hours

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

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REMEMBER OUR FALLEN SOLDIERS
THIS MEMORIAL DAY



ALTAR FLOWERS AND BULLETINS

For Whom:

ALTAR FLOWERS

BULLETINS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> BAPTISM | <input type="checkbox"/> 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

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Phone