

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SHARE IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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



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|  <h1>OCTOBER 2022</h1>  | | | | | | |
| The Calendar reflects “Church” events only. For information in regard to “Use of Building” by outside groups, please see the church calendar in the church office, or contact Vi Mayberry or Fred Warner. | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 10:00 AM Education Hour 12:00 PM Christian Ed Mtg. W&M Mtg. | 3 | 4 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i> | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 10:00 AM Education Hour 12:00 PM Outreach Mtg. | 10 | 11 5:30 PM Resource Mtg 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i> | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 St. Matthew Community Day |
| 16 Blessing of Pets 10:00 AM Education Hour 12:00 PM Council Mtg. | 17 | 18 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i> |  | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 10:00 AM Education Hour | 24 6:30 PM Conference Assembly St. Matthew Springfield | 25 7:00 PM Bible Study <i>(Zoom)</i> | 26 12:00 PM Half Century Social Gathering | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 Reformation Breakfast Service 10:00 AM Education Hour  | 31 Halloween  | Don't stand on the sidelines! Join Church Council! Be a voice, help shape the future of Immanuel! See Pastor Lee for details! | | | |  |

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PASTOR'S PEN

October has many notable celebrations in the church calendar. Of course, we have Halloween, Reformation Day, followed by All Saints Day the first Sunday in November. October is also the month in which the life of St. Francis of Assisi is celebrated. St. Francis was a mystic, in that he had direct experiences with the Divine. There are many stories surrounding St. Francis. For example, he was known to have the stigmata, in which he lived the last two years of his life in pain. He is most well-known for his love of animals.



St. Francis had a deep love for nature and all that had been created by God. He was known to be able to communicate with animals. Probably his most famous story is the one in which a large wolf was attacking a town. The wolf would not only eat livestock but the townspeople too. St. Francis went out of the town walls to a place the wolf was known to be. The wolf came running at him jaws open. As he approached, the saint, making the sign of the cross, cried

out: "Come hither, brother wolf; I command thee, in the name of Christ, neither to harm me nor anybody else."

No sooner had Saint Francis made the sign of the cross, than the terrible wolf, closing his jaws, stopped running, and coming up to Saint Francis, lay down at his feet as meekly as a lamb.

Saint Francis added these words: "Listen my brothers: the wolf who is here before you has promised and pledged his faith that he consents to make peace with you all, and no more to offend you in aught, and you must promise to give him each day his necessary food; to which, if you consent, I promise in his name that he will most faithfully observe the compact."

CHURCH STAFF

- *Pastor*
The 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
- *Karl McClellan*
- *Joyce Morrison - Secretary*
- *Fred Warner*
- *Don Watts*
- *Robin Woodrow - President*

Then all the people promised with one voice to feed the wolf to the end of his days; and Saint Francis, addressing the latter, said again: "And thou, brother wolf, dost thou promise to keep the compact, and never again to offend either man or beast, or any other creature?" And the wolf knelt down, bowing his head, and, by the motions of his tail and of his ears, endeavored to show that he was willing, so far as was in his power, to hold to the compact and the wolf lifting up his paw placed it in the hand of Saint Francis.

The wolf lived two years at Gubbio; he went familiarly from door to door without harming anyone, and all the people received him courteously, feeding him with great pleasure, and no dog barked at him as he went about.

At last, after two years, he died of old age, and the people of Gubbio mourned his loss greatly; for when they saw him going about so gently amongst them all, he reminded them of the virtue of Saint Francis.

Who are the wolves in our lives, how might forgiveness and care change a relationship?

Pastor Lee

A Special Night for Immanuel! We are part of the Delaware Conference along with 19 other congregations. Our congregation helped to elect me in 2020 to a 3 year term on their Executive Board. Each year the Conference sponsors at least 2 events, the Ascension Day service in the Spring and the Conference Assembly in the Fall. During this Assembly (which will be **in person** at **St. Mathews, Springfield**, located at 400 Lynbrooke Road, on Monday October 24th) we will be doing a **Hands-On** project to make "No-Sew" blankets for the needy to be distributed to organizations in our conference. In addition we'll carry out the business portion of the conference such as the annual election to replace those rotating off the Executive Board. Please mark your calendar and be on the lookout for more detailed information about the assembly in our bulletins. Gathering time is expected to be 6:30PM. **Everyone is welcome to attend!** (We'll have 2 members designated to vote).

save the date for
CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY

October 24

Many thanks for the contributions to the **Little Free Pantry**. There continues to be a need in our community. There are several regular visitors to the Pantry. In speaking to one woman, she says it makes a big difference in the variety of what she eats, and she appreciates it a great deal. Let's keep up the good work.

THANK YOU!



Greetings from the Worship and Music Committee - Pastor Lee, Kathleen Schneider, Jeanne Warner, Don Watts and myself, Darlene McClellan! The church calendar is really getting busy. October highlights include a Blessing of the Animals outdoor service at Immanuel on October 16th, Reformation Sunday October 30th and All Saints Day November 6th. Details below:

October 16th Blessing of the Animals

On October 16th Immanuel will hold a Blessing of the Animals worship service. The service will be held outdoors at Immanuel at 11 AM. If the weather is inclement, the service will move indoors. Bring your favorite pet or stuffed animal.

Reformation Sunday Breakfast

Join us on Sunday, October 30th as we celebrate Reformation Sunday with a Breakfast service. Immanuel's church service will be held in the Social Room (downstairs) at 11 AM. During the service, breakfast will be served. Folks are encouraged to bring a casserole, fruit, juice-something that goes with breakfast. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the church on October 2nd.

All Saint's Day

All Saint's Day will be celebrated on Sunday, November 6th at 11 AM. During the service, the names of those who passed this past year will be read and a bell rung. There will also be a time for folks to come up and light a candle in memory of a loved one.

We hope you will join us for these special services. If you have any questions or suggestions, please reach out to one of us! All are welcome. **Bring your friend and families!**



October is Pastor Appreciation Month

Please take a moment this month to thank Pastor Lee for his leadership and inspiration at Immanuel. Too often we forget to express our thanks for a job that is well done! A note (written or email) would help Pastor know that we have noticed that he has done an excellent job!

Happy October Y'all!

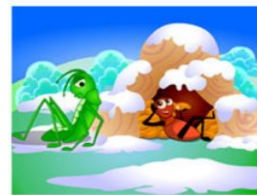
By the time you read this we will be in the last quarter of 2022 with the Christmas season just around the corner! To help us all get ready.....

Coming to Immanuel a Christmas Gift Card Sale!

To make your Christmas shopping easier and less stressful, our committee will be having a Christmas Gift Card Sale! You'll be able to order gift cards, receive them well before the holidays and the church will receive a percentage of the sale! Look for more details in the bulletin!

Immanuel's Heating Oil Special Giving Campaign

We started our "Ant and the Grasshopper" program in June and we need to keep it going. Our sincere Thanks to those who have begun to use the "OIL" envelopes found in the Hospitality area at the BIG BRIGHT GREEN poster on an easel. We would love to have more people join the campaign! We ask you to prayerfully consider what extra can you give monthly to help?



Virtual Giving Options Make Donations Easy!!



If you'd like to give virtually, you can use the QR code below with your smart phone. There are also buttons on our website and Facebook pages for making a donation. It is Safe, Secure and Easy!!

Thank you!

"Thank you" to all of you who give of your Time, Talents and Treasures to make it possible for Immanuel to fulfill our mission here!

Sincerely, Your Resource Committee





Our Christmas Cantata this year will be on **Sunday, December 18th**. If you want to sing, join us. If you want to play an instrument, join us. All are welcome and encouraged.

Please come to our first rehearsal on Sunday, October 23rd after service. If you have questions or misgivings please call or text Kathleen at 610-731-6847.

Thanks to everyone who brought winter clothing for the Ukrainian people. Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine.



St. Matthew, Woodlyn Community Day

October 15th, 2:00pm - 8:00pm

St Matthew will have a community day event, with Food trucks, Community Health and wellness representatives, moon-bounce, yard games, and end with a movie night in the fellowship hall. The church will host a bake sale and snack table!

All are welcome to join in the Fun! We hope to see you there!



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



Thank you to the **Outreach Committee and other volunteers** for sharing
Immanuel with the visitors to Community Day on September
17th. We trust that our neighbors realize that we are in the
community to support them in any way we can.

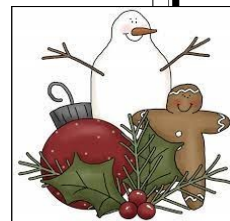
THANK YOU!
We are grateful.



Wow, Fall is quickly upon us! **Social Ministry** hopes everyone had a restful and
joyous summer. We would like to **thank everyone** who has lent us a
hand in the past for all their help! We also would like to invite anyone interested to
come to **join us**. It is time for us to get busy with our activities.

Plans for our annual Christmas bazaar are in the works. Please think about helping
again this year with cookies, baked goods, soups, and your time. We cannot
accomplish this without all the wonderful people who volunteer their time and talents.
I know this is early notice but it will be upon us before we know it. Look for the sign-
up sheets in November.

May you enjoy Peace each and every day. Blessings, Social Ministry



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If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

1 John 3:17-18



Ordering from Amazon? Enter AmazonSmile and designate Immanuel to receive a percentage of your purchase. Easy way to help your church!

“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself.

Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.”

Matthew 6:34

THE POWER OF PRAYER



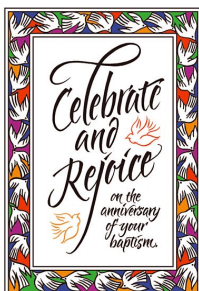
- ♥ Margaret Swingle
- ♥ Mary Cole
- ♥ Barbara Stauffer
- ♥ Jackson
- ♥ Art Hunter
- ♥ Art McClellan
- ♥ Marco Waserstorm
- ♥ Rita Petty
- ♥ Catherine Scheid
- ♥ Jason Friel
- ♥ Bob Moore
- ♥ Harry Swallow
- ♥ Pat Brolly
- ♥ Family & Friends of
Dee Luty and Myrna Shuster
- ♥ All affected by Covid
- ♥ Lives touched by gun
violence.
- ♥ Peace in Ukraine



AUGUST - 2022 CONGREGATION STATISTICS

| | Members Removed | Members Added | Avg. Weekly Attendance | Avg. YTD Attendance |
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| August | 0 | 0 | 32 | 31 |

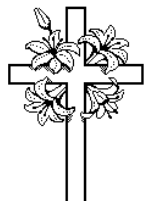




Our prayers include the following persons as they recall their **Baptism** in **October** and promises made to God and by God:

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| † Hank Eberle | † Thomas Grantland |
| † Hannah Firkser | † Sandra Hendrick |
| † Judith Firkser | † Sylvia Hunsberger |
| † Landon Grieb | |

IN REMEMBRANCE



Dolores D. Luty - September 7, 2022

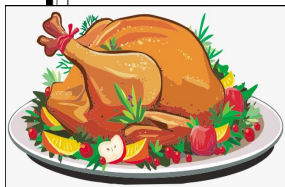
Dee's Celebration of Life was held on September 15, 2022 at Immanuel Lutheran Church led by Pastor Lee.

Myrna J. Shuster - September 19, 2022

Myrna's Celebration of Life was held on September 28th, 2022 at Immanuel Lutheran Church led by Pastor Lee.

¹ Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ~ John 14:1-2

First Presbyterian Church in Glenolden is reaching out to friends, neighbors and associates in Delaware County to let them know about the **Thanksgiving Meal Ministry** in hope that they will partner with them to better serve the community. For the last 29 years with the support of many churches, organizations & volunteers from all over Delaware County, we were able to deliver thousands of meals on Thanksgiving Day. Last year, because of everyone's generosity, we were able to provide over 350 - \$25.00 grocery or



diner cards, deliver 100 frozen turkeys to the larger families and deliver over a 100 meals, from a local diner, to those who are severely handicapped. Many agencies such as Hospice, Schoolhouse Senior Center, Senior Community Services, Senior Victims of Crime, Upland Food Bank, just to name a few, refer individuals and families to us for help.



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