

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SHARE IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

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"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
his Love endures for ever."

Psalms 107:1



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| WORSIP SERVICE SUNDAYS AT 11:00 AM | 1 9:00 AM Meditation Monday (Zoom) 6:30 PM Bereavement Group | 2 | 3 | 4 7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom) | 5 OFFICE CLOSED | 6 | |
| | 7 All Saints Day 10:00 AM Education Hour 12:00 PM Christian Ed Mtg. Worship & Music Mtg. Choir Practice Daylight Savings | 8 9:00 AM Meditation Monday (Zoom) 6:30 PM Bereavement Group | 9 6:30 PM Resource Mtg. | 10 | 11 7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom) | 12 | 13 |
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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.



We will still practice safe distancing and wearing of masks **unless otherwise announced.**

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

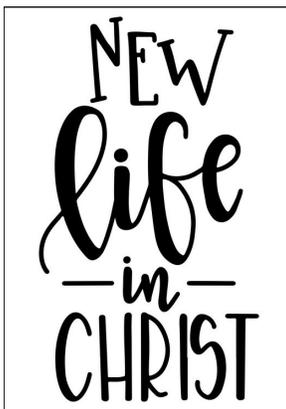


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PASTOR'S PEN

Advent will be upon us shortly (November 28th). While we



traditionally think of Advent as a season of waiting or coming. Advent was a season of preparation for the baptism of new Christians. Lent is the other season of preparation for baptism in the early church. The emphasis is reflection for new life, becoming Christ-like.

It also represents hope for the future. Similar to Lent, it is a time of reflection and thinking about who we are becoming.

In the past few newsletters I've been talking about the digesting of the word.

Last month I highlighted many of the opportunities to deepen our faith, through worship, education and service.

Who are you becoming? As we were joined to God in our baptism we were joined to our spouse in our marriage or commitment to one another. This upcoming January, I will offer an opportunity to spend some time to strengthen your relationships. Save the dates! This offering is being planned for the upcoming year January 9th, 16th and 23rd. Please check our web site for ongoing updates for this offering as well as the many other opportunities offered here at Immanuel.

~ Peace and Blessings, Pastor Lee

CHURCH STAFF

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

CHURCH COUNCIL

- *Jean Crane*
- *Jason DeLong*
- *Siobhan DeLong - Secretary*
- *Fran Fisher*
- *Mary Lyn Horne-Onimus*
- *Joe Kintsche*
- *Frank Martinsen*
- *Alex Narcavage*
- *Janice Narcavage*
- *Fred Warner - President*
- *Don Watts*
- *Robin Woodrow - Vice President*





COME TO
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN'S
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday, December 4th

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Bake Sale
Cookie Walk
Soup Sale
Craft Sale
Lunch
Katie's Attic

Thanksgiving, Our Blessings and Giving

thankful
and
blessed

As we enter November our thoughts turn toward the upcoming holiday season, Thanksgiving, and reflecting on all the blessings that God has given us. A huge piece to be thankful for is the progress being made on the Pandemic. We all hope and pray that the COVID vaccine distribution has continued to expand, that the variants are getting under control. . . . and more shots are getting into arms of those from Immanuel (and the Nation)! As we think about our blessings, we need to ask all of us to consider our church. Unfortunately we have seen a decline in giving through the pandemic. We need to ask all of us to prayerfully consider what more we can do to help our church.

For those **coming in person** please remember we have offering plates to receive your gifts. The plates will be placed in the front of the nave on stands prior to service. During the offertory the ushers will come forward, pick up the plates, take offering and return to the front of the sanctuary and present the gifts to the Pastor/Worship Assistant. At the conclusion of service there will be an offering plate placed at the back of the church on the table as you leave the nave for those that don't feel comfortable with passing the plate.

For those **doing church virtually** we ask you to please consider mailing a check for your offering to the church office.

We had our special Congregational meeting on September 26th and voted to take a loan to repay the \$13,136.00 plus accumulated interest that was not forgiven under the PPP program. That new monthly bill will be about \$300.00/month. Please prayerfully consider what you may be able to do ***incrementally***, to help our church to pay this back. Any donations you make toward this will be accumulated in a new line item that will go to pay this new monthly bill. Just make a note on your donations that they are for the PPP loan.

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

Let's do our best to provide generous support so we can continue our Mission doing God's Work, the best we can for now (keep using Face Masks, Social distancing, washing of hands, following CDC guidelines and seek a vaccine if you have not already done so).

Once again.....Thank you!

Sincerely, Your Resource Committee

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

SOCIAL MINISTRY

WE MAKE
A LIVING
BY WHAT WE GET,
BUT WE MAKE
A LIFE BY
WHAT WE GIVE.

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Happy Fall Immanuel! Fall is finally upon us and now is the time to start planning for our Christmas Bazaar! This year it falls on Saturday, Dec 4th, so mark your calendars! Please share a couple dozen of your holiday cookies! This seems to be one of our favorites among our patrons. Due to Covid, we will be bagging them 6 to a bag. If you can send them in that way great, if not no worries we will. Bakers and soup makers we look forward to your homemade goodies. Without your help, we cannot pull this off. It is one of our money makers for Immanuel. If you are available from 9-2, or even a couple hours, that would be greatly appreciated. Again, without your help we cannot continue and succeed. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the church.



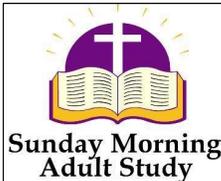
Our cemetery sprays will be made this year. Please look for the order forms on the table at the back of the church.

These activities will occur provided COVID does not get the best of us again and we shut down.

Please stay well, keep safe, and we hope to see you December 4th.

God Bless, Social Ministry

We will be ordering **Poinsettia Plants** to adorn our Altar area at Christmas. If you would like to place a plant (s) in the Sanctuary, please see one of the Altar Guild members following Sunday service beginning Sunday **November 14th through Sunday, December 5th**. The cost per Poinsettia plant is **\$8.00** each. Please use the envelope provided by the Altar Guild members for the completion of your order.



Adult Bible Study ~ Sunday Mornings at 10:00 am in the choir room. This is a DVD presentation on "How Lutherans Interpret the Bible" with discussion following the presentation. If you have any questions see Jeanne Warner or Joyce Morrison. Come and join us!



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What if you woke
UP **TODAY**
with only the things
that you
thanked
God for yesterday?



Our Christmas Cantata this year will be a **“Musical Celebration”** on **Sunday, December 19th**. If you want to sing, join us. If you want to play an instrument, join us. All are welcome and encouraged. Rehearsals begin Sun., November 7th following the service. Follow the Sunday bulletins for more information.



Committee Chairs ~ Reminder to have your **annual reports** in by the end of the year to the church office. Email is the most efficient and preferred method of communication if possible. Everyone’s support and help is greatly appreciated.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Why is it important to start reading the bible early on? Here are some of the benefits to beginning this routine from infancy or as soon as possible with you kids:

Kids gain a longer attention span to sit and read. This is preparing your child to focus long enough to actually sit down and read the Bible later in life. So many of us, including me, struggle to sit still long enough to study and reflect of God’s word. It is important that we help our children to learn to sit and listen to, age-appropriately discusses, and pray over what they read in the Bible from their earliest years. This requires practice and consistency.

Children will gain an understanding of the main storyline in the Bible and the Gospel that will help shape their world view from early on. You’ve probably heard it said that children learn more in their first year of life than any other time. This is prime time for shaping their view of God and the Gospel. In short it will help to shape their worldview



The Bible promises blessings for the family that faithfully instructs their children. I trust that the Lord’s command in Deuteronomy 6 to all parents is there for a reason. If we, as parents, are faithful to read God’s Word and talk about it with our kids, as well as strive to live it out (imperfectly and with God’s grace), there will be blessings for the family. It opens the door for God and to do great work in our lives as we grow.

~ Pr. Scott Lee

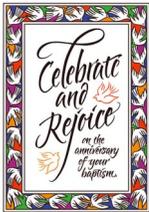


First Presbyterian Church in Glenolden is reaching out to friends, neighbors and associates in Delaware County to let them know about the **Thanksgiving Meal Ministry** in hope that they will partner with them to better serve the community. There are several ways to help from putting addresses on cards, help with deliveries, to donating gift cards and frozen turkeys. For a list see the Immanuel Church bulletin board or call Debbie Hadden at 610-457-7442.



PROMISES MADE TO GOD

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



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| † Emily Narcavage | † Kevin Moran | † Michael McCoy |
| † Kelly Taylor | † Evan Magee | † Charles Rodgers |
| † Jeanne Warner | † Adrienne Narcavage | † Kimberly Enriquez |
| † Jaime Hager | † Krissy Burke | † Penn Schmidt |
| † Nicholas Firkser | † Marissa Martin | † Joseph Hanly Jr. |



HOMEBOUND MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS!

Joan Truman ~ Nov. 6th **Virginia Young** ~ Nov. 8th

Please refer to your church directory for address information.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING WITH US!! WE SELL ACME/SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS! FOR EVERY GIFT CARD WE SELL, AND YOU USE, WE GET 5%!!

See Alex Narcavage for additional information and the purchase of gift cards. Cash or checks are welcome!



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Church Office Hours

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

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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