

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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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		<h1>OCTOBER 2021</h1>					
		We will still practice safe distancing and wearing of masks unless otherwise announced.				1	2
3 10:00 AM Education Hour 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Christian Ed Mtg. W&M Mtg.	4 6:30 PM Bereavement Group	5	6	7 7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	8	9	
10 10:00 AM Education Hour 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Outreach Mtg.	11 2:00 PM Blood Drive  6:30 PM Bereavement Group	12 6:00 PM Resource Mtg	13	14 7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	15	16 Norwood Community Day	
17 10:00 AM Education Hour 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Council Mtg.	18 6:30 PM Bereavement Group	19	20 	21 7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	22	23	
Pastor Vacation							
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31 Reformation 10:00 AM Education Hour 11:00 AM Worship Service Halloween 	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.				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

In last month's newsletter I talked about digesting and being nourished by the Word of God. I received feedback from several of you saying that you enjoyed the imagery of inwardly digesting. Just as we are fed at the communion table, the bread and wine are digested and become our body and our blood. The Divine dwells in and is part of us.

We have many great ministries here at Immanuel, ministries that feed people mind, body and soul. If you, or someone you know is dealing with the loss of a loved one we have a bereavement group which provides great support to the community. Monday at 6:30pm.



We have passionate educators too! Children's Sunday School provides a great mix of games, arts and crafts and lively discussion to help children to see God at work in their lives. We have an active Adult Sunday Bible Study meeting weekly to have thoughtful discussion based on a book of choice.

We also have a dedicated Thursday night Bible Study. This lay led group meets weekly at 7pm to focus on small sections of a particular book (like Romans or Exodus). Conversation is based largely on the sharing of reflection questions to generate conversation.

Starting Monday, November 1st, (via Zoom) there will be another opportunity to digest and be nourished through the Holy Spirit. Each Monday from 9-9:30am I will offer a short reading to meditate on for

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*

several minutes. Feel free to continue to reflect throughout the day or even the week. We will use the book Things that Join Sea and Sky by Mark Nepo.

I hope you will take advantage of one or several of our opportunities to be nourished by the Word.

Stay well, Pastor Lee

ELECTRONIC GIVING

It is through the pledges and contributions of our members that we are able to carry on our work here at Immanuel

As you consider your pledge, we remind you that we offer Electronic Giving as a way to automate your offerings. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for the church. Collection basket offerings can fluctuate significantly from week to week but when contributions are automated, the church receives funds on a steady, uninterrupted basis.



ALL ONLINE AND IN PERSON MEETINGS WILL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE GROUP AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH PA STATEWIDE COVID-19 GUIDELINES.

Please keep up with the most recent church developments by:

Visit our website: www.immanuelnorwood.org

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



A Special Night for Immanuel! We are part of the **Delaware Conference** along with *19 other congregations*. Our congregation helped to elect me last year 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 virtual via Zoom) there will be several speakers covering topics of interest that can help all our congregations move forward plus 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 assembly content and how you may connect! **Everyone is welcome to attend!** We'll have 2 members designated to vote.

Thank you! Karl McClellan

**Delaware Conference
Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA**

Conference Assembly



Please save the date and plan to attend our annual Conference Assembly on October 11 at 7pm. We will gather via Zoom this year due to the uncertainty regarding Covid-19. More details to come!

Happy October to All!

Hard to believe that Fall is here! 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)!

We will have already held our special Congregational meeting on September 26th by the time you all are reading this. As we reported previously, we had received a "PPP" loan in 2020 for \$23,600.00 during the early phase of the pandemic. Turned out we *were eligible for forgiveness of \$10,464. which was a blessing. We have to repay the balance of \$13,136.* Resource presented on the 26th the motion to take all of that as a low interest loan. Depending how the vote played out will determine whether we did in fact decide to take the full amount for the loan, or whether we paid out some upfront and took a lower amount as a loan. Either way, we have to repay the \$13,136.00 plus accumulated interest. So please look for more communications about the outcome of the vote. Please prayerfully consider what you may be able to do to help our church to pay this back (over and above our normal expenses).

Your gifts to Immanuel (Time, Talents and Treasures) equip our Church to fulfill our mission even during these unique and challenging COVID times. We had seen some decline in our regular offerings through the summer months. We ask all, to prayerfully consider your support of Immanuel.

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.



The **Outreach Committee** would like to thank all the folks who are adding food to the Little Food Pantry. As you may know, we have had some mischief with the cans that have the pull tops, resulting in wasted food. The Outreach Committee is asking you to avoid those canned items (we originally thought they were great, sorry). Please continue to supply protein items and things that require minimal preparation. It appears that we do not have a moisture problem in the pantry, so items in cardboard boxes or envelopes of various kinds appear to stay usable. Please do not leave fresh produce or bread as all items are exposed to heat. Thanks again! If there is no room for your donation in the pantry box, you may leave it just inside the Chester Pike door on the shelves to the left. The secretary can buzz you in between 9 and 1 on weekdays.



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American Red Cross Blood Donation Drive has been scheduled for Monday, October 11, 2021 from 2:00PM – 7:00 PM. The event will be held in the Social Room. All volunteers will be provided by the Red Cross. Please register online at: redcrossblood.org. Sponsor Code: Immanuel Lutheran or call them at 1-800-RED-CROS. A signup sheet will also be posted at the church. There is always a desperate need for blood, so sign up early to get the best time for you! ~ Contact Colleen Kelly with any questions.

Social Ministry hopes everyone is having a safe, enjoyable summer. Due to the pandemic we will not be having our Fall Festival this year but are prayerfully looking forward to its return next year. Stay safe and continue your social distancing.

May God continue to watch over us! God Bless,
Social Ministry



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AND LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR ALEX NARCAVAGE, HE WILL GET BACK TO
YOU.

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“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

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IMMANUEL!**

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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.

Please come to our first rehearsal on Sunday morning, October 24th at 9:30 a.m. Feel free to leave for bible study. We will rehearse in safety with masks on in the big room downstairs.

If you have questions or misgivings please call or text Kathleen at 610-731-6847.





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

Don't stand on the sidelines!

Join Church Council!

Be a voice, help shape the future of Immanuel!

See Pastor Lee or Fred Warner for details!



THE POWER OF PRAYER

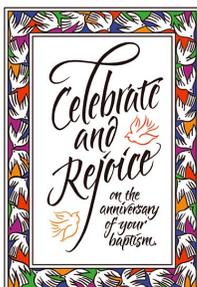


- ♥ Leanne Crouthamel
- ♥ Margaret Swingle
- ♥ Mary Cole
- ♥ Caroline Harlan
- ♥ Betty Wharton
- ♥ Neher Family
- ♥ Joan Leake
- ♥ Sandra Kessler
- ♥ Debbie Leflar
- ♥ Robin Johnson
- ♥ Marissa Pierangelia
- ♥ Tommy Deshulia
- ♥ The Moore Family
- ♥ Charlie McDaid
- ♥ Brian & Sabrina



AUGUST - 2021 CONGREGATION STATISTICS

	Members Removed	Members Added	Avg. Weekly Attendance	Avg. YTD Attendance
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:

† Gavin Davis	† Thomas Grantland	† Alex Narcavage
† Hank Eberle	† Dylan Harlan	
† Hannah Firkser	† Kayla Hanly	
† Judith Firkser	† Sandra Hendrick	
† Landon Grieb	† Sylvia Hunsberger	

IMMANUEL CELEBRATES!

Baptism ~ September 26, 2021 ~ Jackson William Firkser

Son of David & Rachel Firkser

Sponsors, David Todaro & Amanda Todaro

We rejoice with the grandparents, parents, family & friends in this joyous celebration!



The "Borough of Norwood Community Day" is planned to be held on Sat. **October 16th** in Norwood Lower Park. It will be a borough celebration devoted to live entertainment, fun, food, activities for the kids and celebrating Civic pride. **Please note that the Outreach Committee has decided not to participate this year due to the COVID risks that exist at the present time.**



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 27 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. This past year even

though we were in the midst of Covid, we safely mailed out hundreds of \$25.00 grocery cards to those in need and delivered frozen turkeys to the larger families. Also, those who could not go to a grocery store or prepare a meal for themselves, we provided them with a Thanksgiving meal from their local diners. We will continue our mission the same way this year. 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.

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Church Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Oct 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 at 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