

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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JUNE 2019


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 see the church calendar in the church office, or contact Vi Mayberry or Fred Warner.

<p>2 12:00 PM Worship & Music Mtg. 11:00 AM Christian Ed Mtg.</p>						<p>3 Office Closed 6:30 PM Bereavement Gr. 7:00 PM Yoga</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 6:30 PM Bible Study</p>	<p>7 Lutheran Night at the Phillies</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>9 Pentecost 12:00 PM Outreach Mtg.</p>						<p>10 6:30 PM Bereavement Gr. 7:00 PM Yoga</p>	<p>11 6:00 PM Resource Mtg.</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 6:30 PM Bible Study</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16 12:00 PM Council Mtg. </p>						<p>17 6:30 PM Bereavement Gr. 7:00 PM Yoga</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Ministry</p>
<p>23 RIC Celebration 1:35 PM Blue Rocks Game</p>						<p>24 6:30 PM Bereavement Gr. 7:00 PM Yoga</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>30</p>

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Summer Reading Looking for a good summer read? The Sunday Adult Bible study group is reading “The Noticer” by Andy Andrews available through Amazon. We will be discussing the book at the end of the summer – watch bulletin announcements for discussion date.



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PASTOR'S PEN

The summer is a busy time, but, also a great time for soul care. Vacations and long weekends away, are a welcomed reconnection to people, places and stories that restore our souls. These times of relaxation also provide the perfect environment to nurture your relationship with God.

Faith is a pure gift; faith also takes practice. For most of us, noticing that God is near, remembering what God has done for us, and trusting in God's promises do not come automatically. Faith grows with repetition and challenge and discipline. Each of us is different, but here are some of the things that help me remember that Christ is truly risen--for me, for us, and for the whole creation:

- I recognize him in the breaking of the bread. Sometimes I am blown away by this. Even when I'm not feeling it myself, I still trust that Christ shows up in the sacrament. Let us be thankful for the food, company and conversation at the dinner table.
- Practice trying to perceive the face of Christ in all faces. Do you realize that sometimes you are downright radiant?
- I usually pay better attention to the presence of God when I am quiet and slow down. This seems to be true whether I am reading, praying, walking, working, or in conversation.
- Woods, water, and sky: Spending time in nature usually helps to restore my sense of awe, reduce my anxiety, see God's creation as beautiful, and revive my gratitude.



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CHURCH STAFF

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

CHURCH COUNCIL

- *Jean Crane*
- *Tom Graham*
- *Colleen Kelly*
- *Joe Kintsche - President*
- *Frank Martinsen - Vice President*
- *Joyce Morrison - Secretary*
- *Janice Narcavage*
- *Emily Narcavage - Jr. Council*
- *Vicki Slotterback*
- *Fred Warner*
- *Jeanne Warner - Treasurer*
- *Don Watts*
- *Robin Woodrow*

PASTOR'S PEN *(CONTINUED)*

- Daily life in relationship: Being forgiven, welcomed and accepted by other people helps me to trust more fully that God forgives, welcomes, and accepts me too.

I hope you explore the beauty of God's creation this summer.

Peace & Blessings, Pastor Lee



Synod Assembly 2019



Our Synod held the annual assembly on May 3rd and 4th at Franconia Mennonite Church in Telford Pa. Attending were nearly 450 delegates (Rostered Pastors and Lay leaders) for the nearly 150 churches in the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod. Pastor Lee, Mary Lyn Horne-Onimus and Karl McClellan represented Immanuel. The theme was "Building Beloved Community".

Some highlights for our church:

- ◆ Immanuel was recognized as breaking ground "partnering" with St Matthews sharing Pastor Lee as an example of creative solutions for congregations to continue to serve their communities!
- ◆ Immanuel was publicly recognized as newest RIC congregation in SEPA synod!! It was awesome to hear nearly 500 fellow Lutherans applauding our accomplishment!

There were a number of presentations and educational forums held where you could go and gather information and contacts to bring back to your church to assist your ministry. If you want to hear more about these forums please reach out to us, church council, or committee chairs as well.

Three key resolutions were passed:

- ◆ Antiracism....& now required training
- ◆ The Earth Charter.....really supporting the urgency to address global warming while there is still time.
- ◆ Advocating for Immigrants & Refugees.....providing support and a voice

In summary, it was an inspiring two days that provided a wealth of information & contacts that Immanuel can use. We appreciated the opportunity to represent Immanuel. Please let us know if you have any questions.

~ Respectfully submitted, Karl McClellan



CELEBRATION!

Service for Reconciling in Christ

On June 23, at our 11:00 am worship service, we will celebrate our congregation as a welcoming place for all! Immanuel will have a guest speaker (to be announced) and we will invite lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) people from the community to join us! Please extend a special invitation to any family members, neighbors or friends who might be looking for a welcoming church. If you have questions, you may call Pastor Lee or Joyce Morrison (610-506-5387).

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.

WORSHIP & MUSIC VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE—JUNE



	JUN 2ND	JUN 9TH	JUN 16TH	JUN 23RD	JUN 30TH
LITURGIST	K. McClellan	J. Kintsche	D. Watts	D. Watts	K. McClellan
LECTOR	D. McClellan	V. Slotterback	H. Eberle	J. Crane	D. McClellan
USHERS	M.Horne-Onimus A. Onimus	E. Narcavage A. Narcavage	J. Warner D. McClellan	J. Warner J. Crane	E. Narcavage A. Onimus

The **Summer Volunteer sign-up sheet** is located on the table in the hospitality area. The schedule will be published in the bulletin once complete with volunteers.



SOCIAL MINISTRY

Summer is upon us and things are winding down with Social Ministry. June we Celebrate Father's Day. It is wonderful to see everyone enjoy a little treat and gather after service to celebrate very special people in our lives.

Over the summer, Social Ministry takes a break from organizing activities, and switches gears to collect protein products for our church pantry. While shopping, keep us in mind and pick up one or two extras and drop them off in the box in the back of the church.

We hope everyone has a relaxing, joyous summer! May God Bless You All.



Are You Planning Summer Vacation?

The church never takes a vacation. We are always here for you. Keep in mind that bills do continue throughout the summer. Wishing you a safe and fun summer season!



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



NEEDED: HELP WITH 4TH JULY PARADE

We will again be marching in the Norwood 4th of July parade carrying the VBS banner and giving out information about VBS and our church. We need folks to march as well as needing folks stationed at church providing water and information.

It's a great opportunity to get Immanuel's name out in the community and the more folks we have walking, the better the effect. Please consider spending an hour or so with us that morning walking and show off our Immanuel pride. It's an easy walk and we always have a fun time.

Please see Colleen Kelly with any questions or to sign up. Thanks for your help!



HELP YOUR CHURCH WHILE YOU EAT!!

WE SELL ACME/GIANT/SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS!!!



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

FOR EVERY GIFT CARD WE SELL, AND YOU USE, **WE GET 5%!!**

Please see Alex Narcavage on Sundays to purchase gift cards. Cash or checks are welcome!

PLEASE BUY THE GIFT CARDS AND HELP OUT IMMANUEL!

Outreach Committee Backpack & Essential School Supplies Drive!



Outreach Committee is again sponsoring a school supply collection. Please drop off any new school supplies at the designated box in the hospitality area. Please place your donations there by the end of July so that we may give them to groups that are preparing backpacks to give away. Remember that school children range from Kindergarten to 12th grade! Watch for sales! Thank you for being generous.

If you are interested in helping the **Property Committee** with the grass cutting and cleaning up around the church please touch base with Property Committee members Joe Kintsche, Frank Martinsen or Fred Warner.

Help is always **GREATLY** appreciated.



Celebrate Father's Day
Sunday June 16th, at Immanuel with
Carnations and refreshments!

You're Invited to

Immanuel Lutheran



Church Picnic

Sunday **Norwood Lower Park**
Sept. 8th 10:00 AM - Worship
 11:00 AM- 3:00 PM Picnic

- Main Dish (Chicken) & Side Provided
- Music
- Games for Children

Bring your own chairs and extra side dish. Watch for sign up sheet.
Rain - Held at Church

“*ERASE the DEFICIT*” in 2019

During the Annual Congregation meeting in January a deficit was forecasted at just under \$10,000.00. So how are we doing? As of May, we are running behind, only to have received 31% of what we need for the year.

So what can we all do?

Here is how we all can support Immanuel. **Especially during the summer months!**

- Use your weekly white and monthly blue envelopes. (Consider enrolling in “Simply Giving” to make that even easier.) *If you are away on vacation and don’t use Simply Giving, please do your best to make up for missed weeks.*
- Buy Acme/Giant/Shoprite Food Gift Cards.
- Participate in Social Ministry’s activities.
- Be part of all the events the new Fund Raising Committee is rolling out.
- Use Amazon Smile for your online purchases.
- Be part of Thrivent Matching gifts.
- *“Erase the Deficit!”*



There are “Erase the Deficit” envelopes in your pew rack, plus extra envelopes in the box on the Hospitality table. **Here is an update on our progress:**

2019 DEFICIT WHEN STARTED	\$9,626.63
SAVINGS FROM CHANGING INSURANCE	-\$1,500.00
DONATIONS RECEIVED IN NEW ENVELOPES	-\$ 1,455.00
DEFICIT BALANCE REMAINING:	\$6,671.63

Making progress!! Keep going Immanuel! Together We Can Do It!!

Thank you, Your Resource Committee



HOMEBOUND MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

May
13th - Pat Barker

July
4th—Roy Russell

August
16th - Amy Williams
30th - Gaye Kazmark



THE POWER OF PRAYER



- ♥ Judy Green
- ♥ Don McGrogan
- ♥ Jon Romanelli
- ♥ Roger Comer
- ♥ Deb Meara
- ♥ Fran Fisher
- ♥ Paul McCandless
- ♥ Grace Slotterback
- ♥ Denise Galezynski
- ♥ Coleen Wagner
- ♥ Kim
- ♥ Connie Silpath
- ♥ Earl
- ♥ Willamema
- ♥ Richard Amadio
- ♥ Baby Phoebe
- ♥ George Koch
- ♥ Christine Corsi
- ♥ Betty Wharton
- ♥ Brendan Bell
- ♥ Rachel Luty
- ♥ Bill & Dot Atz
- ♥ Amy Williams & family
- ♥ Brian Hamilton
- ♥ Amy & Family
- ♥ Katherine Scott
- ♥ Katie Altman

IMMANUEL CELEBRATES!

Baptism ~ May 5, 2019

Julia Catherine Lee

Daughter of Pr. Scott and Kelly Lee

Sponsors, Edward Pleczynski & Denise Pleczynski

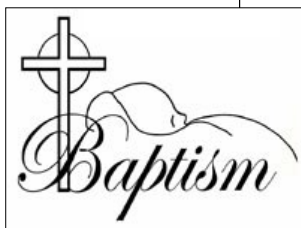
Baptism ~ May 19, 2019

Brianna Kennedy DeLong

Daughter of Jason and Siobhan DeLong

Sponsors, Rosaleen Cartagena & Daniel Fynes

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





APRIL CONGREGATION STATISTICS

	Members Removed	Members Added	Avg. Weekly Attendance	Avg. YTD Attendance
April	0	0	56	48



HALF CENTURY GROUP

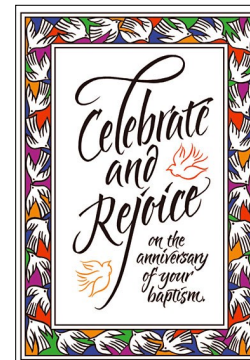
There will not be any Half Century Luncheon during the summer months of June, July, and August. We will resume our gatherings in September. Look for the sign up sheet on the entrance bulletin board at the end of the summer. Come join us for fellowship, and great food!

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<i>June</i>	Kelsey Breslin	Aubrey MacWilliams	Victoria Slotterback
	Irmgard Czymek	Nancy McHugh	Olivia Taylor
	Lydia Grieb	Dave Nagle	
	Amanda Onimus	Robert Narcavage	
<i>July</i>	Karl Grieb	Sandra McKnight	Harper Watkins
	Laura Hanly	Brooklyn Murphy	
	Darlene McClellan	Cole Harlan	
<i>August</i>	Michael Essick, Sr.	Colleen Kelly	Roy Russell
	Ethan Essick	Peg Martinsen	Myrna Shuster
	Gaye Kazmark	Taylor Neher	Ava Firkser
	June Firkser	Emily Firkser	

*Remembering
our Baptisms*





LOOKING AHEAD

JULY 2019

Sunday Worship - 11:00AM

ARE YOU A THRIVENT MEMBER

Call Thrivent I (800) 847-4386 or email mail@thrivent.com and say "Thrivent Choice" to direct funds to Immanuel.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4th July Office Closed	5	6
7	8 Yoga Bereavement	9 Resource	10	11	12	13 Wedding
14	15 Yoga Bereavement	16	17	18	19	20
21 Council Mtg.	22 Yoga Bereavement	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Yoga Bereavement	30	31	CANNED GOODS DRIVE DONATE MONTH OF JULY		

LOOKING AHEAD

AUGUST 2019

Sunday Worship - 11:00AM

RETURN OF BIBLE ADVENTURE CLUB
SEPTEMBER 8TH!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
ADULT THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY RESUMES SEPTEMBER 12TH.				1	2	3
4 W&M Christ Ed	5 Yoga Bereavement	6	7	8	9	10
11 Install VBS Outreach	12 VBS Yoga Bereavement	13 VBS Resource	14 VBS	15 VBS	16 VBS & Closing	17
18 Council Mtg.	19 Yoga Bereavement	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Yoga Bereavement	27	28	29	30	31

**SUNDAY SEPT 8TH IMMANUEL'S 6TH ANNUAL
CHURCH PICNIC! Keep date open!**



Vacation Bible School

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 Pastor Scott R. Lee
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ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

128 CHESTER PIKE,
 NORWOOD, PA 19074
 610-461-0490

To all the Great Kids of Immanuel, St. Stephen's, and to All our Great Neighborhood Friends!

It's coming..... back by popular demand.... VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at Immanuel Lutheran Church! It's time to sign up for VBS! VBS will be held Monday to Friday, August 12th - 16th from 9:00 am until noon at Immanuel, with a closing celebration on Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. This year Immanuel Lutheran and St. Stephen's Episcopal Churches are working together to present "**The Incredible Race**". Each day there will be stories, music, crafts, and snacks. All children ages 3 through 5th grade are welcome. Three year olds must be potty trained. The cost per child is \$1.00 per day. Offering will be collected each day.

A registration form is on the opposite page. Pre-registration helps our first day start smoothly. Please feel free to copy the form for a friend or a sibling, and then return the completed form(s) to either of the church offices. If you have any questions, please call the church office at Immanuel at 610-586-5860 or Tom Neher at 610-522-8743.

Friends, we will be waiting for you on August 12th at 9:00 am. Bring a friend and join us this year! They won't be disappointed. Be there! Make new friends and renew old ones. We can't wait to see you!

Your VBS Friend,

Tom Neher
 VBS Coordinator



Vacation Bible School



REGISTRATION FORM FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - AUGUST 2019

NAME: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ GRADE LAST COMPLETED: _____

EMERG CONTACT: _____ PHONE NO: _____

CHURCH AFFILIATION: _____

ALLERGIES/LIMITATIONS: _____

MEDICATIONS: _____

PERSON(S) AUTHORIZED TO PICK UP CHILD: _____

Vacation Bible School takes photos to send to newspapers and keep in our archives. If you do not want your child's photo published, please check here.

Parent's Signature: _____



Vacation Bible School - Help Needed



Guides: Older kids needed to escort the children in VBS from room to room. Minimum age in Confirmation Class or older.

Registration Adults: Needed for VBS to register the children as they come into VBS in the morning. Must be 16 years or older no age limit.

Snack Helpers: Needed for VBS to help prepare snacks in the kitchen for the children at VBS. The snack food will be provided by the VBS coordinator. Age: Must be 16 years or older, we do need several adults in the kitchen.

Teachers: Needed during VBS to help teach a class of children. Material will be provided by VBS coordinator. This is a great way to share the Word of Jesus' love.

Apply to Christian Ed. or Tom Neher

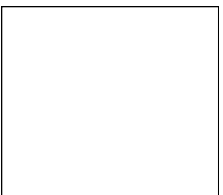
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SUMMER EDITION 2019



The Rev. Scott R. Lee

Church Office Hours

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

June/July/August
2019

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: \$35.00

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