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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



The righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him.

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6 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Worship & Music Mtg. Christian Ed Mtg.	7 6:30 PM Bereavement Gr.	8 6:00 PM Resource Mtg.	9	10 7:00 PM Bible Study	11	12
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27 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Council Mtg	28 6:30 PM Bereavement Gr.	29	30	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

As I think about summer I think of driving to different places for vacation or just to head to the shore or beach for the weekend. Bryan Adams has a song called "Life is a Highway" the song proclaims that "life is a highway" and "I want to ride it all night long." I have often thought that driving is a great metaphor for life. What are the things about driving and the road that bring you joy, bring your excitement or even annoy you?

Knowing the traffic rules is as important as heeding traffic signs. Many times, as we travel through the streets or through life, we are faced with an unexpected change of plans.

Here are a few simple rules that will help each of us to journey safely through each day:

- ♦ Resolve that nothing is going to disrupt your day. Cross each bridge as it comes: be it a windy road with blind turns or long wide-open highway...both come our way from time to time and so do bridges.
- ◆ Should an unhappy experience come to you; don't let it do all the talking. An illustration: there was once a teacher who told his students that "there are two dogs at war within me". One observant student said, "Master, which one wins?" The master said, "Which ever one I feed."
- ◆ Look for God daily to be at work in your life. Say a prayer each morning asking for God to bless you today and to make God's presence known in some way. Then at the end of the day say a prayer of thanks to God for things about the day and how you saw God at work.

CHURCH STAFF

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

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Immanuel is excited to have VBS this year the week of Aug 9th-13th, 9am-noon. However, we need your help to make this happen. We lost some key people for various reasons. Can you help? Of course you can!

Here is where we need your help:

- ♦ 4-5 volunteers to lead individual class to a station (easy peasy)
- 1 volunteer to lead Bible Story Time
- 2 helpers in kitchen.

This is such a rewarding experience to reach out to the children and families in our community. We are one of the few who are still able to hold VBS during the day.

Unfortunately, if we do not get the volunteers needed, we will not be able to have VBS this year and that would be a great disappointment. The children in the community need this! On faith we are praying for Volunteers to make VBS happen this year. (Background checks may be necessary.)

Please see Pastor Scott or Jeanne Warner to sign up. We can do this!



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Little Free Pantry The Outreach Committee welcomes

members and our neighbors to use the box. The guidelines are for anyone to "take what you need and leave what you can". Feel free to place cans and jars of food — check that the item is not expired.

If you want to add items to the box, and find that it is too full, items can be dropped off at the church Monday - Friday, 9:00-1:00. Ring the doorbell and let Vi Mayberry (secretary) know that you want to drop off pantry items. She will buzz the door open, and you can place items just inside the door to the left. A member of the committee will store them in the food closet.

If those times are not convenient, call or text Joyce Morrison 610-506-5387. Arrangements will be made to meet you at the church. Other questions – call Joyce.

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.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study invites you to participate in our summer reading book. Read at your leisure during the summer and when we return (hopefully in-person) in September we will discuss the book.

Summer reading book is "You Are Never Alone: Trust in the Miracle of God's Presence and Power" by Max Lucado. You can order yourself from Christianbooks.com or on Amazon (don't forget to use Amazonsmile and designate Immanuel Norwood to receive a percentage) or I can order for you. Just let me know.



We are excited to get back to being together. Enjoy your summer reading! Jeanne Warner

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Celebrate Father's Day Sunday June 20th at Immanuel with fellowship & Carnations!



NEEDED: HELP WITH 4TH JULY PARADE

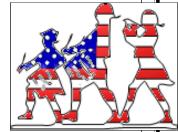


We will again be marching in the Norwood 4th of July parade that will take place on Saturday, July 3rd. It's a great opportunity to get

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 showing 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!



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available in \$10-\$100 denominations!!

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

Please see or contact Alex Narcavage to purchase gift cards.

Cash or checks are welcome!

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PLEASE BUY THE GIFT CARDS AND HELP OUT IMMANUEL!

Ascension Day Worship from the Delco Conference



This year the Delco conference of our Synod (of which Immanuel is one of 19 congregations) created a Pre-recorded virtual service on YouTube. Churches were invited to contribute to the service. We were blessed to have Kathleen Schneider, Joyce Morrison and Tom Graham do the Hymn of the Day and Pastor Lee was part of an interactive piece with 7 other Pastors from our conference. Thanks to you all for your contributions!

If you did not have a chance to watch on Ascension Day it is available to watch anytime. Go to our website: www.immanuelnorwood.org, and under the "News-Virtual Worship" go to our Facebook link and scroll down to find the Ascension day service. One hint, once you click on it, it takes about 30 seconds for the service to begin. Enjoy!

Immanuel Weekly Virtual Bible Study

By the time you read this in our summer newsletter our weekly Thursday night Bible study will have finished our second series in 2021. We adapted to the pandemic and held "Zoom" Bible study starting in February and went through the end of June. So far in 2021 we have studied the $23^{\rm rd}$ Psalm and the Lord's Prayer using the "Life Guide" Bible study guide format.



We are taking the summer off and plan to start back up in September. When we do start back, we are hoping to do it in a way that we may be able to accommodate both virtual and in person study, details to be worked out!!

All you will need is your Bible and we'll provide the discussion questions when we "connect". Sessions will be led by Karl McClellan and Fred Warner.

Look for information in our weekly worship bulletin announcements, on the web site and in upcoming newsletters about exactly when and how to join us once we restart in September!!

Thank you and hope you can join us in September!!!!!

A Blessed Summer to All!

We will in all likelihood be into the summer by the time you receive this (First Day of Summer is June 20^{th} !) We all hope and pray that the COVID vaccine distribution has continued to expand..... and more shots are getting into arms of those from Immanuel (and the Nation)!

We are truly Thankful that we have been able to resume in person worship as of May 9^{th} and keeping our virtual presence going as well for those who feel it appropriate to remain remote at this time.

With the summer comes the peak vacation time for most people. Given that last year, during the height of the pandemic, the vast majority of vacations were cancelled. With the nation approaching herd immunity and many, many people already being fully vaccinated, the 2021 summer vacation season could be booming this year.



We hope and pray that we all get some down time this summer to refresh and recharge our personal "batteries" while reflecting on all the blessings we have received from the Lord!

Remember it is your gifts to Immanuel (Time, Talents and Treasures) that enable our Church to fulfill our mission. We ask all to prayerfully consider your support of Immanuel especially during the summer vacation period.

Let's do our best to provide <u>generous support</u> so we can continue our Mission doing God's Work!

Keep using Face Masks, Social distancing, washing of hands, following CDC guidelines and, if you have not already done so, seek a vaccine.

Once again.....Thank you!

Sincerely, Your Resource Committee



- Leanne Crouthamel
- ♥ Margaret Swingle
- ♥ Bill Fisher
- ♥ Mary Cole
- ♥ Caroline Harlan
- ♥ Betty Wharton
- **♥** Baby Atkins
- ▼ Neher Family

- ♥ Joan Leake
- ♥ Carol Hendrickson
- **♥** Ginny Comer
- ♥ Sandra Kessler
- **♥** Marcos Waserstrom
- ♥ Ann McDevitt
- ♥ Linda Daniel
- ▼ Tom DeSimone

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HOMEBOUND MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

MayAugust13th - Pat Barker16th - Amy Williams28th - Marie Parnell



IMMANUEL CELEBRATES!

Baptism ~ May 9, 2021 Elena Mae Enriquez

Daughter of Alejandro & Kimberly Enriquez Sponsors, Kristopher McClellan & Dora Waserstrom

Alejandro Miguel Enriquez

Son of Salvador Enriquez & Xiomara Waserstrom Sponsors, Kimberly Enriquez & Karl McClellan

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



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LOOKING AHEAD

JULY 2021

Sunday Worship - 11:00AM

Help with lawn maintenance is always welcomed and appreciated! Contact Fred Warner or Frank Martinsen if you can contribute any time to pitch in!



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For the most up to date information visit our website at www.immanuelnorwood.org and follow us on Facebook.				I	2	3 Norwood Parade
4th July	5 Office Closed Bereavement	6	7	8	9	10
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18 Council Mtg.	19 Bereavement	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Bereavement	27	28	29	30	31

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AUGUST 2021

Sunday Worship - 11:00AM





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I W&M Christ Ed	2 Bereavement	3	4	5	6	7	
8 Install VBS Outreach	9 VBS Bereavement	10 VBS Resource	I I VBS	12 VBS	VBS & Closing	14	
15 Council Mtg.	16 Pastor Vacation Bereavement	17 Pastor Vacation	18 Pastor Vacation	19 Pastor Vacation	20 Pastor Vacation	21 Pastor Vacation	
22 Pastor Vacation	23 Bereavement	24	25	26	27	28	
29	30 Bereavement	31	ADULT THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY RESUMES SEPTEMBER				

STAY TUNED FOR DECISION AND INFORMATION REGARDING IMMANUEL'S ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC USUALLY HELD IN SEPT.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH E-mail: Pastor.immanuelnorwood@gmail.com **DETAILS: ALTAR FLOWERS** For Whom: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM -1:00 PM 501 Chester Pike, Norwood, PA 19074 ☐ BAPTISM ☐ In Celebration of ☐ BIRTHDAY ☐ ANNIVERSARY ☐ In Memory of ☐ In Honor of June/July/August 2021 Secretary.immanuel@verizon.net The Rev. Scott R. Lee Church Office Hours Phone: 610-586-5860 **BULLETINS** ☐ GRADUATION☐ LOVED ONES ☐ In Celebration of ☐ In Memory of ☐ In Honor of ☐ OTHER **ALTAR FLOWERS AND BULLETINS** SUMMER EDITION 2021 Phone Envelope No: Name of Sponsor(s): How it will appear in Service Bulletin **Bulletins:** \$20.00 Contact the Church Office for available dates. Altar Flowers: \$30.00 Contact Fran Fisher at 610.586.3095 **Prices and Ordering Information**