Announcements

For the week of Sunday, October 1, 2023

The *Preparing for God's Blessings* Group Presentations continue this week. Everyone is encouraged to attend a presentation to learn more about our building plans and give input on how best to move forward. The presentations last about 50 minutes with the majority of time being devoted to your ideas, opinions, and questions. Everyone is also asked to complete a Response Sheet for additional sharing of ideas. The Response Sheets are to be returned to the box in the narthex by October 18.

This week the Group Presentations dates and times are:

September 28, Thursday, 7:30 PM
October 3, Tuesday, 8:00 AM
October 8, Sunday, 11:30 AM
October 9, Monday, 6:30 PM

We are asking every member of Immanuel to attend one presentation to learn more about our school expansion plans and proposals. We invite you to seek information about these plans which address our school classroom space needs due to increased student enrollment. We are asking for your reaction and opinion on how best to implement future steps.

Women's Bible Study - Our Bible Study exists to nurture, encourage, and equip women to faithfully and fully use their God-given gifts to glorify God. Mark your calendars to join us on Saturdays, October 7th and 21st at 9:00 AM. Women of all ages are invited to join us for Women's Bible Study. We meet in the Conference Room in the church office. We are currently enjoying a study of Paul's letter to the Ephesians. Paul wrote his letter to the Ephesians while he was a prisoner and in it he reminded them of what God's great power and grace has done for all believers...that means you too! Paul also helps us to understand what our response should be to God's amazing grace. Bring your Bible, if you don't have one, please let me know and we will supply you with one. There is a study guide and we will also be using The People's Bible Galatians / Ephesians book for reference as well. We have copies of both available. If you are planning to join us or have any questions, please contact Judy Fuerbringer at 920-973-3355 or judynglenn@ameritech.net. If you have any ideas for future Women's Bible Study's, please contact Judy. Join us to be refreshed!!!

Esther Circle Meeting - Esther Circle is the group that takes care of the altar area of church. We also set up the special displays for Lent, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Our next meeting is on **Sunday, October 22 at 11:45 AM, following the late worship service.** We will meet in the Music Room located in the lower level of church. **We are in need of more help!** If you are interested in finding out more about Esther Circle or interested in helping, please join us for our meeting (no commitment required) or contact Judy Fuerbringer at 920-973-3355, with any questions.

OKTOBERFEST - Join us for Oktoberfest on Sunday, October 29 at 11:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy music by Jerry Krueger along with some classic Oktoberfest food, fellowship and samples of Oktoberfest beer/root beer. Meat and beverages will be provided. Please bring a favorite dish to pass. **TO HELP** we will be utilizing signupgenius.com again for people bringing a dish to pass and to sign up to help set up and clean up afterwards. More information will be in the upcoming Sunday bulletins.



Mornings with Mommy: It's FALL! - Join us for our October session! Mornings with Mommy is a place where moms/caregivers can mingle with each other and enjoy activities with their children including: arts and crafts, sensory play, flannel stories and story time, music, themed activities and a snack. This month's theme is It's Fall. We'll meet Thursday, Oct. 12th from 10-11am in the church lower level. Scan the QR code

to RSVP + claim your spot! New faces always welcome. (Geared toward children ages birth - 5.)

GriefShare Session – GriefShare is a support ministry to help people who are grieving the loss of a loved one. There is a short video on various topics presented by mental health experts who have also gone through the grieving process. This is followed by group discussion time. Between each weekly session there is a workbook that has daily exercises that point you to God's Word and help you work through your grief. . A new session of GriefShare has just begun and will continue meeting Wednesdays thru November 22nd. We will be meeting at Immanuel from 5:30 to 7:30pm in the church Conference Room. If you are interested in getting more information or know someone who we should personally invite, please contact Larry Verlinden at 920-323-2297 or verlinden@comcast.net. More information and registration is available online at the GriefShare website, griefshare.org. There is a charge of \$20 per person which is to cover the cost of workbooks. Anyone is welcome to join the group at any time during the new session. Please share this information with a family member and/or friend who is grieving the loss of a loved one.

RSVP now, Immanuel's Family Photo Directory —Choose one of the following dates and times

October 19th thru 21st and October 23rd-24th, 2: 00 PM during the weekdays and at 10:00 AM on

Saturday. We need people to greet our members and to help fill out a simple form for the

photographers. We would like to have people work in teams of two per shift. The shifts would be

from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM, and 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM during the weekdays and from 10:00 AM to 2:00

PM on Saturday, the 21st. If this is something that you are interested in helping with, please call or

text Judy Fuerbringer at 920-973-3355. This is a wonderful way to get to know your Immanuel family
better!!!

Handbell Ringers Needed - Ring your praises to the Lord! Seeking ringers to join Handbell Choir. Don't know how? We will gladly teach you. If you are unsure come and try it out. Practice is starting today, after second service at 11:45 AM for about an hour. Please speak with Kathy Gast or send an email to gkgast@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us!

SAVE THE DATE - ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT - All women of Immanuel are invited, and are encouraged to invite your female family members, friends, and neighbors to join you at this year's Advent by Candlelight on **Saturday**, **December 9th at 5:30 PM** in the church Fellowship Hall. Please plan to join us for an evening of visiting, encouragement, and enjoying beautiful music and delicious dessert. This evening is a wonderful event to prepare your hearts for Advent. There is no charge for this event. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

The LWMS Shoreline Circuit Rally will be Saturday, Oct. 14 at 9am. Lunch to follow. The Presenter will be Pastor Mark Zondag who will talk on bringing God's Word to Asia, and specifically, Thailand.

WORSHIP *NEXT WEEK* – You may wish to prepare for worship next week by meditating on the

Scripture lessons for the nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost.

Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 5:1-7, Philippians 3:12-21, Matthew 21:33-43

Prayer for Worship: 1st page in blue Christian Worship

Our Thanks for God's Love

Last Week's Attendance: 31 + 84 + 373 = 488

Thankful Gifts Offered (last wk): \$11,250 Thankful Gifts Needed (weekly): \$15,610

This Week at Immanuel – October 1, 2023

Monday, Oct 2	10:00am	Pastors' Circuit Meeting—Two Rivers
	6:00pm	God + Me Class #6
	6:00pm	Adult Choir
	6:00pm	Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, Oct 3	7:30am	Men's prayer Group
	8:00am	School Expansion Presentation
Wednesday, Oct 4	7:00am	Pastries w/ Parents (K-2)
	4:30pm	Public School Confirmation Class
	5:30pm	GriefShare
Thursday, Oct 5	2:00pm	School Expansion Presentation
	6:30pm	PIE meeting
	6:30pm	WORSHIP
Saturday, Oct 7	8:00am	Men's Bible Study - Grace
	9:00am	Women's Bible Study
Sunday, Oct 8	8:00am	WORSHIP
	9:15am	Bible Study
	10:30am	WORSHIP
	11:30am School Expansion Presentation	



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Worship Schedule: Thursdays at 6:30 PM Sundays at 8 AM & 10:30 AM

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