
IMMANUEL NEWSNOTES – NOVEMBER 2018



This time of the year, as I see the change in the colors of the trees, my heart is filled with gratitude. I am so thankful for all that God has done for me by sending his son Jesus. I'm so thankful for all that he's done to bless Immanuel. And I am so thankful for all the ways each and everyone of you have committed your hearts and your lives to rescuing and restoring families in our community.

In the next few weeks, you will have an opportunity to give thanks as well. The Sundays of November will be dedicated to celebrating God's generosity to us. We will remember all that he has done for us in Jesus, and continue to seek new ways for us to share the love of Jesus in our community. On November 18, we will celebrate God's incredible generosity to us. And Sunday the 25th, we will dedicate our commitments to ensure that the good news of Jesus Christ will continue to be proclaimed in this place to the next generation. We will make our commitment to rescue and restore families with the love of Jesus.

This will be an incredible season, and God will indeed bless it. I can't wait to share it with you.

Pastor James

SERVE HIM WITH US



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Turn your clocks back one hour on **Saturday, November 3** and enjoy an extra hour of sleep!

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP

Wednesday, November 21, 2018 - 7:00pm.
(No Thanksgiving Day Worship)

CHURCH OFFICE CALENDAR NOTE

The church office will be closed on **Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 23.**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS.....

CONSECRATION WEEKEND will be **November 17-18** with a special message and fellowship in between each service.

LOAD THE FOOD TRUCK for Christ the King on **Friday, November 23 - 8:00am**

CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATING will be on **Saturday, November 24 - 9:00am.** Many hands are needed to make Immanuel beautiful for the upcoming Christmas season!

IMMANUEL CARD CORNER

Thanksgiving cards and seasonal napkins are in! Christmas cards and Advent Calendars will also be available. Beautiful cards of all kinds can be purchased for 60 cents each. The Card Corner is located in Luther Hall. Helpers can be identified by their badges either before or after services.

IMMANUEL QUILTERS

Thanks go to Lucille Berg and Delores Rogers for cutting squares and tying quilts at home. Gloria laid out a pretty "all over pink" quilt and Shirley is going to do a "Disappearing 9 patch" next. Maggie has cut loads of green fabrics so you never know what you will see next. Come join us. **9:00am**, or later on **Mondays** at Immanuel.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Part of the mission of a Stephen Minister is to be available to help someone through the loss of a loved one. One of the tools used is a set of books, "Journeying through Grief". The books are sent at set times during the grieving process. Stephen Ministry and tools such as these bring comfort to those in need. If you need a Stephen Minister, contact the church office.

SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP SPONSORS NEEDED

Who: Families, individuals/groups of the church

What: Coffee, juice and treats.

Cost: \$40.00 per week.

Sign up on the Fellowship calendar in the library.

WE DO THE SHOPPING AND PREPARING FOR YOU! Questions-Contact the church office.

FAITH 'N FRIENDS FOR 3RD-6TH GRADERS!

Wednesdays - 4:15-5:45pm is the time when 3-6th graders gather on the upper level for some great activities, discussions and bible study as they learn and grow in their faith together. We're blessed by a pair of great teachers- Jeri Lau leading the 3rd/6th graders and Angie Etheridge leading the 5th/6th grade class. New students and friends are welcome at any time- just show up for class!

FIRST SUNDAY FOOD COLLECTION

On the weekend of **October 6-7**, we will be collecting Heart Healthy soups and peanut butter for Immanuel's Food Pantry and Mobile Food Pantry. Please place your donation in the baskets located by the special display in narthex on Saturday or Sunday.

MANNA GIFT CARD PROGRAM

November Manna Card orders are **due on Friday, November 9.** **Pick up** your order in the church office beginning **Friday, November 16.** Think Christmas gifts for those hard to buy for family and friends!

2019 FLOWER CHART

The 2019 Altar Flower Sponsor Chart is posted at the Grove Street entrance. Please write your name/phone number next to the date(s) you wish to sponsor. The cost is \$50.00. Altar Guild member, Arlene Jeschke, will contact you for your altar flower "dedication".

IMMANUEL SERVICE GUILD

Monday, November 26 - 7:30pm in Founder's Hall. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

IMMANUEL MUSIC

Invite your friends for Christmas Vespers, **Saturday December 15 - 4:30.** This early evening service of carols, lessons and prayers is presented by the

choirs and instrumentalists of Immanuel followed by an appetizer and cookie reception.

Immanuel Handbell Choir is in need of 1-2 full time members and additional subs. Please see Ellen Prohl if you are interested in joining this committed group of musicians serving our church.

HALLOWEEN CANDY OVERLOAD?

Do you have leftover Halloween candy that you don't like or can't use? Please drop it off in the church office. Students in the Transitions Program at DGN and DGS will repackage the candy into a treat in each food pantry bag that Immanuel distribute.

FELLOWSHIP WITH FRIENDS

When: **Thursday, November 15 - 11:30am.**

Lead by: Ken Hadler

Program: Making Christmas ornaments for the community Christmas tree. Lunch is provided.

LWML

We are still collecting stamps for the LWML ministry. Cancelled stamps may be dropped off in the office.

At the LWML N. IL District Convention in Sept., 13 mission projects were voted on, 10 were selected for a total of \$120,000. Your mites help to fund these projects. Mite boxes can be found on the Information Station.

STUDENT MINISTRY

ATTENTION 9-12TH GRADE GIRLS!

"Coffee Filters" will be meeting every **Wednesday** throughout the fall from **6-7pm**, with the exception of Oct 31. High school age teen girls and their friends are welcome at this supportive small group gathering at Peet's Coffee in downtown DG, led by Kim Walter and Shandra Bowlin.

TEEN BIBLE STUDY

Sunday mornings at **9:30am**, all junior and senior high teens are invited to join in the small group Bible study happening in the youth room on the lower level. We're diving deep into the Gospel of Matthew chapter by chapter, building our ability to make the words on the page come to life and change us.

IYC OCTOBER EVENTS

Immanuel Youth for Christ is active every Sunday this month for faith-building fun and Christian community! A special night on **October 28** will take them to Lisle to hear a nationally-known youth speaker, Pastor Bill Yonker, speak on "Male, Female, Both, Neither, Something Even Different: What in the World is Going On?". All IYC teens and

friends are welcome to **meet at church at 6pm** and caravan over to Trinity together.

October 7 is **IYC Night** at church at **6:30pm**.

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING 2019

REGISTRATION

October 7 is the registration deadline for the LCMS National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, MN next July. This event can be a mountaintop experience for Christian teens who are excited about God and living out their faith. Interested teens should review the FAQ/Registration form available online and outside of Tom's office, and discuss any questions with Tom.

IYC FALL RETREAT

All high school teens and their friends are invited to register for the Fall Retreat at Walcamp, which will begin at **8am on Saturday, October 20** and go full speed until returning at **1:30pm on Sunday, October 21**. Retreating at Walcamp strengthens our bonds of faith and friendship, and this fall's one-night retreat will make it possible for even those with busy schedules to join in! The registration form is available outside of Tom's office, and the sign up **deadline is Sunday, October 7**.

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY INFO 24/7!

For the latest on what's happening and when in high school youth ministry at Immanuel, just fire up your computer and go to the IYC website at www.iycdg.org. You'll find details on coming events, and also posts, forms, related sites, a printable calendar and some nifty snapshots, as well.

VITAL STATISTICS

BAPTISMS

Molly Pergande - Saturday, October 13

