

**PARTNERING IN PRAYER March 19-25, 2023**

*"I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone"*  
 —1 Timothy 2:1-2

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE GOD AT IMMANUEL					
DATE	TIME	EVENT	MEETING PLACE	AGE GROUP	CONTACT PERSON
Sunday 3/19/23	8:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	8:00 AM	Facebook Live Worship	Facebook Live	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	9:15 AM	Sunday School	Various Rooms	3 yrs.—High School	Jen Allen
	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Study	Fellowship Hall	Adults	McQuillan/Marks
	10:30 AM 10:30 AM	Worship Service /Gideon Present Broadcast of Worship Service	Sanctuary WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone Everyone	Pastor Marty Doug Nelson
Monday 3/20/23	8:30 AM	April Newsletter Deadline	Office	Community	Katie Martinez
	7:00 PM	Zoom Bible Study	On Line	Adults	Pastor Marty
Tues 3/21/23	5:30 –6:30	Girl Scout Meeting	Fellowship Hall	Community	Office
	7:00 PM	Campus Ministry Committee Mtg.	College Lounge	Committee	Dennis Maakestad
	9:00 PM	College Bible Study	College Lounge	College Students	Pastor Marty
Wed 3/22/23	11:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting	N Narthex	Staff	Pastor Marty
	5:15—6:30	Lenten Dinner (Hosts: VBS Staff)	Fellowship Hall	Everyone	Darlene Hillman
	5:30 PM 7:00 PM	Jr. Confirmation Activity Night Worship Service	College Lounge Sanctuary	Middle School Everyone	Pastor Marty Pastor Marty
Thur 3/23/23	8:00 AM PM	Bulletin Deadline Refuge Activity Night	Office College Lounge	Everyone College Students	Darlene Hillman Peer Ministers
Fri 3/24/23	1—2:30 PM	GLOW	Fellowship Hall	International Students	Linda Sons
	5:30 PM	Chit Chat & Chai	Lower Meeting Rm	International Students	Linda Sons
	6:30 PM	Intercultural Café	Fellowship Hall	International Students	Linda Sons
Sat 3/25/23	11:00 AM	Nelson Baptism	Sanctuary	Family	Office
	11:30 AM	Private Party	Fellowship Hall	Private Party	Office
Sunday 3/26/23	—	Last Day to Order Easter Lilies	Narthex	Everyone	Office
	8:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	8:00 AM	Facebook Live Worship	Facebook Live	Everyone	Doug Nelson
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*"Pray for One Another —James 5:16*



Did you notice the Prayer Tree in the church entry area? Be sure to check it out! It is a visual reminder to pray and to serve as a way to communicate your thanks, praise, and prayer requests. Write your requests on one of the cards on the table and hang it on the tree. Put the request in an envelope provided if you want it to be confidential. The Prayer Team will pray for your requests during the week and at Prayer Team Meetings. The requests will be kept on the tree for two months or until resolved and then put in the container beside the tree. Please continue to make Pastor and the church office aware of your immediate prayer needs so the congregation can join in praying for you during our worship services.

**WE OFFER PRAYER ON BEHALF OF THE FOLLOWING:**

**THOSE WHO ARE CHRONICALLY ILL:**

Glen Roberts Kirsten Foss Rachael McEwen Robin Nielsen Craig Dybas  
 Bruce Whitman Lester Sanders Tiernan Merman Rob McKinley (son of Pat McKinley)  
 Rhonda Dooley Bruce Whitman

**THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER:**

Dale Geibel Staci McNett Mandy Long Jennie (friend of Linda Sons)  
 Janet Mull (daughter-in-law Marilyn Mull) Gloria Balgeman David Wickstrom  
 Rita Goodwin Danika Nelson Debbie Teason (cousin of Audrey Cook) Pam Paszotta  
 Jenna Wiegel (Laura Tiggelaar's sister-in-law) Colleen Chavez (granddaughter of Carlos Woolbright)  
 Michael Johnson (friend of Bejnarowicz) Glenn Lucca (friend of Chris & Audrey Cook)  
 Donna Cyrier & MaryAnn Sisler (friends of Mishelle Rodgers)

**OUR SHUT-INS:**

Marcia Kiel Merle Sawyer Irene Nelson Pat Moeller  
 Mary Ebbesen Toni Byford Helen Deschler Mary Jane Lindaas Carol Kennett

**THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:**

Derrick Schoo Dr. Robert Bejnarowicz (colonel)  
 Brendan Spartz (son of Mindy & Bill Lynch) Sgt. Kaitlan Lave (granddaughter of Al & Shirley)  
 Lt. Colonel Christopher Denton (grandson of Carol)  
 Jacob Marx: US Coast Guard; stationed in Philadelphia PA (grandson of Janet & Patrick Byrnes)  
 Jessica (Marx) Hess: USAF; stationed in Dayton, OH (granddaughter of Janet & Patrick Byrnes)  
 Owen Schroeder; Evan Schroeder (grandsons of Dennis and Jane Schroeder)

**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- For Jude Kenneth James Nelson, infant son of Keith and Danika Nelson, who will be received through Holy Baptism at a private service on Saturday, March 25. We pray for him, his family and his sponsors, Scott Nelson & Christine Taylor;
- For the family of Doris Chelikas who mourn the passing of her brother –in-law, Micky McWilliams;
- For Rita Goodwin who is undergoing an extensive step in her cancer treatment;
- For Danika Nelson who continues to recover from surgery in regards to her cancer treatment;
- May the Lord grant healing to those in need, comfort to those who mourn, wisdom to those who lead and compassion to all during this time of difficulty. May opportunities open and may we be wise enough to recognize them to see God's love in this situation and convey it to others. Grant this to us all Lord.

**THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS:**

Christa Banks Sierra Long Ava Klecka Allen Johnson  
 Kristofer Knutson Daniel Springmire Dave Detert Christos Kousoulas  
 Judie Wright Rachel Kurasz IV Julie Watson

**THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES:**

3/20/1982 Dan & Vicky Lohmeier  
 3/21/1959 Norm & Marion Gilbert 3/25/2006 Michael & Kristin Albrecht  
 3/25/1989 Rob & Tammy Tiggelaar

**REMINDER:**

**Please fill out the attendance sheet at the end of the pew and place it in the offering plate or hand it to either an usher or the pastor.**

Please include updates for any information that has changed so that we can update our data base. If you are an active member of Immanuel, and we have missed your birthday or anniversary, you may note it on the attendance sheet or contact the office so we may add you to the prayer list for the following week, and correct our records.



**WELCOME VISITORS!** We are glad to have you with us today and invite you to visit again. If you are looking for a church home, please consider Immanuel Lutheran Church. Full Christian Education programs for ages 3 and up are available September—May.  
**Please fill out the attendance sheet at the end of the pew or fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to either an usher or the pastor. Include your address and phone number on our attendance pad so we may note your visit with us.**  
 We have a **DESIRE TO MINISTER** to all who are hospitalized or in some way shut-in.

However, we (Pastor and the Elders) cannot provide pastoral care if we are not made aware of the need. If you know of someone hospitalized or needing a visit, please contact the church office.

If at any time you have specific needs, or just feel the need to talk or visit, please contact:

Church office: 815-756-6669 (church direct line) office@godwithusilc.org  
 Pastor Marty: 815-501-3951 (cell and text) Rev@godwithusilc.org



**Wednesday Lenten Service & Meal:**

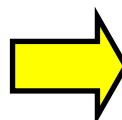
Join us Wednesday, March 22 at 11:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. for our *Amazing Grace Lenten Series* based on the beloved song that celebrates its 250th

anniversary this year.

**Week 4 • Week 4 • The Woman at the Well** (John 4:13-14): We listen to Jesus teach a woman at the well of his amazing grace poured out for us abundantly, which satisfies our thirsting souls for all eternity


**Lenten Meal:** Join members of the Vacation Bible School volunteers as they cook up a Taco Night Dinner! Serving from 5:15—6:30 p.m. in fellowship hall. Freewill offering. Proceeds will go to support the 2023 Vacation Bible School program. *All are welcome!*

**GAME DAY DATE CHANGE:** Game Day will be **March 31st**. Come & enjoy an afternoon of fun & conversation. We meet at 1pm and finish around 3:30pm. You don't have to be a member of Immanuel so bring a friend. Open to both men & woman.

 **April Newsletter Deadline will be Monday, March 20th. Newsletter Assembly will be Wednesday, March 29 at 9:30 a.m.**

**Easter Breakfast:** The youth are making plans for the Easter Breakfast. If you are able to help by donating items for the breakfast, please sign up under the large bulletin board in the narthex. Contact Danika Nelson with any questions.

**Would you like to help adorn the altar for Easter?** If you would like to help adorn the sanctuary for Easter Sunday by purchasing an Easter Lily, a sign-up is available in the narthex, Sign-up will be available until March 26. Cost for each plant is \$20.

**SHINE**  **Are you interested in letting your love for God and others SHINE in our community?**

Mark your calendar for Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9am - 11am when members (and friends) of Immanuel work together to make landscape and beautification efforts in the down town of DeKalb. The city will provide the needed equipment (trash bags, clippers, rakes, gloves, etc) and there will be work for all ages. The Mayor and City of DeKalb are very excited about us helping in this way. This is an opportunity for Immanuel to show our community that we care about others and it gives us a great time to be “out and about” in our community making a difference. This is part a larger effort being spearheaded by the Northern Illinois District asking all of our churches to do some sort of community servant event. The larger program is called “Shine” and will feature thousands of Lutherans out in their community making a difference and shining the light of Christ. Pastor Marty has ordered 40 T shirts from the district in various sizes to help capture the image of us all working together to “shine.” Please sign up in the narthex and keep your eyes peeled for location details as we get closer!

**Meal Train:** Many of you are aware that we have been praying for the family of Keith and Danika Nelson. They recently welcomed a baby boy, Jude, who joins Nora, at home. Danika has been diagnosed with breast cancer, and underwent surgery on Friday, March 3 for the cancer. While she recovers and undergoes treatment friends have begun a meal train. If you are interested in signing up to either make a meal, donate a gift card or pay for a Grub Hub meal delivery please go to this link for more details and to see the schedule: <https://mealtrain.com/dzmedl>. If you have trouble accessing these sights, please contact the office and we will be happy to help you.



**Little Lambs Preschool** registration for fall 2023 has begun. Little Lambs is open to children ages 3—5 years old. Children should be potty-trained to begin school. Complete information, including tuition, can be found on the brochures in the narthex. For more information, to schedule a tour or pick up a registration form, please contact the office.



**Thank you** to all who supported the Little Lambs Used Book Sale this year, either through book donations or attended the Little Lambs Spaghetti Dinner. We had a FULL HOUSE, and it is so nice for the Little Lambs Families and the Immanuel Family to be able to dine together. Also thank you to all the volunteers for all your help with the Book Sale.



**Youth Group Updates & Announcements:**


- **The Youth Group** is looking to update the student and parent contact information. Please fill out the form in the Narthex so that we can communicate with you and so that you have updated contact information for us.
- **Coming Up On The Calendar...**
  - **March 29 Lenten Dinner-** Middle and High School Youth, their parents, and confirmation mentors are encouraged to come help set up, serve, and cleanup the macaroni bar. Please report to the kitchen at 4:30pm that day to help. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex.
  - **April 9 is the Easter Breakfast.** We will be prepping on April 8 and serving on the 9th. We need cooks, servers and people to prep. Sign up in the narthex.



**Mark your calendars now for Vacation Bible School July 17-20, 2023**

**For children ages 3 years—middle school! Lenten Dinner on Wednesday, March 22 will be hosted by VBS volunteers. If you would like to donate items or volunteer to help serve at the Taco Dinner contact Angela Pringnitz.**

**The evening will include a “VBS Sneak Peak” and early registration for volunteers & youth.**

DATE	“THEME” “Amazing Grace”	DINNER HOST	MEALS SERVED EACH WEDNESDAY FROM 5:15—6:30 PM
Wednesday 3/22	“The Woman at the Well” <i>John 4:13-14</i>	Vacation Bible School Staff	Taco Night
Wednesday 3/29	“Paul” <i>1 Timothy 1:15</i>	Youth	Top your own Mac & Cheese Bowl
Holy Week			
Sunday April 2	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM	Palm Sunday Services	Process in with palms at both services
Thursday April 6	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Service	Stripping of the Altar (7 PM on Facebook)
Friday April 7	1:00 PM & 7:00 PM	Good Friday Services	Service of Darkness (7 PM on Facebook)
Sunday April 9	7:00 AM	Easter Sunrise Service	
	8:15 AM	Between Services: Breakfast Served	
	9:30 AM	Easter Festival Service	