

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE GOD AT IMMANUEL

DATE	TIME	EVENT	MEETING PLACE	AGE GROUP	CONTACT PERSON
Sunday 4/2/23 <b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	—	Recycle Sunday	Garage	—	Trustees
	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	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	10:30 AM	Broadcast of Worship Service	WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	7:00 PM	Peer Minister Meeting	College Lounge	Peer Ministers	Pastor Marty
Monday 4/3/23	12:30 –2	Children’s Home & Aide	Fellowship Hall	Adults	Pastor Marty
	5:30 PM	Bd of Trustee Mtg.	Fellowship Hall	Board	Tom Sawyer
	7:00 PM	Zoom Bible Study	On Line	Adults	Pastor Marty
Tues 4/4/23	TBD	Youth Bd	Off Site	Board	Danika Nelson
	5:30—6:30	Girl Scouts	Fellowship Hall	Community	Jen Allen
	6:30 PM	Human Care Board	Meeting Room	Board	Cathy Faivre
	9:00 PM	College Bible Study	College Lounge	College Students	Pastor Marty
Wed 4/5/23	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting	North Narthex	Staff	Pastor Marty
	5:30 PM	Junior Confirmation	Fellowship Hall	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting	Meeting Room	Elders	Kevin Harms
Thur 4/6/23 <b>Maundy Thur</b>	—	Council Reports Due	Email	Council/Elders	Kristen Goff
	8:00 AM	Bulletin Deadline	Office	Everyone	Darlene Hillman
	5:00 PM	Bd of Christian Ed	Upper Mtg Rm	Board	Kyle VonSchnase
	7:00 PM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
Fri 4/7/23 <b>Good Friday</b>	—	OFFICES CLOSED	—	—	—
	—	NO PRESCHOOL	—	—	Katie Martinez
	1:00 PM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	7:00 PM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
Sat 4/8/23	—	Youth Grp Easter Breakfast Prep	Fellowship Hall	Youth & Families	Danika Nelson
Sunday 4/9/23 <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>	—	Food Pantry Sunday	Narthex	—	Human Care
	7:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	7:00 AM	Facebook Live Worship	Facebook Live	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	8:15 AM	Easter Breakfast	Fellowship Hall	Everyone	Danika Nelson
	9:30 AM	Festival Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	10:30 AM	Broadcast of Worship Service	WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone	Doug Nelson

# Easter

The Outreach Board has created an “Easter Invitation” for you! One is included with the newsletter—more are available at church.

Carry them with you and when the opportunity presents itself, please consider sharing the invitation to attend Easter worship services at Immanuel. You never know — grocery store, parking lot, hairdresser, friend, neighbor ... The possibilities are endless! — The Outreach Board



**Praying with a Sincere Heart** “Then you will call on me and come and pray to me and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.” Jeremiah 29:12-13

The Prayer Team prays for your prayer requests during the week and at our monthly meetings. Our next meeting will be Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. We will study Chapter 5 of *Journey into Prayer* followed by prayer time.

**Everyone is welcome** and encouraged to add their Prayer requests to the Prayer Tree which is located in the church entry area. All requests are noted weekly and added to the prayer list of the Prayer Team. *Please continue to notify Pastor Marty or the church office if you would like the congregation to pray for you.*

## PARTNERING IN PRAYER April 2—8, 2023

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

**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 Gloria Balgeman David Wickstrom  
Janet Mull (daughter-in-law Marilyn Mull) Rita Goodwin Danika Nelson  
Debbie Teason (cousin of Audrey Cook) Pam Paszotta Carol Nelson  
Jenna Wiegel (Laura Tiggelaar’s sister-in-law) Michael Johnson (friend of Bejnarowicz)  
Colleen Chavez (granddaughter of Carlos Woolbright)  
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:** 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)  
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 Carol Nelson who has been diagnosed with stage 3 cancer. Preparations are being made to begin treatment;
- For Vicky Lohmeier who awaiting results from a bone marrow biopsy;
- For Rita Goodwin for continued positive results as she prepares for the next step in her cancer treatment, which will include a hospital stay of several days;
- For Danika Nelson who continues to work with her doctors for cancer treatment;
- For Lester Sanders, Darlene’s father who is in critical condition;
- 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:** Lora Rissman Sharon Lemke Delbert Nordbrock

Ginger Lange Scott Nelson Danika Nelson Everett Dooley Mark Mistic  
Mark Giudice Ralph Benbow

**THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES:** 4/05/1975 - Roger & Ann Nelson

**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



**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!

**Did you miss the LITTLE LAMBS PLANT SALE deadline?** Some inventory is still available. - First come, first served. Orders will be in May 18. All orders must be delivered to Immanuel.

**Orders must be placed through the on line link: <https://fundraiser-plants.mybigcommerce.com>**

Contact the office if you have any questions. Thank-you for your support.

**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 stage 4 cancer. She underwent surgery for the cancer, but recent reports have confirmed that the cancer is at stage 4. Doctors will now work to put the cancer into remission. While she recovers and undergoes further 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.

**Remember Food Pantry is April 9. Bring a nonperishable item for the local Salvation Army food pantry.** Food Pantry Sunday is a collection day to support the Salvation Army Food Pantry. Add an item to your grocery list and put it in our shopping cart in the church narthex!

**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.



**Recycle Sunday: April 2.** The Board of Trustees continues to collect cans here at church. For those who wish to drop your cans off, you can place them in front of the garage at the southwest corner of the parking lot the first Sunday morning of each month.

**EASTER BREAKFAST: We just need a few more items for next Sunday. Sign up in the narthex.**

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 2: **Palm Sunday** 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
*Process in with palms at both services*

April 6: **Maundy Thursday** 7:00 p.m.  
*The Lord's Supper is served/Stripping of the Altar*

April 7: **Good Friday** 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.  
*Tenebrae Service (Service of Darkness)*



**Mark your calendars now for Vacation Bible School July 17-20, 2023 For children ages 3 years—middle school! Registration forms for volunteers & youth in the narthex.**

**For children ages 3 years—middle school!**



**May 14-25, 2023 Little Lambs Preschool will have our Silent Auction!**

What is the Auction all about? This is always a fun event—usually with a minimum of 100 items to bid on! Some items already donated include: **Oriental Trading Merchandise Certificate, Brookfield Zoo Package, 4 Chicago White Sox Tickets, Chicago Cubs Tickets, Dolce Vita Salon & Day Spa, Ralph's Car Wash Certificates, Studio One Salon & Spa, 4 Tickets to Rockford Ice Hogs. Ticket package to Santa's Village.** Past items have included: Wine Baskets, Energym Birthday Party for up to 20 children, Arthur Murry Dance Lesson, Epic Air Trampoline Park Gift Basket, Go Cubs Go Basket, children's toys, restaurant gift cards and much more! Items range in value from \$5 and up! Something for everyone!

This auction is our biggest and most important fundraiser of the year! Funds from this cover ongoing classroom supplies for art, math, science and special events. Funds raised help ensure that all of our field trips are available at no additional cost for students. In the recent past we have used funds to upgrade and refurbish classrooms and outdoor play area. Our long-term plan is to continue to upgrade both our indoor and outdoor large motor activities.

**Our donation list is just starting to grow for this year. Let's get creative!**

**Do you have a small business with some items you could include in a theme basket?**

**Do you have a service you could provide to be auctioned off?**

**Are you a craftsman? - Could you donate an item that you handcrafted?**

**All new items—large or small are welcome! Have something to donate?**

**Please let us know if you plan to donate, and what the item(s) will be.**

**Donation forms and request letters are available in the office.**

Do you work for, or patronize, a business that might consider a donation? People enjoy bidding on gift cards or certificates for special services. If you would like to donate for the Silent Auction, please contact Katie Martinez or the church office or pick up a donation form in the office. **ALL AUCTION FORMS SHOULD BE TURNED IN BY MAY 1— items should be turned in to the office by Thursday, May 12.**

