

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE GOD AT IMMANUEL

DATE	TIME	EVENT	MEETING PLACE	AGE GROUP	CONTACT PERSON
Sunday 1/14/24	—	Food Pantry Sunday	Narthex	Everyone	Human Care Board
	—	Bd of Christian Ed Overview	—	—	Kyle VonSchnase
	8:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Rev Marty Marks
	8:00 AM	Facebook Live Worship	Facebook Live	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Study	Fellowship Hall	Adults	Misic/McQuillan/Rev
	9:15 AM	Sunday School	Sanctuary/Rms	3yrs.-High Sch	Jen Allen
	10:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Rev. Marty Marks
	10:30 AM	Facebook Live Worship	Facebook Live	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	10:30 AM	Broadcast of Worship Service	WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	12—3 PM	Council Retreat	Fellowship Hall	Council	C-J Motisi
Monday 1/15/24	—	MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY	—	—	—
	—	No Preschool	—	—	—
	7:00 PM	Zoom Bible Study	7:00 PM	Adults	Pastor Marty
Tues 1/16/24	—	<i>NIU Resumes Classes</i>	—	—	—
	9:15—11:30	Sewing/Quilt Group	Fellowship Hall	Ladies	Marion Gilbert
	4—5:15 PM	Brightpoint	Fellowship Hall	Community	Office
	9:00 PM	Refuge Bible Study	College Lounge	College	Pastor Marty
Wed 1/17/24	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting	North Narthex	Staff	Pastor Marty
	5:30 PM	Jr. Confirmation	Fellowship Hall	Middle School	Pastor Marty
	6:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Balcony	Choir	C-J Motisi
	7:00 PM	Council Meeting	Meeting Room	Council	C-J Motisi
Thursday 1/18/24	8:30 AM	Bulletin Deadline	Office	Everyone	Darlene Hillman
	6:00 PM	Worship Committee Meeting	Meeting Room	Committee	Dan Lohmeier
	6:30 PM	Outreach Board Meeting	Meeting Room	Board	Brittany Walker
	8:00 PM	College Activity Night	College Lounge	College	Pastor Marty
Friday 1/19/24	8:30—12:30	Office Hours	—	—	—
	5:30 PM	Intercultural Café	Fellowship Hall	Inter. Students	Dr. Linda Sons
	Evening	LWML Retreat	Walcamp	Ladies	NID
Sat 1/20/24	10—3	CCT Auditions	Fellowship Hall	Community	Alyssa Landshaft
	All Day	NID LWML Retreat	Walcamp	Ladies	NID
Sunday 1/21/24	AM	NID LWML Retreat	Walcamp	Ladies	NID
	—	Sunday School Overview	—	—	Jen Allen
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Food Pantry day is today, January 14, Nonperishable items for the local Salvation Army food pantry can be placed in the grocery cart in the narthex. Forgot today? Put it on your grocery list and bring items the second Sunday of each month. Food Pantry Sunday is a collection day to support the Salvation Army Food Pantry.



PARTNERING IN PRAYER January 14-20, 2024

"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

THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER:

Dale Geibel Staci McNett Mandy Long Gloria Balgeman Rita Goodwin
 Danika Nelson Allen Johnson Glen Roberts Mattea Lesorgen *(friend of Julie Watson)*
 Colleen Chavez *(granddaughter of Carlos Woolbright)* Debbie Teason *(cousin of Audrey Cook)*
 Jenna Wiegel *(Laura Tiggelaar's sister-in-law)* Michael Johnson *(friend of Bejnarowicz)*
 Glenn Lucca *(friend of Chris & Audrey Cook)* Donna Cyrier *(friend of Mishelle Rodgers)*

OUR SHUT-INS:

Marcia Kiel Irene Nelson Pat Moeller Mary Ebbeson
 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. Kaitlin 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:

- Craig Dybas who continues to recover at home;
- Gary Gresholdt who remains in ICU at CDH;
- May the Lord grant healing to those in need, comfort to those who mourn, wisdom to those who lead and compassion to all in times of difficulty. May opportunities open and may we be wise enough to recognize them to see God's love in all situations and convey Your love to others;

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS:

Sydney McNett Matthew Buehler Alice Seitz
 Ethan Johanninhsmeier Maxson Kjell Evelyn Reiland Cody Allen
 Megan Gratschmayr Kaitlyn Goff

THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES: 1/19/2004

Benjamin & Maria Cintora



CAN YOU GREET BEFORE SERVICES? Would you be willing to help greet all who come! If you, as a single, couple or family, are willing to serve at either service, please sign up in the narthex — do one service, or many! Just arrive about 7:40 a.m. for early service and 10:10 a.m. for the late service. (8:40 for the 9:00 a.m. services) smile and greet! What a GREAT way to start your worship experience and let others know we are glad to have them here!

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



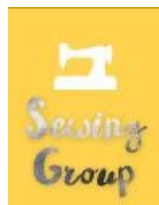
New Year—A Great Time to Start a Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

New Bible Started, January 7.

Most of us are familiar with the book of Proverbs but have you ever done more than just casually read through them? We have embarked on a study of them as they connect to the Ten Commandments. This 12-week study will be a great way to get into studying the Word using a fresh perspective. How about making a new year's resolution to join a Bible Study? For more information contact Carolyn at (basketcasesunlimited@t6b.com), Mark at (markmistic@hotmail.com) or the church office (815-756-6669). —Carolyn and Mark

Pastor's Marty's current Sunday morning Bible study is not actually studying the Bible this year, at least not directly. We are instead looking at a short book written by C.S. Lewis entitled "**The Screwtape Letters.**" Books are provided for you. In this creative work of fiction, Lewis imagines the ways Satan and his demons try to lead people astray from their walk with God. The insights are brilliant and while written in the 1940's during World War 2, it speaks very directly to many of the issues we as Christians are facing in our day and age. As always the fellowship and casual conversational style of our Bible study will continue. Showing up with an open heart desiring to learn and grow in your walk with the Lord is all you need!

Quilt and Lap Robe Sewing Group will have a **snow day make up meeting** in fellowship hall from 9:15 -11:30 a.m. on Tuesday January 16. We will also meet January 23. Come join us as we can always find something for you to do. Any questions call Marion at 815 -756-1113.



Church Directory: The Outreach Board is updating our membership directory, as it has been a few years since the last directory. Please

check the sheet in the narthex containing your printed information as we have it in our system currently. We would ask that you check the sheet and make any corrections. Initial if all is current. If your name is not on the list, please add your information to the blank sheets on the clipboard. We hope to have this helpful resource updated, printed and available to you in the new year. Thank you.



LWML Notes: All ladies of the congregation are reminded that it is time to turn in your quarterly mites. You may place them in the office on Darlene's desk and we will be sure that they get to the right hands.

The winter copy of the Lutheran Women's Quarterly is available. If you have a subscription to the publication please pick your copy up from Darlene's office today.



Sunday, February 4th will be our next Fantastic February Chill! Time: 3:00 - ??? It's a chili cook-off and game day!

It's a chili cook-off with a prize! There will be games to play for all ages, and goodies to eat! You will not need to bring anything, just yourself, ready for fun.

Human Care and Outreach are sponsoring this afternoon for everyone to get together. If you'd like to make chili, sign up in the narthex to be part of the challenge. If you plan to attend, help us plan and please sign up in the narthex. Stay tuned for more details soon!!



LITTLE LAMBS SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- **There will be no school:** January 15: Martin Luther King Jr. Day, no school
- **January 22—28, 2024:** Lutheran School's Week
- **January 24 & 25: Special Guest Day**
- We have limited openings for the 2023-2024 school year for our Monday/Wednesday/Friday for children who are at least three years old as well as our Monday—Friday class. Children should be at least four year old to attend the Monday—Friday class. January is a great time to jump into the program, so if you know of a family who might be interested, please have them call the office for more information or to set up a tour.
Phone: 815-756-6669



January Council Meeting will be Wednesday, January 17 at 7:00 pm. Reports have been placed in the council

mailboxes. If you haven't gotten your report in yet, please get it to Shannon Coulombe for "packet B."



All Council (including Elders) are requested to attend a Leadership Retreat today Sunday, January 14 at Immanuel. We will begin

around 11:45 (or as soon as possible after 10:30 worship) with a light lunch provided. We are usually done no later than 3:00. This event will be in person (no online link) as we will do some interactive team building. This is a nice event to kick our year off as a council, get to know each other better, gain understanding of who we are as leaders of Immanuel, and begin to set our sights on the year ahead.



From the Financial Secretary 2024 Giving Envelopes:

Please pick up your 2024 Giving Envelopes in the narthex. In an effort to be fiscally responsible, **if you**

have opted to not use your envelopes in 2023 the computer did not generate an envelope number for you.

- **If you would like envelopes and do not see your name on a box,** please notify the office or Ann Nelson and we will get you envelopes.
- **If you would like to sign up for Joyful Response, (automated giving)** take a form from the envelope table and turn it in to the office.
- **If you prefer to not use envelopes and give in an alternative way,** such as using your own bill-pay, Joyful Response, or through our debit/credit machine in the office, please notify the office and we will assign you a virtual number.
- **If you are already enrolled in Joyful Response or use a virtual number,** you will find ONE envelope confirming your virtual number. Joyful Response participants will also find a form in your envelope, as this is an excellent time to evaluate your giving commitment.

If you have any questions concerning contributions, please contact Ann Nelson or the office.

Giving statements for 2023 will be available by the end of January.