

Journey Connection

JULY 2019

Mission Statement of Immanuel Church

To be and to make Spirit-filled followers of Christ who shine the light of God's love to the world.

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL CHURCH!

We at Immanuel are on a joyful journey – with Jesus – to disclose His presence in the world and His love for all people. With humility, we invite **everyone** to join us, **regardless** of their relationship with Jesus, and even if they doubt His reality. And, we invite **everyone** to join us, **regardless** of race, culture, age, sexual orientation, family status, or the brokenness of their lives. On this journey there are no judgments – just Jesus. Whoever you are, **you are welcome** to join us!

If you desire information about becoming more involved in Immanuel Church, please contact Rev. Rich Vincent or Jenny Landowski, or leave a message at the church office, 262-334-2886, or immanuelwboffice@gmail.com.



Feast with Friends Annual Picnic

All are welcome!



Friday, August 9th 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM



JULY

Wednesday, July 3rd

9 am – 1pm Office Hours Today
Youth Party at the Landowski's
7 pm AA meeting in Fellowship Hall

Thursday, July 4th

Independence Day
Office Closed



Friday, July 5th

8:45 am Sunshine Gals
6:30 pm NA
7:00 pm AI Anon

Saturday, July 6th

10am–12noon Circle Shoppe Open

Sunday, July 7th

Communion /Panera Sunday
9 and 10:30 am Worship
10 am Fellowship Time

Monday, July 8th

12 pm Boundaries Support group

Tuesday, July 9th

10 am Finance Meeting

Wednesday, July 10th

7 pm Joy in the Journey Worship
7 pm AA meeting in Fellowship Hall

Thursday, July 11th

5:30 pm Church & Ministry
6:30 pm Consistory



Friday, July 12th

6:30 pm NA
7:00 pm AI Anon



Sunday, July 14th

9 and 10:30 am Worship
10 am Fellowship Time



Wednesday, July 17th

5pm – 7pm Circle Shoppe Open
7 pm Joy in the Journey Worship
7 pm AA meeting in Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 19th

8:45 am Sunshine Gals
6:30 pm NA
7:00 pm AI Anon

Saturday, July 20th

10am – 12 pm Circle Shoppe Open

Sunday, July 21st

9 and 10:30 am Worship
10 am Fellowship Time

Monday, July 22nd

1 pm Prayer Shawl group

Wednesday, July 24th

7 pm Joy in the Journey Worship
7 pm AA meeting in Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 26th

6:30 pm NA
7 pm AI-Anon



Sunday, July 28th h

9 and 10:30 am Worship
10 am Fellowship Time

Wednesday, July 31st h

7 pm Joy in the Journey Worship
7 pm AA meeting in Fellowship Hall

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Friday, August 9th 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Sandy Knoll County Park, Shelter 2
(first shelter on the left as you enter the park)

There is no park entrance fee but

you do need to register your license plate in advance.

See below for instructions – Use event code **FWF2019**

The theme is **HATS OFF TO YOU - Wear a hat that defines you.** It can be a simple hat like a sports cap or decorate a hat with items that tell something about you and your interests such as music, pizza, cats, motorcycles, video games, golf, the color purple, etc.

There is a **prize** for the best, most creative hat!

Playground, bocce ball, volleyball, bean bags,
softball or kickball, or just relaxing with friends.

Please sign up on the FWF Picnic sheet on the table outside of the church office so we know how many are coming. BBQ pulled chicken sandwiches and hot dogs will be provided.

What to bring

Last names A – Q . . . salad or side dish (electrical outlets in shelter)

Last names R – Z . . . dessert

All . . . please contribute beverages to community coolers

There are picnic tables in the shelter but please bring a chair

HOW TO VALIDATE YOUR LICENSE PLATE from a computer or mobile phone

1. Go to website **washcoparks.com**, click on **PARK PASSES** button, click on **VALIDATE EVENT CODE**, then select the **PARK - Sandy Knoll**
2. Select Pass Type as **DAILY**
3. Enter our **EMAIL ADDRESS**.
4. Enter the EVENT CODE – **FWF2019**
5. Select **GO**.
6. Enter your vehicle **LICENSE PLATE NUMBER**.
7. Select **COMPLETE**.
8. **DONE! EASY!**



Time to update!

Have you ever left church after being introduced to someone and by the time you got home you've forgotten their name? You are not alone!! Isn't it nice when you can grab a **Church Directory** and put a name to the face! Or how about when a name gets brought up and you have no clue who that is? Thank goodness for the **Church Directory** when you can put a face to the name!

Our last **Church Directory** was done in 2015 and it's time to update! We will once again be working with Lifetouch to create a new **Church Directory**.

They will be taking pictures on **August 27-30 from 2pm-9pm** and on **August 31 from 9am-4pm**. Registration for time slots will begin soon! You can access sign up through our web site to do it online or watch for in person sign up at church.

Please help us create a **Church Directory** that contains all of our Immanuel Church family...**say CHEESE!!**

SAY CHEESE!



Be included in the Immanuel UCC directory

Lifetouch will be photographing all of our families for a new church directory.



What to expect

- A professional photography session, no session fees.
- View your images after your session and make your selections.
- You will receive one FREE 8x10 standard print and church directory plus other special offers.

Photography dates and hours:

Tuesday August 27th - Saturday August 31st
Weekdays: 2PM to 9PM
Saturday: 9AM to 4PM

Sign up for your photography session

- Go to www.immanuelwestbend.org
- Look for our signup tables before or after an upcoming weekends
- Call the church office
- Call Lifetouch at 1-866-756-0281, Monday - Friday 9 am - 5 pm EST

Lifetouch

churchdirectories.lifetouch.com



SonShine Gals

The SonShine Gals will next meet on **Friday, July 5th at 8:45 am** to discuss “What’s the Least I Can Believe and Still Be a Christian” by Martin Thielen.

Newcomers are welcome! Please join us in the Friendship Room. Meetings are the first and third Friday of each month.

Call Jenny Landowski, 262-334-2886 for information, or send email to immanuelwbministries@gmail.com.

The Wise Guys are
taking a break...



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...watch the bulletin board
outside of Pastor Rich’s
office for the September
sign-up sheet.



Childcare Available

During the **summer months** we extend our staffed childcare to those children who are **7 years and younger!** If you would like your child to hear the children’s message during the first or second service, feel free to bring your child to the service and then bring them up to the childcare room after the message. Also available is a Parent’s Room for those who want to participate in worship while staying with their overly restless children. Both are located upstairs overlooking the sanctuary. If you need assistance of any kind, please ask an usher.

Full Shelf Pantry

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Psalm 51:7

**In support of West Bend's Full Shelf Pantry
throughout the month of July we will be collecting:**

**HYGIENE PRODUCTS
SHAMPOO/CONDITIONERS,
SOAPS, DEODORANTS**



Items can be placed in the bins outside the main office, or cash/checks (payable to Immanuel) can be put in your giving envelope with notation designated to Food Pantry.

Any questions please see Jenny Landowski.

JAM TIME NEWS

JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM!

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:1

The purpose of Immanuel Church's Children's Ministry is: To work with families to share the amazing story of the Christian faith in such a way that children fall in love with Jesus.

As a church family we work diligently so that...

- Children will come to know Christ and grow in the understanding of his teachings, his love and his saving grace which comes to all who believe in him.
- Children will come to understand the Christ-mandated responsibility that each has to share his love by serving others.
- Children will come to know the joy that is found in worshiping God; in sharing life in the context of the fellowship of believers; and in learning the Good News of Jesus Christ.
- Children will come to see that all they have and all they are come as gifts from God, and that we are to use those gifts to accomplish His purposes for His glory.
- Children will come to embrace the Good News, become excited about the story of faith, be changed by that story in such a way that their lives are transformed, and they are eager to tell Jesus' story to others.

We need YOU to help make this happen!



**Interested in volunteering
for JAM Time?**

Mark your calendars now...

Sunday, August 18th 11:30-12:00

Brief Volunteer Meeting

Please prayerfully consider how you can bless the children of Immanuel with your gifts. Contact Rachel Gumm with any questions. excited4jam@gmail.com or 262-483-4408

Youth Group!



Our Youth Group activities started off with a Welcome to Summer Party! We had a great time playing kick ball, making s'mores and getting to know each other.

We then had the opportunity to help at the T.O.A.D. Event serving food and cheering the bickers on! Thanks to all who participated with that!



Our upcoming Events for July are as follows...

July 3rd ~ Party and Fireworks

"You have to find what sparks a light in you so that you in your own way can illuminate the world." — Oprah Winfrey

July 23rd ~ Selfie Scavenger Hunt

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." — Matthew 7:7



Details will be emailed out closer to the date.

If you are not on my email list and would like to be, please send me a request at immanuelyg19@gmail.com

*Hope you can join me for more summer fun!
Johanna Landowski, Youth Activities Director*

"Thank You Lord!" CD

Good News! If you have enjoyed our playing at the India Gala and other events at church, **The FlautStreicher Quartet** is re-releasing their CD "Thank You Lord!". Mike Muelling has edited and remastered the CD so it now sounds much better than the original one.

It will be on sale at church on CD. This is a collection of 10 of our favorite songs for church. Profits from the CD will go to the local stroke support group in honor of Judy Muelling and The Circle of Friends Shop.

In a short time, it will be available for download on Google Play, iTunes and Amazon. It will also be available for streaming (just playing over the internet) on Spotify, Apple Music, Google Play Music YouTube and all other major streaming services.

Let's Sing!



"O come, let us sing for joy to the LORD,
Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation."
Psalm 95:1

Do you like to sing? You are invited to be a part of the Ministry of Music this summer at the **9:00 am Worship Service!** We will have rehearsal prior to the service in the sanctuary.

Men's Chorus

Date: July 7

Rehearsal: July 7 @ 7:50 in the sanctuary

If you have any questions, please contact Marlene Wondergem at 920-457-2522 or studio_543@yahoo.com

Thank you, Cedar Community!

Cedar Community is currently doing some remodeling at The Ridge and graciously gave us their dining chairs that they no longer had a use for. How exciting to give our Adult Ed Room a face lift! We are grateful for their generosity as it is certainly an upgrade from what we had. If anyone is interested in any of the chairs that were previously in that room, please contact Julie in the church office. 262-334-2886.

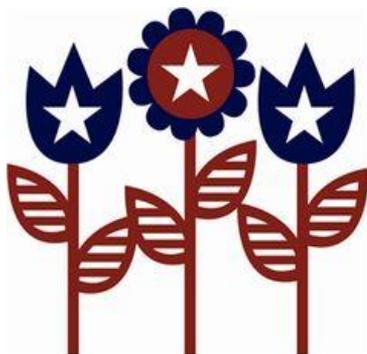


Update on the lower level...

There have been multiple times within the past month that our basement has experienced significant leaking. Please continue to pray for guidance for our Property Committee as they try to get to the bottom of this ongoing problem as well as for all those who continue to help clean-up the water that keeps coming in.



Altar Flowers



Would you like to help beautify our worship services by donating flowers for the altar? You can celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or place them in memory of a loved one. The sign-up sheet is posted outside of Pastor Rich's office. Please **fill out an order form** and return it with a check for **\$30.00** to the church office. After the second service, the sponsoring member can take the flowers home.

This month our flowers have been donated by:

July 7: Dave & Lynn Hammen in celebration of their 10th wedding anniversary on July 11th.

July 14: Mary Jo Norgel in loving memory of son, Michael, and husband, John.

July 21: KayC Koehler & family in loving memory of Dick Stenstrup.

July 28: Zina Cobb in loving memory of son, DeAngelo, on his July 18th birthday.



Welcome New Members!

Shannon and Sara Flaherty ~ Shannon and Sara joined us June 23rd, along with their two delightful children Ellery and Graham. Shannon is a teacher within the Hamilton School District. He enjoys woodworking and ATV riding. Sara is currently attending Marquette Law School and will be graduating in December, and she works at Godfrey & Kahn Law Office.



Tending the Flock



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE recovering from illness or injury and our friends who are shut-ins, as well as those grieving the loss of a loved one. To brighten up their day please think about visiting or dropping a card to one or more of them.

Shut-ins: Mort Zulick, Bill Altschwager, Julie Pulda, Garnet Schneider, Shirley Dow, Jerry Kuckuk, Marge Bergemann, Marian Kachel, Judy Muelling, Doris Falter, Vera Kuckuk and August & Lillian Utech.

Recovering from illness, surgery, or injury: Helen Keey, Susan Kist, Karen Lewis, Joan Stenstrup, Judy Krepesky, Lora Buck, Bob Calhoun, Bill Tybring, Bruce Kapanke, Norm Fedderly, Roy Rusch, Jeremy Walter, Howard Kusler, and Julia Pulda.

Serving in the military: Rebecca Gerard Shanahan and her husband, David; Spencer Scheunemann; and Noah Moser.

Continuing their education: Emma Landowski, Johanna Landowski, Ella Gustafson, Julia Stier, Evan Patten, Carmen Vincent, Ana Komro, Kiley Komro and Austin Koehler.

Transitions: Frank and Virginia Turpin have moved to Madison. If you would like to send them a note, their new address is: 7707 N. Brookline Dr., Apt. 425, Madison, WI 53719

James (Jim) H. Borchert was called home to be with the Lord on June 14, 2019. A memorial service was held on June 28th at Immanuel Church, with Pastor Rich Vincent officiating.

Sermons



**An audio (mp3) copy of Sunday's sermon
will be available a few days
after presented at:**

<http://www.immanuelwestbend.org>

~Joyful Journeys, Inc.~

An outreach ministry founded and operated
by members of Immanuel Church.

OUR MISSION: *to establish and or operate programs and facilities that will assist impoverished and needy people whose lives are challenged by current life circumstances, by helping to provide for their immediate basic needs and to bring them hope and promise for a brighter future.*

Matthew 25:40 "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

INDIA NEWS



At the **end of January, beginning of February 2020**, we will once again be having a group of Joyful Journeys supporters travel to India. The purpose of this trip is to stay connected with our ministries there while seeing first hand the good works that are being done, and continue to build relationships with those who serve along side us as well as with those whom we serve.

As we begin to assemble our team, we generally look at capping the number at 12; currently we have 8 confirmed. If traveling with our group is something you would like to know more about, please contact Jenny Landowski at 262-334-2886 or immanuelwbministries@gmail.com for more information.

NO RUMMAGE SALE

Due to the fact that we are still having flooding in our church basement, it has been decided to cancel the Rummage Sale that typically takes place at the end of August. Please do not drop off things at church unless they are needed items for the Circle of Friends Shoppe. Thank you.



CRAFTERS/VENDORS WANTED

This year instead of having a rummage sale (due to threat of water in the basement), the India Task Force is planning to have a craft/vendor fair. Hopefully we can get members of Immanuel and members of the community to rent a space to exhibit their craft or product. We will continue to take advantage of **Germanfest** weekend. Details follow:

- Friday, August 23: 12:00-8:00PM and Saturday, August 24: 9:00AM-4:00PM
- Indoor and outdoor spaces available
- \$40 a day/\$70 for both days
- Includes 6' table and 2 chairs/10' x10' space
- \$5 a day for electricity (indoors only)
- Contract deadline July 20
- A bake sale will be held at the same times
- Proceeds support our school and orphanage in India

Spread the word! Let's make this a success!

For more information/contact:

Jan Nesladek, 920-889-8690 or jannesladek@yahoo.com

Registration begins for the 2019-20 Marshall Public School year

A Message from Novahu...

Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

I thank you very much for all your prayers for the opening of the new academic year 2019.

Today's temperature is very high may be 106 F. Very, very hot. so, the government has declared half day schools till June 16th. Due to very hot season, not all students return back yet to this school. But by the end of this month most of the students will come. Uniform fabric, textbooks, notebooks, shoes, and socks are ready for distribution. Children are very happy to receive these educational tools and clothing!

Thanks to each one of the sponsors for all their love and support!

Manjula sends her love to you all.

Thank you,
Your brother in Christ,
Novahu



For \$20 per month, you can offer a child hope for their future through an education today.

Aquarium Designation for July - August

Books/Supplies/Uniforms for Non-Sponsored School Children

183 of the **400 plus children** enrolled in Marshall School currently have a sponsor; we give thanks for those who have committed to help support these students!

If you would like to sponsor a child, we would certainly welcome your contribution; please see Jenny for more information.

If you are not able to pledge at this time, please consider throwing a donation in the aquarium this month. All the monies in the Aquarium for June and July will go toward the cost of paying for books, supplies and uniforms for the non-sponsored children.

Your change can make a change in the lives of these children!
Bucks and Checks are appreciated as well! 😊

Thank you for helping to support *The Least of These!*



TOAD



Many thanks to all who came out to support the **"Food for a Cause"** Event sponsored by the India Task Force at the Tour Of America's Dairyland (T.O.A.D.) bicycle race that was held on **Monday June 24th**. Although the weather

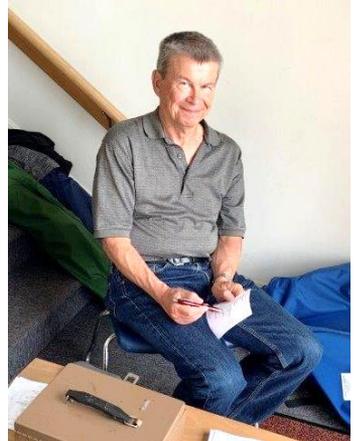
was spotty throughout the day, with several showers mixed in with the sunshine, the bike racers were out in full force and the spectators enjoyed all the good food we had for sale! The exciting part is that it was an incredibly profitable day for our India Ministry!

Thanks to the generosity of a handful of individuals who donated the food, **100% of sales** went to support the students of Marshall School in India who don't have sponsors! The total in food sales come to \$1026, plus \$136 that was collected from donations in the Aquarium. This year we also offered professional chair massages for a free will donation that brought in \$275. Our India Ministry was blessed with a **GRAND TOTAL OF \$1437!!**

A special "thank you" to all who volunteered; your time, energy, and enthusiasm helped created a hospitable venue on the corner of 5th and Walnut and raise funds for our India Ministry!



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Circle of Friends News

As you know, our Circle of Friends Shoppe offers clothing and household items to families in need within our community at no cost; because of the generous donations that continue to come in, we are able to help families who are experiencing a rough patch in life by sharing our bounty. Recently we had the opportunity to help a family of 5, who lost everything to a housefire, get much needed items within a matter of a couple days from when their tragedy struck! Luke 3:11 charges us with the words John the Baptist told the crowds..." Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none." Thank you for your kindness and support within this ministry; it continues to be a blessing to many!



Please pray for the following...

- ~ Good Health for the Valluri family, school children, orphans and staff...
- ~ Relief from the extremely high temperatures which are reaching 112 degrees Fahrenheit ...
- ~ Marshall School staff as they begin registering students for a new school year...
- ~ The needy families in Washington County who benefit from our Circle of Friends Shoppe...
- ~ The family of 5 who lost everything to a housefire...
- ~ Continued blessings for Joyful Journeys Ministries through the generosity of many...

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This month we thank the following people for their help in ministry as:

ACOLYTE:

July 7 Riley Tanner

July 14, 21, 28 Ushers

GREETERS:

July 7 9:00 am Halfman Family, Fred & Barb Seefeldt

10:30 am Dave & Lynn Hammen, Steve & Karen Miller

July 14 9:00 am Maggie Seideman, Max Sommerfeld

10:30 am Jason & Liz Ratzburg, Jim & Anne Mari Peters

July 21 9:00 am Brian & Judy Harris, John & Pat Love

10:30 am Tanner Family, Gustafson Family

July 28 9:00 am Esther Kohler, Nancy Naab, Wayne & Rosemary Seideman

10:30 am Rich & Bonnie Gerner

USHERS:

- July 7** 9:00 am Max Sommerfeld, Maggie Seideman,
Rich Gerner, Gary McCrillis
10:30 am Ben Russell
- July 14** 9:00 am Paul & Marilyn Stier, Brian & Judy Harris
10:30 am Dennis Roos
- July 21** 9:00 am Curtis & Jeanne Forester, Soener family
10:30 am Gene Kreis
- July 28** 9:00 am The Halfman family, Gary McCrillis
10:30 am Mike & Teri Mattek

READERS:

- July 7** John Kocourek
July 14 Tama Gluck
July 21 Owen Vincent
July 28 Barb Seefeldt

COMMUNION SERVERS:

- July 7** 9:00 am Michal Gerard, Joe & Tracy Halfman
10:30 am Ed Muelling, Cindy Roos

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:

- July 7** Panera
July 14 The House family
July 21 Cedar Ridge
July 28 Prayer Shawl Ladies

COFFEE MAKERS:

- July 7** Bonnie Gerner
July 14 Jim & Anne Marie Peters
July 21 Mike Komro
July 28 Joe & Tracy Halfman

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

- July 7 Men's Chorus
July 14 Owen Vincent
July 21 TBA
July 28 Ana Komro and Austin Koehler