



Joy in the Journey

Journey Connection

SEPTEMBER 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.

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## **14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL INDIA GALA!**

### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**



Celebrating how far  
we've come, and  
maintaining the good  
works being done!

Read more inside for details and  
to see how you can support this event!



# SEPTEMBER

## **Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

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

## **Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

5:45 pm Handbell Ensemble  
7 pm Adult Choir

## **Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**

1pm – 3pm Circle Shoppe open

## **Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am India Task Force  
10am–12noon Circle Shoppe Open  
11am – 1pm Visitation for Bob  
Calhoun with service at 1pm

## **Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**

### ***Rally Day***

9 and 10:30 am Worship  
10 am Fellowship Time  
11:30 am Rally Day Picnic



## **Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**

12 pm Boundaries Support group  
5:30 pm Healthy Eating class

## **Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**

10 am Finance Meeting  
5:45 pm Handbell Ensemble  
7 pm Adult Choir

## **Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**

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

## **Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 pm NA  
7:00 pm Al Anon

## **Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>**

8am – 4pm Fill the Bus



## **Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

9 and 10:30 am Worship  
10 am Fellowship Time  
10:30 am J.A.M. Time, Shine,  
Confirmation, Adult Ed.  
11:30 am Acolyte Training

## **Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**

5:45 pm Handbell Ensemble  
7 pm Adult Choir

**Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**

6pm Wise Guys

**Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am Sunshine Gals  
6:30 pm NA  
7 pm Al-Anon

**Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**

10am–12noon Circle Shoppe Open

**Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

9 and 10:30 am Worship  
10 am Fellowship Time  
10:30 am J.A.M. Time, Shine  
Confirmation, Adult Ed.  
11:30 am Acolyte Training  
11:45 am Youth Group Lunch &  
Activity

**Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

1 pm Prayer Shawl group

**Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

5:45 pm Handbell Ensemble  
7 pm Adult Choir

**Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 pm NA  
7 pm Al-Anon

**Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

9 and 10:30 am Worship  
10 am Fellowship Time  
10:30 am J.A.M. Time, Shine,  
Confirmation, Adult Ed.

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Full Shelf Pantry

And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food."



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

Canned Vegetables

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 see Jenny Landowski.



From the Pastor's Desk

Well, it's that time of year again. Summer is almost over. (I hope you had a great summer!) And our rush to Rally Day begins!

It is always exciting to begin a new church year! After the lull of summer, it's always encouraging to have the full church membership active and engaged again in ministries that will build up faith, love, and community: JAMTime, Confirmation, Adult Ed, Choir, Bells, Wise Guys and more! I am excited about having Jo along to continue to help with Youth Events. I am encouraged by the time I spent over the summer with Chris Witt preparing for Shine (our 9th - 12th grade ministry). To add to the excitement, I look forward to a visit from Franz (our Conference Minister) later this month and for the upcoming India Gala! And to top it off, I'm incredibly encouraged to hear of Emma's progress in ministry development (you can read more about this in the update she provided us in this Journey Connection).

I'm looking forward to this new year together in faith, love, and service. I pray that you'll find a place where all these virtues can be built up and expressed. And I ask for your prayers and commitment for the year ahead as we seek "To be and to make Spirit-filled followers of Christ who shine the light of God's love to the world." It is our highest calling and greatest privilege!

Grace and peace,

Rich

**Immanuel Church Welcomes Guest Speaker
on Sunday, September 22nd
Reverend Franz Rigert, Conference Minister**



Franz Rigert has deep roots in Wisconsin having been raised in Delavan where his father served the Congregational United Church of Christ for over 30 years. Franz studied pre-law and religion at the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1989 and received the Exceptional Leadership Award. He declined an invitation from UW Madison Law School when called by

the Holy Spirit to attend seminary. Franz graduated with a Master of Divinity degree from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, where he received the Distinguished Preaching Award. He was ordained in 1992.

Franz served as Associate Minister at Kingwood United Methodist Church in Buffalo Grove, Illinois before being called in 1995 to serve Pilgrim United Church of Christ in Grafton, Wisconsin. While at Pilgrim, Franz led 25 mission trips domestically and internationally. The congregation developed a partnership with an African-American Baptist church, sponsored a refugee resettlement family and participated in several Habitat for Humanity projects. Franz facilitated a local ecumenical group, fostered numerous interfaith conversations and participated in clergy support groups. Over the years, the congregation grew from 300 to over 700 active members. He led Pilgrim through a capital fundraising initiative and a major building expansion. Franz was on the Southeast Association Church and Ministry Team for six years, serving as the Chairperson for four years. He then served three terms on the Conference Board of Directors. In the fall of 2014 Franz was called to serve as the Wisconsin Conference Minister for the United Church of Christ.

His wife, Trinn, has taught Early Childhood Special Education in the Cedarburg School District for 24 years. They have two sons and a daughter: Mitchell, who works and resides in Tacoma, Washington, Jordan, a student at UW La Crosse, and Marianna, a student at UW Eau Claire. Franz enjoys hiking, traveling, music and nature.

A Word from Emma...

Greetings Immanuel Family,

I'm writing to give you an update on all the things I've had going on in the past couple of months in preparation for ordination. So far, I'm on track for next year!

From the end of May through the middle of August I did Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) at St. Louis University Hospital here in Missouri. While there, I worked on the Cardiac and Geriatric floor as a chaplain. Most of my time was visiting with patients and their families, while also getting experience working "on call" or "triage" shifts as the solo chaplain in the 350+ bed hospital. Part of the CPE experience also required "class time" where I worked with my cohort and supervisor on interpersonal skills, family systems, ministering from scars rather than wounds, being aware of diverse and cultural differences, among other things. This experience, a requirement for ordination, was so powerful that I will be applying to do a CPE yearlong (paid!) Residency after graduating from Seminary. I must have done something right there because they have already hired me on to work as a PRN Chaplain during the school year.

In June, I was able to attend the UCC General Synod in Milwaukee. Among participating in worship services, meetings, and networking with others in ministry, I was able to attend the Break the Silence informational workshop. This workshop focused on educating those attending about rape, sexual assault, and domestic violence, particularly within our country. Space was also created to theologically reflect on why we don't talk about sexuality in the church and how that can actually be harmful when you have victims, survivors, and/or perpetrators of rape, sexual assault, and domestic violence within our churches. After voting on Sunday, the Break the Silence resolution passed to support clergy and congregations with



support, resources, and a designated Sunday to provide space to grieve, heal, and process together in community.

After finishing with CPE in August, I left for Cleveland, OH where I participated in the *Member in Discernment (MID) Gathering*. Different from any of the other experiences this summer, I was able to meet other MID's from around the country who are in different parts of the journey towards ordination. I spent time meeting with people from the UCC national staff, as well as, attending workshops around alternative ministry options (chaplaincy), insurance and retirement in the UCC, and the "Marks of Ministry" ...preparation for ordination. The MID Gathering was really an informative and call affirming space to be a part of.

From Cleveland I flew to North Carolina where I spent 7 days for the *Next Generation* conference. The Wisconsin UCC conference has a partnership with the EkiR and EKBO in Germany, as does the Pennsylvania Central and Southern (eastern Virginia and North Carolina). All of the partners came together to discuss how we see racism, immigration, and climate change in our communities and the way the church is/should be responding. This was an extremely powerful week of challenging conversations, painful processing, and spirit filled calls to action. Many friendships have continued since the last time I was with this partnership in Germany two years ago and many new friendships were made. I look forward to learning and growing with and from them in the future.

Words cannot express how grateful I am for the love and support I have received from all of you. It is because of you that most of these things happened this summer. I started my last year of Seminary on Aug. 26th and I am excited and amazed at how far I have come. Please continue to keep me in your prayers and know that I love to receive letters from you all. Thank you again for all the different ways you show support, I look forward to the day when I can come back and be ordained! (For those that don't know, I will be ordained at Immanuel and then be installed into the place that has called me for ministry).

*Blessings and love,
Emma*

Global Leadership Summit



August 8th and 9th Pastor Rich, Jenny Landowski, Rachel Gumm, Frank Miezio, Jan Nesladek, Mary Demmon, Laurie McCann, and Fred & Barb Seefeldt, attended The Global Leadership Summit at its Satellite Site in Sheboygan Falls. We were grateful to be a part

of this worldwide conference that focuses on improving leadership skills and we pray that our time spent there will help us to better serve our Immanuel Church family and it's ministries.

Welcome New Members

Gary Barber and Kimberly Lisanby-Barber ~ Gary and Kimberly are the parents of Kari Lutter and have attended Immanuel throughout the years when visiting Kari and her family. They have recently moved up to our area from Illinois. Gary is a retired Pastor, who we hope to tap into for pulpit supply sometime down the road when Pastor Rich is on vacation. Kimberly is a retired Principal who has done amazing things within the educational field through the years. Gary enjoys reading and writing; Kimberly enjoys crafts and Legos...and they both appreciate time with their grandkids!

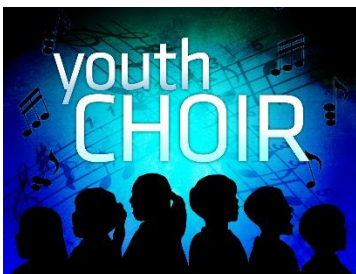


New Choir Members & Bell Ringers Welcome!



We have openings for additional ringers in the handbell ensemble and singers in the adult choir. If you have considered serving in the ministry of music, please **contact Marlene Wondergem**, the Handbell Ensemble and Adult Choir Director. Practice begins **Tuesday, September 3rd**. The Handbell Ensemble meets at **5:45pm** and the Adult Choir meets at **7:00 pm**. *High school musicians are welcome!*

email: studio_543@yahoo.com or phone: 920-457-2522



Youth Choir Resumes Sept. 15th We're looking for new members!!

Please prayerfully consider sharing your gifts and talents. Children who can read in grades **K5 through 8th grade** are welcome to join.

Choir will rehearse between services from **10 -10:30 am September 15th and 22nd**. We usually sing at the 9:00 service on the 4th Sunday of each month. Please join us in the choir room at 10am on September 15th!

Questions? Contact Terry Christie,
christieeric35@gmail.com, or 262-626-2496.



SonShine Gals

The SonShine Gals will next meet on **Friday, September 6th 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,
Ext. 22, for information,
or send email to
immanuelwbministries@gmail.com.



WISE GUYS

The next dinner will be held on **Thursday, September 19th**. This is an opportunity for all men of Immanuel – single, married, young or old – to get together one night a month.

We will gather at 6 p.m. for a social time and dinner, followed by a short discussion led by Pastor Rich.

*Please sign up on the sheet outside the pastor’s office so that we know how many to expect for the meal. **Feel free to bring a friend!***



Childcare Available

We offer a staffed Child Care room for **children 5 years and younger**. 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.

Young Family Fun Time



Hey all you young families at Immanuel; watch for the next **Family Play Date** so you don't miss out on the fun! This crew had a great time getting to know one another and would love for you to join them in the future!



EYEGASSES NEEDED! CHANGING LIVES, ONE PAIR AT A TIME

Throughout the year, Wisconsin Lions and other volunteers collect used eyeglasses and deliver them to regional Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers (LERCs). LERC volunteers clean, sort by prescription strength and package the glasses. Most of the recycled glasses are distributed to people in need in developing countries where they will have the greatest impact.

If you have used eyeglasses you no longer need, **you can donate them at Immanuel! Just place them in the box located outside of the church office and a Lions volunteer will pick them up.** Lions accept prescription and reading glasses, sunglasses and plastic and metal frames. **Children's glasses are especially needed.**



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:

September 1st: Allen & Christine Tackes in celebration of their 30th Wedding Anniversary.

September 8th: John & Jackie Kocourek in loving memory of their daughter, Diane Hutchins, on her birthday.

September 15th: Steve Miller in loving memory of his mother, Lucile.

September 22nd: Scott & Tama Gluck in celebration of their 26th Wedding Anniversary on September 25th.

September 29th: Barb Styduhar in loving memory of her husband, George, and what would have been their 62nd Wedding Anniversary.

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: Joan Stenstrup, Audrey Schowalter, Jim Morrison, Louise Aplin, Barb Styduhar, Doug & Jean Stewart, Judy Krepsky, 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: Emily Frederick, Rebecca Kempfer-Witt, Lexi McCrillis, Jackson Raad, Simon Uecker, Owen Vincent, Johanna Landowski, Ella Gustafson, Julia Stier, Evan Patten, Carmen Vincent, Ana Komro, Kiley Komro and Austin Koehler.

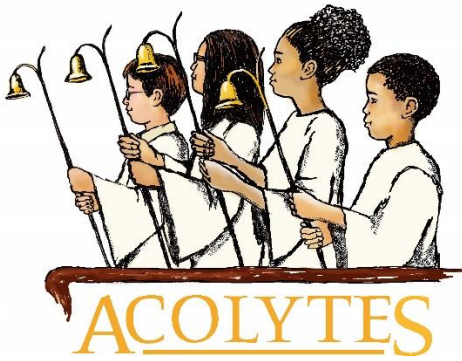
Member in Discernment: Emma Landowski

Robert “Bob” Calhoun was called home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, August 28th. We extend our sympathy and offer our prayers, that God may comfort Sue Calhoun and all who mourn Bob’s passing. A Memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 7th at Immanuel Church with Pastor Rich Vincent presiding. Visitation will be from 11:00 am – 1pm. The service will be held at 1:00 pm with a light lunch to follow.

Sermons



An audio (mp3) copy of Sunday’s sermon will be available a few days after presented at:
<http://www.immanuelwestbend.org>



ATTENTION ALL KIDS 3RD GRADE AND OLDER!!

All children third grade or older are invited to become a member of the **Acolyte Guild**. Throughout the year, these children provide worship leadership by lighting and extinguishing candles at the **9:00 a.m. worship service**, as well as candle lighting during Advent, on Christmas Eve, and on Maundy Thursday.

If you'd like to join the Acolyte Guild, or just want to see what it's all about, simply come to **one** of two upcoming **training sessions**. At the end of the session, if you decide to join, you will be put on the acolyte schedule beginning in October 2019.

Training sessions will be held on **September 15th and 22rd**, right after JAM Time and church, from **11:30 a.m. until 12:15 p.m.** in the sanctuary. At the session, children will learn the procedures to follow when serving as an acolyte. Veteran acolytes need only stay for a verbal review of the instructions, which will take approximately 15 to 20 minutes.

All children (including veteran guild members) who wish to acolyte must attend one of the training sessions.

Remember - Coming to training does not mean you have to become an acolyte. It's an opportunity to learn what an acolyte does and to practice doing it. Then you can decide if you want to join for 2019-2020.

It will be extremely helpful if you check your family calendar between October 2019 and September 2020. When you come to training, please bring a list of any Sundays and Christmas season services when you are unable to acolyte. Those dates will be taken into consideration when the schedule is made.

Any questions?

Contact Michal Gerard: michal630@yahoo.com, or

262-305-6367, or see me at church.



I would like to welcome everyone back to Confirmation class. Just a reminder, we will have a **mandatory parent meeting** to kick off Confirmation on **Sunday, September 8th at 10:30 am**. If it is nice weather, we will meet outside, otherwise we will be in our classroom. This meeting shouldn't take extremely long. The kids will then be dismissed early and we will join the Rally Day activities with the rest of the congregation.

If you have questions, please email Chris Arndt at **confirmationiucc@gmail.com**

Sunday Morning Adult Education



Our Adult Education Sessions will begin again on September 15 with an introduction of the what will be discussed from September through December.

Included will be discussions led by Mike Mattek on the History of Christianity and Religious movements in the New England Area of our Country.

We also will be having discussions about the United Church of Christ along with studying the sessions of "Who is this Man" by John Ortberg.

If you have any questions, please contact Frank Miezio, Class Facilitator, at 262-894-0755 or frankmiezio@charter.net

J.A.M. Time* 2019-2020

September



We pray that you will lead a life worthy of the Lord.... We want you to grow to know God better.
Colossians 1:10

As we prepare for another year, we pray that **J.A.M. Time** will help God's children learn and develop a greater love for Christ and his lessons.

Rally Day

JAM Time begins Sept. 8th at 10:30.

Join us in the fun!

All children need to pre-register for JAM Time, Confirmation and Youth Group. Families can register online or fill out the paper forms located in the folder on the JAM Time bulletin board.

Digital copies of the JAM Time Handbook will be sent via email and available on the church web site. A few paper copies will be available on Rally Day.

JAM Time Needs

If you have any Legos that your children are no longer using, we would appreciate any donations. We are working to put together a "Lego Story" station as part of our JAM Time rotations.

Please see or contact Rachel Gumm if you have any questions.
excited4jam@gmail.com or 262-483-4408.

***Jesus and Me Time** – is Immanuel's Children's Ministry program for children age three through 6th grade. JAM Time meets Sunday mornings September - May from 10:30-11:30 in Fellowship Hall.



SHINE

Christen Education for Youth

9th – 12th grade

WELCOME BACK YOUTH (And parents!)

After we FINALLY get some summer, we are now back-to-school and back to Youth group. This year there are some changes (that most of you know already, but some of you might not) and some things that are staying the same.

- The first change going forward is we have a new name. The new name for the high school youth group is **SHINE**. We are working on a logo, but I am very excited for what the future holds for that.
- The second change is we have a new activity person. Johanna Landowski took that role this past summer and has been doing an amazing job. Some of you were part of the Selfie Scavenger Hunt and other events she organized the last few months. A list of future events can be found here in the Journey Connection this month. Let either one of us know if you can make it or if there is something you would like to add.

Now for what is staying the same:

- We are still meeting at 9:00 am, during first service. This is so that you can not only be a part of the group, but also be a more active member of the church by going to second service, helping with JAM Time, joining the Worship Team or anything else you can think of.
- We are also still serving ice cream for Rally Sundae on the September 8th. An email about that was sent to you.

Looking forward to a great year and all your SHINE-Y faces!

Chris Witt, Youth Director

YOUTH group

7th-12th grade

3...2...1... Let the games begin!

Our first event in August was Wacky Games at Church. We had a water balloon toss, egg races, musical chairs and so much more.



Then to close out August and Summer we had a Summer Wrap up Picnic at the Purple Park (River Side Park). We had fun playing volleyball, eating pizza and birthday cake!!



Upcoming Youth Group Events for September!!

September 8th Rally Sundae

After second service the Youth will be lending a helping hand serving Ice cream and cake.

September 22nd 12pm-3pm Lunch and Activity's at Immanuel Church

*As a new season approaches,
let's remember to let our Christ Light Shine in all we do
by living out the Fruits of the Spirit...
Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness,
Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-control*

~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



As we look to the 2019 Gala as a way to support Immanuel's India Ministry, our focus this year is "celebrating how far we've come and maintaining the good works that are being done"!

Our history "in a nutshell"...

In 2005, Immanuel Church, as a whole, agreed to financially support Novahu Valluri and his family as they began their mission of ministering and educating the poorest of the poor in the village of Madhavapatnam...we began with a one room school house, 5 students and the desire to shine the light of Christ in this area. Within 1 year, enrollment was up to 35 children... Shortly after that first year, Joyful Journeys, Incorporated, a 501(c)3 organization was established by Immanuel Church as a way to help support and sustain the growth of our church's ministry.



Other ministries that started early on were the Cutting & Tailoring Centers teaching women a trade, Joful Journey Hostel for orphans, and a Lunch Bunch program to feed hungry students.



The first of many major expansions within the ministry was the purchase of a building to accommodate Marshall School and the now 60 students enrolled. This structure was bought for \$6,000 by Immanuel Church. The second expansion, also made that year, was the purchase of a building to house Novahu and his family as well as serve as the JJ Hostel. Members of Immanuel raised \$13,000 for that purchase.



Over the next several years through the continued generosity of our Immanuel Church family and friends, additions were made to Marshall School to accommodate the ever growing number of students. A larger home was built for the Valluri family and hostel children, with the main floor being utilized for the Cutting and Tailoring program, school assemblies and weekly worship.



In 2014, through personal support and fundraising at Immanuel Church, Terri's Dining Hall was built, providing an area for students and hostel children to eat, and Bill's Light Center for Computer Training was constructed offering both students and adults a space to learn technological skills.





That same year, through the combined efforts of Immanuel Church along with the Kakinada and West Bend Rotary Clubs, Lora's Living Water, a water filtration system, was installed serving students and community members clean drinking water.



Other ministries that Joyful Journeys maintains are the House Pastor program which equips and supports individuals in sharing the Gospel within neighboring villages, and Oma's Oldsters, a fund that offers assistance with necessities to seniors in the community.



With money raised through Immanuel's Annual India Galas, the latest additions to the Marshall School were added in 2017 offering space for a science lab, a library and the 450 students that attend there. The Landowgals Fashion Technology and Computer Training Institute was also completed; this new structure gives impoverished women a place to come to learn skills and build self confidence.



**Immanuel ~ God with us;
working in and through our members to empower and care
for the less fortunate. 14 years in the making, we have so
much to celebrate; join us on our journey!**

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

As we look to the 2019 Gala as a way to support Immanuel's India Ministry, our focus this year is **“celebrating how far we've come and maintaining the good works that are being done”!**

Empowering the people of this remote village in India is what the heart of this ministry is all about.

ATTEND THE EVENT AND BRING A FRIEND!

TICKETS ARE ON SALE!



\$45/person

(\$40 each if purchased by Sept 16th Early Bird deadline)

Price includes hors d'oeuvres, beverages,
exquisite dinner, and gourmet dessert

Meal choices are: Prime Rib, Coconut Shrimp or Pork Tenderloin

**DEADLINE FOR DONATING ITEMS FOR OUR
SILENT AUCTION IS SEPTEMBER 15TH**

Handcrafted items, specialty meals, gift certificates, ____ of the month, jewelry, and “techy stuff” are just a few suggestions.

****Please use donation slips outside of Pastor Rich's office to accompany auction items.**



WATCH FOR SIGN-UP SHEETS TO DONATE REQUESTED FOOD AND BEVERAGE ITEMS.

Overall profits drastically increase with the
generous contributions of these items!



MAKE A CASH DONATION IN SUPPORT OF THE GALA

Gold Sponsor \$200

Silver Sponsor \$100

Bronze Sponsor \$50



Any and all donations are appreciated and will help offset the costs of the Gala! We are so grateful for the opportunity to raise money in support of our India Ministry, and we are thankful for the generosity of so many who make this event such a success!

Thank you for your consideration on any of the above requests.

Please feel free to contact Jenny Landowski
if you have any questions.
262-334-2886 or immanuelwbministries@gmail.com

Bucket Raffle



Ticket Sales begin Sunday Sept 8th
Tickets are \$1.00 each, or six for \$5.00
Drawings will be held at the Gala on Oct 4th

1. **Cabela's Bucket:** \$300 Cabela's Gift Card
2. **Poplar Inn:** \$250
3. **Amazon:** \$125
4. **Handstitched Quilt:** priceless
5. **This ones on us:** JP Fozs, \$25; Blondie Pop, \$25; The Garden, \$25; The Nobert, \$25; WB Tap & Tavern, \$25
6. **Super Club Dining:** Great Outdoors, \$40; Fox & Hounds, \$40; MJ Stevens, \$40; Silver Lake Country Inn, \$40; Woodland Creek, \$40
7. **Cup of Joe:** Kwik Trip, \$25; Starbucks, \$25; The Hub, \$25, \$20; Coffeerville, \$25; Dunn Bros. Coffee, \$25
8. **Casual Dining:** Coffee Corner Bistro, \$25; Café' Floriana, \$25; Blue Door Cafe, \$25; Idle Hour, \$25; Panera, \$25

*Thank you to all who generously contributed
to filling the "Buckets"...*

Sponsor a schoolchild in India

\$20 per month /
\$240 per year...

That is all it costs to provide an education, uniform, books, and school supplies to a child in the Marshall School in Madhavapatnam India.



For the past 14 years Immanuel Church's Joyful Journey India Ministry has been impacting the lives of hundreds of children in the remote village of Madhavapatnam by providing an education through our very own Marshall School. Many of the children who attend this school would normally not have the opportunity to receive an education due to poverty and other restrictions. By offering these youngsters free enrollment in our school we are helping to empower not only their future, but the future of this village.

Scriptures tell us in Hebrews 6:10 *God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.*

Please prayerfully consider supporting this mission by committing to a monthly pledge.

Keep your eye on the India Wall as we update it with new school pictures for the year; and choose a child to be the face of this ministry to you.

If you have any questions or are interested in how you can support, please contact Jenny Landowski at 262-334-2886 or immanuelwbministries@gmail.com

Aquarium Designation for September & October

Christmas in India

Each year at Christmas, Novahu hosts a celebration for the Marshall School children, families, and staff. This festivity truly brings Christ into the village of Madhavapatnam as they perform dances and skits honoring the birth of our Savior. Hindus and Christians alike will attend this gathering where the school children and staff receive a gift from us, and a simple meal is served. Although many are not familiar with who Jesus is; they embrace the unconditional love that is spread through this party glorifying His name.

All monies collected in the aquarium during the months of September and October will go towards the cost of this Christmas Celebration.



We Surpassed our August Goal!!

Money deposited into the Aquarium during the month of August was designated to help cover the cost of books and school supplies for unsponsored students at the Marshall School in India. We had set a goal of \$1,000 and encouraged everyone to give generously! Between the loose change, checks and dollars dropped into the Aquarium, and the donations received from creative support, plus money generated at the Craft/Vendor Fair, we raised \$1,639.89



*Thank you to all who gave...
together we made a difference!!*

Prayer 
Request

Please pray for the following...

- ~ New people and avenues to help support our ministries
- ~ Novahu and Manjula as they work towards renewed recognition for the Marshall School...
- ~ The new children in the Joyful Journeys Hostel...
- ~ Marshall School Staff and students...
- ~ Generous shoppers during Fill the Bus
- ~ Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge Ministry and their new Shower Truck
- ~ Families coming through our Circle of Friends Shoppe in need of back to school clothes...

Circle of Friends News

Fill the Bus

**West Bend Wal-Mart
Saturday, September 14th
8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.**

For the past several years we have had the opportunity to hand out flyers requesting needed items for our Circle of Friends Shoppe, to customers entering Wal-Mart. Through the generosity of the shoppers, items are then collected on their way out of the store and put into a school bus; which is graciously parked there for our use by the Johnson Bus Company.

This event fills our shoppe with much needed items that will serve our clients for months to come.

Please **consider volunteering for a two-hour shift** to help pass out fliers (sign-up sheet is on the wall by the JJI bulletin board in the back hallway) or plan to meet us back at church at 4:15p.m. to help empty the bus. See Jenny Landowski or Rita Layton if you have any questions.



Creative Support

Supporting Immanuel Church's Ministries isn't always about reaching into your own pocket as much as it is about bringing awareness to the good works being done and inviting others to help. During the month of August, the love of two couples overflowed into blessings for Joyful Journeys Ministries...

Chris and Jennifer Arndt asked their wedding guests to make a cash donation to our India Mission instead of clinking glasses to get them to kiss at their reception. \$119 and a whole lot of kisses, will help buy books for unsponsored students at the Marshall School in Madhavapatnam!



Mark and Kim Uecker celebrated their 20th Wedding Anniversary with a special Vow Renewal; they invited their guests, who wished to bring a gift, to purchase an item that could be used at the Circle of Friends Shoppe instead of something for them. Gifts of sheets, towels, and kitchen items were given to help restock our shelves.

*Thank you, Chris & Jennifer and Mark & Kim,
for letting your love for each other
ripple out into the world!*

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

ACOLYTE:

September 1 Riley Tanner **September 8, 15, 22, 29** Ushers

GREETERS:

September 1 9:00 am Halfman Family, Fred & Barb Seefeldt
10:30 am Dave & Lynn Hammen, Steve & Karen Miller

September 8 9:00 am Maggie Seideman, Max Sommerfeld,
Carolyn McCartney
10:30 am Jason & Liz Ratzburg, Jim & Anne Mari Peters

September 15 9:00 am Brian & Judy Harris, John & Pat Love
10:30 am Tanner Family, Gustafson Family

September 22 9:00 am Esther Kohler, Nancy Naab,
Wayne & Rosemary Seideman
10:30 am Rich & Bonnie Gerner

September 29 9:00 am David & Kathy Wolff, Luella Dekker,
Marge Bergmann
10:30 am Barb Stahnke, Russ & Mary Demmon

USHERS:

- September 1** 9:00 am Max Sommerfeld, Maggie Seideman,
Rich Gerner, Gary McCrillis
10:30 am Ben Russell
- September 8** 9:00 am Paul & Marilyn Stier, Brian & Judy Harris
10:30 am Dennis Roos
- September 15** 9:00 am Curtis & Jeanne Forester, Soener family
10:30 am Gene Kreis
- September 22** 9:00 am The Halfman family, Gary McCrillis
10:30 am Mike & Teri Mattek
- September 29** 9:00 am Gluck family, Al Nevala, Gary McCrillis
10:30 am Elaine Radzinski

READERS:

- September 1** Chris Witt
September 8 Olivia Gluck
September 15 Karen Grace Strobach
September 22 Pat Love
September 29 John Buck

COMMUNION SERVERS:

- September 1** 9:00 am Michal Gerard, Michael Bath, Ester Kohler
10:30 am Doug & Jean Stewart

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:

- September 1** Panera
September 8 Rally Sunday
September 15
September 22 Wise Guys
September 29 Stuart & Charlene Swanson

COFFEE MAKERS:

- September 1** Bonnie Gerner
September 8 Jim & Anne Marie Peters
September 15 Mike Komro
September 22 Joe & Tracy Halfman
September 29 Sophia Landowski

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

- September 1** Beverly Mark & Marlene Wondergem
September 8 Evan Mastenbrook
September 15 Michal Gerard
September 22 Immanuel Choir
September 29 Worship Team