

Journey Connection

February 2024

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 pastor@immanuelwestbend.org or Jenny Landowski director@immanuelwestbend.org or leave a message at the church office (262) 334-2886

ASH WEDNESDAY



Join us on February 14th for a Baked Potato Bar, in the Friendship Room from 5:30pm-6:45pm.

Sign-up sheet is outside the main office.

Ash Wednesday Worship Service begins in the Sanctuary at 7:00pm.

A word, or two from our Pastor...

Dear Members and Friends of Immanuel United Church of Christ,

As I said in my last pastor's letter, Epiphany is my favorite season of the church calendar. Rediscovering Jesus anew gives me joy and delight. Faith is about many things, but at its heart, it is about loving, trusting, and seeing God in and through Christ Jesus.

So, it saddens me to have missed so much of Epiphany. I was present the first week of Epiphany (on January 7th) but I was clearly sick with something. This escalated so much that over the following three weeks, I barely moved out of bed or off the couch, bouncing from terrible chills to absolute overheating. A visit to "Urgent Care" resulted in prescribing me some antibiotics and a call to monitor my temperature. It wasn't until last Friday (January 26th) that my fever finally broke.

On Monday of this week (January 29th) I began work, hoping to attempt to work this week and preach this upcoming Sunday, but my emaciated appearance and continued coughing and congestion has made it so I should probably allow at least one more week for full recovery. It has been a long illness for me that's most likely intensified by my lowered and weakened immunities. Tomorrow (January 31st) I head to the hospital for pulmonary tests and blood work/consult. My hope is that this will give even further insight into my recovery and healing. The good news is that I'm surrounded by leaders who are not only seeking my best, but are able to lead and move forward in spite of my absence. A big thank you to Rev. Steve Hecky for filling in during my absence. And, as always, huge kudos to our remarkable staff who lead with flexibility and grace even during times of great duress.

The "bottom line": I'm not out of the woods, but I'm better than I was last week and certainly better than I was two-to-three weeks ago. And my goal is to be back as soon as possible (crossing fingers for next week). Please keep me and the staff in your prayers.

Grace and peace,

Rich

On behalf of our President...

Dear Members and Friends of Immanuel United Church of Christ,

Lent is upon us, beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. There is no better time to reconnect with or deepen one's faith than during Lent. The 40 days of Lent represent Jesus' time in the wilderness, praying and fasting, and being tempted by Satan.

As I search my brain for something meaningful to add, something that might inspire you as you enter your Lenten journey, I have decided instead to include the thoughts of others that I find inspiring.

"What is more important than the practices we take on is the heart attitude behind them. If there's anything we should give up this time of year, it's our sense of superiority to those outside the church or those inside the church who do things differently than we do. The cross levels us all. And that's true whether or not you practice Lent." - Trevin Wax

"Seek a relationship when you pray, not answers. You won't always find answers, but you will always find Jesus." - Father Mike Schmitz

"Lent is a time of going very deeply into ourselves. What is it that stands between us and God? Between us and our brothers and sisters? Between us and life, the life of the Spirit? Whatever it is, let us relentlessly tear it out, without a moment's hesitation." - Catherine Doherty

It is my prayer that something in one of the above quotes will also inspire you as you begin your Lenten journey this month.

Blessings, Amy

Journey through Lent with Soup and Devotions

Lenten practices can look different for everyone, but ultimately through personal reflection, discipline, and repentance it can be a time for each of us to grow closer in relationship to our Creator.

Here are some resources that are available to aide you on your Lenten Journey...

"The Upper Room, Daily Devotional Guide
located on the table outside of the main office

"Weekly prayers will be emailed and posted on Facebook

"United Church of Christ Daily Devotions

Sign-up to have them delivered to you via email

https://www.ucc.org/daily-devotional/

Blessings to you during this season of Lent.

Financial Secretary...

Matthew 6:21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Happy New Year!

The 2023 Contribution Statements have been mailed and if you have any questions, please let me know. As a reminder, if you haven't picked up your 2024 offering envelopes yet, they can be found on the table outside of the main office.

Blessings, Karen

Immanuel UCC 2024 Annual Local Mission Budget is \$449,768

Thank you for your continued support of Immanuel's local ministries mission of:

- providing meaningful life changing worship
- nurturing persons in their faith journey
- witnessing to our faith in service beyond ourselves

Just a reminder, when writing checks to Immanuel and Joyful Journeys please write two separate checks as this makes it easier to account for what is designated for Immanuel and what is for Joyful Journeys. Also, you can make on-line donations separately to Immanuel and Joyful Journeys via each of their websites as noted below under the **Online Giving topic**.

If you have any questions regarding Immanuel finances or would like to discuss your giving, please note my regular office hours are on Tuesdays from 9am-3pm. You can also reach me via my email, finance@immanuelwestbend.org or leave a message on the church phone 262-334-2886. I welcome the opportunity to chat with you.

Immanuel 2023 Year End Finance Report

YTD

Total Income \$387,063.67 Total Expenses \$413,022.13

Income vs Expenses (\$25,958.46) Deficit

Online Giving

In case you did not already know, both Immanuel United Church of Christ and Joyful Journeys, Inc. have the capability to receive online donations. You can set-up payment via ACH from your checking account or use a credit/debit card. Just so you know that if you choose to use a credit/debit card there is a

small fee of about 3.1% which the service provider reduces the amount we receive by. For example, if you give \$100.00 using ACH from your checking account, we receive \$100.00 vs if you use a debit or credit card, we receive \$96.90, therefore the fee for \$3.10 is absorbed by either Immanuel or Joyful Journeys. Instructions are below:

Online Services: immanuelwestbend.org or joyfuljourneys-inc.org <u>To set up regular or individual electronic donations</u> for IMMANUEL, visit immanuelwestbend.org

Click on Donate Online to get to the secure Vanco payment site

<u>To set up regular or individual electronic donations</u> for JOYFUL JOURNEYS, visit joyfuljourneys-inc.org

 Click on "DONATE," then scroll down to "Click Here to Donate Securely Through Vanco"

To view your contributions, visit immanuelwestbend.org

- Click on Member Portal drop down.
- Log in with your FAMILY email and password (may differ from a family member's individual password)
- Once in the Member Portal, choose the Giving History tab
- Select the Detail tab to see a list of your donations

December 2023 Joyful Journeys, Inc Monthly & YTD Finance Report

India	Month	YTD \$172,127.97	
Total Income	\$11,095.00		
Total Expenses	\$11,507.00	\$139,371.29	
Income vs Expenses	(\$412.00) Deficit	\$ 32,756.68	

Circle of Friends Shoppe	Month	YTD
Total Income	\$ 456.00	\$1,957.17
Total Expenses	\$ 221.46	\$5,255.91
Income vs Expenses	\$ 234.54	(\$3,298,74) Deficit

Note: As of 12/31/2023, Circle of Friends Shoppe has reserves from prior years donations.

Joyful Journeys Operations	Month	YTD	
Total Income	\$ 270.67	\$ 959.54	
Total Expenses	\$ 95.82	\$1,514.14	
Income vs Expenses	\$ 174.85	(\$ 554.60) Deficit	

Note: Joyful Journeys Operations Expenses include Credit Card Donation Processing & Bank Service Charges; Software, website, and government licenses

Property update...

We had only one major issue this past month. On January 15th the boiler was not operating properly and we called Kettle Moraine Heating and I was able to get them here on Tuesday the 16th. We also called Ahern on the 15th. They handle our fire sprinkler system. This is because we had no heat in the sprinkled areas, we did not want frozen pipes and broken sprinkler heads. They showed up on Monday and shut down and drained our system. Kettle Moraine showed up first thing on Tuesday morning and they were able to correct the boiler issue. It was handled as a warranty issue so there was no charge for their visit.

Our sprinkler system has been since put back in service.

We did have one other issue that resulted in us repairing the flush valve in the men's bathroom. This was due to the valve freezing and cracking one of the components in the valve. Jim Peters stopped in and repaired the valve and everything is working now as it should.

With the help of Chris Arndt, Jenny Landowski and Ben Russell, we have formed an updated and improved property committee. We met for the first time and we had 13 out of 20 folks show up. We did a walkthrough of our church to address any issues that we want to take care of in the future. We had a lot of great input and we can't wait to get the ball rolling on some of these projects. A lot of the items that were noted will be handled with minimal funds .

Property Team

Offering Altar

On it you will find the Giving Church; monetary donations can be slipped in through the slit on top.

There is also information about Immanuel Church and its

The Offering Altar is located in the Narthex, just outside the Sanctuary.

There is also information about Immanuel Church and its ministries along with additional contribution envelopes. If you are a visitor and would like us to contact you, please fill out the information form and drop it in the Giving Church and be sure to help yourself to a welcome packet. Also available on the Offering Altar are Prayer Request forms; prayers dropped into the Giving Church will be shared with the SonShine Gals during communal prayer time. If we can be of further assistance to you, please contact Jenny Landowski at

262-334-2886 or director@immanuelwestbend.org

A NOTE FROM OUR CHOIR DIRECTOR...

A Valentine

Frost flowers on the window glass,
Hopping chickadees that pass,
Bare old elms that bend and sway,
Pussy willows soft and gray.
Silver clouds across the sky,
Lacy snowflakes flitting by,
Icicles like fringe in line,
That is outdoor's valentine.

January had decided to bring out all it's winter weather on TUESDAYS! And that has made it a difficult month to hold rehearsal and share our music in worship. We will try again in February! Although, one thing I've learned since moving to Wisconsin about 20 years ago is... there is no guarantee until MAY!

Want to join one of Immanuel's choirs?
We meet on Tuesday evenings - weather permitting!
So, if you are thinking to come out to a Tuesday rehearsal, please let me know so that I can contact you if we need to cancel.

Continuing in the spirit of our joyful Christmas Eve choir, please consider joining a choir for Holy Week. Maundy Thursday the Ladies Ensemble sing, Good Friday and Easter Morning the Adult Choir sings. Music for Adult Choir will be available in folders for you to pick up soon if you are interested in doing that - Listen for the announcement in church to find out when I have them ready. If you are interested in singing with the Ladies Ensemble, please contact me directly.

Handbell Ensemble: 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm Ladies Ensemble: 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm resuming rehearsals February 27 Adult Choir: 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm

> ~ Beverly Mark 920-242-7318 bevbeemark@gmail.com





J.A.M. Time* 2024 Baptism Of Jesus February 11th – 25th

"And a voice from heaven said,
"This is my beloved Son, and I am fully
pleased with Him."

Matthew 3:17



February 4th: Family Worship - NO J.A.M. Time

February 11th - 18th

Cuttin' & Struttin': Christian Symbols Kickin' Kitchen: Bugs For Lunch Pleasin' Plots: Storytelling

UP NEXT

March 3 - 17: Lent/I Am

March 24: Palm Sunday Mini Unit

March 31: Easter Sunday – NO J.A.M. Time

Thank you to all of our adult volunteers during our Fruits of the Spirit unit!

This unit is close and dear to my heart and it was a joy to see the Shine Brites share in it!



A HUGE thank you to all of the support everyone has shown at our Camp Sunday scholarship fundraiser! So far, we have raised almost \$2,000 to help Immanuel's youth attend a UCCI camp this year!

There are still plenty of things available, so please let Johanna or myself know if you would like extras of anything.

Further thanks are in order to everyone who helped make Camp Sunday a success. Whether you helped modge podge lanterns until 12:30 in the morning, folded boxes after Consistory, bagged items, make signs/labels, provided a treat, or were just there to bounce ideas off of and reign me in when I was getting crazy – THANK YOU!

Finally, I would like to thank the Flaherty family for donating all the supplies to build our Wren/Chickadee birdhouses! Not only did Shannon donate his time to prepare and cut all the wood, he also came and gave the Shine Brites a woodworking class which included proper safety and building techniques!















"Interested in our JAM Time program...Check out the JAM Time bulletin board for program information and volunteer opportunities.

Questions? Please contact Mitch Schleif at Excited4jam@immanuelwestbend.org 262-334-2886 ext. 104 414-491-5057

*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 downstairs in the 4k/5k room.



Shine will be starting out an alliterative February by focusing on **Friendship**. We'll be looking at how we choose our friends, why good friendships are so important, and what it means to be a good friend to others.

As we wrap up that unit, we'll be making a big ol' jump into the **7 Deadly Sins.** Greed, Wrath, Sloth, Lust, Pride, Gluttony, Envy- what actually counts as a "deadly sin?" Is the opposite trait automatically a virtue? Does every single person struggle with every single sin on the list? Join us to find out!

Shine is open to all high school students, and there's no commitment required-just stop in! We meet every Sunday from 10:30-11:30am in the room with all the couches in the lower level of the church (by the elevator).

Questions? Ask Elise! shine@immanuelwestbend.org (262) 343-1149



In the month of February, the Confirmation Class will be talking about Ash Wednesday and Lent. We will discuss how we can prepare our hearts and minds for this Lenten season.

February's Schedule

February 4th - Family Worship – NO CONFIRMATION February 11th – Souper Bowl Sunday February 18th – What is Ash Wednesday? February 25th – What is Lent?

Please continue to keep our Confirmands in your thoughts and prayers as they continue their faith journey.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask me.

Johanna Landowski

Church (262) 334-2886 Cell (262) 353-2739

confirmation@immanuelwestbend.org



YOUTH GROUP 2024 WINTER & SPRING ACTIVITIES



ACTIVITIES





SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10TH 9AM-NOON SOUP MAKING



SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11TH 10AM-NOON SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY



SATURDAU FEBRUARY 24TH 5:30PM-8:45PM
KID SITTING NIGHT

MARCH

SUNDAY MARCH 10TH 11:45

LUNCH & MOVIE. A LIGHT LUNCH AT CHURCH AND THEN WE WILL CARPOOL TO THE WEST BEND CINEMA FOR A MOVIE. MOVIE TBD

FRIDAY MARCH 29TH FOLLOWING THE GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE WE WILL



BE PUTTING TOGETHER GIFT BAGS TO TAKE TO MR. BOB'S

SATURDAY MARCH 30TH 6:45AM-10:30AM





APRIL

SATURDAY APRIL 6TH - SUNDAY APRIL 7TH 6PM-10AM

LOCK-IN



MAY

SATURDAY MAY 4TH 8:30AM-NOON SPRING CLEANUP DAY



If you are interested in helping with chaperone youth activities, feel free to contact me at church.

Johanna Landowski (262) 334-2886

youthgroup@immanuelwestbend.org



(F.I.T. STANDS FOR FAMILIES INTERACTING TOGETHER)

We had another great F.I.T. Group gathering at Lac Lawrann. We had a blast sledding and then afterwards drinking hot cocoa to warm up.



Souper Bowl Sunday, February 11th



Make sure to bring your wallet so you can stop on by the Youth Group's table as you leave worship on February 11th to take home some tasty homemade soup!

All proceeds go to help future youth group events!

Soup Choices are:

Chili Chicken Noodle Cheese Broccoli

Sizes will be:

16oz \$10 48oz \$15



Parents! Would you like to have a night out where you don't have to worry about your kids and not have to pay for a sitter?
Well, you are in luck! **Saturday February 24**th Immanuel's Youth Group is hosting a baby/kid sitting night at church!

This event is from 6pm-830pm. Snacks will be provided. If you plan in on bring your children, please sign-up on the sheet outside of main office so we can plan accordingly.

Any questions you can contact Johanna in the main office.

SonShine Gals

The SonShine Gals is an eclectic group of women who share a common thread of growing together in faith and love through books studies, video discussions and prayer.

The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 10:00am-11:30am.

Our current study is on Evolution of a UCC Style by Randi J. Walker

If you have any questions or are interested in joining us, please contact Jenny Landowski

Wise Guys October Meeting

meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00pm. You are invited to attend this social time including dinner and a short discussion.

The sign-up sheet for **February 15**th is located on the bulletin board outside the main offices.

Consider checking it out, and while you're at it, bring a friend!

Hey fellas! Wise Guys is our men's ministry that



Benevolence Fund

Benevolence: an act of kindness or an inclination to be kind.

Within our church family and our community there are often individuals who need a little extra help to get them through unexpected financial difficulties. Immanuel's Benevolence Fund, under the discretion of Pastor Rich and Jenny, is yet another way our congregation seeks to shine the light of God's love in the world. Contributions can be made to this account by marking it on your weekly giving envelope or through the monthly Communion envelope.

Thank you for prayerfully considering supporting this special fund.



Preplan Your Funeral Service

The death of a loved one is rarely an easy time for the family, and certainly planning a funeral that will honor the deceased and comfort the living can be an added stress during this period of grieving. If your desire is to have a say in your Memorial Service and ease the burden on those you've left behind, then you may want to consider filling out a Planned Funeral Information Sheet that can be kept on file here at Immanuel Church.

This is strictly a form that covers questions regarding your wishes upon your passing in regard to a Memorial Service; it is not a legal document, nor is it any type of prepaid funeral planning package.

If you would like a form you will find them located in a pouch on the bulletin board outside of Pastor Rich's office.

Filled out forms can be put in Jenny Landowski's mailbox #4, and any questions can be directed to her as well.

Full Shelf Pantry

When you have eaten and are satisfied, Praise the Lord your God for the good he has given you. ~ Deuteronomy 8:10

In support of West Bend's Full Shelf Pantry throughout the month of February, we will be collecting

Pasta and Rice



12 count egg cartons are needed on a monthly basis

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 or Johanna Landowski

RAISE RIGHT GIFT CARDS (formally known as SCRIP)

Raise Right Gift Card sales benefit our Joyful Journeys Ministries; members of the India Task Force will have cards on hand on Sunday mornings; you can find them seated at the table across from the church mailboxes. They can also take your special orders; forms can be found in mailbox # 79. Completed forms with payment made out to Joyful Journeys can be dropped off on Sunday mornings or brought into the main office Monday thru Thursday between 9am-3pm.

Special orders this month will be called in on Monday, February 19th.









Pick in Save









One Great Hour of Sharing®

is one of four special mission offerings of the United Church of Christ.

This Lenten Offering supports the disaster, refugee, and development ministries of the United Church of Christ within Wider Church Ministries.



Support for One Great Hour of Sharing can be put in the designated envelopes outside the main office or included with your regular offering noted under UCC Missions. You can also securely give through our website designating it to Our Church's Wider Mission: https://www.immanuelwestbend.org/

Tending the Flock

PLEASE KEEP OUR IMMANUEL CHURCH FAMILY IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS, SPECIFICALLY THOSE LISTED BELOW. CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE, OR WOULD LIKE TO BE ADDED TO THE PRAYER REQUESTS.

Yellow Roses:

Val Borresen, Ken Buchmeier, Sue Calhoun, Helen Keey, Carol King, Jerry Kuckuk, Karen Lewis, Judy Muelling, Charles Roemer, and Joan Stenstrup.

Health Concerns:

Terry Christie, Bruce Kapanke, Jessica Rose, Fred Seefeldt, Julia Raad, Cindy Roos, Larry Wheelock, Dave Wolff, Lynn Vegafria, and Pastor Rich.

Those of us who are suffering from depression and/or addiction:

Serving in the military:

Jackson Raad and his wife Carlyn Raad, Rebecca Gerard Shanahan and her husband, David.

Continuing their education:

Brett Bartoszewicz, Abby Frederick, Claire Gustafson, Kendra Kapanke, Kailyn Komro, Even Mastenbrook, Lexi McCrillis, Elise Patten, Evan Patten, Julia Raad, Madison Schmitt, Adam Vincent, and Rebecca Kempfer-Witt.

Four Way Covenant Pastor:

Rev. Jim Schleif

Special Prayer Request

Jatziel Pabon, his father Luis, and other members of his family as they deal with tragic circumstances.

Deaths

Lois Schneider

Prayer Requests

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ~Philippians 4:6

If you have a special prayer that you would like lifted up on your behalf, feel free to fill out one of the Prayer Request forms located on the Offering Alter and deposit it into the Giving Church or email it to Jenny at

<u>director@immanuelwestbend.org</u>.

The SonShine Gals will respectfully include your joys and concerns within their prayers.

~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."



Party at The Norbert

- Powntown West Bend -

Join the Joyful Journeys India Task Force for an evening of Food, Fun, and Friends Sunday, February 25th

4:00 - 6:30pm

Appetizers provided by The Norbert

beverages are available for purchase

**Cost is \$20 per person; reserved spots must be purchased prior to event and will be on sale beginning February 4th.

Proceeds benefit Joyful Journeys India Ministry.





Period Poverty

Period Poverty is a term used to describe inadequate access to period products and the issues that go along with "that time of the month". Often families are forced to make the hard decisions between putting food on the table or purchasing pads for their daughters; consequently, the absentee rate from school for these young girls is higher because they don't have the proper protection to allow them to attend. Women who are trying to provide for themselves and their families also can fall into this category; they need feminine hygiene products so they can work, but often it's in exchange for buying food.

The same scenario can also affect adults who suffer from incontinence; purchasing grown-up diapers is not cheap.

Food or personal hygiene protection...it shouldn't have to be a choice. Why are we bringing this to your attention? Because many of the people we serve at our Circle of Friends Shoppe possibly fall into this category. We need your help so we can help them!

During the month of February, we encourage you to... LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR; EVEN IF IT'S AWKWARD.

Last year, between generous donations from members of Immanuel as well as community support, we were able to collect enough of these resources to keep our shelves stocked for the whole year! What a blessing it was to be able to offer these products to individuals who came through the COE Shoppel

offer these products to individuals who came through the COF Shoppe!

Please consider either donating pads, tampons, or adult disposable underwear,
or make a financial contribution and we'll shop for you.

Cash, checks made out to Joyful Journeys, or donations made online are accepted.

https://joyfuljourneys-inc.org/

If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Landowski director@immanuelwestbend.org or 262-334-2886









Thursday February 1st

1pm – 3pm COF Shoppe 5pm India Task Force

Friday February 2nd

6:30 pm NA

Saturday February 3rd

10am-noon COF Shoppe

Sunday February 4th Communion

9am and 10:30 am Worship Family Worship NO J.A.M. Time, Confirmation, & Shine

Monday February 5th

Church building closed from 3pm-4:30pm for a private funereal service.

Tuesday February 6th

1pm Staff meeting 3:30pm Finance Meeting 5:00pm Handbell Ensemble 7:00 pm Adult Choir

Wednesday February 7th

2:30pm PEO Book Club 7 pm AA meeting

Thursday February 8th

10am SonShine Gals 5:30 pm Church & Ministry 6:30 pm Consistory Friday February 9th 6:30 pm NA

Saturday February 10th

9am-Noon Youth Group soup making

Sunday February 11th

Souper Bowl Sunday
9am and 10:30 am Worship
10:30 am J.A.M. Time,

Confirmation, & Shine

Monday February 12th

12pm Boundaries4:15pm Citizen Advocates

Tuesday February 13th

5:00pm Handbell Ensemble 7:00 pm Adult Choir

Ash Wednesday February 14th

5:30pm Ash Wednesday Dinner
7pm Ash Wednesday Service
7pm AA meeting

Thursday February 15th

6pm Wise Guys



Saturday February 24th

6pm-8:30pm Kid Sitting Night

Friday February 16th

6:30 pm NA

Saturday February 17th

10am-noon COF Shoppe

Sunday February 18th

9am and 10:30 am Worship 10:30 am J.A.M. Time, Confirmation, & Shine

Monday February 19th

Tuesday February 20th

1pm Staff meeting 5:00pm Handbell Ensemble 7:00 pm Adult Choir

Wednesday February 21st

5pm-7pm COF Shoppe 7 pm AA meeting

Thursday February 22nd

10am SonShine Gals

Friday February 23rd

6:30 pm NA

Sunday February 25th

9am and 10:30 am Worship 10:30 am J.A.M. Time, Confirmation, & Shine

Monday February 26th

1pm Prayer Shawl Group



Tuesday February 27th

5:00pm Handbell Ensemble 6:00pm Ladies Ensemble 7:00 pm Adult Choir

Wednesday February 28th

7 pm AA meeting

Thursday February 29th



Are Monday – Thursday 9am – 3pm

BIRTHDAYS FOR FEBRUARY

Bill Myers 3rd
Evie Schleif 3rd
Chris Arndt 6th
Val Borresen 8th (Val will be 105)

Joe Halfman 8th
Dale Moser 10th
Helen Keey 12th
Paige Barger 13th
John Buck 15th
Dori McCrillis 15th
Matt Susnik 16th
Kellen Mitchell 18th
Chris Soener 19th
Ellery Flaherty 22nd
Barb Seefeldt 23rd
Curtis Forester 24th
Laurie McCann 27th





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:

February 4th: Karen Zachow in memory of her parents William & Lorraine Mueller

February 11th: June Sommerfeld in celebration of her Daughter Jill's Birthday on February 9th and all the little birds who come to her feeder in the cold & snowy winter.





THANK YOU FOR SERVING & LETTING YOUR LIGHT SHINE THIS MONTH!

GREETERS:

February 4 9:00am Carol Argabright, Pat Sommer

10:30am Dave & Lynn Hammen

February 11 9:00am Maggie Seideman, Max Sommerfeld

10:30am Fred & Barb Seefeldt

February 18 9:00am Darleen Baerenwald, Georgia Kletti

10:30am Mary jo Norgel, Kent Scheuerell & Mary Ellen Dodge

February 25 9:00am Nancy Naab, Esther Kohler

10:30am Julie Glassman

USHERS: Head Usher: Gary McCrillis

February 4 9:00am Max Sommerfeld, Maggie Seideman, Rich Gerner

10:30am Gene Kreis

February 11 9:00am Michael Bath

10:30am Elaine Radzinski

February 18 9:00am Mike Soener, Pat Love

10:30am Ben & Ashley Russell

February 25 9:00am Wayne & Rosemary Seideman

10:30am Joe Halfman

READERS:

February 4 9am Kent Scheuerell 10:30 Kevin Martin February 11 9am Twyla Bath 10:30 Jan Nesladek February 18 9am Scott Gluck 10:30 Chris Witt February 25 9am Patricia Love 10:30 Joe Halfman

COFFEE MAKERS:

Feb 4 Bonnie Gerner

Feb 11 Jim & Anne Mari Peters

Feb 18 WE STILL NEED SOMEONE

Feb 25 Mary Demmon

Fellowship Hour:

Feb 4 WE STILL NEED SOMEONE

Feb 11 WE STILL NEED SOMEONE

Feb 18 WE STILL NEED SOMEONE

Feb 25 WE STILL NEED SOMEONE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

Feb 4 Marlene Wondergem

Feb 11 Michal Gerard

Feb 18 Handbell Ensemble

Feb 25 Larry Wheelock

Communion Servers: Feb 4 9:00 – Dave & Lynn Hammen

10:30 - Joe & Tracy Halfmann

Staying connected with Immanuel through social media...

Website – https://www.immanuelwestbend.org/
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YouTube - https://www.youtube.com/c/ImmanuelUCCWestBend

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IT'S TIME TO ORDER YOUR EASTER FLOWERS!



We invite you to help adorn Immanuel's chancel this Easter as we fill it with beautiful flowers as a symbol of Christ's resurrection.

Forms can be dropped in the Giving Church located on the Offering Altar, placed in church office mailbox #2, or given to Johanna Landowski. Please include payment with order, payable to Immanuel UCC.

Please return by February 15th.

	Lily X \$17.00 = \$
	Tulip X \$15.00 = \$
	Purple Mum X \$16.00 = \$
	Yellow Mum X \$16.00 = \$
	Grand Total = \$
C	Given by:
	Your email:
	In (circle one)honor/ memory / celebration of:

