



Journey Connection

May 2025

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



Read on for more details...

A word, or two from our Pastor...

Dear Members and Friends of Immanuel United Church of Christ,

I write this just returning from my vacation. I spent most of it still recovering from my bout with shingles. These scoundrels are persistent!

We spent a good portion of Lent and Holy Week reflecting on “the seven last words of Christ from the cross.” But the good news is that these are definitely not his “last words” because “He is risen! He is risen indeed!”

Fascinatingly, you could piece together a whole series of “words after the cross”, or better, “words from the resurrected Christ”, as the risen Lord continues to address his church. For example, after his resurrection, Jesus says,

“Why are you crying? Whom are you looking for?” (John 20:15)

“Peace be with you. Why are you frightened?” (Luke 24:36-38)

“Go into all the world and make disciples... And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age” (Matthew 28:19-20)

“Have you caught any fish?” (John 21:5)

“Do you love me? Feed my sheep.” (John 21:15-17)

Jesus also encourages his disciples to wait for the gift of the Spirit that is given on Pentecost. He appears to Saul who is persecuting Christians and transforms his life by grace. Finally, he addresses his churches about remaining faithful in tough times in the book of Revelation.

It is encouraging that the still-speaking God not only speaks through creation, scripture, eucharist, and providential events in our lives, but also through the Spirit of the risen Christ who continues to patiently and graciously transform our lives that we might reflect the glory of Christ and walk in faithfulness to his teachings. It is my joy to continue to remind you to walk by faith, seeking to hear and follow the One who continues to speak into our lives words of hope, mercy, and love.

Grace and peace,
Rich



FUNDRAISING TO HELP...



It's time to replace the roof over the south half of our church building. Praise the Lord, this roof has served us well for the past 40+ years!

Our amazing property team is already on top of the situation and has obtained several quotes; the cost for replacing the roof, gutters and miscellaneous expenses will be approximately \$48,000.

We are excited to share that the Roof Fund has already been jumpstarted with \$2,350.50 in designated Memorials! The plan is not to "Raise the Roof" until we've "Raised the Funds"... please, prayerfully consider what you can do to help us reach our goal so that we can continue to properly care for "our" church home.

Donations can be given to Immanuel Church, designated to "Property – Roof Fund".

GIVE FROM YOUR HEART



Keep an eye on the "Raise the Roof" poster, located by the Giving Church, as we track our contribution progress.

1 Shingle = \$100.

Financial Secretary...

Luke 6:38: "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

In March, we had our "Love In A Cup" bake sale to help cover the cost for our beloved Collectivo Coffee. We raised \$1,161.06. Our coffee expenses (in 2024) were \$1,029.66 which means we surpassed our goal by \$131.40! Thank you everyone for your support, whether supplying baked goods, donating, or praying!

Blessings,
Charlene

Immanuel UCC 2025 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 March 2025 Finance Report

March 2025	<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Total Income	\$40,297.65	\$137,081.27
Total Expenses	<u>\$35,622.52</u>	<u>\$103,201.16</u>
Income vs Expenses	\$4,675.13	\$33,880.11

Cash Available for Church Operations February 2025

Cash Balance Available Ending on Month 3/31/25 \$ 60,652.18

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 3.4-3.8% which the service provider reduces the amount we receive.

Offering Altar

The Offering Altar is located in the Narthex, just outside the Sanctuary. 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 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. For those interested in donating online, for your convenience, access our secure giving page on our website through the QR Code below.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please contact Jenny Landowski at 262-334-2886 or director@immanuelwestbend.org

Scan
Me!



Property update...

This month we had several things that we had to address or will be addressing in the future. The first thing is when we had our roof turbine fan replaced on the sanctuary roof it was noted that the roof over the offices etc., is in bad shape. It is over 40 years old. We have obtained estimates for the job, but we are putting it on hold until we have the funds available to move forward.

We had an issue with water in the resource room which is in the basement. Thanks to Ben Russell and his investigation skills it was determined that the drain basin in the small parking lot was clogged with debris causing the backup of water. Our guys drained and cleared the drain of the blockage, and everything is back to normal.

Our flooring in the vestibules on both the main and parking lot entrances has been replaced. Steve Miller headed up this project with help from Glenn Radzinski and Mike Soener. This project was funded by an in-kind donation from Jim Morrison and Mona Anderson. Thank you, Jim and Mona!

It was decided by Consistory, in order to make the main level bathrooms more easily accessible, that swinging doors would be installed at each entrance. Thank you to Ben Russell for his handy work with this project and thank you to all of you for your patience during the process.

The parking lot needs to be sealed and marked; the extent of this project will depend on what funds we have available at that time.



Property Team



A NOTE FROM OUR CHOIR DIRECTOR...

Daisy Time
by Marjorie Pickthall

See, the grass is full of stars,
Fallen in their brightness;
Hearts they have of shining gold,
Rays of shining whiteness.

Buttercups have honeyed hearts,
Bees they love the clover,
But I love the daisies' dance
All the meadow over.

Blow, o blow, you happy winds,
Singing summer's praises,
Up the field and down the field
A-dancing with the daisies.

This month the choirs will share their ministry of music one more time before our season ends and we take a break for the summer months. We've had a great season of singing and ringing, sharing with each other all that life brings; joys, trials, tears and smiles.

We are connected through music and support each other in our gathering, through conversation and prayer.

It's so much more than the music, really.

Why not consider joining us when we gather together for our 2025-2026 ministry season?

Or perhaps for part of the season,
or maybe even for Christmas and/or Holy Week & Easter?

You've got options!

If you want to sing or ring, we'll make it work.

I am always happy to talk about music ministry at Immanuel church, receive your comments and answer any questions you may have.

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





J.A.M. Time Celebration Sundae!



Calling all J.A.M. Time Shine Brites, Site Leaders, Shepherds, and Helpers!
You are invited to our end of the year party on
Sunday, May 11th.

Please join us in Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m. to celebrate a wonderful year of growth for all our J.A.M. Time Shine Brites. To our graduating class of Javon, Brynn, Burton, Aiden, Emma, Trenton, and Nora...
Shine Brite, Shine Far!

Thank you to each and every one of you who has donated your time, support, and passion for spreading God's word to our next generation!
You are appreciated!

Be on the lookout for upcoming J.A.M. Time news in the Journey Connection and have a great summer everyone!

CORE



On May 11th at 10:30am we will be joining the J.A.M. Time group in celebrating the last day of this year's J.A.M Time and CORE programs.
We will acknowledge the Shine Brites that are moving on and welcoming the ones who are coming into our group!

On May 18th at the 9am service we will be celebrating this year's Confirmands as they take the next step on their faith journey and get confirmed. Please keep Maggie House & Zach Tanner in your prayers as they approach this big day!

CORE is part of Immanuel's youth ministries that serves kids in 7th & 8th grade. The foundation of CORE is reflective of it's name...exploring the core concepts of our beliefs and traditions, expanding on what it means to embrace Christianity and how it differentiates from other religions, and digging deeper into who we are at Immanuel UCC and how we can put our faith into action. They meet from 10:30-11:30am in the classroom off the west hallway in the lower level of church.

CORE Leader Johanna Landowski
confirmation@immanuelwestbend.org
Church 262-334-2886 Cell 262-353-2739

SHINE

May is a very short month for SHINE! We will be wrapping up our "Under Pressure" Mini Unit about keeping your faith and values strong amidst challenges from your friends and peers and celebrating the end of another school year.



May SHINE Schedule:

May 4th- Under Pressure, Day 2
May 11th- End of Year Party

Summer SHINE Schedule:

June 15th
July 27th
August 17th

Shine is a faith and fellowship building program for high school students. You don't need to register or commit- just come downstairs to the church basement and find the room at the bottom of the stairs with all the couches.

Questions? Comments? Talk to Elise!
(262) 343-1149 or shine@immanuelwestbend.org

Need to work through something when we're not meeting every week? Teens (and their loved ones) can always contact Elise to find talking points, resources, or just a listening ear!



Sunday Morning Childcare



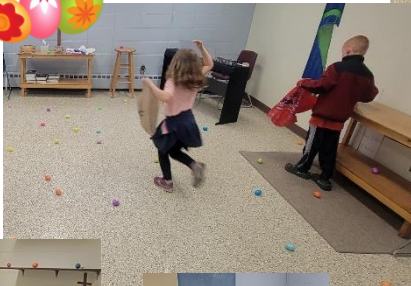
Immanuel offers childcare for children ages **3yrs and under**, on Sunday mornings, during both 9:00 and 10:30am Worship. Our Nursery is located above the Narthex and can be accessed by the stairway at the end of the hall. Children aged 4 through 6th grade are welcome to visit or enroll in J.A.M. Time (Jesus & Me Time), which takes place in the lower level during the 10:30am Worship Service. If you have questions or need direction, an Usher would be happy to assist you.

F.I.T

Families Interacting Together



Egg Hunt and Brunch was a successful event!
Fun was had by all



Youth Group!

We rented a room for our group at the West Bend Cinema to go see the new Captain America Brave New World! We had a great turn out of youth and families!



Saturday May 3rd 8:30am-12:00pm ~ Spring cleanup



Johanna Landowski
(262) 334-2886

youthgroup@immanuelwestbend.org

IMMAMUEL'S YOUTH GROUP SUMMER ACTIVITIES!!

JUNE



Sunday June 8th

11:45am - 2:45pm

Lunch and Selfie Scavenger Hunt

7-12
GRADE

Sunday June 15th

10:30am-11:30am

Summer Fun



JULY



Wednesday July 16th

5:30pm-8pm

Picnic dinner & out door games

Sunday July 27th

10:30am-11:30am

Summer Fun



AUGUST



Saturday August 9th

6:30am-1pm

Youth & JAM Cookout

Sunday August 17th

10:30am-11:30am

Summer Fun



Mark
your
Calendars!

HEY IMMANUEL SHINE BRITES!



JOIN US FOR SOME SUMMER FUN!

GROUP ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH

AGES 3 - 12TH GRADE

SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH, JULY 27TH & AUGUST 17TH

10:30AM-11:30AM

DON'T MISS THE FUN!!

If you have any questions contact

Mitch Schleif at 414-491-5057 or excited4jam@immanuelwestbend.org

Jo Landowski at (262) 353-2739 or confirmation@immanuelwestbend.org

Elise Susnik at (262) 343-1149 or shine@immanuelwestbend.org



Raise Right Gift Cards

Let us help make your shopping, budgeting, dining out, and gift giving easier... Gift Cards for Local Grocers, Gas Stations, Clothing Stores, Online Shopping, Restaurants, and more are available through **Raise Right Gift Cards**. A variety of cards are on hand for immediate purchase, and hundreds of different cards can be ordered on a monthly basis. Raise Right gives us a % of each sale, which benefits our Joyful Journeys Ministries, both India and the COF Shoppe. A member of the India Task Force will have cards available 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. **Orders this month will be called in on Monday, May 12th.**

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. Online donations can be made through our website

<https://www.immanuelwestbend.org/>

Thank you for prayerfully considering supporting this special fund.



Soul Sacks...meeting a basic need of the homeless within our community.

A can of Pasta, Soup, or Chili

8oz bottle of water

Granola Bar

Plastic Spoon

Soul Sack

Sweet or Savory Snack

Fruit/Applesauce Cup

Piece of Candy

A WHOLE LOT OF LOVE

Filling a sack, helps keep the hungry full. 🍽️

Want to support our efforts? Donations of food or \$ to Immanuel's Benevolence Fund are always appreciated.

Soul Sacks are available in the Soul Box located outside of Immanuel Church.

Full Shelf Pantry

*He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you."
Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."*

John 21:17

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

Mac & Cheese



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

Thank You Immanuel Gardeners!!

Many thanks to the following folks who have offered to tend Immanuel's gardens this summer...

Courtyard – Mitch Schleif, Ashley Russel, and Jo Landowski

Garden outside office windows – Jackie Nieman, Carol Argabright, & Lavonda Johnson

Garden on east side of office parking lot – _____

Garden on west side of office parking lot – _____

Two small corner gardens by main entrances – Onward Services

Garden on east side of church – Glenn & Elaine Radzinski

Garden by west parking lot door – Karri Michell

Garden on north side of church – Sophie Landowski

We certainly appreciate their green thumbs!!

As you can see, we're still in need of a couple volunteers to maintain various plots; if you're able to help, in any way, please let me know.

Jenny ~ director@immanuelwestbend.org or 262-334-2886



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Do you enjoy knitting and/or crocheting? Consider joining the Prayer Shawl Ministry and add a special purpose to your hobby. In addition to Prayer Shawls, they've made sweaters for the children in India, hats for Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge, scarves for our Boxed up with Love ministry, and Prayer Squares for new members. This group meets on the 4th Monday of each month and invites you to join them.

For more information,
contact Rosemary Seideman at roseway12@charter.net.

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.

Our current book study is on "Somehow: Thoughts on Love" by Anne Lamott. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 10:00am-11:30am.

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

Wise Guys

Hey fellas! Wise Guys is our men's ministry that 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 **May 15th** is located on the bulletin board outside the main offices. Consider checking it out, and while you're at it, bring a friend!



“Sharing Today’s Word”

Immanuel UCC Adult Discussion Group

Do you ever leave Worship on a Sunday morning wishing you had a community to help you process the Message? Well, here is your opportunity to engage with others! “Sharing Today’s Word” is Immanuel’s Adult Discussion Group that does just that. Any individuals, beyond high school age, are welcome to join in; no need to commit on a regular basis, come when it works for you.

This group meets on Sundays at 10:30am in the space connected to the Friendship Room where Fellowship Time treats are served.

May 18th will be the last Sunday the group will meet before their summer hiatus.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Kent at kscheuerell@gmail.com

Serving with Mr. Bob



On April 19th, a crew of youth and adults from Immanuel had the opportunity to join Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge at Kosciuszko Park in Milwaukee, where they serve the homeless community every Saturday morning. We handed out lightweight blankets, some made by our neighbors at Trinity Lutheran Church, and nutritious goodie bags that had been filled by our friends from ONWARD. It was not only an amazing chance to shine the light of God's love to the world, but also an eye-opening experience for all who came along. The gratitude on the faces and within the sometimes-broken translation of the approximately 120 people served was truly an early Easter blessing!

Thank you to all who came down to the park as well as everyone who continues to share their bounty with those in need both in our community and beyond.



~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."

Circle of Friends

Bundles of Undies, Sacks of Socks

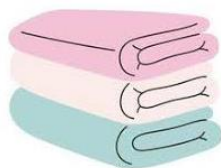
Easter Baskets

Thank you to everyone who contributed Sacks of Socks and Bundles of Undies to our Easter Baskets; your donations will certainly be appreciated by the individuals visiting the Circle of Friends Shoppe!





CURRENT "NEEDED" ITEMS AT THE CIRCLE OF FRIENDS



Men's T-Shirts - All sizes
Boy's T-Shirts sizes 10 thru 18
Boy's Athletic Pants sizes 10 thru 18
Girl's Shirts sizes 10 thru 14
Girl's Stretchy Pants sizes 10 thru 14



Sheets - Queen
Blankets - Twin, Full and Queen

Toasters
Coffee Pots



Delicious FOOD 4 A CAUSE

SATURDAY, MAY 17
9AM-1PM



**WALKING
TACOS**



**HOT BEEF
SUNDAES**



**JUMBO
HOT DOGS**

IMMANUEL CHURCH
501 WALNUT STREET

Hosted by
Joyful Journeys
India Task Force

**IN SUPPORT OF THE
INDIA TRAVELERS FUND**

INDIA



Update on Immanuel's 2025 India Travelers

Our 2025 India Travelers had some devastating news this past month...there is one less person who will be making the trek over. Sadly, Jan Nesladek was denied a visa to enter India, for unknown reasons, therefore is no longer able to go. Both fellow travelers and India Task Force share in her disappointment as Jan is the current president of Joyful Journeys Inc. and serves this ministry with great passion. Prayers for peace and acceptance are appreciated.

With less than 2 months to go, final preparations are being made, and we need some help. We are looking for someone with a decent-sized vehicle to help transport a couple of the travelers to Chicago O'Hare Airport and back.

Drop off would be late morning on June 18th and pick up would be early morning on July 2nd. Ideally, we are looking for someone who is available on both dates, however, if you can only do one, please still reach out in case we need to piece this together.

Contact Team Leader, Jenny Landowski, if you are able to help.

262-334-2886 or director@immanuelwestbend.org

As always, we ask you to please continue to hold these eight individuals in prayer as they prepare their hearts and minds for the upcoming trip.



2025 India Travelers ~ Jenny, Johanna and Sophie Landowski, Lora Buck, Al Nevala, Brenda Raad, Amy and Madison Schmitt.



CELEBRATE!

Happy Anniversary, Joyful Journeys India Ministry!

The year 2025 marks the **20th anniversary of Joyful Journeys India Mission...**
as we continue to highlight a different facet of the ministry each month,
we draw your attention to our **Lunch Bunch** program.
The hope of the India Task Force is for you to prayerfully consider how you can
support our efforts in **shining the light of God's love to the world!**

For more information, or to find out how you can help make a difference,
please contact Jenny at 262-334-2886 or director@immanuelwestbend.org

JOYFUL JOURNEYS INDIA MINISTRY ~ 20TH ANNIVERSARY! LOOK HOW FAR WE'VE COME!

2005



2025



When the Marshall School in India began in 2005, children who couldn't go home to eat were expected to bring their own lunch, however it didn't take long to realize that many of the students were going the whole day without food. In an effort to feed the body, as well as the mind, the **Lunch Bunch Program** was initiated. We could now offer free food for hungry bellies!

As the school grew, so did the need for a bigger kitchen and space to feed the children; **Terri's Dining Hall** was constructed to serve this purpose.

Currently, over 60 children receive a hot nutritious meal everyday.

\$10 will provide food for a needy child at the Marshall School for a month.

A financial contribution to JJ Lunch Bunch, will help maintain this program!

For more information or to donate - <https://joyfuljourneys-inc.org/>

CONGRATULATIONS MARSHALL SCHOOL GRADUATES 2025



Thank you to everyone who has made the commitment to sponsor a child's education at the Marshall School in Madhavapatnam India; your \$20 per month donation is not only an investment in their future but also uplifting the community as a whole. Together we are making a difference! The students were excited to receive the encouraging notes from their sponsors at their Farewell Day Celebration!



If you would like to learn more about our Student Sponsorship Program, please contact Jenny at 262-334-2886 or director@immanuelwestbend.org

Marshall School Graduates and their sponsor/s

Rachel Gumm – Archana Bommu
Louise Aplin - Charan Reddy Gangula
Kathryn Hartley - Chaturya Vasamsetti
John & Carol Trimble - Dhanush Manikanta Valli
Glenn & Elaine Radzinski - Jeevana Jyothi Pentapati
Bii & Nan Myers - Jessi Vemagiri
Hunter & Savannah Demmon - Kiran Kumar Ganta
Mike & Chris Soener - Nani Pesangi
Madelynn Miezio - Navdeep Nikash Valluri
Julie Feit - Prema Nandini Anusuri
Jeff & Becky Potenberg - Savarshini Perella
Brit Player - Satwik Manoj Koruprolu
Chuck & Laura Gustafson - Shanmuka Priya Kunnapu Reddy
John & Carol Trimble - Sowmya Mediseti
Pete & Karri Michell Sri Lakshmi Chollangi
Nancy Grode - Sri Maha Lakshmi Ponnada
Madelynn Miezio - Tanoosh Bommu
Oma Kohler - Yashwanth Marisa
Julie Feit - Yuva Sri Mounika Grandhi

As these young adults look to a future full of new possibilities, we ask that you pray for the family of their classmate, Mounika Sadanala, who died from health complications just before graduation.



Additional Expenses in the month of May...

- Building Maintenance & Repairs \$1,150
- Air Conditioner for Valluri's home \$600

If you would like to cover, or contribute to additional expenses, you can do so by cash/check made out to Joyful Journeys or pay online through our secure website

<https://joyfuljourneys-inc.org/>

Thank you for prayerfully considering this.

MAY

Thursday May 1st

1pm-3pm COF Shoppe
5pm India Task Force
6:30pm Overeaters Anonymous

Friday May 2nd

6:30 pm NA

Saturday May 3rd

8:30am-Noon
Youth Spring Cleaning
10am-Noon COF Shoppe

Communion Sunday May 4th

9am and 10:30 am Worship
10:30 am J.A.M. Time,
CORE, & SHINE
Sharing Today's Word



Monday May 5th

Tuesday May 6th

5:00pm Handbell Ensemble

Wednesday May 7th

1pm Joyful Journeys Inc.
6pm Financial Peace
7 pm AA meeting

Thursday May 8th

10am SonShine Gals
5:30 pm Church & Ministry
6:30 pm Consistory
6:30pm Overeaters Anonymous

Friday May 9th

6:30 pm NA

Saturday May 10th

10am-Noon COF Shoppe

Sunday May 11th

9am and 10:30 am Worship
10:30 am J.A.M. Time,
CORE, SHINE &
Sharing Today's Word

Monday May 12th

12pm Boundaries
4:15pm Citizen Advocates

Tuesday May 13th

5:00pm Handbell Ensemble

Wednesday May 14th

6pm Financial Peace
7 pm AA meeting

Thursday May 15th

6pm Wise Guys

Friday May 16th

6:30 pm NA

Friday May 23rd

6:30 pm NA

Saturday May 17th

9am-1pm Food 4 A Cause

10am–Noon COF Shoppe

Saturday May 24th

Sunday May 25th

9am and 10:30 am Worship

Confirmation Sunday May 18th

9am and 10:30 am Worship

10:30am Sharing Today's Word

**Confirmands will be recognized
at 9am**

Monday May 26th

Office Closed

Monday May 19th

Tuesday May 27th

Tuesday May 20th

Wednesday May 28th

6pm Financial Peace

7 pm AA meeting

Wednesday May 21st

5pm - 7pm COF Shoppe

6pm Financial Peace

7 pm AA meeting

Thursday May 29th

Friday May 30th

6:30 pm NA

Thursday May 22nd

Saturday May 31st



Monday – Thursday 9am – 3pm

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

ANNUAL IMMANUEL JULY JAM

SUNDAY, JULY 20th

Save the date for Immanuel's Church Picnic

INDIA GALA

Friday, October 10th

20th Anniversary

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:

May 4th: Carol Argabright

In celebration of 17 years of Sobriety on 5/5/2025

May 11th: Rich & Bonnie Gerners

in memory of Bonnie's Daughter Dawn Schloemer

May 18th: Laura & Matt Herrick

In celebration of our 9th Wedding Anniversary

May 25th: Marie Papez

In memory of Tom Papez. Happy Heavenly Birthday!

BIRTHDAYS FOR MAY

Kael Lutter 1st
Harley Pieffle 1st
Rich Vincent 1st
Peyton Oestreich 2nd
Mike Mattek 3rd
Madison Schmitt 3rd
Rhett Russell 4th
Stuart Swanson 6th
Owen Gluck 8th
Candi Martin 8th
Scott Schowalter 9th
Lora Buck 12th
Emilie Nieman-Witt 12th
Valerie Pabon 12th
Jessica Frederick 14th
Jamieson Lusty 15th
Pat Otten 15th
Emily Frederick – Shaikh 18th
Patricia Sommer 19th
Calvin Riegel 21st
Hadley Demmon 22nd
Braeden House 22nd
Kelton Kreis 22nd
Julia Raad 22nd
Jessica Myers 23rd
Mary Jo Norgel 27th
Laura Gustafson 28th
Donald Maurer 29th
Naomi Arndt 31st





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:

Ronald and Kathleen Diels, DeDe Emory, Helen Keey, Carol King, Jerry Kuckuk, Judy Muelling, Bill Myers, Nan Myers, Charles Roemer, Joan Stenstrup, and Barb Styduhar.

Health Concerns:

Mona Anderson, Jessica Frederick, Dave Hammen, Bruce Kapanke, Jim Morrison, Tom Newkirk, Anne Mari Peters, and Dave Wolff.

Hospice Care:

Barb Styduhar

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, Chase Mastenbrook, Even Mastenbrook, Lexi McCrillis, Elise Patten, Evan Patten, Valerie Pabon, Madison Schmitt, Chloe Sheehy, Gregory Morales-Torres, 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.

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 director@immanuelwestbend.org.



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



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

GREETERS:

May 4	9:00am Carol Argabright, Pat Sommer 10:30am Dave & Lynn Hammen
May 11	9:00am Max Sommerfeld 10:30am Barb Seefeldt & Lavonda Johnson
May 18	9:00am Carol Argabright 10:30am Mary Ellen Dodge, Mary jo Norgel, Kent Scheuerell
May 25	9:00am Nancy Naab, Esther Kohler 10:30am Julie Glassman

USHERS: Head Usher: Gary McCrillis

May 4	9:00am Max Sommerfeld, Rich Gerner 10:30am Gene Kreis
May 11	9:00am Michael Bath, Rachel Gumm 10:30am Elaine Radzinski
May 18	9:00am Mike Soener, Patricia Love 10:30am Ben & Ashley Russell
May 25	9:00am Wayne & Rosemary Seideman 10:30am Joe Halfman

READERS:

May 4	9am Kari Lutter	10:30am Chris Witt
May 11	9am Jackie Nieman	10:30am Riley Tanner
May 18	9am Evelyn Lutter	10:30am Doug Stewart
May 25	9am Carol Merrifield	10:30am Pete Michell

COFFEE MAKERS:

May 4	Bonnie Gerner
May 11	Jim & Anne Mari
May 18	Eric Christie
May 25	Mary Demmon

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

May 4	Adult Choir
May 11	Larry Wheelock
May 18	Handbell Ensemble
May 25	Larry Wheelock

Fellowship Hour:

May 4	May the 4 th be with you!
May 11	Wise Guys
May 18	<u>STILL NEED SOMEONE</u>
May 25	<u>STILL NEED SOMEONE</u>

Communion Servers: May 4

9:00	– Scott & Tama Gluck
	Floater – Rachel Gumm
10:30	– Jason & Liz Ratzburg

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Facebook – Immanuel United Church of Christ

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