

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH MARCH NEWSLETTER 2018

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DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEINGS MARCH 11TH – SO DON'T FORGET TO “SPRING AHEAD ON MARCH 10TH!!)



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**Thank you to all those involved in our Lenten services
and fellowship socials.**



LENTEN FELLOWSHIP **SPONSOR SCHEDULE**

**ALL ARE INVITED TO THE LOUNGE AFTER
THE WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERVICES
TO JOIN IN FELLOWSHIP AND SHARE
REFRESHMENTS SPONSORED BY THE
FOLLOWING MINISTRY COMMITTEES:**

2/21	SUNDAY SCHOOL
2/28	SOCIAL MIN.
3/7	COUNCIL
3/14	FOG
3/21	CHOIR
3/28	NO REFRESHMENTS
3/29	MAUNDY THURSDAY
3/30	GOOD FRIDAY

We invite you to consider
supporting our Easter appeal



EASTER FLOWERS, I would like to give _____ flowers for
the Special Offering for Easter Sunday at \$8.00 each.

\$ _____ **is enclosed.**

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Given by _____

Please indicate your preference below

_____ please deliver to shut in or local charity

_____ I will deliver to shut in or local charity

_____ I prefer to pick up after late service

Instead of flowers I would like to give _____ for the
Special Offering for Easter Sunday to go towards eliminating
hunger locally and globally.

\$ _____ **is enclosed.**

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Given by _____

PLACE FORM & DONATION IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR
SEND TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY MARCH 18, 2018.

**Christian
Education**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
* MARCH 2018 ***



Hi from the second floor.

After the joy of pancakes, sausage and chocolate coins, we now move into the repentant time of Lent. As my bulletin board suggests, let's journey through these 40 days by giving back or paying it forward instead of giving something up.

On the fourth Sunday (March 11th) we will celebrate pretzel Sunday. We give out pretzels to remind our students to say their prayers and that prayers are said for them.

I have already had a planning meeting with the Lakewood Methodist staff about Vacation Bible School this coming Summer. Never too early to plan!

May we all have a quiet, reflective time during Lent as we prepare for the wonderful blessing of Easter.

Thanks for reading.

Carolyn Kuntz, Sunday School Superintendent



Did you know?

The Liturgical color for
LENT is

~purple~

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REPENTANCE AND
SOLEMNITY

The color for
THE SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION/PALM SUNDAY
on 3/25 is

~scarlet or purple~

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SCARLET FOR THE BLOOD
OF CHRIST

The color for
HOLY WEEK M/Tue/Wed. is
~scarlet or purple~

The color for
MAUNDY THURS. is

~scarlet or white~

GOOD FRIDAY
stripping of the
Altar

EASTER VIGIL & EASTER
is
~White or Gold~

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Joy in the Resurrection & this
is THE day – the “queen of
feasts” in the entire church
year

March 2018 Worship Calendar for Immanuel Lutheran, Erie PA

Date	Presider	Assistant	Lay Distributor	Lector
3/4/18 8:15	Ed Whitbred	Stan Holsopple	Debbie Redditt	Barb Coughlin
10:45	Ed Whitbred	Gretchen Andrews	Anita Byrne	Lorraine Hornaman
3/7/18 ~Lent Mid-week service 7:00 PM	Bryan Tumm	n/a	n/a	
3/11/18 8:15	Pastor Karen Lundwall	Debbie Redditt	n/a	Bill Redditt
10:45	Pastor Karen Lundwall	Cindy Geddes	n/a	Claudia Skerlong
3/14/18 ~Lent Mid-week service 7:00 PM	Bryan Tumm	n/a	n/a	
3/18/18 8:15	Jacque Holmberg	Bob Dorler	Stan Holsopple	Bob Dorler
10:45	Jacque Holmberg	Anita Byrne	Debbie Redditt	Joe Byrne
3/21/18 ~Lent Mid-week service 7:00 PM	Bryan Tumm	n/a	n/a	
3/25/18-PALM SUNDAY 8:15	Jen Kuntz	Stan Holsopple	Rick Kuntz	Cindy Eckman
10:45	Jen Kuntz	Bob Dorler	n/a	Debbie Madurski
3/28/18 ~Lent Mid-week service 7:00 PM	Bryan Tumm	n/a	n/a	
3/29/18 ~Maundy Thursday 7:00 PM	Pastor Karen Lundwall	Anita Byrne	n/a	Joe Byrne
3/30/18 ~Good Friday 7:00 PM	Pastor Karen Lundwall	Gretchen Andrews	n/a	Lori Nemenz

Acolyte:

Altar Guild: S. Leubin/P. Maloney/S. Pfeiffer

Counters: Stan Holsopple/Denise Arnold

Ushers: Early: R.Kuntz/B.Redditt Late: Kim & Mike Lee

Soup Kitchen Items Needed: Canned Chicken/Pwd Creamer/Sugar

Soup Kitchen Delivery: Stan Holsopple

If you are unable to fulfill your commitment – please find an alternate & notify the church office.

A special thank you:

Dave Mays (1st Service) and Janice Kreger (2nd Service) will be scheduling Worship Assts., Lay Distributors, and Lectors – they appreciate your willing support. Janice would like to mentor/train someone to take over for her – so all those interested please speak with Janice Kreger.

APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
MARCH 18th



KEEP IN PRAYER: Lucie Arndt, Esther Bax, Brock Michael & his Mom-Carla, Jeremy Cool, Pat Dehner, David Guthrie, Dominic, Jim Hornaman, Pastor Huhn, Kyle Husted, Carolyn Kuntz, Jim Kuntz, Phyllis Lindahl, Marie McKinney, Michael, Howard McGranor, Carole Rickrode, Sharon Roemer, Crystal S., Maria S., Debbie Sitter, Sophie Rene, Kim Wingard, Wyatt, and all of our members who are grieving; who are in nursing homes, or ill at home.

We pray for those in the military: Scott Case– Navy, (C. Geddes nephew) & Christopher Peterson – Navy (Grandson of the late Agnes & Chuck Peterson).

Please also remember the members of Immanuel who are "shut in," and cannot make it to service, you may want to offer them a ride, give them a friendly call, send them a card. The current Shut-In Mailing List is available in the office.

Current Shut-in list: Audree Adams, Esther Bax, Judi Casler, Patricia Dehner, Sally & "Shel" Fager, & Doris Roesch.

Lenten Liturgy Study

Worship & Music

During Lent we will be offering a Liturgy Study series on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 at church in place of bell choir. Bryan Timm, our Music Director will be coordinating. Holden Evening prayer will be at 7PM followed by refreshments and fellowship.

FAITH

IN

ACTION

CALL COMMITTEE

Bob Dorler is leading this effort on behalf of the Church Council – please see Bob if you are willing to serve.

Social Ministry



During the month of March the Social Ministry Committee will continue to collect men's and women's socks for the Community Shelter.

Please place in the box at the Donation Station.



The Immanuel Quilting Group is looking for cotton or cotton blend flat sheets (no flannel or 100% polyester please).....If you have old, flat sheets, twin sized or larger, that you no longer need, please leave them in the designated box at the Donation Center.

Sanctuary Candle & Altar Flowers



Celebrations of Life and Love

Have a special birthday or anniversary coming up???
Why not "Feed two birds with one crumb" and honor your loved ones with flowers on the altar or by sponsoring the Sanctuary Candle ~~ you are in turn helping Immanuel at the same time.
Take the flowers with you or gift them to a shut-in.

The 2018 Altar Flower and Sanctuary Candle Charts are posted in the narthex and we invite you to consider sponsoring as you are able. Please sign your name on the chart, along with your commemoration next to the date(s) you select or call the church office at 833-4062, email us, or stop by and I will take your request.

Either is a great way to honor/memorialize that special occasion.

The cost of Altar Flowers from the florist is \$30; the sanctuary candles are \$5/wk and rosebuds are \$10 – due on the date of sponsorship.

March Birthdays

March 4	Julie Sierota
7	Ronald Cooper/Joe Byrne
8	Stephanie Wood
11	Ava Fetcko
12	Carolyn Kuntz
25	Lori Nemenz, Isaiah Guthrie
27	Jean Swanson/Sally Fager/Mike Moore
31	Mary Hauser

Everyone enjoys receiving a card!

March Anniversaries

Congratulations! to those celebrating their anniversary on:

March 4 Michael and Jodie Feiler

Congratulations to those celebrating!!!

Did I forget you? Please e-mail me or call me with your birthdays, anniversaries or a special day you would like us to share.

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The WELCA Conference 1 Gathering is April 7, 2018 at the Maennechor Club – please see Lori Nemenz if you are interested in car-pooling.

31th Annual Convention May 11, 12, 2018

Celebrate Abundance

John 10:10b, "I came that they may life, and have it abundantly.

Convention Information

Volunteer's Needed: We are looking for volunteers before, after and during convention. We are in need of several volunteers to sign up for one hour slots to be take money for purchases at Fair Trade Fair at convention.

We have other volunteer openings as well such as helping with rock sharing station, setting up, stuffing folders, taking down, helping with snack, greeting first timers and orienting them to Olmsted. Please call or text Jean Knapp at 716-790-9277 or email at jeanpknapp@gmail.com

Once again we will meet at Olmsted Manor in Ludlow on May 11th-12th for our NWPA Synodical Women's Organization (SWO) Convention. We will explore and celebrate God's abundance. We will conduct the business of NWPA Women of the ELCA while enjoying the beautiful surroundings of Olmsted Manor in Ludlow, PA. (registration form in this newsletter). You have the option of attending the whole convention, Saturday only, or Friday supper including evening programming. Those who haven't attended before are in for a treat. We are planning a time of fun, learning, fellowship, worship and self-care.

We are delighted Linda Post Bushkovsky, Women of the ELCA executive director, will participate in our convention! You may recognize her from the column she writes in the Gather magazine. She will facilitate an early bird workshop on leadership Friday afternoon at 4:30.

Bishop Jones will delight us again with his News from the Bishop after supper Friday evening. Then it's off to Hickman hall to Dance Abundantly, or keep the beat while you enjoy others dancing. You are welcome to bring rhythm instruments if you have them. Another option is duck pin bowling on the third floor of the mansion. Afterwards, we will have a time of worship before going to a meet and greet with our church wide representative and Linda Post Bushkovsky. A light snack will be provided

Workshop's

Living in Abundance through Poetry: Reverend Lee Beckes
Retired Presbyterian Pastor who taught Poetry at Pitt Bradford.

Mindful Abundance: Jean Knapp will lead a mindful walk to
The Olmsted Manor Labyrinth, (Rain or Shine)

Prayerful Abundance: Christine Gustafson will lead participants in meditative prayer
in the Prayer Room

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Northwest Pennsylvania Synodical Women's Organization

31th Annual Convention May 11, 12, 2018

Celebrate Abundance (John 10-10)

Olmsted Manor Retreat Center, Ludlow, PA 16333

Please complete and return to:

Lori Nowacki, 1170 River Road, Warren, PA 16365

Make Check's Payable to: NWPA/SWD

Name _____ Conference # _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

E-mail _____

Home Church _____

Emergency contact person _____ Phone _____

Registration both days, all meals and accommodations

(Friday Dinner 6 pm, Saturday breakfast, lunch,

all registration fees and double or left room) \$ 100.00 _____

Day registration and Lunch meal \$30 _____

Friday evening only (6pm supper and program) \$40 _____

Teen's subtract \$10.00 (from registration) Total \$ _____

Refunds must be received by April 1st.

Are you serving as a delegate? _____ yes

Are you a first time attendee? _____ yes







Do you need a Handicap Room? _____ yes

Do you have food allergies?

If so what? _____

March 2018

** Lenten Journey **

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 SOCK DRIVE ALL MONTH				1 7:00 PM Alanon	2 7:30 PM Friday AA	3
4 *Quarter Sunday* SUNDAY SCHOOL: ADULT: 9:00 K-TEEN: 9:30AM Church Services: 8:15 & 10:45 AM	5 7pm Flagship City Chorus 7 pm Flute Choir	6 AA 7:30 PM	7 TOPS 8:30 AM AA MTG 7:30 PM MID-WEEK LENTEN LITURGY STUDY 6:15 PM SERVICE 7 PM	8 7:00 PM Alanon	9 7:30 PM Friday AA	10 Change your clocks.....
 11  PRETZEL SUNDAY SUNDAY SCHOOL: ADULT: 9:00 K-TEEN: 9:30AM Church Services: 8:15 & 10:45 AM COUNCIL MTG 9:30 AM	12 7pm Flagship City Chorus 7 pm Flute Choir	13 AA 7:30 PM	14 TOPS 8:30 AM AA MTG 7:30 PM MID-WEEK LENTEN LITURGY STUDY 6:15 PM SERVICE 7 PM	15 7:00 PM Alanon	16 7:30 PM Friday AA	17
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25 <i>Palm Sunday</i>  SUNDAY SCHOOL: ADULT: 9:00 K-TEEN: 9:30AM Church Services: 8:15 & 10:45 AM	26 7pm Flagship City Chorus 7 pm Flute Choir	27 AA 7:30 PM	28 MID-WEEK LENTEN LITURGY STUDY 6:15 PM SERVICE 7 PM ADULT CHOIR 8:00 PM TOPS 8:30 AM AA MTG 7:30 PM	29  MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE 7 PM	30  GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 7 PM	31

DAY LIGHT
SAVINGS TIME
BEGINS 3/11!!!

WHAT IS GOD
ASKING OF YOU
TODAY AND IN
THE DAYS AHEAD?



Immanuel Hours

Church Office – 833-4062

Hours - Mon-Thurs. 8:30am-12:30pm

Staff

Bell Choir: Director Lorraine Hornaman

Church Caretaker: Wally Coughlin

Organist/Music: Director Bryan Timm

Admin. Sec.: Lori Swanson Nemenz

Sunday school

Superintendent: Carolyn Kuntz

Assistant: Janice Kreger

Elected Lay Leadership

Treasurer: John Siefert - 476-7290

Fin. Sec.: Cindy Geddes – 734-1286

Church Council Officers

Pres. – vacant

Vice Pres. – Debbie Redditt – 449-1855

Secretary Kim Lee - 838-4022

Council Members

Gretchen Andrews, Cindy Eckman, Debbie Madurski, Kim Lee, George Pfeiffer, Hannah Mays, Debbie Redditt, John Siefert

Church Council Committees

*We invite all members of Immanuel to join any of these committees and/or offer your gifts where you can – many hands make light work!!
Council usually meets the 2nd Sunday of the month – 9:30 am*

A note from Church Council: Please help us look to the future – connect with one of our Council members, find out about this aspect of our faith community – consider serving – we have an open spot for you.

Christian Education

Council liaison: Cindy Eckman

Communications

Council liaison: vacant Committee Chair: vacant

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Did you miss church? Need to keep updated and want easy access to the church calendar, newsletter or annual report?

Check out our website <http://www.ilc-erie.org/>

Fellowship, Outreach & Growth

Council liaisons: David & Hannah Mays

Finance

Council liaison: Gretchen Andrews

Property

Council liaison: Debbie Redditt Committee Chair: Stan Holsopple
Property Committee usually meets the 3rd Tues. of the month-7pm

Stewardship

Council liaison: John Seifert

Social Ministry Committee

Council liaison: Debbie Madurski – Committee chair: vacant

Worship & Music

Bell Choir: resumes after Easter

Adult Choir 8:00 pm (after Wed. Lent service)

Council liaison: Kim Lee Committee Chair: vacant

Meeting 1st Sunday of every other month, even months - after late service



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