

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2019

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Christian Education



In my opinion “The Shadows of Christmas” play, was wonderful and a gift to the whole congregation from the talented staff and students of the Immanuel Sunday School.

**THANK YOU AGAIN TO ALL
INVOLVED!!**

Lori Nemenz, Newsletter Editor/Admin. Sec.

We will NOT have classes on Dec. 30th.

We hope to see everyone back on January 6, 2019.

Please continue to decorate our mitten trees with hats, scarves, gloves and mittens.

Carolyn Kuntz, Sunday School Superintendent

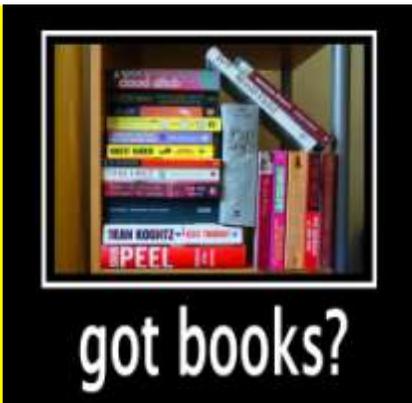


Can you help?

Can you spare an hour or two?

Is this a project...
– just right for you?

LIBRARY NEWS



Property

Bob Dorler and the Property Committee are working with Glowacki Mgmt. to locate a new tenant for the Powell Ave. property as well. We welcome your promotion of this information to your friends and family. The Powell Ave. property is a ranch style home with 2 nice-sized bedrooms, large LR and kitchen with appliances, dining area overlooking the large backyard, full bath, full basement with laundry hook-ups. Lawn care services are an optional add-on. Currently no animals are permitted.



Meetings take place at our church almost every evening and facility fees for use of the building are paid by these groups but, we have room to accommodate a few more. If you know of a group that serves the community and is looking for a low cost space to gather, please

have them contact the church office – 833-4062.

Helping you with your New Year’s Resolutions

Let us help you fulfill one of those New Year’s resolutions...find more time to read something meaningful, funny, mysterious, historical...we’ve got it all in the church library – just sign it out – take your time – No Limits on our books and return it when you are finished. Do something nice for yourself in the new year – visit our wonderful library after church on Sunday or stop in M-Th 8:30-12:30 and pick out something or find a comfy chair and relax and read – **yes – I said relax.**



JANUARY 2019 Worship Calendar for Immanuel Lutheran, Erie PA

Date	Presider	Assistant	Lay Distributor	Lector
1/6/19 Epiphany 8:15 10:45	Zimmerman	Stan Holsopple Char Feiler	Hannah Mays Anita Byrne	Cindy Eckman Claudia Skerlong
1/13/19 Baptism of Jesus 8:15 10:45	Holmberg	Debbie Redditt Anita Byrne	Rick Kuntz Gretchen Andrews	Bill Redditt Ann Anderson
1/20/19 8:15 10:45	Lundwall	Char Feiler Cindy Geddes	Not needed	Rick Kuntz Debbie Madurski
1/27/19 8:15 10:45 Annual Congregation Meeting	Whitbred	_____ John Siefert	Stan Holsopple Cindy Geddes	Barb Coughlin Cindy Geddes

Did you know?
The Liturgical color for
Christmas & Epiphany is
white =

PURITY, LIGHT & JOY

**Can you lend a
hand?**

**Give it some
prayerful thought.**

Acolyte:

Stewart

Counters: John & Maria Siefert/Debbie Redditt

Ushers: Early: Jack Botwright Late: Bob Dorler

Soup Kitchen Items Needed: Canned Broth

Soup Kitchen Delivery: Stan Holsopple

Altar Guild: Donna Dorler/Judy

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

***Sign-up sheets on the bulletin board
for February***

**FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:
JANUARY 20TH**



KEEP IN PRAYER: Lucie Arndt, Brock & Mom-Karla, Ron Cooper, Jim & Lorraine Hornaman, Pastor Huhn, Kyle Husted, Suzanne Kahn, Carol Ketchel, Carolyn Kuntz, Jim Kuntz, Phyllis Lindahl, Marie McKinney, Michael, Glenn McGranor, The Martinez-Rosado family, Barry Philip, Liz Price, Carole Rickrode, Sharon Roemer, Doris Roesch, Maria S., Debbie Sitter, Kim Wingard, 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).

Update on Suzanne Kahn – Maria Siefert’s sister:

My sister will be having her last chemo treatment on December 26 if all goes well. Pet scan is scheduled for January. Prayers for continued good care and clean bill of health.

If others would like to share updates on their communications with our shut-ins please email or share a note with the office – we remember all our members – near and far and those that aren’t able to be with us always.

Please 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 or see our current directory.

Current Shut-in list: Audree Adams, Judi Casler, Sally & “Shel” Fager, Doris Roesch & Pearl Young.

If you are sick or in the hospital please notify the church office and if you’d like home communion or a copy of our newsletter ~ please let us know in the office.

FAITH

IN

ACTION

Acknowledging Thrivent

A big thank you to Thrivent Financial for giving seed money for quilt batting for the Monday morning quilters. Thrivent also gave seed money for the Community Shelter Christmas bags.

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY THRIVENT!!!!!!!



Thank
you to all
involved!

Community Shelter 2018 Christmas Gift Bags

Thanks to the generosity of the members of Immanuel Lutheran Church and a grant from Thrivent, 32 people at the Community Shelter on W. 17th St., enjoyed a better Christmas. The gifts they received from us ~ in handmade, study bags ~ enable them to ride the bus, have a meal at McDonald's, and be warmer wearing the hats, gloves and socks provided. The many other items given, surely gave them comfort and pleasure and hopefully put a smile on their faces.

**Thank you Immanuel & Thrivent!!
Social Ministry Committee**

**Sanctuary Candle & Altar
Flowers**



**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 2019 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.

***Celebrations
of Life and
Love***

January Birthdays

January 1	Willis Bax/Steve Holsopple
11	Kim Paternosh
12	Ben Roemer
19	Jack Botwright
25	Debbie Redditt/Corrine Glover
26	Judy Sierota

Everyone enjoys receiving a card!

January Anniversaries

It must have been too cold or snowy for anyone to get married!!



**SAVE
THE
DATES**

On **January 6th** after the late service, we'd appreciate any and all help to remove and carefully store the Christmas season decorations.

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING

Mark your calendars for the Annual meeting **January 27th** after second service where we will review the ministry and the celebrations and challenges of 2018 and look ahead to 2019.

Altar Guild 2019 Schedule

Sue/Sally/Penny

March
May
August
November

Donna/Judy

January
April - Palm Sunday/Easter
July
September

Char/Debbie M.

February
June
October- Reformation
December - Christmas

Altar Guild

Gretchen Andrews	838-3298	C/490-2464
Anita Byrne	397-7318	
Donna Dorler	833-2719	
Char Feiler	833-5865	C/440-4851
Sally Leubin	838-3039	
Debbie Madurski	774-3590	C/304-203-2941
Penny Maloney	838-7439	
Sue Pfeiffer	833-0797	
Debbie Redditt	833-7024	C/449-1855
Sharon Roemer	835-2435	
Judy Stewart	838-2639	

Sunday before Ash Wednesday place the Alleluia Banner (located in the Sunday School room above the office) so that the banner can be carried out of church for the farwell to the Alleuia.....

2019 COUNTING SCHEDULE AND GUIDELINES

PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS A KEY TO UNLOCK DRAWER AT BANK
FOR BAG WHEN DEPOSITING

Jan	John Siefert	476-7290
and	Maria Siefert	476-7290
Feb	Debbie Redditt	833-7024
March,	Stan Holsopple	833-8672
Aug., Oct.	Denise Arnold	838-7068
April	Char Feiler	833-5865
& Nov.	Debbie Madurski	774-3590
May,	Cindy Geddes	734-1286
July & Sept.	Barbara Coughlin	833-7198
June	Kim Lee, Char	K: 838-4022 CF: 833-5865
& Dec.	Feiler, Cindy Geddes	CG: 734-1286

SUBSTITUTES 2019

Bob Dorler	833-2719
Cindy Eckman	833-2889
George & Sue Pfeiffer	833-0797

Please arrange for a substitute if you cannot count.

Call the secretary at the church at 833-4062, if there must be a permanent change.

Money total and envelope total must be equal. ***Make sure there is a readable amount on each envelope and that it equals the amount in the envelope. ***Write down the name – amount – what for – on a piece of paper if check is not in an envelope or a non-numbered envelope.*** If an error cannot be found, make a note of the amount. No figures are to be changed by the counters!

List those paying for altar flowers and send to office. A separate list of memorials, Easter and Christmas flowers must be given to the office for the bulletins.

Supplies are ordered only through the office! Extras are on the bottom shelf of the counter's cabinet. When night deposit bags are low and deposit slips are low notify the church office. These will be ordered by the secretary or John Siefert (treasurer).

(updated 08/23/18 per info from C. Geddes; reviewed and approved by Council 2018)

2019 USHER SCHEDULE

HEAD USHER: BOB DORLER

<u>Month</u>	<u>Early</u>	<u>Late</u>
<u>January</u>	<u>Jack Botwright</u>	<u>Bob Dorler</u>
<u>February</u>	<u>Hannah & David Mays</u>	<u>John & Maria Siefert</u>
<u>March</u>	<u>Rick Kuntz/Bill Redditt</u>	<u>Mike & Kim Lee</u>
<u>April</u>	<u>Bob Dorler, Jack Botwright</u>	<u>Tom Stewart/Rick Hetrick</u>
<u>May</u>	<u>Hannah & David Mays</u>	<u>Bob Dorler/John & Maria Siefert</u>
<u>June</u>	<u>Rick Kuntz/Bill Redditt</u>	<u>John & Maria Siefert</u>
<u>July</u>	<u>Bob Dorler, Jack Botwright</u>	<u>Mike & Kim Lee</u>
<u>August</u>	<u>Hannah & David Mays</u>	<u>Tom Stewart/Rick Hetrick</u>
<u>September</u>	<u>Rick Kuntz/Bob Dorler</u>	<u>Bob Dorler/John & Maria Siefert</u>
<u>October</u>	<u>Bob Dorler, Jack Botwright</u>	<u>John & Maria Siefert</u>
<u>November</u>	<u>Hannah & David Mays</u>	<u>Mike & Kim Lee</u>
<u>December</u>	<u>Rick Kuntz/Bill Redditt</u>	<u>Tom Stewart/Rick Hetrick</u>

January 2019

Greetings of Peace

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  AA 7:30 PM Office Closed	2 TOPS 8:30 AM AA MTG 7:30 PM	3 BELL CHOIR 6:15 PM ADULT CHOIR 7:15 PM	4 7:30 PM Friday AA	5
6 *EPIPHANY* Quarter Sunday Sunday School 9:30 Services: 8:15 & 10:45 Decorations come down	7 QUILTERS 9:30 AM 7pm Flagship City Chorus 7pm Presque Isle Flute Club	8 AA 7:30 PM	9 TOPS 8:30 AM AA MTG 7:30 PM	10 BELL CHOIR 6:15 PM ADULT CHOIR 7:15 PM	11 7:30 PM Friday AA	12
13 Sunday School 9:30 am Services: 8:15 & 10:45 AM COUNCIL MTG. 9:30 AM	14 QUILTERS 9:30 AM 7 pm Flagship City Chorus 7 pm Presque Isle Flute Club	15 AA 7:30 PM PROPERTY COMM. MTG. 7PM	16 TOPS 8:30 AM AA MTG 7:30 PM	17 BELL CHOIR 6:15 PM ADULT CHOIR 7:15 PM	18 7:30 PM Friday AA	19
20 Sunday School 9:30 am Services: 8:15 & 10:45 am NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	21 QUILTERS 9:30 AM 7pm Flagship City Chorus 7pm Presque Isle Flute Club	22 – CALL COMMITTEE 7 PM WITH BISHOP JONES AA 7:30 PM	23 TOPS 8:30 AM AA MTG 7:30 PM	24 BELL CHOIR 6:15 PM ADULT CHOIR 7:15 PM	25 7:30 PM Friday AA	26
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WHAT IS GOD ASKING OF YOU TODAY AND IN THE DAYS AHEAD?



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Immanuel Hours

Church Office –
833-4062
Hours - Mon-
Thurs. 8:30am-
12:30pm

Staff

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. – Debbie Redditt – 449-1855
Vice Pres. – Gretchen Andrews - 838-3298
Secretary - TBD

Council Members

Cindy Eckman, Debbie Madurski, Char Feiler,
George Pfeiffer, Hannah Mays, Debbie Redditt,
Bob Dorler, Cindy Geddes

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*

Christian Education

Council liaison: Cindy Eckman

Communications

Council liaison: vacant Committee Chair: vacant

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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: TBD

Social Ministry Committee

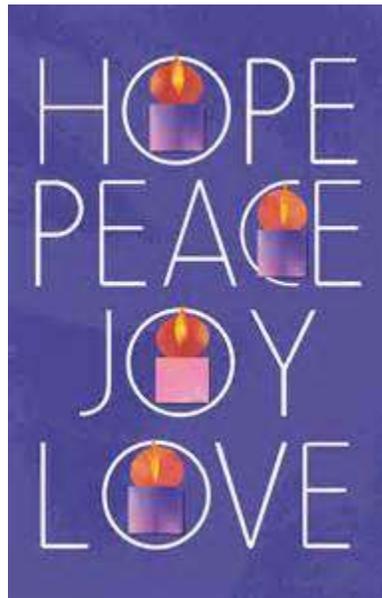
Council liaison: Debbie Madurski – Committee chair:

Worship & Music

Council liaison: TBD Committee Chair: vacant
*Ringers: 6:15 Open Rehearsal–come & give it a try
Singers: 7:15 PM*

*Wishing you all a Happy and
Healthy New Year!*

*Thank you for all you do to share the GOOD
NEWS in your own way.*



Christ the Savior is born!