

# Journey Connection

#### September 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





### ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR... RALLY SUNDAE SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

9:00am - Worship Service

10:30am – Worship Service J.A.M. Time (Children's Ministry) CORE (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Ministry) SHINE (High School Ministry)

11:30am – Parking Lot Party (assemble in Sanctuary first)

If you plan to worship with us, come with an open heart...

# If you plan to have your kids participate in any of our Youth Ministries,

please fill out a registration form... online access: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/qChwsX0naW</u>

If you plan to stay for the Pig Roast Parking Lot Party, kindly sign up on the sheet outside the Main Office so we can plan accordingly for food. You can also contact Johanna and she'll add your name to the list. office@immanuelwestbend.org 262-3342886

## A word, or two from our Pastor...

Dear Members and Friends of Immanuel United Church of Christ, Well, Summer is almost officially over and we're moving into the time when our Fall programs of J.A.M. Time, CORE, SHINE, and Adult Discussion group begin. We've been planning these things for months, and now the "rubber meets the road" as we begin another year together. We move into a busy time, but it's a good busy – the business of seeking to be spiritually formed by our shared faith and commitment to our common mission of "being and making Spirit-filled followers of Christ who shine the light of God's love to the world."

I hope that our summer series on the Book of James has been insightful, challenging, and inspiring for you. Over the coming weeks, we will finish this out before we move onto the normal rhythms of Advent, Christmas, etc.

I know that I went into this series just seeking to find a "place-holder" for the Summer, but I have been pleasantly surprised by how motivating and challenging James' message is. James has taught us that our desires and behaviors matter just as much as our faith – and arguably even more – because "faith without works is useless and dead". Because of this, I want to answer James' call to walk wisely and well in the world, devoted to the way of Christ by living peaceably, gently, and mercifully. My prayer is that you would share this same commitment, and I trust that you do.

Over the coming months, I pray that our shared life will bring forth the peaceful fruit of righteousness. I pray that our relationships with one another will be grounded in kindness, respect, and love. And I pray that our mutual witness will honor the risen Christ who by the Spirit calls us to let our light shine in the world so that others may see our faith and actions and give glory to God. There is no higher calling than this, and no greater goal. Certainly, we will fall short again and again, but by God's grace we will rise anew each time with confidence and hope that "God is able to do exceedingly, abundantly beyond all we can ask, think, or imagine" (Ephesians 3:20).

As always, it's my pleasure and privilege to serve together with you here at Immanuel UCC. Let's move into the Fall with renewed passion and commitment to Christ and to one another!

> Grace and peace, Rich

### **On behalf of our President...**

Dear Members and Friends of Immanuel United Church of Christ,

As I write, we are in the midst of a heat advisory. It certainly does not feel as though fall is upon us. However, the temperatures can and will change quickly. With these temperature/weather changes comes the return to school and our youth ministry programs at Immanuel.

Rally Day will be Sunday, September 8th. This will be the kick off to our youth ministries. Please join us for lunch following the second service. This is a wonderful time of fellowship!

In addition to youth ministries, Consistory has been working on the return of a Sunday Adult Study. This ministry will be called Sharing Today's Word and will start on Sunday, September 15th. Please be on the lookout for more information, if this is something that is of interest to you.

As the seasons change and our children return to school, please keep all involved in your prayers. Please join me in praying for our very important youth and adult ministries at Immanuel. There are so many wonderful things happening in and around our church on a daily basis, not just on Sunday. We have much to be grateful and thankful for every day!

> Blessings, Amy

### **Property update...**

Otis Elevator replaced the alarm bell and we now have a up to date state inspection certificate.

The plaster around the sanctuary stained glass windows moisture level still registers quite high, mainly around where the wooden frame meets the plaster. The wooden frame on the surface doesn't seem to be compromised, We will keep monitoring it.

We will be replacing the treads on the stairs that lead into the courtyard. They are slightly compromised and we do not want any issues going forward. We are doing an exterior inspection and painting as needed before cold weather comes and we will be asking for help once that is scheduled. We are looking to repair or replace the door on the main level Women's restroom to allow easier access in and out.

**Property Team** 

## A NOTE FROM OUR CHOIR DIRECTOR...

The Seasons By E.F. Hayward

I love to watch the seasons change; As Summer takes the throne from Spring, So wonderful sublime and strange, Each one its own sweet songs does sing.

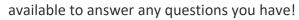
It seems each one, in turn, is best; Is gifted with some special grace; Yet Summer fades, as have the rest, And Autumn boldly takes its place.

This of the Four I hold most dear, Would be content to have it stay; But Winter comes to close the year, And Autumn scenes must pass away.

Just so our lives; our childhood days Are filled with joy, that's ne'er forgot; And he is wise who simply says, "I love them all," and murmurs not.

Immanuel Church's choirs are ready to start rehearsing after our summer break! Here's our rehearsal schedule: Handbell Ensemble: Tuesday afternoons 5:00 - 5:45 First rehearsal: August 27th Ladies Ensemble: Tuesday evenings 6:00 First rehearsal: September 3rd Adult Choir: Tuesday evenings 6:30 - 7:15 First rehearsal: September 3rd

It's never too late to let me know if you'd like to join in our 2024 - 2025 season. Can't commit to a full rehearsal schedule? Join a choir for our Christmas Benefit Concert, Christmas Eve or Holy Week and Easter. I'm



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



### **Financial Secretary...**

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

#### 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

GOOD NEWS July's monthly income exceeded expenses and there was even cash available going into August for use in paying August Operating Expenses after paying back what was borrowed from Immanuel's Restricted Funds in prior months.

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, *immanuelwestbend.org* or *joyfuljourneys-inc.org*.

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, <u>finance@immanuelwestbend.org</u> or leave a message on the church phone 262-334-2886. I welcome the opportunity to chat with you.

Blessings, Karen

#### Immanuel Finance Report July 2024

<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>
\$38,631.03	\$232,957.78
<u>\$29,333.53</u>	<u>\$238,680.55</u>
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Note: YTD Giving met 98% of YTD Expenses

#### Cash Available for Church Operations July 2024

Cash Balance Available Beginning of Month 7/1/24	(\$2,806.81)
Income	\$38,631.03
Expenses	<u>\$29,333.53</u>
Cash Balance Available Ending of Month 7/31/24	\$ 6,490.69

## **Offering Altar**

The Offering Alter 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 Alter 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 <u>director@immanuelwestbend.org</u>





J.A.M. Time\* 2024-2025 "Growing In God" Unit 1: Joseph



Whether we are high above the sky or in the deepest ocean, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Romans 8:39** 

#### September 8 – RALLY SUNDAY!

Join us as we welcome back returning and new Shine Brites alike to kick off another great year with crafts, music, treats, and FUN!

September 15 – 29

Cuttin' & Struttin – Sharpie Tie Dye Kickin' Kitchen – Dirt Pudding Pits Pleasin' Plots – Story & Role Play

Coming Up Next!

October: Mary & Martha November: Thanksgiving Outreach

Please remember to complete your child's Youth Ministries Registration ASAP! Contact Mitch for a link or scan the QR code on the registration flyer located outside Mr. S's office.

Want to join in on all the fun, or just see what the BIG deal is all about downstairs? Volunteers are <u>always</u> welcome! Contact Mitch Schleif for more information. Come join the fun!

Questions? Please contact Mitch Schleif at <u>Excited4JAM@ImmanuelWestBend.org</u> 262-334-2886 ext. 104 414-491-5057

\*Jesus and Me Time – is Immanuel's Children's Ministry program for children age three through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. JAM Time meets Sunday mornings September - May from 10:30-11:30 in the 4k/5k room downstairs.

## CORE

CORE is part of Immanuel's youth ministries that serves kids in 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> 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. This program is yet another stepping stone for our youth as they discern their relationship with God, and consider confirming their own faith beyond Baptism. CORE, will be starting up, along with our other youth ministries, on Rally Sundae, September 8<sup>th</sup>. They will meet from 10:30-11:30am in the classroom off the west hallway in the lower level of church. Johanna Landowski is our CORE Leader; if your child is interested in participating in CORE, please contact her at confirmation@immanuelwestbend.org or 262-334-2886. If you have any questions about the program, feel free to reach out to Pastor Rich, Johanna, or Jenny.

## Welcome back to SHINE!

Let's celebrate a new year together on Rally Day, September 8th from 10:30-11:30 a.m.!

#### September Unit: Living a Life of Faith

This September, as we head back to our "normal" daily school routines, we're going to explore some of the "normal," daily saints of the church. We've talked before about some of the amazing, extraordinary things people have accomplished for God, but the church is built on the day to day actions of its unsung heroes. We'll get a chance to talk with some of those everyday heroes from our own congregation as we gather this month and investigate the impact of our everyday choices on ourselves and those around us!

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 that has So. Many. Couches.

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

## **Summer SHINE Fun!**

John the Baptist Fear Factor Guess what's for Lunch! Worms-spaghetti, Slugs-Jell-o, Maggots-cooked rice, Swamp scum-baby food just to name a few.



### Summer J.A.M Fun!









## J.A.M. Time & Youth Group Cookout!

Thank you to all who came out to support our J.A.M. Time & Youth Cookout whether it was on that Saturday to come enjoy some food and music or Sunday to take lunch home after church! We greatly appreciate your support!



## **Full Shelf Pantry**

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

Genesis 1:29

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



#### 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, September 16**<sup>th</sup>.



### 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 next book study is on 'Loving Desmond" by Desmond DeRoo and Sara DeRoo, The group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the 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 **September 19**<sup>th</sup> 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

**BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>...** We are excited to invite any individuals, beyond high school age, to our newly formed Adult Discussion Group, "Sharing Today's Word". This group will meet on Sundays at 10:30am to discuss the sermon from that morning; they will gather in the space connected to the Friendship Room where Fellowship Time treats are served.

We are grateful to Kent Scheuerell for his willingness to lead. Wondering what to expect?? Here's what Kent has to say... First off, your attendance can be as consistent or sporadic as you'd like it to be, as each gathering will be based off that day's message. This group does not have to come to a consensus. We can educate each other by sharing our opinions, ideas, and interpretations. By questioning and discussions we will strive to develop and strengthen our faith. Hopefully, we will be able to help each other to not just listen effectively to the pastor's word, but also make his message part of our lives.

Springboard questions to ponder during the sermon and to help facilitate discussion will look something like this...

- What is the theme of today's sermon?
- How can I put this message to use in my life?
- Is there anything I question or disagree with?
- What would I add to today's word?
- What would be an obstacle to making today's word part of my life?
- What would Jesus do?

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Kent at <u>kscheuerell@gmail.com</u> or Jenny at <u>director@immanuelwestbend.org</u>

## **Benevolence Fund**

Immanuel's Benevolence Fund is a discretionary resource used by Pastor Rich and Jenny when offering assistance beyond what can be done through our Circle of Friends Shoppe; it serves members of our church, as well as our community. Depending on the situation, this aid can come in a variety of forms. More recently, we've been giving significant help to homeless individuals as the need continues to rise within our area. As we strive to provide some bare necessities to those experiencing extreme hardship, we've created lunch bags that can easily be handed out as a form of immediate simple nourishment. In addition, thanks to Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge, we also have an over abundance of men's crew socks to give away as well. Between the lunch bags and foot coverings, an idea was sparked in an effort to make these items more accessible... We'd like to introduce to you Immanuel's Soul/Sole Box! In this outdoor structure are "Soul Sacks" for the hungry, and "Sole Socks" for freshening up. Thank you, Dave for building and Sophie for painting. 🔄 Giving to Immanuel's Benevolence Fund is yet another way to live out Jesus' command to love your neighbor as yourself; thank you for supporting it! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jenny at

director@immanuelwestbend.org or 262-334-2886















#### ~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**

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#### WOW...

In August we served 71 individuals. Last year we served 46 individuals. Praise God for how this ministry serves within our community!

#### **REMEMBER...**

Donations of new and gently used clothing can be dropped off at church to help keep our Shoppe stocked as we serve children who are heading back to school, babies who grow in leaps and bounds, and adults, youth and kids alike as we approach the changing seasons.

#### ALSO...

Bedding, towels, and kitchen ware that is in good condition are also appreciated items!

#### DROP OFF...

Immanuel's office hours are Monday-Thursday from 9am-3pm; donations can be brought in during those times.

#### THANK YOU...

Your continued support within this ministry is changing the lives of people in Washington County, as it enables us to offer a dignified place to shop, at no cost to individuals and families who are experiencing financial hardships...we couldn't do it without you!!!

For more information, or to find out how you can help, contact Jenny Landowski at 262-334-2886 or <u>director@immanuelwestbend.org</u>









Friday, October 4, 2024; 6:00pm Immanuel UCC, West Bend

Call Immanuel for tickets: 262-334-2886

website: joyfuljourneys-inc.org

## Immanugl United Church of Christ, in conjunction with our nonprofit, Joyful Journeys Inc., invite you to participate in the 19<sup>th</sup> India Gala and Virtual Silent Auction

This annual event is a fundraiser to support our ministry, which reaches out in many different capacities to lift the people in the remote village of Madhavapatnam India, this year specifically the JJ Hostel and Marshall School is our focus. We give thanks for all who have been a part of this ministry and helped shape it to what it is today!

As plans are underway for this year's Gala, we are excited to highlight Ramesh! At the age of 5, Ramesh entered the Joyful Journeys Hostel as an orphan. He lived there, while attending JJ Marshall School; he graduated a happy youth with high marks. Following graduation, Ramesh received a diploma in computer studies, then pressed on to attend Pragati Engineering College, where he recently graduated with his Bachelors Degree in Engineering! Currently, Ramesh is working in the engineering field, assists with various things connected with the JJ Hostel and Marshall School, and serves as a JJ Board Member in India! *NONE OF THIS* would have been possible without the loving care and encouragement he received through Joyful Journeys Ministries. Clearly the impact that JJ Ministries had on Ramesh from early on, empowered him to be the man he is today...and he is *JUST ONE* of the hundreds of children whose lives have been lifted from the bleakness of impoverishment to the hopefulness of a brighter future!! We, as in Joyful Journeys Ministries, are passionate about being the change we wish to see in our world...one child at a time!







With this in mind, we invite you to join us on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate Ramesh's accomplishments, along with the countless other individuals who have been positively impacted by this ministry.

## Profits from this years' event will enable us to continue the good works being done.

Our **"In Person" Gala** will be held on Friday, **October 4**<sup>th</sup>. Our sincere hope is that you will be able to attend and invite a friend! If you are not able to come, we invite you to prayerfully consider making an "in kindness" donation in support of the event.

Our Virtual Silent Auction will kick off on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> and run through Saturday, October 5<sup>h</sup>. All are welcome to participate in the bidding process; details on access will be available later this month.

Tickets can be purchased by contacting Immanuel Church's Main Office... 262-334-2886 or office@immanuelwestbend.org

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#### https://joyfuljourneys-inc.org/

or checks made out to *Joyful Journeys India* can be sent to Immanuel UCC, 501 Walnut Street, West Bend WI 53095

Namaste' ~The India Task Force

## SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED

Our Silent Auction Committee has already been working hard acquiring items and gift certificates from local businesses for our upcoming India Gala Silent Auction, **but we need your help to ensure the success of the event**! Please consider the following:

~ Donations of Handcrafted items, specialty meals, \_\_\_\_\_ of the month, jewelry, and "techy stuff" are just a few suggestions.

~ Please use donation slips outside of the main office to accompany auction items.

~ Please be aware that ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW.

~ All items must be received by Wednesday, September 18th.

~OR~

We can make this real easy for you...think no further, just sign up to provide one of the requested gift cards outside the main office and bring it in before September 18<sup>th</sup>. Still too much of a hassle...just give us the cash/check made out to Joyful Journeys, and we'll shop through Raise Right and get it for you! 😉

If you have any questions, need suggestions, or want more information, please contact Mary Demmon (262)483-2921, Laurie McCann (414)416-7184, Barb Seefeldt (262)853-5628 or Judy Krepsky (262)707-9567, our awesome Silent Auction Committee members, and they'd be happy to assist you.

## Sponsor a schoolchild in India

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

That is all it costs to change one child's life!! Yes, **\$20 a month**, the same amount it would cost to treat you and a friend to a Pumpkin Spice Latte each and a Chocolate Croissant to share. Yes, **\$20 a month**, roughly the same price you would pay for a Fish Fry and a beer at most local restaurants. Yes, **\$20 a month**, the cost of a movie ticket and regular size popcorn. Yes, for **\$20 a month** you could provide an education, uniform, books, and school supplies to a child in the Marshall School in Madhavapatnam India. For the past 19 years Immanuel Church's Joyful Journey India Ministry has been impacting the lives of hundreds of children in the remote village of Madhavapatnam by providing an education through our very own Marshall School. Many of the children who attend this school would normally not have the opportunity to receive an education due to poverty and other restrictions. By offering these youngsters free enrollment in our school we are helping to empower not only their future, but the future of this village. Scriptures tell us in Hebrews 6:10 God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.

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

Keep your eye on the India Wall as we update it with new school pictures for the year; and choose a child (or two) to be the face of this ministry to you. If you have any questions or are interested in how you can support, please contact Jenny Landowski at 262-334-2886 or <u>director@immanuelwestbend.org</u>



# Additional Expenses in the month of September

#### • Plumbing & Sanitation repairs \$500

If you would like to cover, or contribute to one of these items, you can do so by cash/check made out to Joyful Journeys or pay online through our secure website <u>https://joyfuljourneys-inc.org/</u> Thank you for prayerfully considering this.

## Orville Patio Party, a Sweet Success!

What a wonderful gathering at our Orville Patio Party, delicious food, enjoyable music, and great camaraderie; all this made for a pleasant evening and a successful fundraiser in support of our Joyful Journeys India Ministry.
Special "thank you" to Tony Koebel, owner of The Orville for his outstanding hospitality, to Fred Luft and Cherie Zahn for their musical entertainment, and to all who attended!

Check out the bulletin board by the parking lot entrance for more pictures. igodot





## Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge

Don't forget we're always collecting donations for making hygiene packets. Toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, and lotion can be brought to Immanuel Church and dropped in the designated bin.





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, hat's 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 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month and invites you to join them.

For more information,

contact Rosemary Seideman at <a href="mailto:roseway12@charter.net">roseway12@charter.net</a> .



Sunday September 1<sup>st</sup> Communion 9am and 10:30 am Worship

Monday September 2<sup>nd</sup> Office Closed

#### Tuesday September 3<sup>rd</sup> 5pm Handbell Choir 6pm Ladies Ensemble

6:30pm Adult Choir

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

2:30pm PEO Book Club 7 pm AA meeting

#### Thursday September 5th

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

Friday September 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm NA

#### Saturday September 7<sup>th</sup> 10am–Noon COF Shoppe

Rally SUNDAY Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> 9am and 10:30 am Worship 10:30 am J.A.M. Time, CORE, & SHINE

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

12pm Boundaries4:15pm Citizen Advocates3:45pm JJ Inc. meeting

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

5pm Handbell Choir 6pm Ladies Ensemble 6:30pm Adult Choir

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

5:45pm Finance Meeting 7 pm AA meeting

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

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

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

6:30 pm NA

#### Saturday September 14th

#### Sunday September 15th

9am and 10:30 am Worship 10:30 am J.A.M. Time, & SHINE No CORE

#### Monday September 16th

#### Tuesday September 17th

1pm Staff meeting 5pm Handbell Choir 6pm Ladies Ensemble 6:30pm Adult Choir 7pm PEO

#### Wednesday September 18th

5pm - 7pm COF Shoppe 7 pm AA meeting

Thursday September 19<sup>th</sup> 6pm Wise Guys

Friday September 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm NA

Saturday September 21<sup>st</sup> 10am–Noon COF Shoppe

#### Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup> 9am and 10:30 am Worship 10:30 am J.A.M. Time, CORE, & SHINE

#### Monday September 23<sup>rd</sup>

1pm Prayer Shawl Group

#### Tuesday September 24<sup>th</sup>

5pm Handbell Choir 6pm Ladies Ensemble 6:30pm Adult Choir

Wednesday September 25<sup>th</sup>

7 pm AA meeting

Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup> 10am SonShine Gals

### Friday September 27<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm NA

#### Saturday September 28th

#### Sunday September 29th

9am and 10:30 am Worship 10:30 am J.A.M. Time, CORE, & SHINE

#### Monday September 30<sup>th</sup>



Monday – Thursday 9am – 3pm



# Altar Flowers

Would you like to help beautify our worship services by donating flowers for the altar? You can celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or place them in memory of a loved one. The **sign-up sheet** is posted outside of Pastor Rich's office.

Please **fill out an order form** and return it with a check for \$30.00 to the church office. After the second service, the sponsoring member can take the flowers home.

## This month our flowers have been donated by:

*September* 1<sup>st</sup>: Mitch Schleif in celebration of the start of Immanuel's Youth Ministries.

*September 8<sup>th</sup>*: Steve Miller in honor of my mother's birthday on 9-11

*September 15<sup>th</sup>*: June Sommerfeld in memory of her husband Mark Sommerfeld.

September 22<sup>nd</sup>: Julie & Lou Glassman in memory of Pete Blake

*September 29<sup>th</sup>*: Sophie Landowski Thankful for all the seasons, especially for Fall.

# BIRTHDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER!

Barb Eisenhardt 1<sup>st</sup> Sara Flaherty 3rd Kimberly Lisanby-Barber 3<sup>rd</sup> Mitch Schleif 4<sup>th</sup> Molly Pieffle 6<sup>th</sup> Sebastian Tanner 6<sup>th</sup> Jeff Potts 7th Myrna Buchmeier 8<sup>th</sup> Luella Dekker 8<sup>th</sup> Patricia Goschey 11<sup>th</sup> Chloe Sheehy 11<sup>th</sup> Charles Roemer 12<sup>th</sup> Jackson Raad 13<sup>th</sup> Bruce Kapanke 16<sup>th</sup> Nancy Jensen 17<sup>th</sup> Jim Degnitz 18<sup>th</sup> Jenny Landowski 18<sup>th</sup> Kari Lutter 19<sup>th</sup> Carol Argabright 20<sup>th</sup> Savannah Demmon 21<sup>st</sup> Ed Muelling 21<sup>st</sup> Marie Papez 21<sup>st</sup> Rebecca Kempfer-Witt 22<sup>nd</sup> Tommy Losch 23<sup>rd</sup> Chase Mastenbrook 24<sup>th</sup> Doug Stewart 24<sup>th</sup>

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY





## **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, Sue Calhoun, Helen Keey, Carol King, Jerry Kuckuk, Judy Muelling, Charles Roemer, and Joan Stenstrup.

#### Health Concerns:

Rachel Gumm, Bruce Kapanke, Ed Krepsky, Bill Myers, Anne Mari Peters, Dave Wolff and Lynn Vegafria.

#### 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.

#### Hospice Care

Maggie Seideman

#### Family Loss

Scott & Tama Gluck (and family) – Father Richard Gluck Kathy & Tom Thielke (and family) – Father George Karshner

### 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:**

Sept 1	9:00am Carol Argabright, Pat Sommer		
	10:30am Dave & Lynn Ham	imen	
Sept 8	9:00am Max Sommerfeld		
	10:30am Barb Seefeldt		
Sept 15	9:00am Darleen Baerenwa	ld, Georgia Kletti	
	10:30am Mary Ellen Dodge	e, Mary jo Norgel, Kent Scheuerell	
Sept 22	9:00am Nancy Naab, Esther Kohler		
	10:30am Julie Glassman		
Sept 29	9:00am Dan, Rachel, Sam,	& Nora Gerard	
	10:30am Tom & Becky Kay		
USHERS: H	ead Usher: Gary McCrillis		
Sept 1	9:00am Max Sommerfeld, Rich Gerner		
	10:30am Gene Kreis		
Sept 8	9:00am Michael Bath, Rachel Gumm		
	10:30am Elaine Radzinski		
Sept 15	9:00am Mike Soener, Pat Love		
	10:30am Ben & Ashley Rus	sell	
Sept 22	9:00am Wayne & Rosemary Seideman		
	10:30am Joe Halfman		
Sept 29	9:00am Al Nevala, Jackie Nieman		
	10:30am Jennifer Schleif		
READERS:			
Sept 1	9am Rosemary Seideman	10:30 Judy Krepsky	
Sept 8	9am Michal Gerard	10:30 Kari Lutter	
Sept 15	9am Patricia Love	10:30 Karen Grace Strobach	
Sept 22	9am Russ Demmon	10:30 Laurie McCann	
Sept 29	9am Jackie Nieman	10:30 Elaine Radzinski	
COFFEE MAKE	RS:		
Sept 1 Bonnie Gerner		Fellowship Hour:	
Sept 8 Jim & Anne Mari Peters		Sept 1 Children's Ministries	
	<u>NEED SOMEONE</u>	Sept 8 Rally Day	
Sept 22 Mary Demmon		Sept 15 WE STILL NEED SOMEONE	
Sept 29 WE ST	ILL NEED SOMEONE	Sept 22 Wise Guys	
MINISTRY OF	MUSIC:	Sept 29 Mona & Jim	

Sept 1 Emilie Neiman-Witt Sept 8 Larry Wheelock Sept 15 Handbell Ensemble Sept 22 Worship Team Sept 29 Ladies Ensemble

#### Communion Servers: September 1st

9:00 – Frank & KC Laycock 10:30 – Dennis & Cindy Roos Staying connected with Immanuel through social media... Website – <u>https://www.immanuelwestbend.org/</u> Facebook – Immanuel United Church of Christ YouTube - <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/ImmanuelUCCWestBend</u>

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Charlene Swanson – Treasurer, Carol Argabright- Secretary, Ben Russell – Property, Bradly Mitchell, Kent Scheuerell, and Mike Soener

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