



Immanuel Dove

Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church (USA) Tucson, AZ

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Dear Immanuel,

At the time of this writing, we're **\$35,000 short in 2012** to continue the kind of ministry and mission we've enjoyed in 2011—and it's been an incredible year! A cut this significant will



impact all of our ministries—worship, mission, Christian Education, and our staff. But I have an inspiring true story for you before sharing more about the opportunities ahead of us.

In Lynne Twist's book *The Soul of Money* she tells of a time when she was the speaker at a fund-raising event for *The Hunger Project* at a black church in Harlem. As she scanned her small audience she knew they didn't have many resources, but she shared the vision and invited all to give at the end of her presentation. She almost felt too embarrassed to even ask for donations—but she did. The room fell silent.

Then a woman in her sixties or seventies stood—tall and slender, with a striking sense of poise and dignity. "Girl," she said, "my name is Gertrude and I like what you've said and I like you." She continued, "Now, I ain't got no checkbook and I ain't got no credit cards. To me, money is a lot like water. For some folks it rushes through their life like a raging river. Money comes through my life like a little trickle. But I want to pass it on in a way that does the most good for the most folks. I see that as my right and my responsibility. It's also my joy. I have \$50 in my purse that I earned from doing a white woman's wash and I want to give it to you."

Gertrude walked up the aisle and handed Lynne a wad of ten-dollar, five-dollar, and one-dollar bills. Then she gave her a big hug. As she sat down, other people started giving in the room. She couldn't hold all of the paper bills, so she opened up her briefcase as a basket. Probably no more than \$500 was given that night—but Lynne shared how that \$500 was the most precious and valuable money she ever encountered in her life.

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February 2012



This is a Gertrude Moment, Immanuel. Money is indeed like water—it flows through our lives sometimes like a fire hose and (especially these days) more like the Pantano Wash in the heat of summer! When money flows, it can nourish and bless. When it is dammed or held too long, it can grow stagnant, even toxic. As Christians, we're summoned by God to be generous, cheerful, and wise stewards with the flow of our resources. Our high calling is to channel the resources God has graciously showered upon us (large or small) in ways that give life to not only ourselves, but to those around us, and to the kingdom of God. Plain and simple, generosity helps spiritually hydrate us and the world. If we're not giving, we're not growing.

I'm filled with deep gratitude towards those who have committed to give for 2012. And I feel emboldened by the Spirit to encourage and challenge those who have not yet committed to experience the joy, honor, and difference that giving back to God makes in your life. Let's put a huge dent in that **\$35,000 shortfall**. Please commit to give if you haven't yet. Prayerfully consider increasing your giving if it is possible within your budget. The purpose is not just to reach a goal or a number, but to experience the richness of cheerful and sacrificial giving that not only better us, but makes a difference beyond ourselves in Christ's name.

Counting on God & Counting on You,

Pastor John

**Plan to attend these events on
Sunday, February 19
9:45 am–10:45 am
witherspoon Hall**

Youth Brunch

All proceeds benefit the youth in grades 3-12 who attend Montlure Camp and Immanuel mission trips. This event will give the youth of IPC an opportunity to be involved in the life of the church.



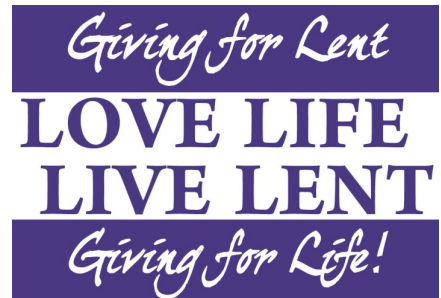
**ANNUAL
MEETING**

Congregational Meeting

Members of Immanuel will be voting – your right and duty. The 2011 Annual Report will be available February 12.

Lenten Kick-Off

You will be receiving information on the Cross-generational events that are being planned throughout the 40 days of Lent.





Ash Wednesday Worship Service

7:30 pm

IMMANUEL'S LENT 2012

SPECIAL – READ ALL ABOUT IT – DON'T MISS THE OPPORTUNITIES!

THREE SPECIAL MID-WEEK EVENTS FOR LENT
coming to you from your Christian Education Team.

We are offering three EVENTS or FESTIVALS OF FAITH for the entire church community – all ages coming together to enjoy one another while deepening our faith together. Each event will focus on one of the foundation stones of Christian living: PRAYER, FASTING, and ALMSGIVING – but THROUGH A NEW LENS.



Dates: February 29th Prayer

March 14th Fasting

March 28th Almsgiving

Time Frame: 6:00 – 8:00pm

6:00 – 6:40 a meal will be served so you won't have to worry about fixing supper before you come. (There will be an opportunities for free-will offering: contribution of food or financial assistance.)

6:00 – 8:00pm – a variety of activities for all ages. Some of these will be cross-generational and some age specific. All will be focused on the night's theme and you will have opportunities to choose the ones that interest you.

The nursery will be open – so the whole family can attend.

Don't miss these opportunities to explore together new ways to engage in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving – not just for Lent, but for life!

Session Corner

1. Did you know that Kathy Parker is our church Treasurer AND helps the Session Finance Team AND the Clerk? Thank you, Kathy!
2. A HUGE thank you to our Elders who ended their terms on January 1 2012:
Joy Hager, Craig Zimmermann, David Powell, Katie Maass, Liz Wallendorf.

Installation and Ordination of New Officers at the 11:00 service on January 22.



Elder Craig Zimmermann, Deacon Cathy Lurvey, Deacon Barbara Stroh, Elder Katie Maass, Deacon Marie Roberts & Deacon Michelle Lorenzini

Installation and Ordination of New Officers at the 8:30 service on January 22.



Deacon Marge Biehl, Elder Wayne Griffith, Deacon Sue Burdick, Deacon Laura Cech and Elder Jim Parks & Clerk of Session Capri McCue.



Ordained as Deacons-Barbara Stroh and Laura Cech.



Introducing our New Nursery Worker who will work with Erika and Cathy in our Nursery. Take time to introduce yourself to Haley.

My name is Haley Edris. I'm from Chandler, Arizona, and I am working towards a degree in Psychology with a minor in Family Studies and Human Development and Spanish from the University of Arizona. I'm so excited to be a part of the Immanuel Presbyterian Staff!

February Happenings at the IPC Nursery

This month the nursery theme is 'God gives us Families'.

Our stories are based on Psalm 68:6.

The stories will help the children

- feel appreciation for his or her family members
- identify family members and demonstrate ways they love him or her
- hear words and songs about God's gifts of families



Casa Maria

Saturday, February 18

Bring your sack lunches to the church between 8:15 and 9:30 a.m.



The person making the delivery to Casa Maria leaves promptly at 9:30 a.m. Each lunch should contain two sandwiches of your choice (no mayo or mustard), a piece of fruit, and a dessert (a couple of cookies, a granola bar, etc.). You may make as

many lunches as you desire.

Remember that many of the folks who receive these lunches have problems with their teeth. Please consider this when purchasing fruit or other hard-to-eat foods.

Casa Maria for 2012

February 18

March 17

April 14

May 12

June 9

July 7

August 4

September 1

September 29

October 27

November 17

December 22

LADIES---START YOUR OVENS!!!! PCWC Bake Sale—Sunday, February 12

Every woman in the church is a member of PCWC. Any contribution you can make to the sale will be appreciated. The proceeds from the sale go to sending two members to the church-wide gathering in Orlando, Florida, in July. Cakes and pies sell really well--last year we didn't have enough. You will be contacted soon to ask for your help. Marion Gary will be in Witherspoon kitchen Saturday, February 11, from 9:00 to 12:00 to take in your contributions. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Nelson, 886-6586 or Sally Powers, 290-0001.



- **Men's Breakfast Bible Study** meets on Monday mornings at 8:00 am in Witherspoon Hall. Join the men for pancakes and sausage, fellowship and Bible Study each Monday morning. A \$2 donation is suggested.
- **Agape Circle** will meet on Wednesday, February 8, at Carol Parham's home. Lorna Downard will lead the discussion on Lesson 5. Marion Gary is the hostess.
- **Lydia Circle** will meet on Monday, February 20 at 6:30 pm in the Agave Room.
- **Desert Sages** continues to meet on Tuesday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon in Witherspoon Hall. The Sages enjoy games, fellowship, and a brown bag lunch, with dessert provided. Sages is open to anyone who enjoys playing games and just having fun. Bridge, poker, Mexican Train Dominoes, and Hand & Foot tables are always open for more players.



Movie Outing

Save **Tuesday, February 14th (Valentine's Day)** for our monthly outing to a movie matinee. Watch the Feb. 12th Sunday bulletin for details.

Outing with Ann

On **Wednesday, February 29th**, we will tour the **Rodeo Parade Museum** located in the hangar that once served as our nation's first city owned airport (1918). The museum features 150 horse-drawn buggies and elaborate coaches, some of which will be used in the Rodeo Parade on Feb. 23rd. There are also artifacts from pioneer days as well as a re-created Tucson main street circa 1900. We will **carpool from the church at 9:00 am** to get to the Rodeo grounds for the guided tour at 10 and return by noon. Admission for seniors is \$8. Sign up at the gazebo.

Retiree's Monthly Luncheon

Join us on **Thursday, February 23rd** for our monthly luncheon at **12 noon** in Witherspoon Hall. Recently, Gale Griffin traveled to Kenya where she not only went on several safaris, but also spent a number of weeks in a remote village in Northern Kenya, living with a native family while helping to build a school. She will share some of her experiences during her time in East Africa. You will be served a delicious Swedish meatball dinner (donations taken at the door). However, we ask that you sign up at the gazebo beforehand to help us in the planning of the meal. All who are free that day are invited to come.



Come and be a part of the exciting new outreach to Pima Community College through Presbyterian Campus Ministry!

What is needed? Lunch for 12 people. There are two options: 1) *Brown Bag*

Lunches — with pre-made sandwiches, fruit, chips, dessert & a beverage; or 2) Lunch Buffet—items for students to serve themselves, including a sandwich or soup, side, dessert & beverages.

When is this needed? Wednesdays in February, March and April. You can either stay and help serve lunch, or bring the lunch items to the Campus Christian Center. Lunch is served every Wednesday from 12:00-1:30pm.

To sign up, please contact Rev. Ellen Dawson, Presbyterian Campus Minister, at pcmarizona@gmail.com or 520-954-5931. Let her know the Wednesday you are available, your telephone number and/or email address, and that you are with Immanuel. She will get back with you to confirm and make arrangements!

Deacon Rummage Sale

Friday, March 9 - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Saturday, March 10 - 7:00 am - 2:00 pm

Witherspoon Hall

That's right, a **two day** sale. The Deacons have already begun collecting your donations and storing them in the "Cool Box" storage unit in our parking lot. A second "Cool Box" will be delivered on February 6.

Clean out your closets, search through the garage, the shed, the boxes under the bed, all the kitchen cupboards for the things you don't need or use. It's time to prepare for the



Please make sure all donations are clean and useable. Electronics must be in working condition. If possible please pack items in sturdy cardboard boxes. If you are donating furniture, please be responsible for arranging delivery to Immanuel, as we do not have the "person power" to provide pick-up or transportation.

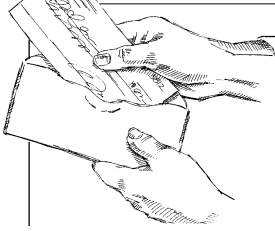
Volunteers are needed to help set up for the sale as well as many helping hands during the sale days. Sign up will be **February 12th** on the patio. Please consider an "area of expertise" where you might lend a hand to get this amazing project accomplished. All proceeds go to Immanuel's emergency benevolence fund, which our pastors can access to assist people in need.

Your donations and your help are greatly appreciated and touch lives within, among, and beyond our Immanuel family.

Your time and donations will make this deacon project a success!

The money from the rummage sale provides funding for the pastors

Endowment Fund



All the figures are not yet available to provide a 2011 synopsis of the endowment program. When they become available we will provide an announcement slide with the details before the service and in the church bulletin. Knowing the earnings, value, and the amount received into the fund are important. Yet, perhaps of more importance is that over \$13,000 of income was expended to supplement the mission and outreach programs at Immanuel during 2011.

The Endowment Fund is becoming more and more of a factor in Immanuel's witness for Christ in the world as it grows and you can help make it even more effective. You are encouraged to obtain information which can make you confident it is something you want to support and then, do so! In addition to cash gifts and memorials in any amount there are many approaches for major gifts. One of them probably will fit with your planned giving and estate plan.

Mark your calendar! A free lunch and seminar is being planned for April 22nd for all Immanuel's adult members and friends at noon. More information will be provided over the next couple of months.

Presbyterian Beginnings in South America

Mission work in Latin America was slow in getting started. As these Spanish colonies developed, the Roman Catholic Church established itself and many in Europe and the U.S. felt that mission was not necessary. Independent efforts were made at first by European Protestants, mainly in Brazil and Argentina, not many decades after the Reformation, but these programs were short lived.



When General Simon Bolivar put together an army to liberate the colonies from Spain, he was aided by a battalion of Scottish soldiers led by Colonel Frazer. When Spanish power was overthrown during the first decade of the 19th Century, Colonel Frazer appealed to his Presbyterian Church in Scotland to send missionaries. The church in Scotland was not able to respond, but forwarded the request to the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

Thanks to this initiative, the Presbyterian Mission Board located in 1856 sent the Rev. Horace Pratt, who was responsible for opening up the first permanent Presbyterian mission work in South America. It was necessary for him to travel up the Magdalena River some 500 miles to the capital, Bogotá; Medellín and Barranquilla, on the Caribbean coast; and other cities. In 1943 the Colombian Presbyterian Church was organized as a synod of a national church, and it became independent from the parent church in the U.S.



Thank you from *Our Family*

A thank you letter was received from Lana Baldwin, Development Director from *Our Family*. Part of her letter read, "I want to thank you so much for your incredibly generous donation of 3,264 diapers in support of *Our Family*. Your outpouring of caring will make a huge difference in the lives of the low-income and homeless families *Our Family* serves. We see families drying and reusing wet disposable diapers and older adults unable to afford incontinence supplies who are unable to leave their homes for fear of embarrassment. Your gift will improve the quality of so many lives...Thank you again for your kindness."




**Save the Date,
Sunday, April 29, 2012
7:00 pm Performance**

Join us at the Gaslight Theatre on Sunday, April 29, 2012 for the production of *The Three Musketeers*.

Tickets are \$20 each with proceeds to benefit Presbyterian Campus Ministry. The show begins at 7:00 pm, doors open at 6:15 pm. This is a Presbytery wide event so get your tickets early.

Please contact Sue Samoy at 721-2372 if you are interested in obtaining tickets or sign up at the gazebo.



Taxes Prepared

At Immanuel Presbyterian Church
Wednesdays, 12:00—4:00 pm

At New Spirit Lutheran Church
Camino Seco/ Old Spanish Trail
Tuesday and Thursday—2:00—6:00 pm
Saturday, 9:00—1:00 pm



Fellowship Hour hosts needed!! Please see the schedule below and contact Pat Schneider to volunteer your time - home phone: 760-4465, or email: patjo@cox.net.

- Feb. 05: No Volunteers
- Feb. 12: Ladies Bake Sale - no one needed
- Feb. 19: Team A - No Volunteers
Team B - Howard and Faye Ross
- Feb. 26: Team A - No Volunteers
Team B - The Rockhills
- March 4 - Team A - No Volunteers

Immanuel Presbyterian Church

Statement of Activities

General Operating Funds

December 31, 2011

	Current Month Actual December	Year To Date Actual	Annual Budget	Year to Date Budget Variance
Income				
Pledges, Stock	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pledges, Cash	\$30,062	\$320,964	\$330,000	(\$9,036)
Loose Offerings	6,916	49,365	56,000	(6,635)
Per Capita & Initial	456	5,814	6,000	(186)
Misc Income	170	1,656	4,290	(2,634)
Income Totals	37,604	377,799	396,290	(18,491)
Expenses				
Salaries and Benefits	\$20,041	\$248,653	\$264,841	\$16,188
Budget and Finance	6,533	41,509	40,450	(1,059)
Building and Grounds	(1,240)	31,928	31,000	(928)
Administrative	685	7,326	7,800	474
Worship & Music, Traditional	1,260	6,681	5,300	(1,381)
Worship & Music, Alternative	939	3,426	5,649	2,223
Communications & Christian Education	3,853	21,213	23,300	2,087
Hospitality	714	4,384	3,950	(434)
	172	1,241	1,000	(241)
Mission and Deacons	0	2,500	3,000	500
	83	1,000	1,000	0
Expense Totals	33,040	369,861	387,290	17,429
Net	\$4,564	\$7,938	\$9,000	(\$1,062)

Statement of Financial Position

General Operating Funds

December 31, 2011

General Operating Checking Account Balance:	\$64,563
Less Funds held for Dedicated Accounts	(52,097)
Less Prepaid Pledges for 2012	(9,874)
Funds Available for General Operations	<u>\$2,592</u>
Mortgage Balance	<u>\$268,541</u>

2012 Per Capita is \$32.00 per member. Orange envelopes were placed in your 2011 End of Year Statements.



- 1 Marion Gary
- 2 Trenton Walitshek
- 4 Sophie Chirco
Susan Hampton
NancyLou Ross
- 5 Karen Bancroft
- 6 Don Schneider
Abby Tittle
- 7 Marie Roberts
Jack Roush
- 9 Carol Lynne Parham
Shelli Russell-Nelson
- 11 Karl Aurand
Monty DeWitt
- 13 Ted Falter
- 14 Alissa Hager
- 15 Jason Ross
Rachel Ross
- 16 Jim Cech
Alexandra Lewis
Noah Macias
- 17 Darby Cech
Matthew Cugini
Scott Larsen
Stephanie Lorenzini
Allyson Sherwood
- 18 Bob Cain
- 20 Ray Clark
- 21 Staci Fehringer
Lyda Langeberg
- 22 Curtis Lurvey
- 24 Lee Carey
- 25 George Anderson
Amy Burton
- 27 Wayne Griffith
Ashley Tuohy
- 28 Maureen Means

February Anniversaries

- 2 Ted & Loraine Falter
- 9 Michael & Sharon Beck
- 14 Charles & Vikki Carpenter
Bill & Lu Harvison
Carl & Katie Maass
Marc & Shirl Negus
Steve Rodney & Chase Rawak
- 17 Winston & Roberta Beal
- 19 Richard & Lois Siegel
- 24 Dave & Candace Kaemerer



New Address!



Mike Moore
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Tucson, AZ 85745
520-305-0250
mike@themsquared.com

We wanted to thank each person in the congregation who helped us deal with our pain following the death of Florence's father in December.

Any prayer, word, hug, card, or pat on the shoulder in this tough time was greatly appreciated.

Blessings to all at Immanuel,
The Dungan Family

Jan Kelly– January 4, 2012– A memorial service at Rincon Country Mobile Home Park on January 8.

Ted Eazer—January 10, 2012—A memorial service at IPC on January 21.

Carol Downing—January 13, 2012— A memorial service at IPC on January 19, 2012



Congratulations to Chris Lynch and Melissa Grumet who were married at Immanuel on Friday, January 20.

Sunday **Monday** **Tuesday** **Wednesday** **Thursday** **Friday** **Saturday**



<p>5 Communion Sunday 8:30a Alternative Worship 9:45a Sunday School 11:00a Worship</p>	<p>6 8:00a Men's Breakfast 9:00a Seeker Study</p>	<p>7 9:00a Staff Meeting 10:00a Desert Sages 7:00p Deacons</p>	<p>1 7:00p Alternative Worship Team</p>	<p>2 7:00p Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>3 6:00p Session Retreat</p>	<p>4 8:30a Session Retreat</p>
<p>12— Bake Sale 8:30a Alternative Worship 9:45a Sunday School 11:00a Worship 6:30p Youth Groups</p>	<p>13 8:00a Men's Breakfast 9:00a Seeker Study</p>	<p>14 9:00a Staff Meeting 10:00a Desert Sages 12:30p Movie with Ann 7:00p Session</p>	<p>8 9:00a Agape Circle 4:30p Immanuel Ringers 6:15p Jong Sory Handbells 7:00p Alternative Worship Team 7:30p Los Companeros Handbells</p>	<p>9 7:00p Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>10 9:00a Bake Sale items accepted in Witherspoon Hall 9:30a Choir Workshop</p>	<p>11 9:00a Bake Sale items accepted in Witherspoon Hall 9:30a Choir Workshop</p>
<p>19 8:30a Alternative Worship 9:45a Brunch/Annual Meeting 11:00a Worship 6:30p Youth Groups</p>	<p>20 8:00a Men's Breakfast 9:00a Seeker Study 6:30p Lydia Circle</p>	<p>21 9:00a Staff Meeting 10:00a Desert Sages 7:00p Worship Team</p>	<p>15 4:30p Immanuel Ringers 6:15p Jong Sory Handbells 7:30p Los Companeros Handbells Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>16 6:00p Small Group Gathering 7:00p Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>17 6:00p Small Group Gathering 7:00p Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>18 7:45a Casa Maria</p>
<p>26 8:30a Alternative Worship 9:45a Sunday School 11:00a Worship</p>	<p>27 8:00a Men's Breakfast 9:00a Seeker Study</p>	<p>28 - Primary Voting Day 9:00a Staff Meeting 10:00a Desert Sages 7:00p Ministry Teams</p>	<p>22 Ash Wednesday 7:30p Worship</p>	<p>23 12 noon—Retiree's Luncheon 7:00p Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
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