Upcoming Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 21

8:30am Alternative Worship Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Worship Service 5:00pm Youth Group

Monday, January 22

10:00am Men's Bible Study 6:00pm/7:00pm Cub/Boy Scouts

Tuesday, January 23

10:00am Desert Sages Games 5:30pm TOPS 6:00pm Hospitality meeting 6:00pm Ministry teams

Wednesday, January 24

7:00pm Handbell Rehearsal 7:30pm AA

Thursday, January 25

9:30am Crafters Group 6:30pm AA 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, January 27

8:00am - 9:00am Casa Maria Sandwiches

Sunday, January 28

8:30am Alternative Worship Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Worship Service 5:00pm Youth Group

Come Celebrate with the Vander Woude/Eggebeen Family! An adoption party will be held Sunday, January 21 at Himmel Park from 1:00-5:00pm to celebrate this amazing family of 6! Congratulations to Ed, Rachel, Theo, Nita, Elsie and Karina!



Generations Class Returns this Sunday, January 21 at 9:45am Don't miss out on this engaging and fun class! Join us for this 5-week study looking at the current six generations of people (born 1925 – current) and how they have vastly different life experiences, behaviors, and beliefs. Generations will forever change the way you view your parents, peers, coworkers, and children, no matter which generation you call your own. Generations book by Jean Twenge available on Amazon.

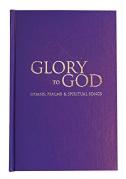
Casa Maria Sandwich Day is <u>Saturday October 28th</u> Come drop off your items between 8:00 – 9:00am. Immanuel supports the Casa Maria Ministries by providing sandwiches and donations once a month. Casa Maria is an incredible local resource for struggling families and homeless individuals who need our help. Each brown bag lunch should include two sandwiches (no mayo please); one fruit item, and two cookies. Special note: If making a sandwich without meat, label the bag (PB&J for example). Donations of hygiene products and other non-perishable food items are welcome too!



Hospitality/Fellowship Kick-off Meeting—Tuesday, January 23 at 6:00pm. All are invited to come. We are looking for input and volunteers to help us better serve the congregation for fellowship hour after the services. Got a great idea? Join us! Meets in Witherspoon Hall.



New Playground Under Way! Construction has begun and is going well and on schedule! We anticipate completion by the end of this coming week and will have a grand blessing and re-opening on Sunday, January 28th. We are so excited to see our children playing and enjoying this new system!



Hymnal Update: For the last year in traditional worship, Immanuel has been using exclusively the electronic version of our denomination's newest hymnal Glory to God, which was published in 2013. Because the verses, melodies, and harmonies are different in the newest addition, the blue hymnal published in 1991 is obsolete for our congregational needs. Several copies will be stored in the choir room for historical purposes. The remaining ones have been donated to Friends of the Library.

You can download the Glory to God app on your smartphones via your respective app stores. The app has the full library of hymns to view directly on your phone.

If you would like a printed copy of the hymns sung on Sunday, please see an usher. We are delighted to keep worshiping together in 2024 and beyond for God's glory!



AARP Tax Aide Returns February 7 on Wednesdays 10:00am – 3:00pmAARP will be on site at Immanuel every Wednesday (February 7 - April 10) from 10:00am – 3:00pm in Towner Hall. AARP provides free in-person assistance by trained IRS certified tax preparers. You can pick up an info packet on Wednesdays and then

schedule your appointment to sit down with the tax preparers for final e-filing. The church cannot make appointments or give tax guidance.

Ways to Connect, Grow and Have Fun

Sunday School Classes for Adults and Children – Sundays at 9:45am.

Youth Group on Sunday Nights - Join us from 5:00 – 7:00pm for dinner, games and bible fellowship for youth in grades 6-12. Questions? Contact kris@immanuelpc.org

Men's Bible Study on Mondays at 10:00am - Come hang out with the guys, have coffee and dig deeper into scripture and connect with friends. Led by Pastor Tittle, meets in Witherspoon Hall.

Desert Sages Games on Tuesdays from 10:00am – 12:30pm. Join us for games, fellowship and food in Witherspoon Hall every Tuesday from 10:00am – 12:30pm. Enjoy new friends and old while playing Mexican train, bridge, hand and foot, Rummikub and anything else you want while snacking on popcorn. A \$1.00 donation a week supports our luncheons every six weeks. We all need to re-connect! For more information contact Mary Kay Bush at ausmbush3@gmail.com or 520-661-6737.

Crafters Group on Thursdays from 9:30am – 12:00pm. All are welcome to come and work on your crafts together and enjoy fellowship and laughs. We make quilts, blankets and projects for local missions. We also work on our own projects for fun – grab your gear and join us!

Sanctuary Choir - Love to Sing? Newcomers always welcome! Email Clay at <u>clay@immanuelpc.org</u> or join us for rehearsal on Thursday evenings at 6:30pm.

Lydia Circle Women's Bible Study - January 15. Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30pm in Witherspoon Hall. We start with refreshments then dive into our bible study. All are welcome – email Kay Schmidt for details at hkschmidt10@aol.com.

Agape Circle Women's Bible Study - February 14. Come join us on the second Wednesday of every month from 9:00am -12:00pm in the home of Mary Kay Bush at 9222 E. Charlotte Place. We start the morning with a light brunch provided by members, followed by Joys and Concerns, and then are led in our Horizon bible study by Cheryl Wood and Jane Eddy. New members are always welcome! Please contact Jean Nelson at 520-886-6586 or Mary Kay Bush at 520-661-6737 for more information.



Abundant Life Stewardship 2024 - Thank you so much for your giving! Immanuel's pledged giving for 2024 so far is \$258,693 for the General Fund and \$23,034 for the Building Capital Fund. Our goal to fund our ministries for 2024 is \$350,000. If you haven't been able to send in your pledge yet, we thank you for prayerfully considering what God might be leading you to give this coming year—your generosity matters and makes a vital difference in Immanuel's ministry in here and out there. You can also submit your pledge **HERE.**

2024 Immanuel Session Elders

Liz Wallendorf - Clerk of Session
Bill Haldeman, Jeff Hotchkiss - Building & Grounds
Marcia Aurand, Michael Nana - Christian Education
Karl Aurand, Curt Christy, Laurie Emery - Finance & Stewardship
Kevin Murphy, Sean Shifflette, Cheralyn Baylor - Hospitality
Jeff Fennema, Leslie Cullins-Shechter - Mission & Evangelism
Debby Johnson, Ed Vander Woude - Worship Team
Liz Wallendorf - Personnel

2024 Immanuel Deacons

Ann Jarvis (Moderator), Ermina Gomez, Marlene Stevens, Carol Kienbaum, Bobbie Butler, Kay Schmidt, Belinda Badger, Shawn Wooll, Wayne Barnes, Susan Barnes, Diana Place

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