

Upcoming Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 14

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

Monday, April 15

10:00am Men's Bible Study 6:00pm Cub Scouts 6:30pm Lydia Circle 7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 16

10:00am Desert Sages 5:30pm TOPS

Wednesday, April 17

9:00am Agape Circle 7:00pm Handbell Rehearsal 7:30pm AA

Thursday, April 18

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

Sunday, April 21

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

Upcoming News and Events

Join us this Sunday for a special Service of the Word and Song - led by Kris Goorsky and Clay Whittington. At both 8:30am and 11:00am services.

Lydia Circle Women's Bible Study on Monday, April 15 at 6:30pm, meets in Witherspoon Hall. All ladies are welcome to join.

Rev. Diane Christopher's first day at Immanuel! Tuesday, April 16. She will be our gap interim pastor over the next several weeks.

Men's BBQ Night! Tuesday, April 16 at 6:00pm – Join the guys on the patio for grilling and chilling!

Casa Maria Sandwiches Day on Saturday, April 27 - 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!

Immanuel Blood Drive on Saturday, May 11 in Witherspoon Hall from 7:00am – 1:00pm. Sign up at <u>redcross.org</u> and use code Immanuel.

Join us Sunday at 9:45am for our Adult Class - Simon Peter: Flawed But Faithful Disciple by Adam Hamilton. Peter was just an ordinary guy who heard and followed God's extraordinary call. Discover how you, too, have special gifts, talents, and abilities that God can use to make a difference today. Books are \$10.00.

Youth Sunday on April 28 – A special service written and led by our youth at both the 8:30am and 11:00am services. Filled with scripture, music, and solos. We will recognize our high school graduates – Carl Shifflette and Theo Vander Woude.

Pastoral Transition Update as of April 8:

With the posting of our interim opening on the Presbytery Church leadership portal we have received and reviewed close to twenty pastor applications. We have reached out and expressed an interest in multiple prospects. We began zoom interviews with those interested this past week. We have one strong candidate we are beginning to call references on and view their sermons. Our work and review will continue. We'll keep you updated, please keep this process in your prayers.

We are excited to welcome Rev. Diane Christopher this coming week as our gap interim pastor.

Questions can be directed to the members of this team: Cheralynn Baylor, Joey Samoy, Sean Shifflette, Jeff Hotchkiss, or Liz Wallendorf.

Ways to Connect, Grow and Have Fun

- Men's BBQ Night Coming on Tuesday, April 16 from 6:00 8:00pm. This fun new event will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month for men of all ages. Come join the guys for grilling and chilling! We will enjoy the outdoors, eat good food, throw a football around and have just have an all-around good time. All food and drink will be provided for this first cook-out.
- **Youth Group on Sunday Nights** Join us from 5:00 7:00pm for dinner, games, and bible fellowship for youth ages 6-12th grade. Questions? Contact kris@immanuelpc.org

IPC Youth Events - April / May

Sun 4/14 - Gaslight Theatre 5:30pm

Sun 4/21 - Rehearsal Youth Sunday!

Sun 4/28 - Big Group Game Night

Sun 5/5 – Volunteer Dinner

Sun 5/12 - NO Youth Group

Sun 5/19 – End of Year Party!

More info: Kris@Immanuelpc.org

• Vacation Bible School: "SCUBA -diving into friendship with God" June 10-14, 9AM-12PM. Cost is \$15.00



VBS Workdays! Vacation Bible School is ast approaching, and we could use your help to make this underwater adventure truly special for our kids! If you are able to join us for one of the days listed below – awesome! Please email kris@immanuelpc.org.

Saturdays: April 27, May 4, May 18, May 25, and June 8 from 9:00am – 12:00pm Sunday, June 9 after worship – set up Sanctuary

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. Meets in Witherspoon Hall.

Desert Sages 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! Contact Mary Kay Bush, Sages Coordinator at 520-661-6737 or ausmbush3@gmail.com. Meets in Witherspoon Hall.

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 - New members always welcome! We encourage everyone to give choir a try - we meet on Thursdays at 6:30pm in the sanctuary. Questions? Contact clay@immanuelpc.org.

Agape Circle Women's Bible Study April 10th. Come join us on the second Wednesday of every month from 9:00am -12:00pm in the home of Mary Kay Bush. 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.

Lydia Circle Women's Bible Study April 15th - 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.

Volunteer - We Need You! We have so many opportunities to participate in church life – but we also want to respect your time and schedule. Most are just once a month or every other month. We need ushers, lay readers, fellowship hosts, children's ministry teachers and more. Interested? Contact Kate Kelly at kate@immanuelpc.org.

Prayer Concerns:

- For those with continuing health challenges and concerns
- Andy McComb, health concerns
- Cheryl Wood, recovering from surgery
- Marilyn Hansen, recovering from shoulder surgery
- For the family of Norm Bagaas, who died on March 25th. Cards may be sent to his wife Gwen at 1902 S. Cathy Street, Tucson, AZ 85710
- For Nicole Haldeman, recovering from back injury
- For Genevieve Friedmeyer, health concerns

2024 Immanuel Elders

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

2024 Immanuel Deacons

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

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