



# Immanuel Lamplighter

Wisconsin Synod



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"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." Psalm 119:105



## *Thanksgiving Service*

*Wednesday, November 27 at 6:30 p.m.*  
(No Thursday Morning Service)



Busy, busy, busy. In just eight weeks we will end another year. Surely the past guarantees us that the months of November and December will be hectic. Airports will be crowded with travelers. Deer will be running for their lives from the hunters. Malls, shopping centers and grocery stores will be packed with shoppers, young and old. Shipping companies will work overtime to deliver millions of packages and letters seven days a week. Everyone will be busy, almost busy to the point of being driven crazy. However, beginning November 27th, for four Wednesday evenings, you are invited to find rest from this busy, crazy turmoil. We will first give thanks for all the blessings that our loving Lord has given us. We will then follow with three weeks to prepare our hearts and souls for the celebration of the Christ child's birth. If you find yourself really busy and need some rest, find time to come and worship.

-Pastor Seelman



## *Advent Schedule*

*Wednesday, December 4*

*Wednesday, December 11~~Wednesday, December 18*

*Soup Suppers will be served at 5:30 p.m.*  
*All Advent services will be held at 6:30 p.m.*

## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Our Sunday School will hold one Christmas practice on Saturday December 21st from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Parts and music will be handed-out to the children soon, to begin learning their parts. Please make plans to have your child at this practice. Their Christmas party will take place after practice from noon to 1:00 p.m. Each child should bring a \$5 gift for exchange.



## DECORATE OUR CHURCH

Saturday, November 30th at 9:00 a.m. we will be decorating our church for the Christmas Season. A sign-up sheet is located in our fellowship hall if your are interested in joining us! **Another opportunity for Immanuel members (and friends) to come together for fun!**



## LADIES' GUILD



Ladies' Guild will hold their November meeting on November 19th at 6:30 p.m. They are having "movie night". Also, they will be preparing and serving supper for the homeless on November 8th. December's meeting will be an informal Christmas party on Saturday, December 14th. We will begin our day meeting in our church kitchen packaging cookies for our shut-ins, following with a noon luncheon. Feel free to contact any of our Ladies' Guild officers for more information or details.

## LET US SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

In the month of November the church office will be printing the 2020 schedule for the altar guild and ushers. We greatly appreciate those who have served faithfully for many years; however, *we are always in need of more volunteers.* The sign-up sheet will remain in our Fellowship Hall through November 11th for those who would like to be added to or removed from the 2020 schedule. Current volunteers who would like to remain on the schedule do not need to sign up. *All confirmed men and women are welcome to serve as ushers or members of our altar guild.* **Ladies, please, please consider this opportunity to give your time to the Lord.**



Our Saints' Triumphant Worship Service on Sunday, November 17th will be in memory of:

Beth Oaks  
Grace Dettlaff  
Marvin Schwebke  
Sandra Habeck-Schmidlkofer  
Clyde Neuenfeldt  
Harley Joslin  
Carol Protz  
Belle Ader  
Warren Lohry  
Elizabeth Maitland

**Elizabeth Maitland**

January 19, 1923

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September 30, 2019



## CHURCH COUNCIL CORNER

Topics discussed at meeting (10-14-19)

- ⇒ Smith Renovations, LLC Contract vote was approved to proceed with estimates.
- ⇒ Two other organ companies will be contacted to provide information and cost estimates for our church.
- ⇒ Parsonage new front door and kitchen window has been ordered and will be replaced soon.
- ⇒ Our church back door has been replaced. We are waiting on a replacement threshold because the one sent with the new door was the wrong size.
- ⇒ Church sound system has been "acting up". We will proceed with using it "as is" another few Sundays and contact appropriate people if a problem continues.
- ⇒ Two congregational meetings have been tentatively scheduled for (1) organ & re-decorating updates and (2) for budget & elections.
- ⇒ Church Council's next meeting is planned for Monday, November 4 at 6:30 p.m.

## New Members

Welcome to...

**Roger and Connie Jerman**

## PUMPKIN CARVING FOLLOW-UP

Six children and five helpers joined together on Saturday, October 26th for an afternoon of fun, carving pumpkins, and making Fall crafts. And, of course, treats to take home. Our thanks to all who participated! See you next year!



## PARKVIEW CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Immanuel will be participating in the purchase of gifts for the residents of Parkview who otherwise might not receive a gift this Christmas. A suggestion board will be coming soon with ideas for their residents. It is not necessary to

purchase all of the gifts listed on the board, these are merely suggestions offered by staff that meet that individual's needs and interests. Your donations DO NOT need to be wrapped.



They can simply be placed in the receptacle that will be located in the entranceway of our church soon. If you have any questions, you could contact Faye Leatherman or any Ladies' Guild member. Thank you for your help and generosity. Please watch our weekly bulletins for more details.

FALL BACK



**Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 3rd. Don't forget to turn your clocks back before going to bed on Saturday, November 2nd.**

### Please Note!

Your church Secretary made an error on the original Altar Guild & Usher Schedule that was distributed last December. Please see our November calendar or Page 5 of this Lamplighter issue for the accurate November schedule.



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“ Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”  
 (First Thessalonians 5:18)

**HOW TO OBSERVE THANKSGIVING**

- Count your blessings instead of your crosses;
- Count your gains instead of your losses.
- Count your joys instead of your woes;
- Count your friends instead of your foes.
- Count your smiles instead of your tears;
- Count your courage instead of your fears.
- Count your full years instead of your lean;
- Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.
- Count your health instead of your wealth;
- Count on God instead of yourself.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults and with my song I give thanks to Him.  
 Psalm 28:7

*Ben Phillips  
 And  
 Kristin Troutt  
 were united in marriage on  
 Friday, October 18, 2019*

*Newly Married*

**Congratulations!**

“For this reason a man will leave his father & mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” Ephesians 5:31

**STEWARDSHIP**

| Date     | Worship Attendance | Communion | Sunday School | Sunday Adult Doctrine Study | GriefShare                  | Tuesday Bible Study | Total Offerings |
|----------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Sept. 29 | 78                 | N/A       | 4             | 11                          | 17                          | 9                   |                 |
| Oct. 6   | 71                 | N/A       | N/A           | N/A                         | 12                          | 13                  |                 |
| Oct. 13  | 96                 | 89        | 5             | 12                          | 15                          | 10                  |                 |
| Oct. 20  | 98                 | N/A       | 5             | N/A                         | 11                          | 11                  |                 |
| Oct. 27  | 75                 | 68        | 6             | 10                          | Unknown at time of printing | 13                  |                 |

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**Altar Guild and Usher Schedule for**  **2019**

| Date                               | Altar Team                                      | Color                                              | Usher Team                                                                                     | Asst.               |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| November 3                         | Dave & Faye Leatherman<br>& Ruth Reiter         | Red<br>Reformation                                 | Karl Luft, Jim Daubert,<br>Marty Waite<br>& Tom Gregory                                        |                     |
| November 10<br>Communion           | Barb Luft, Ann Gosdeck<br>& Julie Treichel      | Red<br>Last Judgment                               | John Hornig, Matt Fink<br>& Larry Stowe                                                        | Randy<br>Montgomery |
| November 17                        | Rachel Freerking, Kay<br>Kohfeldt & Edie Nieman | Non-<br>Communion<br>White<br>Saints<br>Triumphant | Timothy Krause,<br>Mark Juedes,<br>Mike Juedes<br>& Pam Juedes                                 |                     |
| November 24<br>Communion           | Dave & Faye Leatherman<br>& Ruth Reiter         | Communion<br>White<br>Christ the King              | Jeff Reiter, Jacob Reiter<br>& Ruth Reiter                                                     | Marty<br>Waite      |
| November 27<br>Thanksgiving<br>Eve | Barb Luft, Ann Gosdeck<br>& Julie Treichel      | Non-<br>Communion<br>White                         | Mark Andersen,<br>Mady Andersen,<br>Matt Mittelstaedt,<br>Randy Montgomery<br>& Amy Montgomery |                     |