

IMMANUEL CHURCH CALENDAR—A PEEK AT THE WEEK!

Sun., January 20—Please get your Treasurer's Reports in for audit.

9:00-Prep and Prayer meeting for those helping with the service-fireside room

9:15-Church nursery is staffed

9:30-Worship, Holy Communion, Sunday School

10:30-Coffee

10:30— New Testament Study-right after worship grab a cup of coffee and meet in

the Sanctuary Basement. Topic: 8. John—Jesus the Man from Heaven

LUTHER POINT RETREAT hosted by Sarah Circle ends today

Mon., January 21

Tues., January 22

10:00- Text Time

Wed., January 23

6:00-Choir rehearsal

6:30-Confirmation

Thurs., January 24

9:00-Men's Bible Study of Revelation in fireside room

Fri., January 25

Sat. January 26

Sun. January 27

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Volunteers are needed to serve on committees in 2019. Call Pastor Marla or a member of the Nominating Committee; Dave Rue, Jeske Noordergraaf, John Sandberg, or Joanne Johnson to volunteer to be on the 2019 ballot.

Happy Birthdays:

20th—Seth Hunter, Tracy Johnson, Marcella Peterson;

22nd—Cody Schultz, Rose Wiberg; 25th—Jessica Ryberg; 26th—Steve Olson;

27th—Cathy Anderson

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Direct Sunday School and

Confirmation questions to

Pastor Marla Amborn.



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

37515 Park Trail, Almelund, MN 55012

Rev. Marla Amborn

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

January 20, 2019, 9:30 A.M.

A welcoming community rooted in Christ, growing in faith and serving with joy!

Today's Hymnal: **ELW - Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Red)**

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

Children's bulletins & Worship Bags are available at the back of the church.

P: Pastor, C: Congregation, R: Reader

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship

Pastor: Even when we feel alone in the wilderness,

Congregation: we worship you and serve only you.

P: Despite the temptations life may throw at us

C: we worship you and serve only you.

P: As we contemplate the path ahead

C: we worship you and serve only you, wherever it may lead.

P: From the busy, bustling world to this quiet centre,

C: God, gather us.

P: From the noises all around to this silent sacred space,

C: God, gather us.

P: From the constant back and forth to a stillness and a calm.

All: God, gather us.

P: Gather us, we pray, in this time to peace, in this place of praise.

Entrance Hymn ELW #520 Dearest Jesus, At Your Word

Prayer of Confession

Pastor: Forgive us, God,

Congregation: for leading ourselves astray and pretending somehow we are the victims and not the culprits.

Forgive us for appealing to our frailty as if, somehow, just by saying so we need face no charge for our own culpability.

Forgive us for hungering for what we do not need, and thirsting for what will not satisfy, when the feast is already offered to us: the bread of life and living water.

Forgive the rootedness we welcome in traditions that bind us when faith spells liberation.

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Forgive us for kissing the cheek of power instead of the hand of righteousness, when the world cries out for justice.

May we know your forgiveness in our hearts, and be transformed and cleansed, a new beginning from the temptations we have known. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, any by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Worship begins with liturgy booklet

NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION

Kyrie page 3

“Now the Feast” page 4-5

The Salutation page 7

Prayer of the Day (*prayed in unison*)

God of strength, your son Jesus withstood many temptations because his love for you was greater than his earthly desires. Make our love for you so strong, that we might withstand anything that threatens to stand between us and your love. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Psalm 91:9-12

Reader: ⁹Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, ¹⁰no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

Congregation: ¹¹For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. ¹²On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

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The Gospel Matthew 4:1-17 C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.”

⁴But he answered, “It is

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IMMANUEL’S ANNUAL MEETING IS FEBRUARY 10, 2019.

Note to Immanuel Committees—Please make assignments as to who will be turning in your committee/treasurer’s reports for the 2018 Annual Report. Deadline is January 27 so report can be copied and ready for pick up on February 3, one week before the annual meeting. Material is preferred typed and ready to copy or even better, sent to the office via email in MS Word so it can be formatted for the report. *Thank You!*

Treasurers reports are due as soon as you have them ready maybe by the 20th of January so the Auditing can be done in time for the printing of the Annual Reports the week of Jan. 27. There is a box in the Church office for documents for the auditors. *Thank you for your work!*

YOUTH/CONFIRMATION UPCOMING DATES:

Wed., Jan. 23, 6:30-8:00-Confirmation

Wed., Jan. 30, 6:30-8:00-Youth Group

If you have questions about Youth Group call Youth Leaders:

Jason & DeeAnn Fredlund, 651-465-6130

If you have questions about Confirmation call

Pastor Marla, 651-315-3354

Bible Study Opportunities:

SUNDAY MORNING STUDY WITH JIM will meet right after worship—grab your cup of coffee and meet in the Sanctuary basement. **Explore the New Testament from the Gospel of Matthew to the Book of Revelation with this 24-part study.** You can come for every topic or come for the ones that especially interest you. This study begins with a DVD presentation each week.

This Week’s topic: 8. John - Jesus the Man from Heaven

Next Week’s topic: 9. Noncanonical Gospels

Call if you have questions: Jim Mielke at 651-587-7177. *New Participants expected and wanted!*

Scriptural Text Bible Study “Text Time,” Tuesdays., at 10:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room with Pastor Marla

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY with Jim Mielke, Thursdays, at 9:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room. We will continue looking at the book of Revelation. New Members welcomed!

PLEASE CHECK OUT THE POSTERS ON THE NARTHEX BULLETIN BOARD.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY!

Visitors, please sign our guest book located in the back of the sanctuary. If you are interested in knowing more about our congregation please speak to Pastor Marla or call the church office! Contact info is on the back of this bulletin.

Encourage all children who can read to follow along in the bulletin and hymnal during our worship service today! There are children's bulletins at the back of the Sanctuary. **Sunday School for age 3-grade 6 starts every Sunday after the Children's Sermon.** Visiting children are welcome to attend!

A nursery & mother's lounge is located in the upper floor of the addition, with a speaker in the room so you can hear the service. **We provide volunteer Nursery Care** each week beginning at 9:15.

All are welcome to come to the Fellowship Hall after worship for a visit and chance to meet & greet old and new friends!

New Testament Bible Study starts right after worship in the Sanctuary Basement! Grab your cup of coffee and come! Jim looks forward to welcoming you to this New Testament study!

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE TODAY:

Pastor: Marla Amborn

Children's Sermon: Deb Scott

Ushers: Deb Kregel and Julie Weller **Head Usher:** Deb Kregel

Organist: Momoh Freeman **Accompanist:** Pat Remer

Altar Guild: Martha Strecker

Greeter: Linda & Norm Peterson **AV Tech:** Tracy Tolzmann

Reader: Tracy Tolzmann **Acolyte:** Matthew Wendel

Communion Servers: Lynn Schultz, Bob Stirling, Steve Peterson

Communion Wine: Alan & Judy Olson/Wild Mt. Winery

Home-made Communion Bread: Linda Mielke

Offering Counters: Alice Burnside, Pat Remer, Deb Kregel

Coffee: Vickie Johnson and Natalee Oknich—Thank You!

Sunday School Teachers: Julie Flodquist and Kris Koran

Nursery Caregiver: Joanne Johnson

Known to be hospitalized this week:

Alice & John Mortenson - Alice is in hospice at Parmly

Gloria Bourasa - recuperating at home

Lloyd Johnson - recuperating at home

Dwayne Gunderson - recuperating at home

January 13, 2019

Attendance:

Financial report: numbers will be printed next week.

written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" ⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" ⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ

Special Music "Koinonia" ILC Choir

Children's Sermon Deb Scott

(Sunday School begins for age 3-grade 6 following the children's sermon. Visiting Children are welcome to join us in the upper level of the new building.)

THE TEMPTATION STORY: *The other side of the temptation story*
Jason Fredlund portraying the tempter

Sermon Pastor Marla Amborn

Hymn of the Day ELW #319

O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days

Apostles' Creed page 9

Intercessory Prayers *(after each petition respond with:)*

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

Tithes and Offerings

Offering Hymn *Standin' In The Need of Prayer*

CHORUS:

**It's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.
It's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.**

1. Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.
Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer. **REPEAT CHORUS**
2. Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it's me, O Lord standin' in the need of prayer.
Not the preacher, not the deacon, but it's me, O Lord standin' in the need of prayer. **REPEAT CHORUS**
3. Not my father, not my mother, but it's me, O Lord standin' in the need of prayer.
Not my father, not my mother, but it's me, O Lord standin' in the need of prayer. **REPEAT CHORUS**

Offering Prayer (*all pray in unison*)

We are tempted to presume that we have given enough and more than enough already. You pour yourself out for our sakes without measure, without reservation, regardless of return. We pray we overflow in all we give: in time, in talent and in treasure for the sake of the world, loved by you. We dedicate all given here today in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Continuous Holy Communion

All in Christ are invited to come forward to the Lord's table. Please fill out a communion card located in your seat and drop it in the bowl when you come forward. If you are gluten intolerant please help yourself to a wafer from the gold tray. We serve local wine, if you prefer juice tell the server or take a cup of white grape juice from the center ring of the tray. Children may come forward for Communion or a blessing! If you wish to receive communion hold your hands in front of you. If you do not wish to have communion hold your hands by your sides. If you are unable to come forward please let an usher know and you will be served at your seat. We welcome all!

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Words of Institution

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Communion Hymn *See Ye First*

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia
2. Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God, Allelu, Alleluia.
3. Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek, and ye shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, Alleluia

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Post Communion Prayer

Sending

Pastor: Struggle, temptation, desire, want.

All: All these longings rage within us. So, we go with the assurance of God's pardon, the foundation of God's love, and the promise of God's presence to guide and protect.

P: Peace. Mercy. Grace. Hope. Be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Benediction page 16

Sending Hymn ELW #314 *Arise, Your Light Has Come*

Dismissal Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Blood Drive in Immanuel's Fellowship Hall - Save the Date

Immanuel will be hosting a blood drive through the American Red Cross on **Thursday, February 21, 2019 from 1 – 7 PM**. We invite you to be part of this life-giving opportunity. Tell your family and friends. Come and donate blood if you are able. We need 1-2 more Volunteers to serve as a hosts from 4:pm –7:30pm. We also need people to **hang up posters in neighboring towns soon (Shafer doesn't have a Blood Drive so we may get some from that area if we publicize). Or hang one up at work. Get Posters from Gathering Area today or in the office this week.** This is a great opportunity to help people in our local community. ***Save the date and plan to participate.*** You can sign up early online at redcrossblood.org and enter Almelund to schedule an appointment. You may also call 1-800-RED CROSS. See poster for details!