

## IMMANUEL CHURCH CALENDAR—A PEEK AT THE WEEK!

### Sun. February 17—Newsletter Deadline

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, NO New Testament Study  
1:30-Pillowcase Workshop in Fellowship Hall

### Mon., February 18

### Tues., February 19

10:00-Text Time Bible Study  
10:00-Immanuel Quilters sewing day, noon potluck! All are welcome!  
12:30-MiChiLu meeting at Chisago Lake Lutheran

### Wed., February 20

1:30-Prayer Shawl  
6:00-Choir rehearsal  
6:30-Confirmation

### Thurs., February 21

9:00-NO Men's Bible Study of Revelation in fireside room  
1-7pm RED CROSS Blood Drive in Fellowship Hall

### Fri., February 22

### Sat. February 23

9-11am-Pastor Marla attends conference assembly at Augustana Lutheran, W. St. Paul  
12-2:45pm-Leaders Tool Kit, Augustana

### Sun., February 24—Treasurer's, please pick up books in the office

9:00-Prep and Prayer meeting for those helping with the service-fireside room  
9:15-Church nursery is staffed  
9:30-Worship, Sunday School  
10:30-Annual Meeting in Sanctuary after the worship service  
10:30-Coffee  
10:30- No New Testament Study



**Immanuel is joining with our MiChiLu partner congregations to host a Mardi Gras Pancake Supper. Come and be part of it!**

**Tuesday evening, March 5, Dinner served between 5:30 and 7:00 PM.**

Come and go as it fits your schedule—**At Zion Lutheran Church, 28005 Old Towne Rd, Chisago.** Pancakes with real maple syrup, sausages, fruit, and beverages! See the poster in the Gathering area and sign up to bring fruit cocktail, strawberries or bananas! Fill out and return the form in the bulletin today or it's in the Feb. Newsletter. Take a look!

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## IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

37515 Park Trail, Almelund, MN 55012

Rev. Marla Amborn

6th Sunday of Epiphany

February 17, 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: We are here,

**Congregation: in the name of Christ Jesus**

P: So ask right now,

**C: and it shall be given to you.**

P: Seek right now,

**C: and you will find.**

P: Knock right now,

**C: and the door will be opened**

**Entrance Hymn ELW #596 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less**

### Prayer of Confession

P: One God, we know your commandments, we read your story,

**C: We can recite the Golden Rule: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.**

P: Yet every day we ignore you, every day we forget,

**C: every day we need your forgiveness.**

P: We confess that we are not perfect as we would like to think.

**C: We confess that we often act in ways contrary to your will.**

P: It is only through our savior Jesus Christ that we can live the way you call us to.

**All: Help us again to listen, to follow, to live. 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”** pages 4-5

**The Salutation** page 7

**Prayer of the Day** (*prayed in unison*)

Loving God, Jesus taught us through stories and the wisdom of the shared word. Teach us through your stories, that we may learn, grow, and love. For the sake of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen

**The Psalm 37:16-18**

Reader: <sup>16</sup>Better is a little that the righteous person has than the abundance of many wicked.

**Congregation:** <sup>17</sup>**For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, but the LORD upholds the righteous.**

Reader<sup>18</sup>The LORD knows the days of the blameless, and their heritage will abide forever;

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**Congregation: Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Verse** page 8

**The Gospel Matthew 7:1-14, 24-29 C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

“Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. <sup>2</sup>For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. <sup>3</sup>Why do you see the speck in your neighbor’s eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? <sup>4</sup>Or how can you say to your neighbor, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ while the log is in your own eye? <sup>5</sup>You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor’s eye. <sup>6</sup>“Do not give what is holy to dogs; and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under foot and turn and maul you.

<sup>7</sup>“Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>8</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>9</sup>Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? <sup>10</sup>Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? <sup>11</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

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**PILLOWCASE WORKSHOP** Please join Sarah Circle today, Sunday, February 17 at 1:00 in the fellowship hall to make pillow cases for Family Pathways. Fabric will be provided. Call Loraine for more info., 583-3412.

**Generous Reflections Gifts**

For many, giving is associated with money. Giving includes money, but, as faithful givers, we first give ourselves, and the giving of our gifts and resources will follow (2 Corinthians 8:5). We all have different gifts and blessings to share. God has blessed us with gifts of wood-working, sewing, serving, teaching, singing, gardening, leading, cleaning, etc. Whatever our skills or gifts, we can use and give them to extend the kingdom and help others. Through faith, we are compelled to give because we know that God is the source of all of our blessings (2 Corinthians 5:14). Giving expresses our gratitude to God for what he has given to us.

*Blessings on your stewardship journey!*

*Your Stewardship Committee*

**Bible Study Opportunities:**

**No study for now—will resume in March—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. 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

**No Study for now—will resume Feb. 28. 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.**

**WE ALL ARE MEMBERS OF THE**  
**“IMMANUEL HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE!”**  
INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO VISITORS  
AND GET TO KNOW MEMBERS, OLD AND NEW!



## **MARCH FOOD & FUND DRIVE -FEB 25 – APRIL 7, 2019**

Help re-stock the food shelves by donating to Family Pathway's March Campaign Food & Fund Drive—Leave non perishable food in the basket in our Narthex. Thank you!

- canned fruit, oranges, mixed fruit, pears
- canned vegetables, green beans, corn, mixed vegetables
- Bags of potatoes, or onions
- Whole grain pasta, rice
- Baking and cooking items, vegetable oil, flour, sugar, spices
- Canned meats, tuna, chicken, salmon
- Hearty soups, chunky soups, stews, cream of mushroom soup
- Peanut Butter
- Personal hygiene and household cleaning products

Want to give financially? \$10 feeds a family of 4 for one week!

### **Youth and Confirmation Upcoming dates to remember:**

Feb. 15 - 17 Youth attend Youth Quake in Minneapolis

Feb. 20, 6:30 Confirmation

Feb. 27, 6:30 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

**The 2019 Relay for Life** is going to be held on Saturday, Aug 3rd with the kick-off breakfast taking place on Saturday March 2nd from 7:30-11 am at Trinity Lutheran Church in North Branch. An organizational meeting for the Immanuel Team will take place after church on Sunday, March 3rd to pick the Sundays we can serve coffee and make plans for the Relay. All interested are invited to join. Any questions, call Jeske N @ 651-775-1233 or email [jnoordergraaf@yahoo.com](mailto:jnoordergraaf@yahoo.com). I hope to see you at the breakfast.

**Tanzania Worship Service Sunday, March 3** As we celebrate our partnership with the Itonya congregation, the Immanuel Worship Band will lead us in Tanzanian music during worship. Peter Harrits, our Tanzania coordinator from the Synod office, will preach and bring greetings from Itonya. A Tanzanian meal will be served during coffee hour. Come and be part of it!

This would be a good day to wear your Tanzania tee-shirt and bring an offering in support of our partner congregation at Itonya.

**LUTHER POINT BIBLE CAMP CATALOGS ARE OUT IN THE GATHERING AREA!** Grab one and talk about your summer camp plans with your children, grand-children or neighbor kids! Make this the summer they went to camp! Family Camps and Grandparents/Grandchildren camps are popular!

<sup>12</sup>“In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets. <sup>13</sup>“Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. <sup>14</sup>For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it. <sup>24</sup>“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. <sup>25</sup>The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. <sup>26</sup>And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. <sup>27</sup>The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!” <sup>28</sup>Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, <sup>29</sup>for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

**Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ**

**Special Music** “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” 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.)*

**Sermon** Deacon Jerry Dufeck, Lutheran Social Services

**Hymn of the Day** ELW #708 *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love*

**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** ELW #692 *We Are An Offering*

**Offering Prayer** *(all pray in unison)*

**Holy Communion**

**The Great Thanksgiving** page 11

**Holy** page 11-12

**Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer** page 13

**Lamb of God** page 14

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Lamb of God page 14

### 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!*

**Communion Hymn** ELW #710 *Let Streams of Living Justice*

**Post Communion Prayer**

**Benediction** page 16

**Sending Hymn** ELW #537 *On Our Way Rejoicing*

**Dismissal** Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

### THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE TODAY:

**Pastor:** Marla Amborn

**Children's Sermon:** Jeske Noordergraaf

**Ushers:** Martha Strecker and Jeananne Zank

**Head Usher:** Deb Krengel **Altar Guild:** Jenny Abbott

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

**Communion Servers:** Diane Rothe, Shannon Lindgren, Dana Johnson

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

**Home-made Communion Bread:** Linda Mielke

**Greeter:** Royce Chinander **AV Tech:** Tracy Tolzmann

**Reader:** Kaitlin Carlson **Acolyte:** none, Youth at YOUTHQUAKE!

**Offering Counters:** Alice Burnside, Pat Remer, Deb Krengel

**Coffee:** Kris Koran

**Sunday School Teachers:** Julie Flodquist, Kris Koran

**Nursery Caregiver:** Jeske Noordergraaf

**Pastor Marla will be on vacation Feb. 25-March 1.** Pastor Taryn Montgomery from Chisago Lakes Lutheran will respond to any pastoral care emergencies. She can be reached on her cell phone at 651-508-0277.

### 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.

**Today Deacon Jerry Dufeck will join us for worship**, telling about the impact our annual benevolence dollars have as we support the ministry of Lutheran Social Services. Use your LSS offering box envelope or a pew envelope for an offering to this worthy organization. Thank you for coming, Jerry!

**Immediately following the Worship Service we welcome you to come for coffee in the fellowship hall!**

### Blood Drive in Immanuel's Fellowship Hall This Thursday!

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. 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](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter Almelund to schedule an appointment. You may also call 1-800-RED CROSS. See poster for details!

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

17-Lincoln Goodwin, Kari Johnson; 18-Nicholas Lundquist  
20-Brandalyn Bourasa; 22-Stephanie Wendel

### Known to be hospitalized this week:

Alice & John Mortenson - Alice is in hospice at Parnly  
Mary Johnson - recuperating at home  
Linda Meyer - recuperating at home

Financial report: **February 10, 2019** Attendance: 68  
Current-\$1,273.00; Building Fund-\$65.00; Benevolence-\$105.00;  
Loose-\$1.00 Total: \$1,444.00  
Benevolence: Und. \$40; Synod \$15; World Hunger \$50