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Jesus Christ and the exhilarating power and  
undefeatable joy He brings to life!*

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# GOOD NEWS

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## Phase 2 Re-Opening

*by Pastor Chad Fair*

**I**f you're sick of COVID and you know it clap your hands. If you're sick of COVID and you know it clap your hands. If you're sick of COVID and you know it then your face will surely show it, if you're sick of COVID and you know it clap your hands.

At this point my hands sting from all that clapping and as much as I'd like to snap my fingers and make things go back to normal, I can't. We're not there yet. I don't know if and when things will completely go back to normal, but at Immanuel we are taking a step in the direction of normal beginning the week of October 4th.

The weekend of October 4th we will move to phase 2 of our reopening plan in an attempt to return to a more normal

worship experience. Some things, however will remain the same. We will still require masks, practice distancing, limit our capacity, skip passing the peace and distribute communion on the porch but we will add our 9:30 service to the mix and modify our current Saturday worship service.

Let's talk Saturday night. Jim will still open the service with a piece of meditative music but we will sing two verses of the hymn of the day and the closing hymn. Yes, we will do our own impersonation of the Masked Singer.

Our Sunday 9:30 service will look pretty normal with the exceptions of the changes listed above (masks, distancing etc). Ironically, we have been trying to encourage more singing at that service

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**Pastor Chad's**

# MONTHLY MESSAGE

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for years and now...well let's just say we won't exactly encourage singing. But it would be fantastic if we could break out of the frozen chosen label and clap to the beat or just let the music move us. Drive Thru Communion will be available from 10:30-11am, and 12:00-12:30 pm.

Speaking of 11:15 we will not be reopening that service yet. Key word here is yet. Scientists have determined that Covid-19 is an airborne virus and that singing increases the number of aerosols floating in the air. Masks greatly reduce the number of aerosol particles in the air and distancing helps reduce the spread. So out of an abundance of caution, in order to let the air clear, we don't want to bring people into the sanctuary with so little time between services.

I know, some believe we are being overly cautious. Maybe we are. The reality is these past few months have been challenging beyond measure and there are no black and white answers. We may never know if we've made the "right decisions" over these past six months but we would have known if we made the

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# A CALL FOR LEADERS



*by John McCluskey  
Council President*

It is hard to believe that I am writing the October letter. This year has been full of challenges for each of us and for Immanuel. But it seems to be going by awful fast for a year where we have had to self-isolate and stay home.

Fortunately, it seems like our efforts are helping Martin County to turn the corner on the Corona Virus so we can continue the process of reopening Immanuel. We started last month with one "meditative" service on Saturday night which went very well. We are now going to take the next step. Our Council and Pastors have decided to expand the Saturday night traditional service and add the 9:30 Contemporary service. These will be close to worship as we remember it but not quite. Pastor Chad will talk more about the specifics of each service. We are still not comfortable having back-to-back worship services as we cannot guarantee the air quality in the second service so we are holding off on the 11:15 service for now. We will still offer on-line worship at both 9:30 and 11:15 on Sunday.

While I am excited that we can take this next step in expanding our worship service, I still ask that everyone considers their personal circumstances. Please consider your personal risk situation in deciding when it is right for you to return to services. We each have a different risk quotient based on our age, general health and other factors. Please worship in the manner that is safest for you.

The fall is also the time we nominate half of Immanuel's Council members. This year we will be seeking individuals to serve as Vice President, Secretary, as well as, Chairpersons for Worship, Small Groups, Communications, Finance and Faith, Fun & Fellowship. It is hard to think about being a leader at Immanuel when we have been closed for a good portion of this year but the work of spreading the Good News has not stopped for the virus. Your Council has been working hard to share the Word in these difficult times and we will be looking for your assistance in making Immanuel even stronger next year. Please prayerfully consider any call you may receive asking you to serve Immanuel in one of these positions.

Stay safe, grow in faith and consider how you can help Immanuel grow. ■

## MONTHLY GOOD NEWS DEADLINE

The deadline to submit items for the monthly newsletter is the 15th of each month. Items received after the 15th may or may not make it into the newsletter. To submit items, send an email to: [ilcmedia2655@gmail.com](mailto:ilcmedia2655@gmail.com)

IN-PERSON

# Worship IS BACK!

(sort of)

## Starting October 4th

### 6 pm Saturday - Traditional Worship

We will be expanding our meditative worship to include some abbreviated hymns. Reservations, masks and social distancing still required. Doors open 15 mins before worship.

### 9:30 am Sunday - Contemporary Worship

Our 9:30 service will continue to feature our praise team. Brittany and Evan will not be wearing masks while they sing, though we feel we will have them far enough removed from the congregation that this should not be an issue. Reservations, masks and social distancing still required. Doors open 15 mins before worship.

**RSVP for 6 pm or 9:30 am services at 287-8188 or [pastorchad@ilcpalmcity.org](mailto:pastorchad@ilcpalmcity.org)**

### 11:15 am Sunday - Traditional Worship

This service will be available online only due to concerns about not having enough time in between services to clean appropriately. Due to the sanctuary potentially being contaminated and wanting to keep our organist and pastors safe, the streamed service will be a recording from the 6 pm service the night before.

### Communion

Will be served outdoors following the in-person worship services. Drive-Thru communion will be available on Sundays from 10:30 am - 11:00 am and 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm

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wrong ones. Covid has impacted several families in our congregation and taken the lives of a few. Frankly, our caution was for the safety of the congregation and staff.

The question you might be asking now is: why are we reopening now, what has changed? To state the obvious, the virus has not gone away and the risk still exists. But we have learned a lot over the last 6 months and believe we are in a better position to safely open our doors, albeit in a limited capacity and with distancing and masks. While I firmly believe our plan is solid it is not foolproof. Risk still exists. That is why we will continue to offer worship via livestream so that you can still join us for worship if you don't feel comfortable or if you are in an at-risk category.

We strongly encourage anyone in at-risk groups who desire in-person worship to come to the Saturday evening service. As many of you know our 9:30 service tends to have our young families in attendance and with schools reopening, that does elevate the potential risk. While young people tend to have less severe Covid symptoms the risk of spread is increased because they tend to be more asymptomatic. Please keep that risk in mind as you make your decisions.

If you're sick of COVID and you know it clap your hands, if you're grateful for God's blessings and you know if clap your hands. And on that last clap...leave your hand together and offer your prayers to God. ■

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# DWELL ON GOD'S PROMISES



by Cheryl Gundersdorff  
Deacon

Whether we read the newspaper or on-line news, watch the nightly news on numerous channels, listen to the news on the radio, or glean information on social media, there are aspects that resonate through it all. While informative, it is confusing, contradicting, dividing, and not always true. We hear of violence and hatred, death and destruction, disrespect and power grabbing. Thankfully there are stories of compassion sprinkled in on occasion. But overall, by the end of the day we scream, enough! Jesus, come now!

The cacophony of the world follows us daily. It influences how we feel, what we think, and what we come to believe. The devotion, Dealing with Uncertainty, by YouVersion Bible app, warns us that "The thoughts you fill your mind with are crucial because what you cling to influences your worldview." It goes on to say, "If you choose to dwell on God's promises, you start to recognize God's blessings during uncertain times."

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### We now have more ways for you to give!



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**Envelopes**

### MONTHLY GIVING REPORT

A report of our giving compared to the approved budget the congregation agreed to at the annual meeting. We're including last year as a comparison as well

	Aug 2020	Aug 2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019
Given	<b>\$38,799.28</b>	\$47,488.17	<b>\$332,540.03</b>	\$357,490.49
Needed	<b>\$55,865.00</b>	\$44,320.00	<b>\$391,055.00</b>	\$376,720.00
Difference	<b>(\$5,743.49)</b>	\$3,168.17	<b>(\$58,514.97)</b>	(\$19,229.51)

### OPERATING FUND INCOME & EXPENSES

Our year-to-date operating income and expenses using the latest report of the treasurer.

Through 08/31/2020	ILC & IELC
Income	\$548,722.68
Expenses	\$562,323.92
Difference	<b>(\$13,601.24)</b>

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So how can we look at the world differently and see it not as it is portrayed, but as a holy creation where God's Holy Spirit is at work? The Apostle Paul, in the book of Philippians, gives us the answer. "Finally, brothers (and sisters-addition mine), whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable-if anything is excellent or praiseworthy-think about such things." When I think about each of these qualities, they all point to who God is. He is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, and praiseworthy. As we think about these qualities of our loving God, we are then reminded of what good things he has done and his promises throughout scripture. Promises that remind us that no matter what this world looks like in the news, God created it to be beautiful; promises that remind us that his glory is ever present; promises that remind us that he takes bad situations and works in them to bring good; promises that he sends his Holy Spirit into this world to work through us to bring the beauty of the presence of God into our messed up world.

As we are made in the image of God and filled with the Holy Spirit, let us keep our minds on Paul's instruction and God's promises and live our lives in such a way as to usher in God's kingdom here on earth. We are standing on holy ground. ■



## FROM THE CHOIR LOFT AND ORGAN BENCH

by Jim Peppers  
Cantor/Organist/Choir Director

It has been a welcome return to our Saturday night in-person Vesper type services. After having the Sanctuary empty of a congregation so many months, it has been a blessing to see so many of you return to worship. Yes, it is different as the times are different. We are following the science so that we are safe. These are not the times yet, to let down our guard to protect and love each other through our thoughtful and cautious behavior. The threat is real and still alive.

That said, we are coming to phase 2 of our reopening. So many of you have asked when do we return to singing. With caution, we are doing that in this phase. Again, not 100% of the way we would like it but, with masks and abbreviated versings. However, the Bell Choir will return to rehearsals on October 6. We will have physical distancing, masks, and hand sanitizer so that we can be safe. Then, after rehearsals we will play on Saturday evenings. Because the Chancel Choir is not yet rehearsing, if those singers want to graduate to ringers, it is encouraged. In fact, if anyone wants be part of our musical offerings on Saturday evenings, please attend the rehearsal for the Bells and help us ring to Soli Deo Gloria (to God Alone Shall be the Glory)!!! ■

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Jessica Morejon

## YOUTH & FAMILY UPDATE

**S**ALT, LIGHT, FRUIT, PURPOSE, I can go on and on! You may be wondering if I'll be providing some sort of recipe to follow. As much as I'd like to say yes and take credit for a wonderful meal at your dinner table, I'm afraid this will not be the case. These are nouns and adjectives which can be found in the Bible (the best recipe book ever made). You laugh at the idea that I compare the Bible to a recipe book but you see, the end creation He made was US! And He explains in this recipe book what we are made of and which magnificent pairings can be made with one another. In a past Newsletter I shared about Purpose (and passion). PURPOSE is not something that we need to look for, we are already created (born) with it. In Matthew 5:13 we are told "you are the salt of the earth". What exactly does salt do? Honestly not much, it does not flavor our meal it enhances what flavor already exists. Am I correct? So you see as a child we learn/ grow in our purpose - as our salts (parents, teachers, leaders, etc.) enhance us. Why am I choosing to revisit this

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# CHILDREN, Y

## Adopt-a-Youth

Greeting friends and fellow church members! I am not sure how many of you are fully aware as to how vibrant and active the youth are in our congregation. Yes, when church was in full swing, you saw them monthly in the services: reading, granting communion, taking up offerings. However, did you know that in addition to active service participation and weekly Sunday school, these youth have been spending nearly 3-5 hours a month studying Scripture and learning as much about the love of Jesus as possible? In addition, they volunteer in our church and throughout the community spreading that love of Jesus to everyone they meet! I am proud of our church, especially as a parent of one of those youth. Immanuel Lutheran and its body of members have truly taken the vow that was said by each of you at each of these children's baptism; that you will love, support and pray for these kids. It truly shows! With your support, these kids have grown deeply in their faith, their love of Christ and their love of humans in general. Of this, you church members should be celebrating!

Under the leadership of Amy Eason, students from 6th—8th grade have been participating in a three-year confirmation program for several years now. This program includes monthly studies, faith projects and statements, volunteering, church service participation, retreats and many more other activities. These youth also attend events such as Disney's Night of Joy and in 2022, they will attend the National ELCA Youth Gathering. Of course, we can't forget about our high school and college students who have previously been confirmed and continue participating with Immanuel whenever possible.

Over the next year, we will be highlighting two youth members per month starting with our six students that will be confirmed in the spring of 2021. These students have been studying for two years already and will continue through this year, ending with a presentation of their faith statement to Pastor Chad prior to taking the Rite of Confirmation. With each student highlight, it is our hope that a church family will adopt each child. This adoption will include prayer, the occasional note, small gift and/or text (as that's the way to our youth these days!) and we hope this adoption will continue through high school and even college. Now, more than ever, our youth need additional faith support beyond Mrs. Amy, Pastor Chad and their parents and teachers. They need the love of our church family, to continue supporting them on their faith journey to becoming Christian adults.

### **We have 28 youth students that are up for adoption!**

If anyone is interested in adopting one of our featured students, please reach out to Jennifer Trent at [jenniferDtrent@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferDtrent@gmail.com) or 772-215-0993. First come, first serve.

# YOUTH & FAMILY



## KAYLA CARNES

Favorite Bible Verse:

*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.* – Joshua 1:9

Kayla has been a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church since birth, along with her family, Jennifer and Chris Carnes and her older brother Christopher Carnes. Kayla is currently in 8th grade at Redeemer Lutheran School where she is very active in sports including soccer,

flag football, basketball and volleyball. It's no wonder her favorite subject is Physical Education! Though she hasn't been able to play sports this fall through her school, she has been able to remain active and competitive with her travel soccer league and recently scored 6 goals during a competition in Melbourne! Outside of school, Kayla enjoys her family vacations to the mountains of Boone, North Carolina, swimming in their pool with her pet turtle (yes, I said turtle!) and really enjoys hanging out with her friends while eating nachos and ribs, her two favorite foods. Kayla is excited to return to in-person confirmation classes and going on retreats and her goal this year is to achieve the Christian Leadership Award at her school.



## EMMA GRIMMELSMAN

Favorite Bible Verse:

*"For we live by faith, not by sight."*  
– 2 Corinthians 5:7

"I like this verse because it states that we need to trust God's plan for us instead of trying to create our own plan."

Emma, along with her parents, Shelli and Jamie, have been attending Immanuel Lutheran Church for a few years. Emma is a freshman at Martin County High School where

she participates in cheerleading and loves her health science medical programs and more specifically, biology. She really hopes to join the Class of 2024 HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) organization as soon as meetings resume. With school in mind, her goal for this school year is to maintain straight A's in all of her classes and she has a dream of one day becoming a dermatologist. Outside of school, you'll find Emma eating Chick-fil-a, spending time with her friends and she hopes to get back to church gatherings again very soon as she really loves to learn about God in exciting ways with her confirmation and Sunday school classes. When asked about her bucket list, Emma replies that she wishes to visit Greece someday soon!

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topic? Some of us feel unprepared to share Jesus and our God the Father with Youth or even outsiders. But once again as He says we are SALT (here to enhance). I don't think He feels there is a right or wrong amount of enhancement. He just wants us to use our tools. Being that LIGHT on a hill that cannot be hidden. When we place our focus on Him the FRUIT that grows from the tree is evident. If we enhance others with love, kindness, patience, etc that is exactly the FRUIT that will produce. Many things taught in our lifetime are difficult but God & Jesus, these are by far the simplest of all to share and teach. So much goodness comes from the conversations or the teaching moments, most likely for both parties involved – the teacher and the student. I ask you now, is Sunday the only day that we make time for those moments? Are they part of our daily living for us as Christians? If we have children or grandchildren or youth, do we enhance their faith routinely? If you have not yet responded or your response is not a yes, let's talk! I happen to know a couple little people we can reach out to and enhance.

*Let your light shine before others in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in Heaven* – Matthew 5:16



## Immanuel's Pews Steam Cleaned

Before Immanuel restarted in-person worship on Saturday evenings on August 8th, all of the pews in the sanctuary were steam cleaned. This was done upon a recommendation from the Memorial Fund Management Committee and approval by the congregation council. The pews were last steam cleaned in 2005 after the damage done by the two 2004 hurricanes. Undesignated memorial funds were used to make this happen.

## Thank You

Kim Neal would like to thank the following volunteers who have continued to work during the pandemic while Kim and others were not able to.

To Marcie Balow for continuing to organize feeding the hungry at our Souper Sunday Soup kitchen.  
To Jerry Schuler for helping pick up desserts at Panera  
To Doug Behnke and Roger Zielke for their Saturday morning Publix bread runs.

## Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thank you to the following for donating their Thrivent Choice dollars to Immanuel:

*Laraine Montgomery  
Louis Renault*

# Christmas Evergreen Fundraiser

**Support the Immanuel Lutheran Church Youth Group and their goal to attend the 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering by purchasing and / or gifting these beautiful evergreen items!**

Visit [sherwoodfundraiser.com/immanuelpalmcity](http://sherwoodfundraiser.com/immanuelpalmcity) to order or send your evergreen today!

Items can be shipped directly to Immanuel Lutheran Church for pickup OR you can have them direct delivered to anywhere in the country!

**Orders due by November 5, 2020 for delivery the week after Thanksgiving 2020.**

Contact Jennifer Trent at [jenniferDtrent@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferDtrent@gmail.com) or 772-215-0993 for questions.



## Bell Choir

We can't safely sing yet, but we can ring! Anyone interested in joining our Bell Choir, contact Jim Peppers:

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772-800-8714

**Practices begin Tuesday, Oct. 6th @ 6 pm**

Masks & Social Distancing Required

# EARLY LEARNING CENTER

by Director Beth Tatem



**F**all is here...Our Fall pictures will be on October 7th and 8th, dress in your best. Please ask your child's teacher which day your child will be taking pictures.

Immanuel Early Learning Center will be starting a Little Caesars Fundraiser on October 19th that will last the entire week. Please help support our school, as we get a portion of the proceeds for that entire week.

October 30th the children will be having their Harvest Parties and dressing up in their Halloween Costumes. Sorry this year we will not be having a parade for the parents because of Covid-19.

## Capital Improvement Update:

Your child's school has been in existence for sixteen years and the time has come for new cabinets and new playground toys. You can be a part of the improvement plan by making a donation of \$25 and be listed as a Guardian,\$50 an Angel and \$100 or more a Saint. Your name will be placed on a special framed picture by Ms. Beth's office and we will keep you informed on improvements that were made with your donation. The Capital Improvement goal is \$3,000.00 and so far our school has raised \$300.00. The staff and myself thanks you for a great start on this Capital Improvement Project!

Thank you for all your support

## CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMANDS!

Confirmation Sunday  
Oct. 25 • 9:30 Service

Due to Covid-19 we were unable to perform the rite of confirmation on Pentecost Sunday. Therefore we will be having it on Reformation Sunday instead!



### Immanuel's Confirmation

#### Class of 2020

Abby Bean  
Kira Eason  
Bowen Saylor  
Karter Seefeldt  
Rhianna Rinderknecht  
Heidi Weiksner

## Election Day Thank You!

Five of Immanuel's members staffed our "adopted" Precinct #25 poll during the primary election on August eighteenth. A big thank you goes out to Marcie Balow, Karen Coombs, Ron Froehlich, Janelle McPartland and Jerry Pierr for volunteering over eighteen hours each. The Martin County Supervisor of Elections (MCSOE) will donate \$825 to Immanuel for their service. This is patriotic stewardship!

For the general election on November third, an additional three volunteer poll workers are needed due to the expected increased voter interest as well as the need to perform extra sanitation tasks. Immanuel will realize over \$1,000 as a contribution from the MCSOE. This money is really needed due to the decline in offerings and other income due to the cancellation of worship services and group room donations because of the virus pandemic.



## Little Caesars Pizza

Immanuel Early Learning  
Center Fundraiser

**Oct. 19-25**

Pick up the order forms at the church or contact Beth Tatem at the Preschool to have one sent to you.

772-219-2279

Return forms by Sunday, Oct. 25.

## ADULT EDUCATION

**Deborah Circle**  
2nd Monday of the month  
3 PM • Choir Room  
\*Canceled for October\*

**Sisters in Spirit**  
3rd Tuesday of the month  
7 pm @ Church • Choir Room

**Re-Focus on Scripture**  
Wednesdays, 7 pm via zoom  
**Immanuel 328**  
2nd & 4th Sundays of the month  
via zoom

## FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE MINISTRIES

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**  
3rd Wednesday of the month  
6 pm • Room 203  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

**Quilts of Valor**  
Weds 6:00 pm • Room 202  
Info: Jackie Koch, 772.834.8058

**Altar Guild**  
2nd Wednesday of the month  
10 am • Room 202  
Info: Marj Smith, 772.286.8974  
or Alice Windle, 772.220.1590  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

**Stephen Ministry**  
2nd and 4th Mondays  
6:30 pm in Room 202  
\*Canceled for October\*

**Thursday Bridge Group**  
Thursdays at 1 pm • Choir Room  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

**Souper Sundays**  
Every Sunday @ 4:30 pm • FDC  
Immanuel's Weeks to help are  
the 3rd and 5th Sundays  
Contact: Marcie Balow  
772.283.0982 or  
mbalow45@gmail.com  
\*Carry-Out only until further  
notice\*

# Bible Study & Adult Ed



## Sisters in Spirit Women's Ministry

We continue with our study of *Experiencing the Heart of Jesus*. **Please note that we will be meeting at the church instead of Panera** so we can maintain social distancing. Masks required. See you October 20th at 7PM, in the Choir Room. Contact Deacon Cheryl Gundersdorff (221-8939) for more information and to RSVP.

## DEBORAH CIRCLE WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Deborah Circle meeting is canceled for the month of October.**

We will resume our study of the Gospel of Matthew on Monday, November 9th at 3 PM in the Choir Room.

Contact Deacon Cheryl 221-8939 for more information

## STEPHEN MINISTRY

Are you experiencing a difficult time of life right now? Do you need someone who will listen and walk with you during this time? Stephen Ministry may be able to help. Having a Stephen Minister is being wrapped in God's love. If you would like to have your own Stephen Minister, please contact your Stephen Leaders, Deacon Cheryl Gundersdorff, 221-8939 or Dr. Dave Hakala 219-0715.



## Prayer Chain Ministry

Did you know that you have faithful sisters and brothers in the Lord who look forward to the opportunity to lift you or someone you know before God in prayer? Call Deacon Cheryl (221-8939) to begin those prayers. \*\*From September 29th through October 17th call Karen Braid 546-6696.\*\*



# RE-FOCUS *on Scripture*

## Wednesdays at 7 pm via zoom

Join us every Wednesday evening as we take a deeper look at the previous weekend's text and message.

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## Immanuel 328

*"For in Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female." - Galatians 3:28*

Join us every second & fourth Sunday of the month as we discuss the church's role in addressing racism, sexism and other justice issues in our society.

Zoom ID: 864 8101 3401  
Passcode: 929057



## FOOD & TOILETRY BAG DONATIONS FOR SOUPER SUNDAYS



We are continuing to distribute food & toiletry bags at Souper Sunday again. So, we will be accepting donations of the following items:

**Food Bags:** Tuna salad (boxes or foil bags); Chicken salad (boxes or foil bags); Vienna Sausages (small: pull top); Jif to Go; Filled snack crackers (peanut butter or cheese filled); Energy Bars/Breakfast bars; Fruit cups; Keebler/Ritz Crackers (Snack packs)

**Toiletry Bags:** (travel sized preferred) Soap (bar or liquid); Shampoo/Conditioner; Toothpaste/brushes; Hand lotion; Small combs; Wet wipes

Contact Karen Coombs at  
772-600-7272

## MUSIC MINISTRIES

**Contemporary Worship Team**  
Wednesdays @ 5 pm • Sanctuary  
Contact Brittany Lustig  
brittanyannelustig@gmail.com

### Bell Choir

Tuesdays at 6 pm • Sanctuary

### Chancel Choir

Sundays at 10 am • Choir Room  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

### Cornerstone Singers

Saturdays @ 5:15 pm • Sanctuary  
pdcjimmy@hotmail.com  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

### Children's Choir

Mondays at 12:30 pm • FDC  
\*Suspended until further notice\*

### Children's Chimes

Sundays at 10:30 am • FDC  
\*Suspended until further notice\*



## Souper Sundays

Immanuel serves every third and fifth Sunday. To volunteer, contact Marcie Balow at 283-0982 or mbalow45@gmail.com



The Salvation Army still desperately needs your donations! Immanuel is a drop-off location for non-perishable foods weekdays from 9 am - noon.



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### Regular Worship Schedule

Saturdays:  
6:00 pm

Relaxed Traditional

Sundays:

9:30 am Contemporary

11:15 am Traditional

OR CURRENT RESIDENT

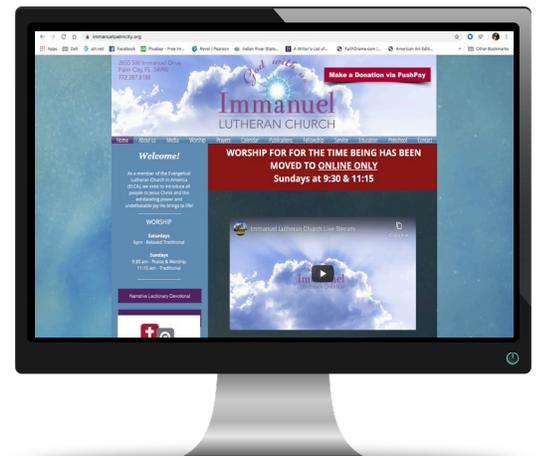
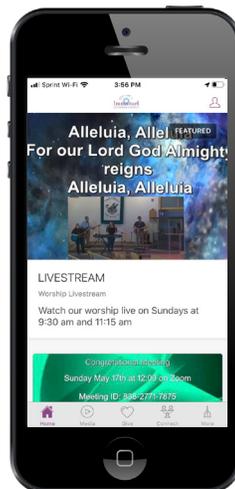
## Watch our Livestream Services Every Weekend!

*Our livestreamed services will continue even as we phase back into in-person worship.*

Watch on Facebook  
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[immanuelpalmcity.org](https://immanuelpalmcity.org)



### Sunday Morning Livestreaming Worship Times:

6 pm - Traditional Worship • 9:30 am - Contemporary Worship

10:30 - Zoom Sunday School/11:00 - Zoom Youth Group\*

11:15 am - Traditional Worship

*(\*Zoom Meeting ID codes & passwords are displayed just before and after the 9:30 am service.)*