

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE GOD AT IMMANUEL**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	MEETING PLACE	AGE GROUP	CONTACT PERSON
Sunday 12/19	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	8:00 AM	Face Book Live Traditional	Facebook Live	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Study	Various Rooms	Adults	C. McQuillan/Marks
	9:15 AM	Sunday School	Sanctuary	Ages 3—High School	Jen Allen
	10:30 AM	Contemporary Worship Service/ Children's Christmas Program	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty/ Amy Haesecker
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	10:30 AM 10:30 AM 6—8 PM	Face Book Live Contemporary Worship Radio Service Broadcast Youth Christmas Party	Face Book Live WLBK 1360 AM Immanuel	Everyone Everyone Grades 6—12	Pastor Marty Doug Nelson Jenna Dooley
Monday 12/20	7:00 PM	Zoom Bible Study	Zoom	Adults	Pastor Marty
Tuesday 12/21	AM	Birthday Party for Jesus	Little Lambs Building	Little Lambs	Katie Martinez
	—	Installation of new fire alarm system	—	—	Trustees
Wed 12/22	AM	Birthday Party for Jesus	Little Lambs Building	Little Lambs	Katie Martinez
	12:30 PM	Installation of new fire alarm system	—	—	Trustees
	—	Staff Christmas Party NO Jr. Confirmation	Fellowship Hall	Staff	Darlene Hillman Pastor Marty
Thursday 12/23	8:30 AM	Bulletin Deadline	Office	Everyone	Darlene Hillman
	12:00 Noon	Offices Close	—	—	—
	12/23/21-1/2/22	Little Lambs Christmas Break	—	Little Lambs	Katie Martinez
Friday 12/24	—	Office Closed	—	—	—
	3:00 PM 7:00 PM	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	Sanctuary Sanctuary	Everyone Everyone	Pastor Marty Pastor Marty
Saturday 12/25	9:00 AM	Christmas Day Worship	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	10:30 AM	Christmas Eve Radio Broadcast	WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone	Doug Nelson
Sunday 12/26	9:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	9:00 AM	Face Book Live Worship	Facebook Live	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	10:15 AM	Adult Bible Study	As Scheduled	Adults	C. McQuillan/
	10:30 AM	Broadcast of Worship Service	WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone	Doug Nelson
Monday 12/27	—	Offices Closed - Little Lambs on Christmas Break	—	—	—
Tuesday 12/28	8:30—12:30 PM	Office Open Little Lambs on Christmas Break	—	—	—
Wednesday 12/29	8:30— 12:30 PM	Offices Open Little Lambs on Christmas Break NO Jr. Confirmation	—	—	—
Thursday 12/30	8:30—12:30 PM	Offices Open Little Lambs on Christmas Break	—	—	—
Friday 12/31	—	Offices Closed Little Lambs of Christmas Break	—	—	—
Saturday 1/1/22	—	Offices Closed	—	—	—
Sunday 1/2/22	9:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	9:00 AM	Face Book Live Worship	Facebook Live	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	10:15 AM	Adult Bible Study	As Scheduled	Adults	C. McQuillan/
	10:30 AM	Broadcast of Worship Service	WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone	Doug Nelson
Monday 1/3/22	—	Offices Closed Little Lambs on Christmas Break	—	—	—

**PARTNERING IN PRAYER December 19-25, 2021**

*"I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone"  
—1 Timothy 2:1-2*

**WE OFFER PRAYER ON BEHALF OF THE FOLLOWING:**

**THOSE WHO ARE CHRONICALLY ILL:** Rob McKinley (*son of Pat McKinley*) Tiernan Merman  
Diana Hedlund Glen Roberts Rachael McEwen Kirsten Foss  
Robin Nielsen Fran Tatiana (*friend of Jeneane Bejnarowicz*)

**THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER:** Kurt Rissman Glenn Lucca (*friend of Chris & Audrey Cook*)  
Pam Paszotta Dale Geibel Staci McNett Mandy Long Sandy Lichner  
Robin Brunschon (*friend of Karen Cribben*) Rob Wessels (*friend of Bejnarowicz*)  
Colleen Chavez (*granddaughter of Carlos Woolbright*) Lisa Kazcmarczyk (*friend of Sue Harms*)  
Jonal McKinley (*daughter-in-law of Pat McKinley*) Debbie Teason (*cousin of Audrey Cook*)  
Michael Johnson (*friend of Bejnarowicz*) Dr. Amy Newkirk (*friend of the Marks family*)  
Kathy Sands (*aunt of Mishelle Rodgers*)  
Donna Cyrier & MaryAnn Sisler (*friends of Mishelle Rodgers*)

**OUR SHUT-INS:** Marcia Kiel Merle Sawyer Irene Nelson Pat Moeller  
Fred Foster Mary Ebbesen Toni Byford Helen Deschler

**THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:** Dr. Robert Bejnarowicz (*colonel*) Derrick Schoo  
LTC (Lt. Colonel) Christopher Denton (*grandson of Carol*) Brendan Spartz (*son of Mindy & Bill Lynch*)  
Jacob Marx: US Coast Guard; now stationed in Philadelphia PA (*grandson of Janet & Patrick Byrnes*)  
Jessica (Marx) Hess: US Air Force; stationed in Dayton, OH (*granddaughter of Janet & Patrick Byrnes*)  
Sgt. Kaitlan Lave (*granddaughter of Al & Shirley*)  
Brad Fancsali (*grandson of Judie Wright/great nephew of Pat McKinley*)  
Owen Schroeder; Evan Schroeder (*grandsons of Dennis and Jane Schroeder*)

**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- For Linda Sons who is undergoing some medical procedures and will be awaiting test results;
- May the Lord grant healing to those in need, comfort to those who mourn, wisdom to those who lead and compassion to all during this time of difficulty. May opportunities open and may we be wise enough to recognize them to see God's love in this situation and convey it to others. Grant this to us all Lord

**THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS:** Nathan Perry Jen Allen Sydney Ziola  
Chelsea Banks Curtis Baumann Matthew Gratschmayr Angela Sietsema

**THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES:** 12/19/81 Ron & Linda Hammes

*If you are an active member of Immanuel, and we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please contact the office so we may add you to the prayer list for the following week, and correct our records. We have a **DESIRE TO MINISTER** to all who are hospitalized or in some way shut-in. However, we (Pastor and the Elders) cannot provide pastoral care if we are not made aware of the need. If you know of someone hospitalized or needing a visit, please contact the church office.*

**Current Protocol: We are following the state of Illinois mandates and CDC for Covid-19 procedures.**



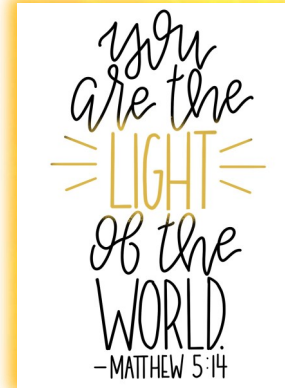
If at any time you have specific needs, or just feel the need to talk or visit, please contact:

Church office: 815-756-6669 (church direct line) office@godwithusilc.org

Pastor Marty: 815-501-3951 (cell and text) Rev@godwithusilc.org

In regard to Covid mitigations, the elders have decided to continue with our current mask policy which is “requested but not required.” For those who would like to remove their mask it is strongly encouraged to wear your mask while walking to your pew, then you may remove it once seated.

We will continue serving communion at the tables in front for the foreseeable future. This is partially due to Covid precautions and partially due to logistics in how the Altar guild is able to provide the elements needed to run things smoothly. We will continue to monitor the state of Covid in our community and adjust as conditions call for it, either relaxing or tightening our policy.



Join us for Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Education Classes for children Ages 3—Middle School; High School & Adult Bible Study Classes!



**TODAY! Immanuel Youth in Grades 6-12: Our Annual Christmas Party will be held December 19th from 6-8 at the church. Bring a silly gift (wrapped) and a dessert to share.**



**Memorial Tree:** Ornaments are on our Memorial Tree! If you would like to add an ornament in remembrance of someone there is a book available to register the ornament. Just bring by your ornament, note it in the book, add a tag, and put it on the tree. We will store the ornaments from year to year, and put them on the tree for you in coming years.



Do you have a favorite chili recipe and would like to join us for our:

**3rd Annual Chill Chili Cook-Off and Game Afternoon**

**Sunday, January 23, 2022 from 3:00-?**

Mark your calendar and get your chili recipe cooking to compete with other chefs!

*Not a chef?* Come join in sampling the chilis and vote for the best chili.

Games will start after all the chili is gone! There will be a variety of games, cards and fellowship. Hot dogs, snacks and desserts will also be served. Watch for sign-up sheets for chili chefs. We will need at least six chefs for this event to take place. Watch for sign up information in January. —Human Care and Outreach Committees

**NEW!!! Parent Support Group:** The first meeting will be Thursday, January 13 at 6:30 p.m. here at Immanuel. Meetings will be facilitated by a licensed speech-language pathologist and mother for four foster to adopted children.

Come for support, idea exchanges, assistance with recourses and friendship.

**ALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME!**  
Childcare provided.

**2022 Giving Envelopes:** Please pick up your 2022 Giving Envelopes in the narthex. In an effort to be fiscally responsible, **if you have opted to not use your envelopes in 2021 the computer did not generate an envelope number for you.**

- **If you would like envelopes and do not see your name on a box,** please notify the office or CJ Motisi and we will get you envelopes.
- **If you would like to sign up for Joyful Response,** take a form from the envelope table and turn it in to the office.
- **If you prefer to not use envelopes and give in an alternative way,** such as using your own bill-pay, Joyful Response, or through our debit/credit machine in the narthex, please notify the office and we will assign you a virtual number.
- **If you are already enrolled in Joyful Response or use a virtual number,** you will find ONE envelope confirming your virtual number. Joyful Response participants will also find a form in your envelope, as this is an excellent time to evaluate your giving commitment.

*If you have any questions concerning contributions, please contact CJ Motisi or the office.*

**Giving statements for 2021** will be available by the end of January.

As you anticipate the upcoming holidays, pause to consider your gifts to the Lord. Often this is a time when one makes year-end charitable donations. Your contributions to the work of the church are both welcomed and appreciated. All contributions for 2021 must be turned into the office by Thursday, December 30, 2021.

Giving to the general ministry budget is encouraged, however some have inquired about special projects. If you are interested in giving towards capital projects above your regular giving, you can note that desire on the memo line of your check. (i.e. new fire alarm system, mortgage reduction)

**Special Services & Times Through January 2, 2022**

**10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 19**  
**A Worship Service with the Children**  
9:15 a.m.: Rehearsal  
(Both the 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. service will include Holy Communion)

**3:00 & 7:00 p.m. Friday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)**  
**Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service**

**9:00 a.m. Saturday, December 25 (Christmas Day)**  
**Christmas Morning Worship**  
10:30 a.m. Broadcast of Christmas Eve Service on 1360AM WLBK radio

**Sunday, December 26, 2021 & January 2, 2022**  
**9:00 a.m. Worship**  
(No 8:00 or 10:30 service/no Sunday School)



**HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday—Wednesday	December 20—22	8:30—4:30
Thursday	December 23	8:30—12:30
Friday—Monday	December 24—27	Closed
Tuesday—Thursday	December 28—30	8:30—12:00
Monday	January 3	Closed
Tuesday	January 4	Regular hours resume

**Whispers of Christmas Past:**

Remember wearing those special clothes to Christmas Eve services? Do you have, by chance, some family heirloom, favorite article of clothing or piece of jewelry you couldn't discard? Is it in your closet, storage or basement? Reach to the back of your closet and join us for an old fashioned Christmas as we celebrate our Savior's birth. You can wear the items anytime, but especially at 3 pm or 7 pm on Christmas Eve or 9 am on Christmas Day at Immanuel. You might even find a five dollar bill rather than a mask in the pocket. Hope to see you on the 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>. Any questions, contact Pat McKinley (Outreach Board) or Linda Conrad.

**Scrip Gift Card Fundraiser:**

Thank you to all who supported the Little Lambs fundraiser. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**Council Installation will be Sunday, January 9 at both services.** (end of first service & beginning of second service) **A lunch & retreat for ALL council members & elders will take place in fellowship hall from 12—2:30. Please contact Brian Prignitz if you are unable to attend.**