

Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church



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"Inspired by God's grace to love and serve all"

Message from Interim Pastor John Kuziej

Happy New Year! It is time to put up the new 2024 calendar. Did you get a free calendar from the bank or other places of business? Did you pay good money for a calendar picturing either puppies or kittens for each month? Because I subscribed to the New Yorker magazine, I got a free calendar. Each month features a cartoon. This calendar is in my bathroom helping me start a new day with a laugh. Another free calendar comes from the E.L.C.A. World Hunger Appeal. Every month will feature a photo and a little story about the good work our church is doing. Last year I learned about the Native American Urban Ministry in Phoenix. I learned that ELCA World Hunger supported the conversion of a supply ship into a rescue vessel. This vessel sails the Mediterranean rescuing migrants on overloaded and unseaworthy ships. The migrants, mostly women and children, are seeking to escape hunger, violence, poverty, and war. With each outing, this ship can rescue more than 400 people in danger. I never knew our church supported such a wonderful ministry of rescue. I learned about our church helping partner Lutheran Churches throughout the world. Our World Hunger dollars supports the Lutheran Church in Hungary which has welcomed and supported Ukrainian refugees. Hundreds of refugees have been welcomed in the Hungarian capital of Budapest. Our Hunger Appeal dollars help to provide necessities for those who have left their homes during that brutal war.

I look forward to reading about the outreach of our church in the 2024 calendar. I find it a real blessing to read of the good work the church is doing for people in need. We hear of desperation and inhumanity. But our church is responding with compassion and humanity, providing that cup of clean water, giving a homemade quilt for warmth, giving children in poor countries school supplies so they can go to school. The church works to give hope and encouragement.

Some people think money is better spent supporting local charities. I understand this because there are many local needs to be met. Poverty is in our community. Teachers see this. Social workers know this to be true. Doctors and nurses have treated the effects of poverty. Our congregation has responded to local needs by making meals for Frederick Place and working at the Rhinelander Food Pantry. It would be nice to have a calendar featuring a local charity each month complete with a photo and brief story. Such calendars can also serve as calls to prayers for our community and around the world.

Many important dates on the January Church calendar inspire us to have a happy new year through serving others. January 6th is the Festival of Epiphany. The Gospel reading is the visit of the Three Wisemen who came to pay homage to the King of the Jews, the newborn king Jesus. The wisemen came from other nations and gave Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. (I did see a cartoon that told about the visit of the three Wise Women who brought gifts Mary would appreciate: diapers, baby wipes, and casseroles). The word 'epiphany' means revelation. The visit of the foreign kings reveals that Jesus came into the world to bless all people. Our Christian faith does not say "America First" but "Jesus First", Jesus who calls us to serve, love, and care without discrimination. A possible "Prayer of the Day" for Epiphany says, "Shine the light of your justice always in our hearts and over all lands and accept our lives as the treasure we offer in your praise and for your service." A beautiful prayer. It helps us to stop worrying about things we cannot change and never forget that each of us is a treasure. And may the Holy Spirit empower us to open

the treasure so we can bless people we know, and those we will never know in other nations where there is need. Epiphany may mean an “AHA!” moment for us. Even in very humble and simple ways we can make a difference in people’s lives.

The First Sunday after the Epiphany is Baptism of our Lord. Jesus came down from Galilee to be baptized by John in the Jordan River. As Jesus came up from the water the heavens were torn apart, and the Holy Spirit descended like a dove on Jesus. Jesus heard his Father’s voice: “You are my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased.” This is Jesus’ first miracle, the miracle of humility. John’s baptism was announced as one of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. But Jesus needed no repentance. John the Baptist told the people one more powerful was coming, and he would be unworthy to untie his sandal. Jesus, the powerful one, God-in-the-flesh, God-with-us, chose to be with all the other sinners submerged that day in the Jordan River. Jesus came to be the Friend of Sinners, for his call to repentance to be from grace and not guilt.

The Baptism of Our Lord is time to remember and rejoice in our baptisms. We are baptized into Christ Jesus, or as the apostle Paul would say, “clothed with Christ”. The Prayer of the Day for that Sunday says, in part, “Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.” I will really be thinking about that prayer since 2024 is an Election Year. This year the campaigning may be ugly. We will be tempted to be uncharitable toward those with whom we disagree. Our baptisms into Christ, the immersion of grace, is needed to protect us from a terrible heresy. This is the heresy of white Christian nationalism. The Christian faith is not identified with any race, one being superior to another. The Christian faith is not to be identified with a political party or movement or candidate. We pray fervently this year for the Holy Spirit to keep our faith on track, to follow Jesus, listen to his words of compassion, justice, and service.

Again, we say “Happy New Year”: we find happiness in our baptisms, clothed and connected to Christ; we find happiness in a difficult world because Jesus, our light and life, will not forsake us; we find happiness through our love and care for one another.

Immanuel’s ANNUAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, January 21st immediately following worship. Please plan on attending. Reports are due by Friday, January 5th.

Cinnamon Roll Call

The youth are selling cinnamon rolls as a fundraiser for the youth gathering in July 2024. Youth will be selling before and after service Sunday, January 7th and 14th for delivery on Sunday, January 21st.



*I PLANTED
Apollos WATERED
But God gave the GROWTH.
~1 Corinthians 3:6*

Dear People of the Northern Great Lakes Synod,
Happy New Year!
Welcome to the Year of our Lord 2024!

In this new year, I announce our Synod themes for the next three years, Seed Sowers:



2024: I Planted
2025: Apollos Watered
2026: God gave the Growth

Last year at Synod Assembly, Seed Sowers was the theme for our inaugural Seed Sowers

Luncheon that thanked people who had made a planned gift (meaning that they remembered NGLS/ELCA in their will) or were considering doing so. In essence, they were a "Seed Sower," planting seeds for future ministry, seeds that they knew they would not see grow and bear fruit.

However, being a Seed Sower is not limited to those who have planned a legacy gift. After all, are we not all Seed Sowers? Do we not, all of us, plant seeds for future ministry, even as we enjoy the growth from seeds that were planted generations ago?

We plant seeds as we try and pass the faith on to the next generation. We want our children and grandchildren to be blessed by the community of faith in the same way we have been. We stretch our financial capacity to ensure sustainability for years to come. We build a reputation in our communities that we care, and we're ready to serve those in need. We raise up leaders for future generations by nurturing their gifts for ministry. We are every day, Seed Sowers.

At this time of great transformation and change in the Church, it is good to be reminded that the Church is about more than what we experience in the here and now. And there are many ways that a congregation can plant seeds for future ministry.

I think of the faithfulness of St. James in Marinette, Wi. Founded in 1918, this community of faith has been hard at work for the sake of Christ for 106 years. This past autumn, the people of St. James discerned that their last worship service will be Sunday April 14, 2024.



While this decision is difficult for all who love St. James, it also witnesses to their faithfulness. As people who believe in a God who brings new life from death and light from darkness, the work of St. James has not been in vain. This community of faith has accomplished that for which it was created and has completed that for which it was purposed. God will bring new life and growth from the seeds that St. James will plant. In the weeks to come, the people of St. James will consider how best to use their assets to support the work of Christ through ministry partners. Their legacy will provide resources to further the purposes of God long after the doors of St. James are closed.

As we focus on Planting this year, we celebrate the history of each and every one of our Northern Great Lakes congregations and the foresight of founding mothers and fathers who by the grace of God, planted our churches. We give thanks for adults who noticed gifts for ministry and planted the idea of future pastoral leadership in young hearts and minds. And we look to see what seeds we can plant today that will bear fruit in a future church, that for now, we can only imagine.

*The church of Christ,
in every age beset by change, but Spirit led,
must claim and test its heritage
and keep on rising from the dead.*

~ELW #729, vs. 1

Yours in Christ,
Bishop Katherine Finegan



FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CAMP

2024 SCHEDULE

WEEK	DATES	CAMP PROGRAM & AGE/GRADE COMPLETED	COST
Week 1	June 9-14	Victory Camp (Adult 18+ with disabilities)	\$625
Week 2	June 16-21	Intergenerational Week (all ages) New! Treehouse Adventures (Grades 7-12)	See website \$475
Week 3	June 23-28	High School Week (Grades 9-12) LIT Training Week (Grades 10-12)	\$475
Week 4	June 30-July 2	Mighty Ones (Grades 1-2)	\$225
	June 30-July 3	Mini Camp (Grades 2-3) MashUp (Grades 4-8) LIT #1 Option (*No charge)	\$305 No charge
Week 5	July 7-10	+Mini Camp (Grades 2-3)	\$305
+Outdoor Week!	July 7-12	+Villager (Grades 3-4) +Vagabond (Grades 5-6) +Venturer (Grades 7-8) Camp ACTS (Grades 3-12) LIT #2 Option (*No charge)	\$445 \$475
	Week 6	July 14-17	New! Evergreen Camp (Adults 55+)
Week 7	July 21-26	LEGO® Camp (Grades 3-9) Jr High Night Owl (Grades 6-8) Art Camp (Grades 3-9) LIT #3 Option (*No charge)	\$445 \$475
	July 22-25	Onsite Day Camp (Grades K-5)	\$130
Week 8	July 28-Aug 2	Intergenerational Week (all ages) Vagabond (Grades 5-6) LIT #4 Option (*No charge)	See website \$445
	July 30-Aug 2	Intergenerational Half Week (all ages)	See website
Week 9 +Water Week!	August 4-7	^Mini Camp (Grades 2-3) ^Villager (Grades 3-4)	\$305
		^Vagabond (Grades 5-6) ^Venturer (Grades 7-8)	

Scholarships Available

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*LIT program requires an application process. Week #1 has a fee; subsequent weeks do not.

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SNOW SHOVELING

Volunteers are needed to shovel snow this winter. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or contact the office.

Thank you to John Plautz and Devon Vanden Heuvel for volunteering for December and January!



MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

Bill and Karen Anderson

“Hello friends. We are new members to Immanuel. We already feel so at home as everyone has shown us such kindness. We currently reside in our home on Pine Lake. We moved to the Northwoods full-time in January 2021 from Green Bay, to enjoy our retirement.

We love to be on the water to go boating, kayaking, fishing, and sometimes just to float! We love to travel and are always up to try new and different cuisines. We also love our time spent in the kitchen baking and cooking up a storm.

We are blessed and so grateful to be part of such a welcoming church community. We look forward to getting to know more about all of you too. God bless. “



The Women's Evening Bible Study (which meets once a month on the third Tuesday) will be starting a new study in February or March. We pick an area restaurant and meet at 5:00 for a meal and fellowship and then proceed to the church at 6:00 for Bible study. We have ordered the DVD "Twelve Women of the Bible" by Lisa Terkeurst and other speakers.

Sessions include:

Eve: Finding Lasting Contentment in the Truth (Lysa TerKeurst)
Rebekah: Breaking Free of Feminine Stereotypes (Jonalyn Fincher)
Leah: Overcoming Rejection and Insecurity (Naomi Zacharias)
Hannah: Surrendering in Waiting (Amena Brown)
Abigail: Dealing with Confrontation in Relationships (Elisa Morgan)
Gomer: Learning to Accept Unconditional Love (Jeanne Stevens)
Mary, Mother of Jesus: Moving from Comfort to Courage (Jeanne Stevens)
Mary Magdalene: Transforming from Outcast to Follower (Jonalyn Fincher)
Mary of Bethany: Putting Our Faith into Action (Elisa Morgan)
Martha: Finding Our Identity in Jesus (Amena Brown)
The Woman at the Well: Turning Our Messes into Messages (Lysa TerKuerst)
The Syrophoenician Woman: Approaching God with Persistency and Boldness (Naomi Zacharias)

If interested in joining our small group or if you have any questions, please call Sheree Vanden Heuvel at 715-360-3176 so we can order a book for you. We would love to see you there!

Thank You for Serving

Thank you to Glenn and Priscilla Johnson for preparing a meal for the Faith Explorer kids!!!

Thank you to Becky Cornelius and Sarah Willoughby for all your help in directing the Children's Christmas Program and to all the children and adults who participated.

Thank you to all of those who decorated for the Christmas season, especially Deb Rinka and Kathy Maule, and to all who purchased poinsettias.

Thank you Kevin Kirby and John Mladucky for installing additional heat tape.

Thank you to all the members of Immanuel who continue to use their gifts and talents to further the kingdom of God. (Especially those who work behind the scenes!)



WARM FOR WINTER!

Now is the time to clean out your closets and bring your boots, mittens, hats, jackets, or other warm for winter items and place the Warm for Winter box in the narthex to be distributed at the First Congregational United Church of Christ.



Pastoral Visits

Immanuel Lutheran Church has welcomed Pastor John Kuziej as our Administrative Interim Pastor. He is happy to schedule visits with home-bound individuals and is also available for hospital visits. Please feel free to contact him if you have these needs. He has office hours at Immanuel on Tuesdays from 10:00 am until noon and is also available by appointment.

Newsletter Available Electronically

If you would rather read the newsletter electronically, you can access a copy on our website @ immanuelrhinelander.org/newsletter

OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday &
Thursday
9:00 am-NOON



THE TUESDAY MORNING CREW MEETS EVERY TUESDAY MORNING TO PERFORM ODD JOBS NEEDED TO MAINTAIN OUR CHURCH. PLEASE REACH OUT TO JOHN PLAUTZ IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP! 715-367-3762
jeplautz@hotmail.com



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

On Saturday, December 10th our children presented "*Christmas Light Show*" and shared the story of The True Light of Christmas. Thank you to our **Directors:** Becky Eades and Sarah Willoughby and to **Narrator #1**—Lizzie Eades, **Narrator #2**—Ella Stolzman, **Various Parts**—Harper Drossart, Beau Stolzman, Harper Kral, Tucker Kral, Zoey Kral, Tommy Eades, and Joshua Willoughby.





LEFSE AND BAKE SALE

On behalf of the women of Immanuel Lutheran Church we would like to thank anyone who had anything to do with making our Annual Bake Sale a huge success. We currently have a profit of \$2403.00 and some sales are still coming in as Mary Peterson is still busy baking and selling her wonderful bread. Mary you are a blessing.

Thank you.

Dianne Syms and Jolene Schlieve



Immanuel Lutheran Church Council Minutes---November 8, 2023

Hybrid Meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

Attendees: Joanne Barrix, Linda Kau, Kristine Mladucky, Mary Wolf, Glenn Johnson, Richard Laddusire, Darlene Machtan and Pastor John.

Absent: Brian Willoughby, Tina Schmitz, John Plautz, Charlie Strong, and Christy Dellenbach

Devotions: JoAnne – “Resurrection Promise”

Action - Motion/2nd/Carried...unanimous approval of Meeting minutes from October 11th, 2023 as printed.

Pastor/Ministry Report:

1. Visitation of Nursing Facilities continue.
2. 1st Communion for two and one confirmed October 29.
3. Upcoming pulpit supply for November 19 & 26, December 17, January 21; February 18—
Pastor Paul Heykes.
4. There will be a baptism in the New Year for the granddaughter of Tina Schmitz.
5. Karen and Bill Anderson will be joining our congregation.
6. Thank you for the gift card for Pastor Appreciation.
7. Volunteered our congregation to host the Headwaters Conference in the fall of 2024.

Long Term Items:

1. Care for (love) one another: Fellowship, Serve, Give (3x/yr.). Fall Stewardship discussed below.
2. Create or modify mission statement. Not at this time.
3. Create annual budget: discussed below.

Short Term Items:

Old Business

1. Call Committee Update: Our current posting for a Pastor has been active for one year at the end of October. Since the post expires at one year, Cory has resubmitted as written.
2. Facilities Update: The janitor closet has been re-keyed the same as the office, since the lock was broken. Discussion to keep some general cleaning supplies in kitchen for easy access for special needs that may arise.
3. Fall Stewardship Emphasis: Sunday, November 12th Brunch. Time and Talent sheets will be collated by Kari and information will be shared with committee chairs.
4. Council positions: Glen, Tina and Mary will continue to serve another term. Need 1 person to replace Deb Rinka. Jackie, Becky, and Darlene are the nominating committee.

New Business:

1. 2024 Budget:
 - Heat/Boiler/Gas/Electric will need to be increased.
 - Currently the line item for Secretaries is \$30,000, will decrease amount to accurately reflect current status.
 - Increase Outreach.

2. Staff Evaluations/Raises:
 - Brian will calculate COLA, 3-5% raises.
 - Evaluations of staff conducted by JoAnne, Glen, Kristine, and Brian.
3. Fred McCue successor: Constitution states we can vote in a person for replacement.
 - Action - Motion/2nd/Carried...** unanimous approval for Darlene Machtan to fulfill the position until the Annual Meeting 2024.
4. Benevolence Giving: Is currently falling short of \$19,000 (typically 10% of budget) by about \$2,000.00. On our giving envelopes, Benevolence, General, and Building are separated. Stewardship will discuss in December ways to inform the congregation through temple talks and articles.
5. Property Committee: There is a great need for additional help. Currently John Plautz has been carrying the load. Richard has volunteered to Chair the committee, and Glen volunteered to participate. Hope to gain more members from Time and Talent information. Discussion on other possible members.
6. Annual Congregational Meeting Date:
 - Action - Motion/2nd/Carried...** unanimous approval for Annual Congregational Meeting on January 21.
 - New Council member installation January 28
 - 2024 Council begins in February.

Comments/Discussion/Committee Actions

Richard shared a bulletin with congregational advertising. Discussion concluded that at this time we would not pursue as an option.

Adjournment:

Motion/2nd/Carried... unanimous approval to adjourn at 6:57 pm

Closing Prayer: JoAnne

Respectfully Submitted
 Kristine G. Mladucky
 Secretary

Open/Close/Devotions:

November: Charlie Open/Close
 December: Glen Open/Close/Mary Devotion
 January: Kristine Open/Close/Devotion

NATH meals:

October - Youth and Education
 November - Band
 December - Mary, Sue and Darlene P. Chili
 January - Council



Sat. January 6, 2024 11am: "Gathering in Nature: A Winter Wonderland" Prayer Service, St. Ignace Straits Park, 720 Church St.

Sat. January 20, 2024: U.P. Wild Keewenaw Wilderness Walk

Sun. January 28, 2024: MQT Nature Prayer Service TBA

February 17, 2024: U.P. Wild Keewenaw Wilderness Walk at Lily Creek

For more information head on over to www.upwild.org.

Helping To Build A Hunger-Free Community



RAFP

627 Coon Street
Rhinelander, WI

Thank you to our November Food Pantry crew for sharing the love of Christ through serving! Volunteering is a great way to show the love of Christ to those in our community. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Darlene Machtan. Immanuel volunteers the 2nd Saturday of each month from 8:45 am—11:30 am.



CANtastic 2024

"Help Hunger Take a Holiday"

Register
Your Team
by January
25th!



BUILD DAY!
Saturday
February 17th
9am to 12pm



**AWARDS
CELEBRATION!**
Saturday
March 2nd

EQUITY CHALLENGE: JANUARY 2024

"When the days drew near for him to be received up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem." Luke 9:51

A few weeks ago we celebrated Christmas, the coming of the babe in the manger, the Savior of the world. Picture that newborn's face, sleeping peacefully, innocent, content, not yet hurt by the sin of the world. He came to save. That child we revered would experience a tortuous death by religious leaders, fearful of his message of love for all people, melding their power with that of the Roman government to snuff out his life. Imagine his face on the cross as he says, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

There is a picture of another face that fills the side of a building in Minneapolis. It is an austere face, marked by weariness and defeat. That face is near where he was killed. It is the face of George Floyd.

As we come to worship together to remember Jesus's death and rising again, people come to that face on the wall to remember what happened there to George Floyd. His life ended from our fear of love for all people and the power of government to tamp down that fear. Visitors are greeted by members of Floyd's family who offer a welcome and a pray with them for a time when violence will cease and there will be peace in our land.

We are the face of Jesus to the world around us. Let us fear not loving all our sisters and brothers more than we fear loving others and being loved. May our face be one of welcome, reflecting great joy at seeing the face of someone Jesus loves.

Submitted by Susan Anderson



Immanuel is
very
blessed to
have
"THE
BAND"
share their
gifts and
talents with
us!

Did you know?...

Whew! November and December have been really, exhaustingly busy not just at Immanuel, but I'm sure at your house as well. Our small, but mighty, Outreach Committee has provided us with so many opportunities to serve our neighbors and community. I thank them for all of their great organization.

I hope that in addition to church activities, you have had opportunity to connect with family and friends and that this has been renewing and energizing. I have been doing a lot of reading about exercising and we need to exercise our brains as well as our bodies. Exercise for our brains includes social activities and time spent serving others. These are some of the activities of people that they call "super agers". They are men and women that have healthy lives into their upper 90's and early 100's.

We have to remember that all that we have is given to us by the grace of God. This includes our minds and bodies. We are to be good stewards of both. God intends for us to use our unique and special gifts at Immanuel and in our daily interactions with everyone that we encounter. I encourage you in this new year to use your gifts by doing what you love to do. Serve in areas that make you happy.

May we all become "super agers"!!

...This is Stewardship!

By JoAnne Barrix

Well done good and faithful servants!

Merry Christmas from the Outreach Committee and
THANK YOU TO ALL
who purchased gifts for our Giving Tree
and contributed to our backpack program.





NATH - Frederick Place

Northwoods Alliance for Temporary Housing

"I was a stranger and you invited me in..." – Matthew 25:35 NIV

NATH is committed to ending and preventing homelessness. This corporation exists to provide safe housing and basic needs to families and individuals who are experiencing homelessness.

NATH WISH LIST

Postage Stamps – Standard First-Class Letter
Laundry Detergent
Dryer Sheets
Dishwasher Detergent
13 Gallon Garbage Bags
30 Gallon Garbage Bags
Toilet Bowl Cleaner
All Purpose Cleaner
Window Cleaner
Comet
Bleach
Wash Cloths
Swiffer Wet Pads
Disposable Gloves-All Sizes

Household items are given to residents when they leave Frederick Place so they have to be replaced often.

NATH MEALS

Our ministry groups have been providing the monthly NATH (Northwoods Alliance for Temporary Housing) meals and this has been working well.

Please consider signing your group up to provide a meal in 2024!

To volunteer, please sign-up on the sheet in the narthex or you can call Sue Larsen at 715-362-2544. Thank you for your cooperation in this ministry!

NAMI Northern Lakes

Providing support, education and advocacy for people living with mental illness and their families in Forest, Oneida, and Vilas Counties. Monthly meetings: open to anyone; 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. at First Methodist Church, Rhinelander. Northern Lakes Center located in Trinity Lutheran Church, Rhinelander.

OUR HOURS ARE MONDAY TO FRIDAY 11:00 am TO 3:00 pm.

Please call Linda at [715-420-1700](tel:715-420-1700) or e-mail at northernlakescenter@gmail.com if you are in need of anything.



January 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON PASTOR JOHN OFFICE HOURS 10:00 am —NOON 8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group	6:00 pm Confirmation Class	10:30 am—Noon MEMORY CAFÉ	8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group 7:00 pm AA	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:00 am Worship Communion Worship Leader: Assistant to the Bishop Rev. Jim Duehring 10:00 am Faith Explorers	7:00 pm AA & Al-Anon	OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON PASTOR JOHN Milestone Nursing Home Service 8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group 5:00 pm Stewardship	10:00 am WELCA Bible Study (2nd Wednesday of the month) 1:00 pm— 3:00 pm Quilting 6:00 pm Council	OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Newsletter Articles Due!!! </div>	8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group 7:00 pm AA	8:45 am— 11:30 am Food Pantry
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:00 am Worship Worship Leader: Matthew Johnson 10:00 am Faith Explorers	7:00 pm AA & Al-Anon	OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON PASTOR JOHN Friendly Village Nursing Home Service 8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group	1:00 pm— 3:00 pm Quilting 6:00 pm Confirmation Class	OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON	8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group 7:00 pm AA	5—9pm AA Group Big Meeting
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:00 am Worship Communion Worship Leader: Rev. Paul Heykes <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> ANNUAL MEETING FOLLOWING WORSHIP </div> 10:00 am Faith Explorers	7:00 pm AA & Al-Anon	OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON PASTOR JOHN Rennes Nursing Home Service 8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group	1:00 pm— 3:00 pm Quilting 4:30 pm Meal @ Frederick Place	OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON	8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group 7:00 pm AA	
28	29	30	31			
9:00 am Worship Worship Leader: INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS 10:00 am Faith Explorers	7:00 pm AA & Al-Anon	OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON PASTOR JOHN OFFICE HOURS 10:00 am —NOON 8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group				THE TUESDAY MORNING CREW MEETS EVERY TUESDAY TO DO ODD JOBS NEEDED TO MAIN- TAIN OUR CHURCH. PLEASE REACH OUT TO JOHN PLAUTZ IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP! 715-367-3762 jeplautz@hotmail.com

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

November 2023

GENERAL FUND:

Beginning Balance	\$78,192.14
Offerings	\$17,265.12
Expenses	(\$10,023.55)
Ending Balance	\$85,433.71

BENEVOLENCE:

November Offering	\$ 2,188.29
2022 Pledge	\$19,000.00
YTD Remittance	\$16,620.56

BUILDING FUND:

Beginning Balance	\$30,736.22
Offerings	\$ 1,535.10
Expenses	\$ 938.48
Ending Balance	\$31,332.84

**INCOME exceeded the
EXPENSES by \$7,241.57.**

October Attendance:

	In-person	Online	Total
10/01	46	41	87
10/08	30	48	78
10/15	47	54	101
10/22	38	36	74
10/29	43	59	102

November Attendance:

	In-person	Online	Total
11/05	55	55	110
11/12	39	43	82
11/19	44	35	79
11/26	25	28	53

Our average worship attendance for the
month of October was 88.

Our average worship attendance for the
month of November was 81.



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Susan & Gerald Anderson

1/3	Rich Wilmot		
1/4	Mavis Perry	1/19	Katelyn Williams
1/8	Mariah McCue	1/21	Michelle Thompson
1/9	Emily Fortier	1/23	Michelle Denis
1/11	Anna Levijoki	1/25	Arlene Lueck
1/11	Isabella (Ella) Stolzman	1/26	Gabrielle Kohnhorst
1/12	Samantha Williams	1/27	Ashlynn Patrone
1/14	Stephani Patrone	1/30	Eric Grulke
1/15	Robbie Potter Cornelius	1/30	MJ Strong
1/16	Christy Dellenbach	1/31	Lizzy Snyder



May Your Day Be Special!

If you were omitted or listed in error, please contact the church office at 715-362-5910. Thank you!

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Or join online

- 1) Through YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYfWH9caWNuzOxf9T9JgecQ> (or search Immanuel Rhineland) on YouTube.
- 2) Through our website: www.immanuelrhineland.org/worship (you'll also find the bulletin and lessons here).
- 3) Through our phone app. Just click on the "worship" button at the bottom of the screen.

The live stream will begin at about 8:55.