

Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church



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

Message from Interim Pastor John Kuziej

Many years ago, in a parish I served in Canada, everything was ready for a busy Easter Sunday. The altar guild had made a beautiful display of Easter lilies and other spring flowers around the altar. Alleluia banners were everywhere. The youth group was busy in the kitchen preparing breakfast to be served after the early service. One could see and smell abundance fitting well with the abundant good news of the Easter service: "Christ is risen. He is risen indeed!"

After the early service, people were lining up for breakfast. This was no simple toast and jam meal but a feast of scrambled eggs, ham, and pancakes. Breakfast was free but donations would be accepted for some youth group project. Two kids sat at a table with a cash box in case of money received, and of course everyone donated something. It was a wonderful start to Easter Sunday. The fellowship hall was abuzz with people talking over breakfast. More people arrived to eat, folks who would be attending the later service.

Breakfast began to wind down and I went into the kitchen to help with the dishes. Before the start of the next service, I thought I better collect the breakfast proceeds and give the money to the parish treasurer. The kids at the cash box had left to eat their breakfast. When I got to the table, I saw that the cash box was empty. No problem, I figured, the kids collecting must have the funds. But they did not. No one knew the whereabouts of the money. Dread started to fill my head as I feared what happened: when the kids at the table left to eat, they left the cashbox unattended. The money was easy picking for a thief. I could not believe it. The church was robbed on Easter Sunday. I could not imagine anyone doing such a thing. Now the joy of Easter was spoiled by worry about the missing money, and I had assumed the worst.

The events in the world, and our own personal troubles can distract us from the good news of Easter. The church calendar seeks to help us by telling us Easter is not just a single day of joy. Easter is a 50-day party. There are seven Sundays of Easter, and would it not be great if we came to church ready to sing with gusto the wonderful hymns with all the alleluias. The candle by the baptismal font is lit for all the Sundays of Easter. This is the candle burning bright with the good news of the risen Savior, Jesus. He is risen indeed; the light no darkness can overcome. It is a good time to bring flowers to the altar area again. All the beauty of the sanctuary, the banners and the colors of white and gold remind us of the victory Jesus has won for us.

The power of Easter is heard through the scriptures as we gather for worship. At the Easter party of seven Sundays most of the gospel readings will be from the Gospel of John. We will hear of Thomas who originally was skeptical of the news of Jesus risen from the dead. He insisted on seeing the risen Jesus in the flesh. He wanted to see the wounds of the cross.

Jesus came to him and showed him the scars of the cross. Thomas then made his powerful confession, "My Lord and my God!" The disciple Thomas was also called "The Twin". I think we can be twinned with Thomas and have our doubts about the risen Lord Jesus. Who does not have doubts and questions about faith? The Thomas lesson teaches us that Jesus, in His grace and mercy, comes to us to bless us with His love, and accompany us throughout life. We want to know the scars because Jesus' resurrection does not make the cross irrelevant. We must hear both the gospel of the cross and resurrection as the foundation of our faith. Jesus crucified and risen for us, has won the victory over the powers of sin, death, and the devil.

Every Fourth Sunday of Easter is Good Shepherd Sunday. Jesus, the Shepherd is good because he sacrificed His life for us. Now risen from the dead, Jesus seeks us when we are lost, welcoming us and calling us to abide or dwell in His love.

We are fortunate at Immanuel to have a baptism on April 14th. For that Sunday there is reading from the First Letter of John which states emphatically that we are the children of God. This is the good news of Baptism for a child of God means we live in this world not as slaves of fear, but as faithful people confident of God's guidance and grace. The water of baptism has all kinds of references in the Bible reminding us of God's saving and liberating grace. Baptism is plum full of promise: new birth into the kingdom of God; lifelong cleansing from sin; cleansed and forgiven we are blessed with the Holy Spirit and so equipped to resist the false gods of the world. Money, fame, possessions are not our gods; such gods only disappoint, make us angry and lead to despair. Baptism declares that we are under God's dominion of grace and that is liberating. Baptized into the death and resurrection of Jesus we are free to live now and in anticipation of the New Creation when death, crying or pain will be no more. Our calling is faith in Jesus, hope in God who has the power to make all things new, and to love others. Yes, we live in a world where sin and evil still do their worst; yes, we have our personal troubles, but no we are not slaves to fear and despair. We can resist because we are a resurrection people. Jesus is no mere memory or shrine hidden away. Jesus is our Savior: by the Holy Spirit He comes to us as we hear the gospel of all that He has done for our salvation. He feeds us with His body and blood, His gracious life in Holy Communion, so we can be nourished and strengthened to live as people of faith, hope, and love.

Do you wonder who was the thief of the Easter breakfast money? The notorious crook was a four-year-old girl. She saw the money in the cash box and decided to take it, thinking it was something she had found. Her mother discovered her daughter with a purse full of money at home and returned the proceeds with apologies later that day. We know that other problems are not so easily solved. But may we not be distracted from the Easter good news. Jesus is risen, Jesus is with us, and as the Good Shepherd He will take care of his church, He will guide us to be His faithful people so others may see the light of the new creation through our loving deeds.



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) ^Vagabond (Grades 5-6) ^Venturer (Grades 7-8)	\$305

Scholarships Available

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

More info at FortuneLake.org

Help Wanted -Now Hiring!!

Does spending time with youth in the church sound exciting? Or do you enjoy refreshing your memory on bible stories you heard as a kid or learning new stories? Crafting, games, conversation and fun... Faith Explorers is where it is at.

After many years our current FE teachers are nearing "retirement" and are in need of teachers to close out this "school" year (ending May 12) and for the fall when classes resume.

On the job training is offered, scheduling is flexible accommodating to your personal preference.

Please contact Sarah Willoughby or Becky Eades for more details.



Thank You for Serving

Thank you to Glenn & Priscilla Johnson, Kathy Maule, Sue Larsen and JoAnne Barrix for helping with the newsletter mailings each month!

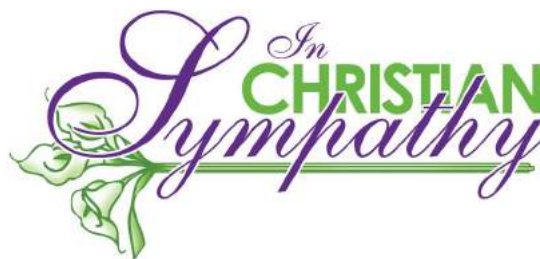
Thank you to Sue & Kevin Kirby, JoAnne O'Brien, Glenn & Priscilla Johnson and all those who volunteer time to the Memory Café ministry.

Thank you to Jackie Waldorf for organizing the Blood Drive in March and to all who gave the lifesaving donation of blood.

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!)



We offer our deepest condolences to the family of Gertrude (Gert) Franti, who passed away in February. Cards of condolence may be sent to her husband, Bill, at PO Box 1596, Rhinelander.



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

IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Council Meeting Minutes: February 14, 2024

Council Members Present: President – JoAnne Barrix, Vice-President – Glenn Johnson, Mary Wolf, Darlene Machtan, Christy Dellenbach, Linda Kau, Tina Schmitz, Charlie Strong, Pastor John Kuziej

Opening

JoAnne Barrix opened the hybrid meeting at 5:00 pm.

Devotion by Linda Kau: From Luther Seminary Matthew 6 – We are who we are because of Jesus Christ, not because we look like “Christians.”

Action – Motion/Second/Carried... Approved the minutes from the January 10th and January 28th meetings. Unanimous.

Pastor's Report: Pastor John reminded us about the Love Rhinelander meeting on February 22nd at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be at Calvary Baptist Church. Mary Wolf and Linda Kau volunteered to attend the meeting on behalf of the Outreach committee. Also, registration for 2024 Synod Assembly will be opening in March. It will be a one-day hybrid meeting at Ascension Lutheran in Minocqua. We will need two voting members to represent Immanuel. JoAnne will put an article in the newsletter and announce this on Sunday morning. Pastor John continues to do nursing home services and visitations.

Long-Term Items:

1. Witness: Sharing the Gospel (3 times per year) – Milestone service was on Tuesday and we had a great turnout for food pantry on Saturday.
2. Goals: Review and discuss (Semi-annually) – Stay visible in the community during this time of transition.
3. Create or modify long-range plan and set goals (Annually) – We will work with our new pastor on a plan.

Short-Term Items:

Old Business:

1. Facilities Update: Kristine has done some painting in the narthex and gathering area.
2. Call committee Update: Nothing is happening, but when it does the committee is ready to move quickly.

New Business:

1. Election of officers: The proposed slate of officers is: JoAnne Barrix – President, Glenn Johnson – Vice-President, Kristine Mladucky – Secretary and Brian Willoughby – Treasurer.
Action – Motion/Second/Carried... Unanimous approval of the slate of officers for 2024.
2. Committee Selection: Stewardship – Glenn, Darlene, JoAnne
Worship and Music – Christy, Tina, Darlene, JoAnne, Charlie
Outreach and Social Ministry – Mary, Linda, Bill
Youth and Education – Christy
Property -John, Kristine and Richard will choose at a later meeting.
3. Check signing changes: Glenn will have to get on the signature card for checks. JoAnne will contact Sheree with this information.
4. Easter: It was agreed that we will have worship at 8:00 and 10:30 am with a breakfast in between services. Glenn and Cory Dellenbach will head up the breakfast team.

Comments and Committee Actions: Pastor John noticed that the signage still has a worship time at 4:30 pm. This is probably still there from Christmas Eve. JoAnne will contact Gene Frane.

Closing Prayer: JoAnne led the Lord's Prayer

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 5:29 pm. We continued with cupcakes from Mary for Tina's birthday celebration.

Respectfully Submitted,
JoAnne Barrix, Acting Secretary

CORRECTION from January Council Minutes:

NATH meal for February. Karen Franke and Anita Foss prepared the meal, not Karen Stroede.

Youth Leader Training Opportunity part of FLLC Jr./Sr. High Retreat April 20, 2024 * 9:00 am. – noon CT

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp is hosting its annual Jr./Sr. High Youth Retreat April 19-20 for 7th-12th graders. In recent years, the NGLS and FLLC have collaborated to provide an adult component at this retreat to provide training opportunities and help youth leaders in our synod network and share resources. This spring, our adult time together will focus on suicide awareness and prevention for youth.

Adults from across the NGLS are invited to bring a carload of kids to the retreat and stay for the weekend, or just attend the Saturday morning workshop. Soul Shop™ is a training designed for youth leaders, pastors, lay professionals, volunteers, Sunday School teachers, and Christian educators to learn about and address the unique needs of youth ages 11 to 18 who are impacted by suicide. This training will take place **Saturday, April 20 from 9:00 am. – noon (Central Time) at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp**, followed by lunch in the dining hall.

There is **no fee** to attend this training thanks to a generous grant provided by the Northern Great Lakes Synod. To make sure we have enough materials and lunch prepared, **please RSVP to Stefanie at youthcoordinator@nglsynod.org by Friday, April 12.**

Additional details about registering yourself and/or youth for the entire retreat will be available at [Year-Round Retreats – Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp](#).

2024 Synod Assembly

Online registration is projected to be open March 1st, 2024.

Synod Assembly this year will be a one day gathering in hybrid fashion by conference on Saturday, May 18th. **Voting members are needed to represent our congregation.**

If you are interested, please contact anyone on the congregation council.

EQUITY CHALLENGE

You shall not steal. Exodus 20:15

As the spring sun warms the earth, the yellow daffodils raise their trumpet heads, the tree buds become leaves, we feel refreshed, energized, renewed. Another cycle of life begins. Last month's challenge described the Anishinaabeg (Ojibwe, Chippewa, and Odawa) and Potawatomi view of the land as sacred, the source of what we need to nourish our bodies and feed our souls. Now the earth, after years of our treatment, from a European-American view of the land as a thing for our use, brings us fewer birds, warmer temperatures, and erratic weather patterns.

What do we think and feel when we consider the land, the plot of ground on which our shelter stands? I love driving up the hill to my house. I enjoy seeing the courthouse light up at night. As I head up the driveway I feel a sense of security, serenity, love, and gratitude for kind neighbors. Then I remember that Indian Nations were here before me. They stood on this same hill, felt what I felt and much more, but had those treasures taken from them, forced to live in an alien place. And I wonder how I would respond if a foreign government used its power to push me out of the place I live? Out of this small piece of land I love? How would I survive? How would I cope? How did they cope?

My thought to comfort myself is that we needed the land to build OUR nation, to make a better life for ourselves. This was America's destiny. I tell myself that they had each other. But, of course, that is not true. So many died in being relocated to inhospitable places. Their view of the earth and heavens is their spiritual foundation. Ours is the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. In taking their land, we decimated their lives and their faith. How do we make peace with such obliteration?

Because I am called to love my neighbor, to bear one another's burdens, I wonder what I can do to set aside my defensiveness and focus on how to support those who unwillingly handed me the land where my earthly home sits at the top of the ridge. Having just been through Lent, a time of self and societal examination, and Easter, a time of new life, perhaps I can try to put myself in their shoes, their moccasins. I can feel regret at the loss of their means of sustenance, physically and spiritually, the loss of language, and stories. I can regret the "Indian" boarding school designed to "take the savagery out of the Indian and make him a man." I can regret the cutting of their hair, the prohibition of speaking their native language, and the taking of children from their parents and tribal support. I can be more understanding of their turning to drugs, alcohol, even suicide, to cope with such enormous losses, much the way some of us know turn to those same means to cope with their losses. I can not turn away from recognizing this history. I can read *Seeing Red* by Michael John Witgen, about how the Anishinaabeg resisted removal from that is now Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. I can participate in our Synod's online offerings to reframe my perspective. <https://nglsynod.org/christs-kaleidoscope-challenge/>. I can consider having a statement in our bulletin acknowledging that the land where we worship together sits in a place they may once have held religious ceremonies. I can look at how I value my home and wonder if some payment wouldn't be fair for the taking of the land, the home they loved. They are like Jesus—they have borne the burden of our presence; they have given us everything.

Submitted by Susan Anderson

Trinity Lutheran Church's

DAY CAMP

WITH LUTHERDALE CAMP STAFF

**JULY
15-18,
2024**

9 am - 4 pm

\$45 per child
(scholarships available)

Daily bussed
trips to CAVOC

SPACE IS LIMITED.
Please Register online
at ComeToTrinity.com
by June 15.



Children going into
grades K-6
are invited to a Bible Camp
experience sponsored by
Trinity Lutheran Church
with
Faith Lutheran Church.

Encounter the
LOVE of Jesus
through group games,
music, arts and crafts,
Bible party, hiking, and
community service.

For more
information contact
Pastor Kari: 715.437.0770



Faith Lutheran Church
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Helping To Build A Hunger-Free Community



RAFP

627 Coon Street
Rhinelander, WI

Thank you to our March 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.



SAVE THE DATE!

**Garden Fresh
Salad Bowl Luncheon**

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024 AT 11:00AM TO 1:30PM

**Purchase Tickets
Online!**

Ticket price
includes
processing fee.

Please provide
guest name with
each ticket.



*⁶I planted,
Apollos watered,
but **God gave the growth.**
⁷So neither the one who plants
nor the one who waters is anything,
but **only God who gives the growth.**
⁸The one who plants and the one who
waters **have a common purpose,**
⁹For we are God's servants,
working together;...*

-1 Corinthians 3: 6-9

Dear People of the Northern Great Lakes Synod,

At the risk of getting too personal, I share with you that my mother joined the Saints Triumphant on February 11. As the deadline for this article is February 12, I cannot help but approach this task with thoughts of my mother at the forefront.

In this year, as together we as a synod consider what it means to be a Seed Sower and what it means to plant, and as I make plans with my siblings to celebrate the life of my mother, I can think of no better example of one who planted seeds and one who witnessed the yield of seeds planted by others long ago.

My mother was born in India in July 1932, the daughter of missionaries. She, along with her four siblings, was brought up in the faith. She was taught the love of Jesus, the value of compassion, and the expectation of sharing the love of God in a way that makes a difference.

The seeds of faith planted in her bore fruit as she became a nurse, the wife of a seminary professor, the mother of five children, and a generous giver of time, talents, and treasure. She sang in choirs, kissed scraped knees, worked church funerals and became a matriarch of her community of faith. She was a parish nurse at Luther Seminary and her church library was named after her in honor of the hours invested in cataloging, arranging, and gathering literature.

I could go on. But of course, it is the rare mother that doesn't inspire the accolades of her children. My mother was no exception. But in this season of Seed Sowers, I am grateful for the seeds of faith, and the example of generosity, that my mother gave me and all who knew her.

She not only planted seeds but enjoyed the fruit of seeds planted by others. She witnessed the seeds planted by missionaries when years later, she returned to India to visit the church and seminary founded by my grandfather and others. She saw how many pastors, native to India, had graduated from that seminary and students that are attending.

We give thanks for the churches that were planted and the people who came to know Jesus through their efforts.

And now? I invite you to consider what seeds of faith you are planting. Whether you are working to pass on the faith to the next generation, or enjoying the fruit of seeds planted long ago, I invite you to intentionally plant seeds for future faith, future ministry. This can happen in many ways:

- Volunteer
- Share your story of faith with a stranger, doubts and all
- Support a ministry effort with your financial gift.
- Share your story of faith with a loved one.
- Remember THE Church or Your church in your will.
- Work on your own discipleship. Take a class, go to church, invite a friend.

In this time of great change, I am grateful for the seeds of faith planted long ago, and the seeds of faith planted now which will bear fruit in the future. We are part of a great cycle of life, this shape of the Christian life that involves dying and rising, Good Friday and Easter, death and resurrection, planting and harvesting.

The spirit of my mother lives on in those who remember her, and the Spirit of the Living Christ lives as only the son of God can - to call, enlighten and sanctify those who gather and are sent in his name, to plant seeds that someone else will water, and someone else will harvest.

I give thanks for the blessing of my mother, and for all who have planted seeds of faith.

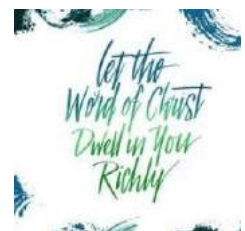
Yours in Christ,

Bishop Katherine Finegan



Dwelling In the Word

You are invited to join the whole Northern Great Lakes Synod in Dwelling in the Word. Please use the resource that has been sent to each congregation (also available on our website), at each meeting of the congregation, in your home, at your Council meetings. You are also welcome to join a Zoom Dwelling in the Word the first Thursday evening of every month at 7:30 pm ET/6:30 pm CT. Let us Dwell in the Word together! Zoom Link available on the Northern Great Lakes Synod Facebook page.



Did You Know?...

In preparation for my article about stewardship this month, I looked at some resources that are available through our Northern Great Lakes Synod. I found this: *“Stewardship is our response to God, how we manage what God has entrusted to our care. We believe and we respond with our whole lives.”*

Since we had our shut-down during COVID, we have been slowly growing Immanuel into what we once were and who we will become in the future. Our members have stepped forward to serve on Council and Committees. Our ministries of NATH meals and Food Pantry are growing. We are working with other churches in our community for the betterment of the community of Rhinelander. We are once again gathering for fellowship before worship and during our Lenten Soup Suppers. I see more and more people ushering, reading, serving on altar care and communion. Our children are participating in children's sermons and Faith Explorers. AND I SEE SMILES OF JOY!

Yes, we are in *“transition”* as we are in the call process. But, it is just that, transition. We are growing and changing. We are finding joyful ways of serving and using our spiritual gifts. We are so blessed to have Pastor John as our interim pastor. His messages, for the children, for the nursing home services, or for our Sunday and Wednesday worship services inspire us to *“believe and respond with our whole lives.”*

I recently heard someone say: *“I think that we are really doing ok.”* I think so too.

...This is Stewardship!

By JoAnne Barrix



Exploring our differences can be difficult. JUSTmove can help.

JUSTmove (David Scherer and Joe Davis) provide tools and resources for interculturality and anti-racism. Whether it's individuals seeking to deepen their own understanding or organizations looking to "move the needle" toward more inclusion, JUSTmove can provide creative solutions with poetry, music, and storytelling.

Free Community Performance

Wed. April 3rd, 2024

4:00 - 5:00 pm

**@ Ascension Lutheran Church
Minocqua WI**



JUSTMOVECULTURE.COM



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 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

NAMI Northern Lakes is a group of Northwoods volunteers that provides support, education and advocacy in Forest, Vilas and Oneida Counties, on behalf of individuals and families affected by mental illness. All NAMI programs are free. Donations are welcome.

Don't suffer in silence. We can help each other, with compassion and knowledge.

24/7 Free Crisis Counselors

Text "HOPELINE" to 741741

A Kind Voice

1-800-876-2399

10 am to 11 pm every day.

Iris Place

1-920-815-3217

24/7

Mental Health Crisis Line

988

Warm Line

1-414-777-4729

7 pm to 11 pm Wed.-Mon.

Solstice Warm Line

1-608-244-5077

24/7



April 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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		OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON PASTOR JOHN OFFICE HOURS 10:00 am—NOON 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 10:30 am—Noon MEMORY CAFÉ	8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group 7:00 pm AA	
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9:00 am Worship Communion Worship Leader: Rev. John Kuziej 10:00 am Faith Explorers	7:00 pm AA & Al-Anon	OFFICE HOURS 9:00 am—NOON 10:00 am 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; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> Newsletter Articles Due!!! </div>	8:45—10:45 am Closed Support Group 7:00 pm AA	8:45 am— 11:30 am Food Pantry
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28	29	30				
9:00 am Worship Worship Leader: Rev. John Kuziej 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				

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

February 2024

GENERAL FUND:

Beginning Balance	\$104,521.94
Offerings	\$ 12,771.78
<small>\$4,295.18 is moved to Building Fund</small>	
Expenses	(\$ 13,423.59)
Ending Balance	\$103,870.13

BENEVOLENCE:

February Offering	\$ 1,503.79
<small>(+ 120 to World Hunger)</small>	
2024 Pledge	\$19,000.00
YTD Remittance	\$ 4,027.58

BUILDING FUND:

Beginning Balance	\$34,037.09
Offerings	\$ 4,295.18
Expenses	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$38,332.27

The EXPENSES exceeded the INCOME by \$651.81 this month.



4/1	Duane Snyder	4/15	Kevin Kirby
4/4	Allison Fortier	4/16	Sandra Kolbe
4/6	Jake Morrison	4/16	Brenda O'Rourke
4/7	Butch Gregory	4/17	Richard Fortier
4/8	Karen Bergsbaken	4/18	Kathy Maule
4/8	Lexi Morrison	4/21	Broden Kohnhorst
4/8	Jean Wood	4/22	Havi Snyder
4/9	Joyce Palm	4/23	Julianne Duffy
4/13	Edna Snyder	4/26	Brock Snyder
4/14	Scott Borski	4/28	Jessica Meyer
4/14	Scott Eades	4/29	Lawrence Levijoki

February 2024 Attendance:

	In-person	Online	Total
02/04	40	55	95
02/11	37	32	69
02/18	26	37	63
02/25	22	36	58

Our average worship attendance for the month of February was 71.



4/7	JoAnne & Rev. Devon Barrix
4/9	Scott & Rebecca Eades
4/14	Jonathan & Savannah Keckeisen
4/20	James & Jean Wood

*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 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 am.