What's Happening at Immanuel Words from Pastor Joe

I appreciate the changing of seasons. I have always lived in a place where seasons changed and it's evident in the length of days and leaves and temperatures and the status of crops in the field. The closet is filled with all sorts of clothes that is appropriate to the temperature both inside the house and outside – and the amount of time I can be spending in each. And I treasure the change and have learned to find joy in whatever environment presents itself.

November in the church year presents an interesting transition. Outside the days are shorter and the nights seem to go on for days. And songs from the past echo in my head...

Based on Psalm 34:16-18, Romans 10:9-13

Sometimes the night seems to go on for days
When it's hard to see the light through the darkness and haze
While the world around you makes you feel out of place
And the burdens that you carry are just too hard to face
Just reach out and He'll reach in
Take your broken heart and make it whole again
It don't matter who you are or where you've been
Just reach out and He'll reach in

"Just Reach Out" by Petra

It's worth looking up and hearing again. Or this one by Gordon Bok "Turning Toward the Morning" also worth looking up.

Now October's growing thin and November's coming home.

You'll be thinking of the season and the sad things that you've seen this for a friend. And you hear that old wind walking hear him singing high and thin who had a tough. You could swear he's out there singing of your sorrow summer.

The rest of the verses tell

Oh, my Joanie, don't you know that the stars are swinging slow And the seas are rolling easy as they did so long ago? If I had a thing to give you, I would tell you one more time That the world is always turning toward the morning

Our November goes from "All Saints" at the beginning to "Christ the King" at the end mixed up with a few weeks to close out the season of Pentecost. Advent starts December.

"Why can't it always be ...?" (fill in the blank) we ask. We want the good times. Jesus gives us himself (always the really good person). Please join us at Immanuel for worship. Be strengthened to deal with the seasons of your life. And Rejoice in the Lord!

See you at worship this week!

REMEMBER TO VOTE!

Tuesday, November 5 is not just another day on the calendar; it's an opportunity for each of us to make our voices heard and our values known! Just as we gather in faith to uplift and empower one another, let us also come together to stand up for the issues that matter most to us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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3 9:00 am Bible Study	4	5	6 6:30 pm	7	8	
10:15 am Worship ALL SAINTS DAY 11:15 am Coffee and Fellowship			Confirmation 7:00 pm WOW			
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Woman of the Word meets Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be starting the book "Imagine the God of Heaven" See Suzy for more details.

WELCOME TO SOLA

Immanuel is happy to share a new online resource with you. The church has purchased an online subscription to Sola. The subscription allows FREE unlimited use for our church family. Simply use the following link and logon information to access educational resources that are trustworthy and useful to give you a deeper appreciation for God's Holy Word!

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Password: Immanuel



MOVIE BONHOEFFER PASTOR. SPY. ASSASSIN

GENRE: Drama

RELEASE DATE: Friday, Nov 22, 2024

As the world teeters on the brink of annihilation, Dietrich Bonhoeffer is swept into the epicenter of a deadly plot to assassinate Hitler. With his faith and fate at stake, Bonhoeffer must choose between upholding his moral convictions or risking it all to save millions of Jews from genocide. Will his shift from preaching peace to plotting murder alter the course of history or cost him everything? Coming to Marcus theaters the week of November 20th.

THANKSLIVING DINNNER NOVEMBER 17

Immanuel's Annual Congregational Thanksliving dinner will be after worship service, Sunday, November 17th. A signup sheet is available in the narthex. Our donation this year is going to LCMC Disaster assistance fund. We have had a very destructive year and so many need help. Your generosity is appreciated.

UPCOMING CLEANING, DECORATING and MORE

We will be giving the Church a fall cleaning sometime in November. Details will be shared when the time gets closer. December 1st if the first Sunday in Advent and we will be decorating the Church after worship. Sunday School Christmas program will begin in mid-November. There is a lot of fun stuff going on this month!!!!

NOVEMBER 3 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

All Saints Day, November 3 we will be lighting candles for loved ones who we have lost. Dr Westburg will be playing the bagpipes for Immanual that day. A **HUGE** "Thank you" to Dr. Westburg for making our service so memorable.

FCA ZACK EMERSON

Hello everyone. Happy Wednesday. Here are a few exciting things happening in the ministry. First, we had our Hoops for Freedom tournament last week. We were able to raise several thousand dollars that were donated to "I've got a Name", an organization that's trying to end sex trafficking in Nebraska. FYI, every month at least 900 individuals are sold for sex, often multiple times, IN NEBRASKA (200 in Lincoln). Our goal was to raise awareness and money to help fight this but to also have a Christ centered basketball tournament that was different than current models. It was free to get in. There was a tournament wide prayer to kick off the event. And every kid that attended got a sheet that explained the Gospel with a wristband that will help them teach it to others. The tournament was amazing. I saw nothing but smiles. Praise the Lord. Finally, I started working with NEB ONE Volleyball again. We are meeting tonight to finalize some ways that we can bring Christ into their volleyball program. If successful, we will have a blueprint for other CLUB teams to follow. I am SO EXCITED about this. PRAYER REQUESTS. 1. Please be praying for this new opportunity with NEB ONE. And that other clubs will want to do something similar 2. Weekend of Champions is in two weeks. Please pray for the coaches and athletes that attend. 3. Please be praying for more coaches to join Bible Studies. "One coach will impact more young people in one year than the average person does in a lifetime". Billy Graham. Thanks everyone.

SUGGESTION BOX

Please use the feedback box to share any suggestions you have for the special offerings we will be collecting during Thanksgiving and Christmas services.

NOVEMBER USHERS

Nov. 3 Jim & Roxann Countryman

Nov. 10 Leroy & Barb Hanson

Nov. 17 Kerry & Deb Meyer

Nov. 24 Fran Freeman

NOVEMBER LECTORS

Nov. 3 Bella

Nov. 10 Colton

Nov. 17 Blaine

Nov. 24 Sarah

PRAYER LIST

Jeremy Pribnow (Surgery - Hedges)

Francis Millet (Health – Countryman)

Will Varilek (Healing – Member)

Diane Alsbrooks (Health – Rudeen)

Cali Molnar (Car accident – Pearson)

Brogan Molnar (Car accident – Pearson)

Sara Axmann (Health – Stratton)

Morgan Lemkau (Health - Caitlin Eisenmann's Sister)

Christie Bevington (Health – member)

Lisa Johnson (Cancer - Neighbor)

Gracie Lambert (Health)

Heather Lucht (Health – Hanson)

Scott Negley (Cancer – Tetley)

Tammy Morse (Cancer – Fisher)

Kim Pearson (Health - Pearson)

Rene & Sharon Remillard (Health – Hanson)

Jayson Boden (Jodi's Son)

Gracie Wilcox (Blood Disorder – Bevington)

Steve Martz (Stroke – Bevington)

Roger McGinnis (Health – Countryman)

Dawn Buss (Health – Fran's Daughter)

Benedikte Ehlers (Cancer – Fran's Tour Guide)

Ron Weltruski (Bone Cancer – Hedges)

Zack Emerson (FCA Mission)

Adam Johnson (Convincing Proof)

Wade Family (Missionaries – Bible Translation)

Persecuted Christians around the World

People in War Torn Areas

Health & Protection of Everyone

I urge you, first of all, to **pray** for all people. Ask God to **help** them; **intercede** on their behalf and give **thanks** for them.

1 Timothy 2:1 NLT

NOVEMBER FOOD PANTRY

All Items Needed for Holiday Desserts and Baking. The food pantries are in great need through the Holidays!