

IMMANUEL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*transforming tradition*

*"In life and in death  
we belong to God."*

We have been called  
to belong to the  
body of Christ  
and to seek God's purposes  
in this place.  
Immanuel Presbyterian  
Church is  
our home, where we grow  
and welcome all;  
our community, where we  
care for one another and  
serve others.  
We promise  
to worship regularly,  
to learn openly,  
to give generously,  
to live together in the unity  
of the Spirit  
as a congregation of the  
Presbyterian Church (USA)  
and to share the work of  
mission and ministry . . .  
transforming tradition in the  
church and in the world.

*This covenant was written  
and adopted by the Session  
for Immanuel's 175th  
Anniversary as an  
expression of what  
it means to be a member of  
Immanuel Presbyterian  
Church.*

## TOWER CHIMES

*April 2019*

*Worship with us*

### HOLY WEEK and EASTER

**PALM SUNDAY, April 14**

**10:00 Worship**

Dr. Block preaching

Choir: *Part I The Passion According to St. Luke* by Randall Thompson

**11:15 Upper Room Meal and the Lord's Supper**

*Friends of Jesus share their stories as we break bread together*

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 18**

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper + 7:30 p.m.**

The Passion According to Luke, Chapter 22:1-65

*The Last Supper, Jesus in Gethsemane, The Betrayal and Arrest*

Choir: *Pilgrims' Hymn* by Stephen Paulus, *By Gracious Powers* (Bonhoeffer text)

**GOOD FRIDAY, April 19**

**A Service of Tenebrae + 7:30 p.m.**

The Passion According to Luke, Chapter 22:66-23:49

*Jesus Before Pilate and Herod, The Crucifixion*

Choir: *The Seven Last Words of Christ* by Dubois

**HOLY SATURDAY, April 20**

**Easter Vigil + 7:30 p.m.**

**The Services of Light and The Word**

**The Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion**

**THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, April 21**

**Easter Morning + 10:00 Worship**

9:45 Organ and tympani prelude concert

10:00 Easter Morning Worship

Dr. Block preaching, "Easter Redacted"

Choir: *Credo* from Schubert Mass in G, *Alleluia* by Eric Whitacre

Formal coffee hour in the Parlor following worship

**NEW TO IMMANUEL?  
LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME?**

**IPC 101: An Introduction to Life at  
Immanuel Presbyterian Church  
Sunday, May 26 at 11:15 a.m.**

Are you new to Immanuel Church? Would you like to learn more about the congregation? Plan to join members of the Membership Committee following worship on Sunday, May 26 for "IPC 101: An Introduction to Life at Immanuel Presbyterian Church."

We will discuss our focus on worship, education, and mission, tour the church building, and talk about what it means to be a Presbyterian. The session will last approximately 50 minutes and will include time for questions and discussion.

**Prospective Member Brunch & Orientation  
Sunday, June 2 + following worship**

Have you been visiting Immanuel Church and wondered what it might mean to become a member? Are you planning to attend IPC 101 and feel ready to take the next step of becoming a member of the congregation? Join us for a Prospective Member Brunch and Orientation on June 2. This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about the worship life, educational programs, and mission opportunities at Immanuel. Participants will have the chance to get to know one another and the church better.

*If you, or someone you know, might enjoy one of these opportunities to learn more about Immanuel Church and membership, please contact Mr. Ater in the church office (414-276-4757).*

**SUMMER YOUTH MISSION TRIP  
Car Wash & Bake Sale + June 2**

Sixteen Immanuel youth and six adults will participate this June in an Urban Youth Mission program at Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago. During their week in Chicago, they will explore the city's diverse neighborhoods while performing valuable hands-on service and reflecting together on God, faith, and the Christian call to justice.

To help raise funds for their trip, the youth are planning to hold a car wash and bake sale on Sunday, June 2. Please mark your calendars and plan to come to church that day with a dirty car!

*The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated  
at the Easter Vigil on April 20  
and the Day of Pentecost, June 9.  
Please speak with one of the ministers if you desire to  
profess your faith  
or present a child for baptism.*

**THE IMMANUEL GARDENS  
ARE COMING TO LIFE  
Your Help is Needed  
Spring Spruce Day + Saturday, April 27  
Mulching Day + Saturday, May 18**

The Immanuel Church grounds are a big part of the welcoming face we offer to our neighborhood. As the days lengthen, the trees begin to bud, and the flowers start to blossom, the Immanuel Landscaping Team is getting organized for another season and your help is needed!

The landscaping committee is also looking for individuals to commit to weekly watering of sections of the landscaping. Please consider adopting a garden bed/pot! Just pick a time and day that works for you.

Call or email Leslie Smart (262-844-3383 or [fourmennme@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fourmennme@sbcglobal.net)) to join the landscaping crew on April 27, mulching team on May 18, to adopt a garden bed/pot, or to help throughout the season. A sign-up sheet is also available in the Parlor on Sunday mornings.

**IMMANUEL OUTING TO MAM  
Docent-led Illuminated Manuscripts Tour  
Sunday, April 28 at 12:45 p.m.**

Join the Parish Life Council and Immanuel friends for a docent-led tour to see the special exhibit: "The Art of Devotion: Illuminated Manuscripts from Local Collections" at the Milwaukee Art Museum on Sunday, April 28. These handwritten books made before the use of the printing press date to the Middle Ages and Renaissance. The exhibition will not only explore the bookmaking process but also explain how creating and interacting with the manuscripts were considered forms of religious devotion. Plan to gather at the museum at 12:45 so that the tour can begin promptly at 1:00. The cost of \$15 per person (for both museum members and non-members) helps to support the docent training program. Stop in the Parlor to sign-up today!

**NEWS FROM THE PEWS**

**Moved**

Robert Ater and Gregory Baer, to 100 W. Brown Street, Milwaukee, 53212.  
James and Barbara Fisher, to 7979 W. Glenbrook Road #1004, Milwaukee, 53223; 414-357-5220.  
David Hoeveler, to 191 N. Broadway #307, Milwaukee, 53202; 414-573-7502.  
Rebecca Schumm, to 3015 N. Hayden Road #1051, Scottsdale, AZ 85251.

**New Email**

McKinzie Joyce, [kinzie.joyce@gmail.com](mailto:kinzie.joyce@gmail.com)

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**CATHEDRAL CENTER SHELTER  
for Women and Families  
Volunteer opportunity: April 26 - 28**

Milwaukee's Cathedral Center Shelter, located at Kilbourn and Van Buren Streets, provides emergency shelter and case management services for women and families who are homeless or experiencing a housing crisis. The shelter is open 365 days a year, serving up to 32 single women and eight families per night. Volunteers from churches and other organizations throughout the area provide hospitality and a simple meal for shelter guests each evening.

For many years, volunteers from Immanuel Church have enjoyed being part of this important ministry in our community. Our next opportunity to volunteer is Friday, April 26, Saturday, April 27, and Sunday, April 28. Volunteers spend about two hours (from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m.) greeting guests, providing a light evening meal, making lunches for the following day, and simply offering a friendly presence. Both men and women are encouraged to volunteer, and children may volunteer with a parent or other adult. In addition to making a difference in the community, this volunteer opportunity is a great way to get to know other Immanuel members and friends. Sign-up in the Parlor on Sunday mornings during coffee hour. *Volunteers are especially needed for Friday evening, April 26!* Please contact Ms. Dow in the church office (414-276-4757, [jeandow@immanuelwi.org](mailto:jeandow@immanuelwi.org)) with any questions.

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**LUNCH BUNCH at University Christian Ministries  
Wednesday, April 10**

On Wednesday, April 10, Immanuel volunteers will bring a taste of home to students through the "Lunch Bunch" program at University Christian Ministries (UCM), the cooperative Protestant campus ministry at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

One of UCM's oldest and most popular programs, "Lunch Bunch" serves a free lunch every Wednesday to nearly 100 students. Local congregations support the program by providing the meal and volunteers to serve it each week. Immanuel Church usually volunteers once in the fall and once in the winter/spring. If you are interested in helping to provide the meal on April 10 or if you are able to help serve, and haven't already signed up, please contact Sue Rennane (262-242-1508, [srennane@gmail.com](mailto:srennane@gmail.com)) or Ms. Dow in the church office (414-276-4757, [jeandow@immanuelwi.org](mailto:jeandow@immanuelwi.org)).

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**Poetry Reading to Benefit our Neighborhood  
INTERCHANGE FOOD PANTRY  
Sunday, April 14 at 1:30 p.m.**

A benefit reading, sponsored by Bards Against Hunger (Wisconsin Edition), will be held on Sunday, April 14, at 1:30 p.m. at First Unitarian Society of Milwaukee, 1342 N. Astor St., Milwaukee. This event will benefit our neighborhood Interchange Food Pantry, a longtime mission partner of Immanuel Church. Poets published in the Bards Against Hunger anthology will read their poetry, and there will be an open mike for poetry that addresses social justice issues. Financial contributions as well as donations of food items for the pantry will be collected. Books will be for sale; a portion of the sale price will benefit the food pantry. All are invited. Bring a poem to share.

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**SPRING FLOWER BASKET SALE  
to support Eastside Senior Services  
Orders taken: April 21, 28 and May 5**

Once again this year, Immanuel is participating in a spring flower basket sale to support Eastside Senior Services, a neighborhood program which helps older adults on Milwaukee's East Side continue to live independently and in their own homes. Volunteers will be on hand to take orders following worship on April 21 (Easter Sunday), April 28, and May 5 to take orders for plants of various kinds: begonias, petunias, geraniums, and impatiens. These are large, healthy baskets from a local greenhouse. Plants are \$25 each, or two for \$48 or 3 or more for \$23 each. The baskets will be available for pickup at church on Sunday, May 12.

## WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

The Session of Immanuel Presbyterian Church received seven new members on March 3. They were welcomed during morning worship on March 17.

*By reaffirmation of faith . . .*

**Myrna Dittmer** moved to the neighborhood a few years ago and was invited to Immanuel by neighbors and friends at St. Johns on the Lake. She has roots in the Presbyterian Church and is glad to have found her way home to Immanuel. A retired educator, Ms. Dittmer is grateful for the Immanuel community and glad to be a new member.

**Pam Mahnke** has felt warmly welcomed at Immanuel after being invited to visit by a longtime friend. A retired clinical psychologist, Ms. Mahnke spent much of her career working in a youth correctional facility. She enjoys the worship and sermons at Immanuel and appreciates the accepting culture and call to service and outreach that she has found.

**Lynda Peterson** joins Immanuel with her husband, Jim. They have two young adult children and were invited to visit Immanuel by friends. Ms. Peterson is grateful for Immanuel's warm welcome and the opportunities to learn and grow in faith and to serve others in the community. She is a librarian in the Wauwatosa School District.

*By letter of transfer...*

*... from Memorial Presbyterian Church, Appleton*

A longtime Presbyterian, **Jim Peterson** is pleased that he and Lynda are making a new church home at Immanuel. He values the adult education opportunities and looks forward to getting more involved. An attorney with Foley and Lardner, he enjoys fly fishing in his free time.

*... from North Shore Presbyterian Church, Shorewood*

**Alison** and **Kevin Keefe** have known Immanuel for many years, particularly through the late George Drury, a longtime Immanuel member and Mr. Keefe's friend and colleague. He appreciates the energy at Immanuel and the congregation's commitment to the greater community reporting that, "I'm a lifelong Presbyterian who's back at home again." Ms. Keefe is retired from Boston Store and enjoys volunteering with "reading and feeding" community groups.

*... from Community United Methodist Church, Elm Grove*

**Mark Thacher** was in the neighborhood one Sunday morning last summer and wandered in and decided to stay. He calls finding Immanuel, "serendipity." Faith has always been a part of his life and he believes that being a part of Immanuel will help it grow. He is thankful for the family connection he has felt here and was glad to help coordinate the Interfaith photographic exhibit, "Gratitude," this winter.

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## A CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

### **Jean Dow Will Retire After Seventeen Years at Immanuel Church A Special Sunday Morning on June 9!**

Pastoral transitions have been a rare thing at Immanuel Church – especially departures! The Rev. Jean Dow was called to serve this congregation in 2001, and both this church and community have been greatly enriched by her gifts. Looking toward a milestone birthday, Ms. Dow announced last fall that she would retire from her ministry here at the end of the program year. We're planning a celebration and thank-you for Sunday, June 9. Mark your calendars!

As she moves into a new phase of life and ministry, Ms. Dow has pursued a certification in the art of spiritual direction from Stillpoint: The Center for Christian Spirituality and completed her program on March 24 at Ghost Ranch, the Presbyterian conference center in New Mexico.



## WITH JESUS IN THE UPPER ROOM

Annual "Upper Room Meal" on Palm Sunday, April 14  
for all members and friends

Luke's gospel tells the story of the first "Palm Sunday,"  
And Jesus' entry into Jerusalem with these words...  
"As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road...  
the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully...  
'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven!'"

Luke 19

On Palm Sunday, 2019 begin *your* journey through Holy Week at our annual  
**Upper Room Meal.**

Join the palm-waving procession of children to our own "Upper Room," where we will enjoy a first-century meal of bread, fish, olives, dates, figs, eggs, and goat cheese; hear stories from persons who knew Jesus; and learn about the origins of the Lord's Supper as we share this holy meal around our tables.

All are invited + April 14 at 11:15 a.m.  
Sign up in the Church Parlor or Peaceable Kingdom  
on Sunday mornings.

## RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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### INVITE A FRIEND TO CHURCH Holy Week and Easter

Do you know someone who is searching for a new church home? Do you have a friend, neighbor, or colleague who might like to explore questions of faith and meaning in a warm and welcoming congregation? Or, perhaps you'd simply like to share the congregation you love with the people who matter most to you.

As we journey through Lent and Holy Week toward the joyful hope of Easter, this is a wonderful time to introduce new friends to the life and ministry of this congregation. Special invitations will appear on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram and photo postcards will be mailed to over 22,000 Immanuel neighbors, friends, and recent visitors. Easter radio advertisements will air on WUWM.

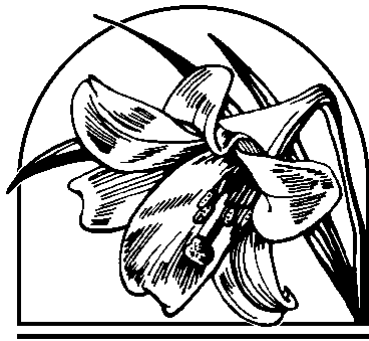
While these efforts are important in raising Immanuel's profile in the community, newcomers respond most effectively to a *personal invitation* from someone they know. So as you make your plans to worship during this special time in our life together, consider who you might invite to share the journey.



# A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

## April 2019

|                 |       |  |
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| <b>April 7</b>  |       | <b>FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT</b>                                  |
|                 | 8:45  | Child Care for infants & toddlers - <i>Nursery</i>           |
|                 | 8:55  | Choir rehearsal  |
|                 | 10:00 | Morning Worship; Ms. Dow preaching                           |
|                 | 10:30 | Church School - <i>Peaceable Kingdom</i>                     |
|                 | 11:00 | Coffee Hour in the Church Parlor                             |
|                 | 11:20 | Introduction and Invitation to Holy Week - <i>Upper Room</i> |
| <b>April 14</b> |       | <b>PASSION/PALM SUNDAY</b>                                   |
|                 | 8:45  | Child Care for infants & toddlers - <i>Nursery</i>           |
|                 | 8:55  | Choir rehearsal  |
|                 | 10:00 | Morning Worship; Dr. Block preaching                         |
|                 | 10:30 | Church School - <i>Peaceable Kingdom</i>                     |
|                 | 11:15 | Upper Room Meal; The Lord's Supper - <i>Upper Room</i>       |
| <b>April 18</b> | 7:30  | <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>                                       |
|                 |       | <i>Sacrament of Holy Communion</i>                           |
|                 |       | The Passion According to Luke                                |
| <b>April 19</b> | 7:30  | <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>   |
|                 |       | <i>Service of Tenebrae ("darkness")</i>                      |
|                 |       | The Passion According to Luke                                |
|                 |       | DuBois "Seven Last Words of Christ"                          |
| <b>April 20</b> | 7:30  | <b>EASTER VIGIL</b>  |
|                 |       | <i>Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion</i>                 |
|                 |       | Refreshments following worship                               |
| <b>April 21</b> |       | <b>RESURRECTION OF THE LORD</b>                              |
|                 | 9:45  | Organ and tympani prelude concert                            |
|                 | 10:00 | Easter Morning Worship; Dr. Block preaching                  |
|                 |       | Organ and tympani prelude;                                   |
|                 |       | Eric Whittacre "Alleluia" and Schubert "Credo"               |
|                 | 11:15 | Formal Coffee Hour in the Church Parlor                      |
| <b>April 28</b> |       | <b>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>                               |
|                 |       | <i>Sacrament of Holy Communion</i>                           |
|                 |       | <i>Dedication of the One Great Hour of Sharing offering</i>  |
|                 | 8:45  | Child Care for infants & toddlers - <i>Nursery</i>           |
|                 | 8:55  | Choir rehearsal  |
|                 | 10:00 | Morning Worship; Ms. Dow preaching                           |
|                 | 11:00 | Church School - <i>Peaceable Kingdom</i>                     |
|                 | 11:00 | Coffee in the Church Parlor                                  |
|                 | 12:45 | Milwaukee Art Museum Outing                                  |



# Easter Lilies

*New Life in Christ*

*On Easter Sunday the church is adorned with plants and flowers, symbolizing the new life of all creation in the resurrection. The lilies and floral arrangements are made possible by contributions of members and friends in memory of loved ones. A list of those remembered will be printed in the Easter bulletin.*

*In making your gift, please consider that the cost of each plant this year is \$26.00. Contributions toward memorial Easter flowers also provide other floral arrangements in the church that day. The Deacons deliver these plants and flowers to members who are homebound and hospitalized following the Easter worship service.*

*To place an order, complete the form below, tear it out and drop it along with your check off in the "Easter Lily" box in the Great Hall after the church service today. Forms are due by Tuesday, April 16.*

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of lilies: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$26.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ (amount due)

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Make checks payable to Immanuel Presbyterian Church and note  
"Easter lily" in the memo*





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Dear Immanuel members and friends,

Back in 1949, when the world was still recovering from the devastating impact of the Second World War, the Presbyterian Church and other Christian groups gathered together and asked themselves a simple question: "how much money could we raise in an hour to address the suffering in the world"? While the amount raised was small by today's standards, the project was successful enough for them to do so again the following year. Now in it's 70th year, *One Great Hour of Sharing* brings together congregations from 20 different denominations to realize the love of Christ for individuals and communities around the world who suffer from the effects of disaster, violence, and economic deprivation. While the world around us has developed in many ways in the last 70 years, the need for the life-changing work of *One Great Hour of Sharing* is as great as it has ever been.

The season of Lent reminds us who we are, who we serve, and how we are called to live lives of faith. *One Great Hour of Sharing* presents us with a wonderful opportunity to answer the call to Christian discipleship. Each of the three Presbyterian programs supported by *One Great Hour of Sharing* - **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**, **The Presbyterian Hunger Program**, and **Self-Development of People** - work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. Examples of projects recently funded include:

- Long-term support for victims of the recent Tropical Cyclone Idai in Malawi, Mozambique, and Zimbabwe
- National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon rebuilding homes so that displaced families can return and help rebuild cities across Syria
- *The Way Home* - a group that builds housing for homeless veterans in Washington, DC
- *New Roots* - an organization in Louisville, KY that supports urban agriculture through pop-up farm-fresh food markets at local churches, community centers, and at local businesses located in fresh-food-insecure neighborhoods
- *Homes for All Nashville* - a group that helps tenants work together to obtain fair treatment and respect of their rights and advocates for tenants in low-income areas of the city

On behalf of the Immanuel Mission Committee, I invite you to visit the OGHs website ([www.presbyterianmission.org/oghs](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/oghs)) to learn more about how our gifts help people from all over the world, and I encourage you to offer prayers for the individuals and projects who receive this support. Please join us in supporting *One Great Hour of Sharing* during this Lenten season. You may use the enclosed envelope or the envelopes in the pew racks at church. Donations can also be made online throughout the year at <https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/OG999999/>. The offering will be dedicated in worship on Sunday, April 28. We're hoping for a Gospel-sized number of fish banks in the collection plates that morning!

In the faith we share,

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