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DIVINE SERVICE AT IMMANUEL: In addition to the in-person services, all Services are live streamed also. The live stream is available at the following Youtube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqkp9bt5FmMFDmfW0QNpIUw/videos>

DIVINE SERVICE AT IMMANUEL

June 5, 2022

The Day of Pentecost

Genesis 11:1–9

The Tower of Babel

Psalms 143

“I meditate on all that You have done.”

Acts 2:1–21

The apostles receive the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

John 14:23–31

“The Helper, the Holy Spirit, . . . will teach you all things.”

The Scriptures this day witness the remarkable releasing of the Holy Spirit. The mighty works of God are declared in countless languages. Fire blazes mysteriously above the disciples' heads. Outrageous confusion, mayhem, and chaos pave the way for global mission, ministry, and confession. The Holy Spirit teaches all things, equipping preachers to preach and people to listen. He is the Divine Helper, instilling within the Church an unrelenting confession of Jesus and His deeds of mercy and redemption.

June 12, 2022

First Sunday after Pentecost

Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31

“I was set up . . . before the beginning of the earth.”

Psalms 8

“How majestic is Your name in all the earth.”

Acts 2:14a, 22–36

God made Jesus both Lord and Christ.

John 8:48–59

“Before Abraham was, I am.”

The Lord alone possesses all eternal wisdom even before the acts of creation. The words of Proverbs confirm Jesus' active presence before the incarnation. Then Peter exclaims that this very same Jesus—crucified and killed—could never be bound by death. Everything about Christ is forever: His Word, His truth, His salvation, His immutable relationship with God the Father. As believers, we hold steadfast to everything about Christ, knowing that He alone knows the Father, keeps His Word, and conquers death.

June 19, 2022

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 65:1–9

“I will bring forth offspring from Jacob.”

Psalms 3

“I cried aloud to the Lord, and He answered me.”

Galatians 3:23–4:7

“You are no longer a slave, but a son.”

Luke 8:26–3

Jesus heals a demon-possessed man.

Arrogant Israel has a horrid disdain for God's will. They behave like heathens, but God safeguards them from annihilation with the promise of Jesus through the lineage of Jacob. We, too, are heirs of this promise clothed with Christ through the waters of Holy Baptism. The tomb is now powerless. Sin and death yield to Christ's Gospel proclamation. In this very Word, Jesus binds together shattered lives, disarms sin with forgiveness, heals with mercy. All this He does for us!

June 26, 2022

1 Kings 19:9b–21

Psalm 16

Galatians 5:1, 13–25

Luke 9:51–62

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Elisha becomes Elijah's attendant.

"In Your presence there is fullness of joy."

Serve one another in love.

Some reject Jesus; others follow Him.

Rebellious generations reject the prophets! Why do these servants of the Lord not simply languish and give up? God's whisper repeatedly urges Elijah to continue prophesying. Jesus, the ultimate Prophet, tirelessly strives to prophesy divine judgment, justice, and grace. He dares not camouflage the cost of true discipleship. Rejection is sure to season the life of faithful people. Yet we have an encourager. The Holy Spirit curbs the behaviors of our flesh and enables us to persevere with His good gifts.

Ministry Notes



Summer begins Tuesday, June 21st

At Immanuel in June

There are quite a few things happening at Immanuel in the month of June. On June 3rd, we will host the Affirmation Service for the 8th grade class of Concordia Prep Middle School. On June 4th, we are co-sponsoring a job fair with the Loch Raven Improvement Association. On June 16th we will host a candidates' forum for the League of Women Voters. Candidates for various offices will be included. June 18th will be the annual AA Marathon Meeting at Immanuel. June 20th-24th will be Vacation Bible School. Finally, we will have our Voters' Meeting with elections on June 26th. Mark your calendars for these special events.

Cemetery Services Will Not Be Held

After speaking with other leaders, Pastor Minetree has decided not to hold our summer cemetery service. This is due to declining interest among members. We are also no longer reaching new people in our community.

Adult Sunday School Summer Break

The last day for Adult Sunday Bible Class will be May 29th. We will be on break until September 11th. See in this newsletter for a ZOOM class offering for June, July, and August.

The End of Home Communion Sets for Non-shut-in members.

Pastor is ending the distribution of home communion element sets for non-shut-in members. It is time for us to gather around the altar at Immanuel for the Lord's Supper. Gathering, in person, with brother and sister Christians for the Divine Service is an important part of our life as disciples. Shut in member and those temporarily home bound due to illness will be visited by Pastor to receive communion. The Divine Service will continue to be streamed on YouTube.

ZOOM Summer Class

During the months of June, July, and August Pastor Minetree will be offering a class via the ZOOM meeting app. The class will meet Tuesday Evenings from 7pm to 8pm. The various "hot button" topics are listed below. These classes are only open to members of Immanuel. To sign-up, please email Teresa in the Church office (immanuel@lutheran.org).

The classes are:

June 7th: Christians and life issues including abortion, euthanasia, and DNR orders.

June 21st: Christians and issues of prejudice.

July 5th: Christians and issues of gender identity and sexual orientation.

July 19th: Why aren't Lutherans also protestants?

August 16th and 30th will be requests by the class.

From Melinda and William Staton (nephew of Lola Barnes) – *"Dear Members, Pastor Minetree, and Pastor Witt. Please accept my warmest heartfelt thanks for your prayers, thoughts, and cards. I am improving daily after my transplant bypass surgery."*

CALLING ALL YOUTH – 5TH GRADE AND UP. Acolytes and crucifers needed Sundays, 9:45 a.m. Will train. Your

opportunity to share your shining faces and your spirit to your Immanuel family. See Emalee Smith or Pastors for more information.

FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT AND LIFE OF SAINT PAUL. For Kids ages 3-13. Sundays (excused after the Gospel). Crafts, songs, snacks, Spirit! Come on Back – COVID is done! See you all Sundays about 10:20 a.m. See Emalee for details.

CHURCH FLOWERS

If you would like a special arrangement, the procedure is to call Denise Waicker at (443) 981-0019 or Denisewaicker@mac.com. Denise needs to know the date you select and the statement you want to include so that she can order the flowers for that Sunday. The cost depends on your selection. Pay by cash or check (make payable to *Denise Waicker*) and give to Denise Waicker in person or mail checks via the postal service.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- The end of war, and peace for Ukraine
- Tom Manager's son-in-law, Kevin Johnston, who had triple bypass surgery and is recovering well
- Carolyn Henn, who had knee surgery
- Carl Harvey recovering from a stroke and is in a rehab hospital
- Dominick Santise in New York, brother-in-law of Carolyn Henn, who is now undergoing radiation treatment for cancer
- Jean Heeman who is in Pickersgill
- Melinda Rallo, who had surgery and is at home recovering
- Patty Harper and family who are going through a time of tribulation
- Bill Hermann, who is battling Parkinson's
- Joseph Woah-tee, missing and whereabouts unknown
- John Rebstock, suffering from kidney disease
- Bradley Will, who is being treated for cancer
- Ray Will, who is having back problems and medical tests

Birthdays:

- 1 Christopher Brown
- 2 Phillip Libby
- 5 Felicia Bokey
Gorpu Bokey
Grace Bokey
- 7 Roland Obedekah
- 11 Deborah Theodores
Nyeinpu Woah-Tee
- 14 Albert Lietzau V
Fred Senger

- 19 Jonathan Pickering
- 20 Natalie Huhra
- 23 Erin Heemann
David Pfitzinger
- 30 Mary Ruble

Anniversaries:

- 7 Roland & Kormassas Obedekah
- 8 Steve and Gwen Heeman
John & Laura Pickering
- 10 Prince and Facia BellePu
- 20 Howard and Dorothy Wolff

CHURCH VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE				
	Altar Guild	Lay Reader	Liturgist	Communion Assistant
June 5 June 12	Mary Ruble	Mary Ruble	Mark Smith	
		Roland Obedekah		
June 19 June 26	Sally Hermann/Margaret Mitchell	Gerhard Ehlerding		
		Sandy Collins		

June 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 7 pm Affirmation Service Concordia Prep	4 10 am Zoom memorial service Daphne Klautky 12 pm to 4 pm LRIA JOB FAIR
5 10 am Worship & Holy Communion 12 pm Christ Congregation Eritrean 3 pm New Refuge Deliverance	6	7 7 pm Zoom Bible Study Class	8	9	10	11 10 am Compassion Center 11 am Memorial Service June Dennis' daughter
12 10 am Worship & Holy Communion 12 pm Christ Congregation Eritrean 3 pm New Refuge Deliverance	13	14	15 6 pm Conway Townhall	16 Candidates forum League of Women Voters	17	18 1 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
19 10 am Worship & Holy Communion 12 pm Christ Congregation Eritrean 3 pm New Refuge Deliverance	20 6 pm to 8:30 pm VACATION BIBLE STUDY	21 6 pm to 8:30 pm VACATION BIBLE STUDY	22 6 pm to 8:30 pm VACATION BIBLE STUDY	23 6 pm to 8:30 pm VACATION BIBLE STUDY	24 6 pm to 8:30 pm VACATION BIBLE STUDY	25 10 am Compassion Center
26 10 am Worship & Holy Communion 11 am Voters Meeting 12 pm Christ Congregation Eritrean 3 pm New Refuge Deliverance	27	28 7 pm Zoom Bible Study Class	29	30		

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June 2022 (Deadline for July edition: June 20)
Events of area LCMS Churches, Entities,
and Recognized Service Organizations

Here's What's Happening...

FREE FLEA MARKET

Our Saviour, Ednor Gardens
Free Flea Market held the second Saturday from May through September. 9a-12, rain or shine. Each person attending receives 10 tickets and can redeem them for 10 items. The next event is June 11.

When you go, tell them you saw it in *The Baltimore Bulletin Insert!*

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT *Concordia Prep, Towson*
Greystone Golf Course, June 10, 12noon check in 1:00p start time, Cost: \$135 single, \$500 foursomes. Includes: Golf, cart, golf shirt, light lunch, beverages and snacks, dinner and awards after golf, contest holes, raffles, prizes, *Dinner* \$40 per person includes dinner, wine and beer. Go to <https://concordiaprepschool.org/events/2022-saintsgolf-tournament/> to register.

LUTHERAN BOOKS AND BEER CLUB

St. Paul, Catonsville
June 16th at 7 p.m. at the Rathskellar German Restaurant, Arbutus (5782 Main St, Elkridge). We are reading "The Spirituality of the Cross" by Gene Vieth.

CHILD CARE STAFF NEEDED *Holy Nativity, Arbutus* Looking for 2 directors, 4 teachers, and 4 assistants for Child Care ministry program. If interested please send resume to eileen@holy-nativity.com

EXPERIENCE THE HOLY LAND

Jan. 2-11, 2023, Ten day biblical tour of Israel hosted by Rev. Martin Schultheis. Info: 410.499.1268; pastor@emmanuelbaltimore.org

MISSION TRIP

St. Paul, Catonsville
Join our Western Kentucky mission trip, June 19-24. Help rebuild from Dec. '21 tornadoes. Construction, clearing, rebuilding, Gospel outreach. Info: secretary@stpaulcatonsville.org or 410.747.1897

COMMUNITY GARDEN

St. Matthew, Bel Air

Register for 2022 Community Garden at St. Matthew.

Pray for the churches and ministries listed in the Baltimore Bulletin Insert!

Raised bed annual plots (4'x8') available for small fee. Info: www.smlc.org/garden.

ACTIVITIES AT BEREA...

Berea, Belair Edison
1) *Bible Study. The Question Is Part 2.* 7-9p, Zoom or in person
2) *Temple Rock:* Dancercise ea. Mon, 2:30p, Zoom or in person.
3) *Pain Clinic:* Wed, 12:30-1:30p, Zoom. With certified therapist. *RSVP, zoom or in-person contact:* BereaLutheran2999@gmail.com



The VBS List:

Week of June 13 – 17:

Berea Lutheran, Belair Edison, 6:30-8:30p

Week of June 20-24

Bethlehem Lutheran, Baltimore, 6-8:30p,
Ages 3 to finished 6th grade. Theme: *Rainforest Explorers*

Week of June 27 - July 1

Faith Lutheran Church, Eldersburg, 9a-12 noon, Kgn - 6th grades, Theme: *Zoomerang!* Register at FaithLutheranEldersburg.com
Martini Lutheran, Balto, 9a-12n, Ages 3yr - 6th grade completed
Theme: *God's Wonder Lab – Jesus Does the Impossible!*
Register at Martinilutheran.org or 410.752.7817, 9-1, M-F.

Week of July 25-29

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Catonsville, 9a-12n

Week of August 1-5

Holy Nativity, Arbutus, 6:30-8:30p, Theme: Deep Sea
St. Paul, Catonsville, 9a-12n, Ages 3-12yrs. Free. Register at www.stpaulcatonsville.org. Theme: *Monumental - Celebrating God's Greatness.*

*A free service of The Wyneken Project, WynekenProject.org
Submit your event to Secretary@MartiniLutheran.org
For locations of churches see LCMS.org > locators*