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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/UCqkp9bt5FmMFDmfW0QNplUw/videos>

DIVINE SERVICE AT IMMANUEL

May 1

Isaiah 30:18–21

Psalm 36:5–12

Ephesians 2:19–22

John 14:1–14

Third Sunday of Easter

You will know your Teacher and will walk in His way.

“Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens.”

You are . . . fellow citizens with God’s people.

“I am the way, and the truth, and the life.”

Christ Jesus is the way; walk in it. He is the cornerstone, and in Him we are being built together in a dwelling place for God. In response to a question from Philip, Jesus tells him, “Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father.” To know about God, we look to Jesus. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. This is the message of Philip and James and all of the apostles.

May 8

Acts 20:17–35

Psalm 23

Revelation 7:9–17

John 10:22–30

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Keep watch over the flock.

“The Lord is my shepherd.”

“The Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd.”

“My sheep hear My voice.”

“Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.” Christ alone secures salvation for believing Jews and Gentiles. He temporally and eternally anchors those persecuted for believing, asserting, and preaching divine truths. In the midst of strife, sin, disease, and death, God shepherds His people into eternity. As His sheepish people, we listen to His voice. So also we receive the living waters of Holy Baptism where He asserts His claim on us forever.

May 15

Acts 11:1–18

Psalm 148

Revelation 21:1–7

John 16:12–22

or John 13:31–35

Fifth Sunday of Easter

“Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

“Praise the Lord.”

“I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem.”

When the Spirit comes, He will guide you into all truth.

Love one another.

In Christ, all things are made new. Gentiles once spurned from the promises of God are baptized and made recipients of forgiveness and eternal life. They are no longer alien to God. Former things, antiquated caste systems, are null and void. New things are imminent. The resurrection of Jesus deprives mourning, crying, and dying of their power. The unleashing of the Holy Spirit changes lingering sorrow into joy, ensuring the newness of all things in heaven and on earth.

May 22**Acts 16:9–15****Psalm 67****Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27****John 16:23–33****or John 5:1–9****Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Paul travels to Macedonia and meets Lydia.

“Let all the peoples praise You.”

The glory of the new Jerusalem

“I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

Jesus heals the paralyzed man at Bethesda.

Scripture reveals God’s answers, vision, and intervention. What seems perplexing is professed by faith, not by reason, yet couched in mystery and not always palpable. We cannot intellectually understand how Baptism begets faith, yet we believe. We cannot comprehend the incomparable beauty of heaven, yet we see. We yearn to approach the heavenly Father, unencumbered by the weight of sin and confusion! Jesus provides clarity in His mercy, sufficient to instill within us true repentance, sincere faith, and compassionate service.

May 26**Acts 1:1–11****Psalm 47****Ephesians 1:15–23****Luke 24:44–53****Ascension of Our Lord**

Jesus ascends into heaven.

God has ascended amid shouts of joy.

God appointed Him as head over everything for the Church.

“You are witnesses of these things.”

Jesus promises to release the power of the Holy Spirit that will sustain the Church as she magnifies the name of Christ, in all wisdom, knowledge, and enlightenment. Today, the Church honors Jesus’ ascent into the heavenly realms. In His absence from us, we shall be comforted and sustained by the Spirit of God. In our waiting for Christ’s return, we boldly proclaim repentance and the forgiveness of sins to all nations.

May 29**Acts 1:12–26****Psalm 133****Revelation 22:1–6 (7–11)****12–20****John 17:20–26****Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Matthias is chosen as an apostle.

“How good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!”

“I am coming soon. . . . I am the Alpha and the Omega.”

Jesus prays for those who will believe.

Jesus and His Father are inseparably one, without beginning or end. It is Jesus’ desire that the disciples and subsequent generations of believers are solidified as one—believing, confessing, and nurturing in divine love, glory, and mercy. Loving unity in the Church is essential. Judas abandoned Christ’s love, alienating himself from the disciples. Such futile destruction! Through Word and Sacrament, God holds love and unity in careful balance in His Church. Such astonishing, undeserved intervention!

Ministry Notes

HOME COMMUNION

If you wish to receive the Holy Communion elements (the bread and wine) for use with the streamed Sunday Divine Service and cannot get to the church to pick them up, please email pastor (cminetree@verizon.net) or call the church office (410-435-6861.) Pastor will make a no contact drop of the elements at your house.

Choir – last practice was Monday, May 2nd; choir practice will resume Monday, September 12th.

Save the Date, May 22nd. Fellowship luncheon at Remo’s of New York directly after Worship. More details to follow.

Prayer Chain

Immanuel’s prayer chain has been re-activated! When you need others to pray with you in times of concern or to give thanks give us a call. A team of your brothers and sisters will join you in your prayers. Call 410-949-6242 at any time. Your request will be added to the Sunday prayers unless you request that they are to remain confidential.

VACATION BIBLE IS BACK! June 20-24, 2022 from 6 – 8:30 pm. Ages 3 to 6th grade (just finished). *Rainforest Explorers* will discover God's Truth and Love each day with games, snacks, crafts, music, and fun. Open to anyone from any church or no church.

We have a meeting at about 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 15th with the Eritrean leaders to plan each day's events. Please come if you want to learn what is happening; if you want to help; if you want to promote and be a sponsor. If you cannot attend – send up Prayers!

Contact Emalee Smith with questions.

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:

-Heavenly Father, we pray that You be glorified through the effort of our *'Til All Have Heard* Ministry. Guide us and Pastor Witt as we seek and pursue avenues to declare that Your Kingdom is coming clearly and powerfully. Give us the opportunity to plant, water, and harvest for Your Kingdom according to Your will, and grant patience to wait on Your timing and purposes. Lord, in Your mercy/Let us pray to the Lord

-The end of war, and peace for Ukraine

-Family of Thelma Lauterbach

-Carl Harvey recovering from a stroke

-Dominick Santise in New York, brother-in-law of Carolyn Henn, who is suffering with 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 sciatica and kidney disease

-Bradley Will, who is being treated for cancer

-Ray Will, who is having back problems

Birthdays:

5 Grant Huhra
Yetunde Tenabe

8 Veronica Hylton

10 Antonia Clarke

12 Kormassas Obedekah
Denise Waicker

14 Katherine Weidner

17 Jerry Ruble

21 Elizabeth Lassahn

23 Sadayah Momo

25 Lenny Harper

26 Dorothy Friant

30 Raymond Ward

Anniversaries:

7 Elizabeth and Courtney Nobbs

15 David and Jeanne Pfitzinger

17 Charles and Susan Libby

20 Johnson and Aminata Momo

24 Timothy and Sue Bardzik

CHURCH VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE				
	Altar Guild	Lay Reader	Liturgist	Communion Assistant
May 1 May 8 May 15	Carolyn Henn/ Joan Goeller			
May 22 May 29	Denise Waicker/ Veronica Hylton			

May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am Worship & Holly Communion 12 pm Christ Congregation-Eritrean 3 pm New Refuge Deliverance	2 7:15 pm Choir Practice (last of season)	3	4	5	6	7
8 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am Worship & Holly Communion 12 pm Christ Congregation-Eritrean 3 pm New Refuge Deliverance	9	10	11 6:30 pm LRIA Board Mtg	12	13	14 10 am Compassion Center
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22 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am Worship & Holly Communion Fellowship luncheon, Remo's of New York 12 pm Christ Congregation-Eritrean 3 pm New Refuge Deliverance	23	24	25	26	27	28 10 am Compassion Center
29 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am Worship 12 pm Christ Congregation-Eritrean 3 pm New Refuge Deliverance	30	31				

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Events of area LCMS Churches, Entities, and
Recognized Service Organizations

Ascension Day (May 26th) Worship

4:00p Divine Service, St. James, Overlea
7:00p Divine Service, Redeemer, Irvington
7:30p Divine Service, Our Saviour, Ednor Gardens

Events and Notices

BABY SHOWER

St. Paul's, Kingsville

May 21, 11 a.m. For Alpha Glory, a ministry that promotes sanctity of life. Join us for fellowship and brunch. Gift suggestions: diapers, wipes, bibs, pacifiers, bottles, formula, and baby food. RSVP: 410.592.8100

CHILD CARE DIRECTOR

Holy Nativity, Arbutus

Director needed for new Child Care ministry program. For more info contact Pastor Andrew Okai cloudakai@icloud.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 to help rebuild from the Dec. '21 tornadoes. Construction, clearing, rebuilding, and Gospel outreach. Info: secretary@stpaulcatonsville or 410.747.1897

COMMUNITY GARDEN

St. Matthew, Belair

Register for 2022 Community Garden at St. Matthew.

Pray for
the
churches
and
ministries
listed in
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When
you go,
tell them
you saw
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Register for 2022 Community Garden at St. Matthew.

Raised bed annual plots (4'x8') available for small fee. Info:

www.smlc.org/garden.

A free service of The Wyneken Project, WynekenProject.org

Submit your event to Secretary@MartiniLutheran.org

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