



ImmanuelNews

The newsletter of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Greeley, Colorado

February 2019



The transition has begun. Julie Elmquist has been hired as Administrative Coordinator, Council is working on hiring an interim, Pastor Sarah joined us to share information about the transition process and once the interim is in place the congregation will need to step up to the plate. We will be asked to look at the good and not so

good things about Immanuel, list our hopes, dreams and wishes, and to map out our future as we begin to look for a new Pastor. And there will be changes.

Consider this about change: We all have changes in our lives. From day to day we need God to help us get through whatever comes our way. Some days we may be shouting "Praise God!" while other times we may be crying out "I need a miracle." Whatever the day may bring, changes will come and we need to have a godly mindset in order to handle them.

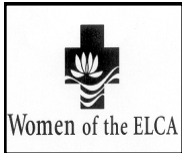
Here is an acronym for change: **Christ Has A New Gift Each Second.**

We can look at each new day and even each second as an opportunity for God to bless us. Each moment contains a gift from God if we want to look for it. It can be in a smile from someone, an unexpected financial blessing and good health. The list is endless. Through all this there is one thing that does not change – God. In Malachi 3:6 God says, "For I am the Lord, I change not." His great love for us does not change.

Hebrews 13:5 says ". . . for He has said, I will never leave you or forsake you." So let the changes come. We will not walk in fear, but in faith! We will trust God with all the changes and know that He is more than able to help us and the He has plans to bless us. Every second, if need be, we can find a blessing. Changes will happen. Let's look for the God in them.

Blessings,
Immanuel Council

WELCA

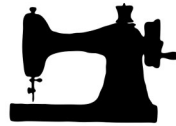


February 2nd, 9:30 am—
WELCA General Meeting

Love Circle —February 18th—
7:00 pm at Cindy Thompson's, 4118 W 8th
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Priscila/Ruth Circle —February 13th—
1:00 pm—Immanuel

Flowers: Priscilla/Ruth Circle
Please call the church office, 352-3003,



Sewing Group

Please join us...

Sewing dates for
February are:
Tuesday, February 5th and Thursday,
February 21st at 9:30 am

Tied in Faith

February 13th & 23rd
9 am—Noon



February Birthdays

7 Marcia Carlson
8 Elaine Holbrook
9 Katie Denman
10 Brenda Turnwall
13 Joan Chapman
Don Peterson
14 Julie Elmquist
21 Jack Larson
26 Charlie Hauska
28 Barbara Suhre

February Anniversaries

1 Brian & Debra Crain

If we have missed your
birthday or anniversary, please
call the church office so that
we can update the records.

If you have any prayer concerns, please fill
out a prayer card found in the pew or
contact any prayer team member.

Roma Arithson 330-7984
Linda Inselman 506-0305
Diana Fuller 356-3829
Shirley Marine 353-4036
Don Peterson 506-9020
Diane Filipe 576-4290
Janet Willis 356-6046



CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT

- ◆ 2018 ended with a small surplus for the year.
- ◆ Council is working on hiring an interim for the transition.
- ◆ Looking for volunteers for the Flooring Committee.

Join us for our next meeting in the
Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, February 12, 2019 @ 6:30 pm

Our Immanuel Family

The Immanuel family would like to extend condolences to the family of Donald Hazlett on his passing on January 5, 2019. Services were held at Immanuel on January 9th.

The Immanuel family would like to extend their deepest sympathy to Shannon & Nick Alm following the death of Shannon's grandfather, Marc McLean, of Greeley.

Please notify the church office of births, deaths, marriages, address changes or other news and events.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thrivent Choice Dollars will be disbursed in March. Requests need to be turned in to the Church Office by March 3rd. Request forms can be found on the table at the rear of the sanctuary.

Endowment Foundation Trust Fund

The Immanuel Lutheran Endowment Foundation Trust Fund (EFTF) was established so larger monetary gifts could be made to the church. The interest income from this account is used to enhance the work, growth and service of the church locally and beyond. Requests that are not currently budgeted items of the church are reviewed, and funds are dispersed quarterly. Request forms are in the church office and should be submitted before March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 of each year.

To make a tax deductible donation to this fund, contact one of the current EFTF committee members:
Joan Chapman, Cynthia Budde, Phyllis Johnson, or Bev Peterson.

The January-March edition of
Christ in Our Home is available to be picked up on the cabinet in the Narthex.

NEWS from LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

Your gifts to campus ministry support opportunities for worship, Bible study, peer ministry, service and community building. This month we are looking forward to a winter retreat at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp with students and staff from all over the Rocky Mountain Synod. Campus ministry offers opportunities that support students on their faith journey and expand our communities. For more information about Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry at University of Northern Colorado contact Pastor Deb Abbott at pastor@lecmgreeley.org or visit www.lecmgreeley.org. For Lutheran Campus Ministry at Colorado State University contact Pastor Paul Judson at pastor@lcmcsu.org or visit www.lcmcsu.org. Thank you for your support!

Youth Alive



Happy 2019 Immanuel Lutheran Youth!

It's a New Year so it's time...
for new ideas for some Youth Group fun!
What should we do this year?

Check your top five activities...



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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Skating | <input type="checkbox"/> Boondocks or Fort Fun |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drive-In Movies | <input type="checkbox"/> Indoor Trampoline Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water World | <input type="checkbox"/> Miniature Golf |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elitch Gardens Theme Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Picnic & Outdoor Games |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Hiking | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming at Centennial Pool |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Haunted Corn Maze | <input type="checkbox"/> Paddle Boarding at Windsor Lake |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roller Skating | <input type="checkbox"/> Concert |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Top Golf | <input type="checkbox"/> Movies at a Theater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Denver Zoo | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Denver Museum of Nature & Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laser Tag | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

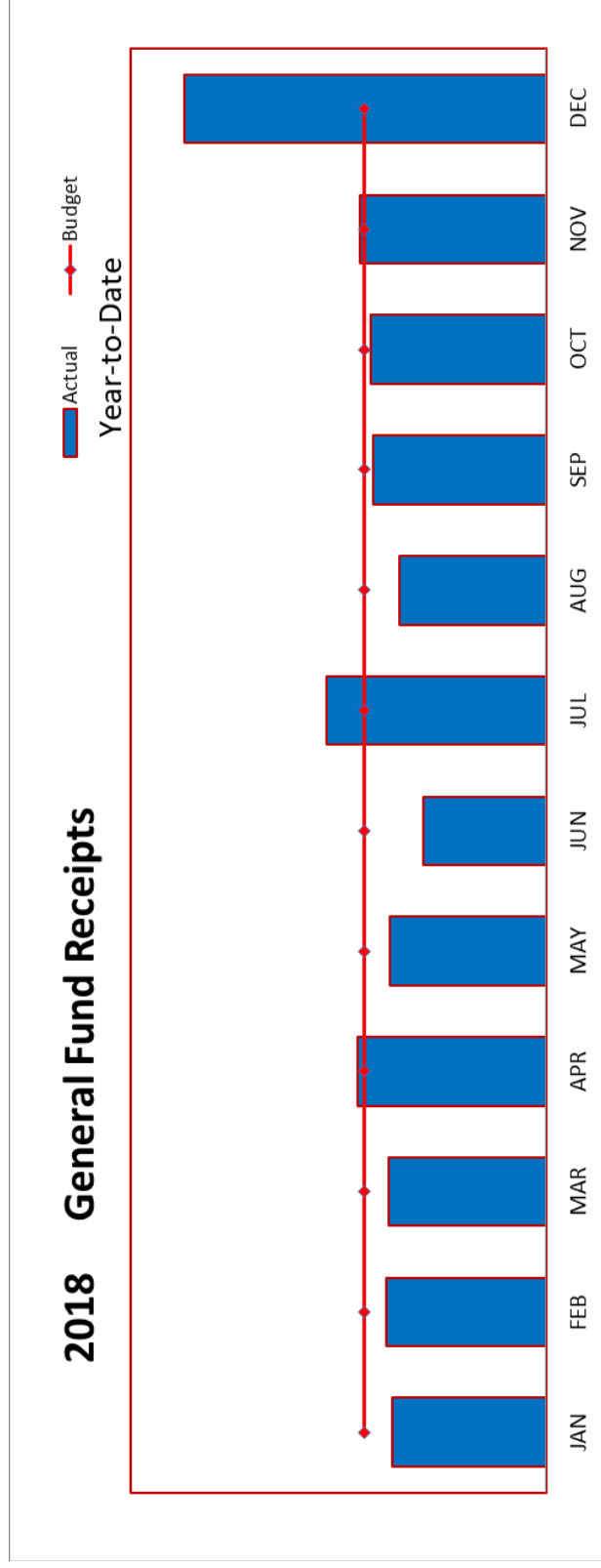
Please return completed survey to Amy Herold before Sunday, February 17, 2019.

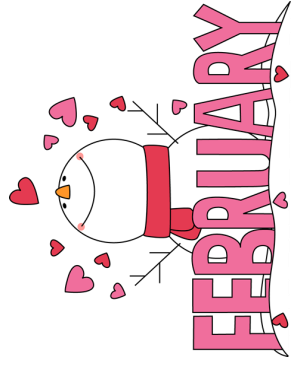
Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!



We did it! A generous donation in memory of Vi Carlson was given to the sanctuary flooring fund so it's time to get busy. If you would like to be part of the planning committee to pick carpet, flooring, colors and many other details, please contact the church office by February 3, 2019. Council will finalize the details at its February meeting and put you to work. Thanks for volunteering.

| GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS | IMMANUEL LUTHERAN | | | | | | | | | | | | 2018 | YTD |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|---------|---------|
| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | Total | |
| Budget | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 13,170 | 158,040 |
| Actual | 11,134 | 11,573 | 11,366 | 13,597 | 11,268 | 8,881 | 15,849 | 10,568 | 12,522 | 12,638 | 13,407 | 26,175 | 158,978 | |
| (Over) / Short | 2,036 | 1,597 | 1,805 | (427) | 1,902 | 4,289 | (2,679) | 2,602 | 648 | 532 | (237) | (13,005) | (938) | |





2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|
| | | | | | 1 | 2 9:00 am—WELCA Board Meeting |
| 3 9:15 am-Sunday School -Fellowship Time 10:30 am-Worship w/Com'n 11:45am-ASAP | 4 | 5 9:00 am-Men's Coffee @ Village Inn on 10th St 9:30 am-Sewing & Lunch | 6 7:00 pm-Choir Rehearsal | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 9:15 am-Sunday School -Fellowship Time 10:30 am-Worship | 11 | 12 9:00 am-Men's Coffee @ Village Inn on 10th St 6:30 pm-Committees 7:30 pm-Council | 13 9 am-Noon-Tied in Faith 1:00 pm-Priscilla/Ruth 7:00 pm-Choir Rehearsal | 14 <i>Happy Valentines Day</i> | 15 | 16 |
| 17 9:15 am-Sunday School -Fellowship Time 10:30 am-Worship w/Com'n | 18 7:00 pm-Love Circle @ Cindy Thompson's, 4118 W 8th St | 19 9:00 am-Men's Coffee @ Village Inn on 10th St | 20 7:00 pm-Choir Rehearsal | 21 9:30 am-Sewing & Lunch | 22 | 23 9 am-Noon-Tied in Faith |
| 24 9:15 am-Sunday School -Fellowship Time 10:30 am-Worship | 25 | 26 9:00 am-Men's Coffee @ Village Inn on 10th St | 27 7:00 pm-Choir Rehearsal | 28 | | |

| Time | What | Communion | Setting 8 | Communion | 24-Feb |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Ushers | | Kathy Merkel | Roma Arithson | Ron & Cindy Thompson |
| | | Tim Adams & Shirley Marine | Katy Sickles | Joan Chapman | Cheryl Clausen |
| | | | Pat Sickles | John Johnson | Ann Richardson |
| | | | Matt Ward | | Jim Thomason |
| | PA Tech | <i>need volunteer</i> | <i>need volunteer</i> | <i>need volunteer</i> | <i>need volunteer</i> |
| | Greeters | Tim Adams & Shirley Marine | The Sickles | Roma Arithson | Cindy Thompson |
| 10:30 AM | Acolyte | Jacklin Hansen | Georgi Ward | Jenessa Padilla | Gema Padilla |
| | Cantor | Janet Willis | Julie Elmquist | Julie Elmquist | Cindy Budde |
| | Lector | Kathy Merkel | Harper Ward | The Herolds | Cindy Budde |
| | Com'n Ass't | John Johnson | | Lelyn Larson | |
| | Com'n Setup | Cindy Thompson | | Cindy Thompson | |
| | | Janet Willis | | Janet Willis | |
| | Tellers | Bob & Sue Morse | Bev Peterson Brenda Turnwall | Linda Sample Janet Johnson | Kathy Merkel Shirley Uhrich |
| | Altar Care | Kathy Merkel | Kathy Merkel | Kathy Merkel | Kathy Merkel |
| | Nursery | <i>need volunteer</i> | <i>need volunteer</i> | <i>need volunteer</i> | <i>need volunteer</i> |
| | Pew Angel | Dianna Fuller | Dianna Fuller | Dianna Fuller | Dianna Fuller |
| | Fellowship Hostess | Shirley Uhrich | Katy Sickles | Paula Powell | Pat Rhone |
| | Flower Sponsors: | Diane Filipe | | | |

Key Numbers

PASTOR

José A. "Abé" González

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Home (970) 635-1865

SECRETARY

Denise Pollard Stricker

Office (970) 352-3003

M, T, Th 8:30 am-1:00 pm

Wed 9:00-11:00 am

Fri 9:00 am-11:00 am

Congregational Council

Executive Council

Juan Cruz-970-371-3703

Janet Willis-970-356-6046

Treasurer

Connie Deines 378-1475

Financial Secretary

Bob Morse 303-359-5919

If you are unable to serve, please try to trade with another person. It is your responsibility to make sure your Sunday is Covered. Please call the church office at 352-3003 with the change before 10:00 am the Wednesday before.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

PURPOSE STATEMENT

IMMANUEL IS CALLED TO PROCLAIM THE LIFE, DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST; TO PROVIDE A PLACE AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP; AND TO BE THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST IN THE WORLD.

We welcome and encourage submissions for our newsletter. Please make all submissions in writing. We prefer that the material be submitted in electronic form, if possible. All material is subject to editing for content, clarity and style, as needed. The deadline for the newsletter is the **15th** of every month.

Please forward your submission by mail to 1865 14th Ave., Greeley, CO 80631, by fax to 970-352-7096, or by email to office@immanlutheran.org

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Return Service Requested

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