

Bulletin Announcements for Sunday, February 23, 2025

Welcome! If you are visiting Immanuel Church today, we welcome you to Milwaukee's first church, marking its 188th anniversary this year. Today's congregation of over 500 members comes from next door, neighborhoods throughout the city, and as far north as Port Washington, as far south as Kenosha, and as far west as Summit. Our livestream worship extends our community across the country.

Worshippers are invited to **Coffee Hour in the Parlor** following the service. The coffee hosts are Nathan Guequierre and Stacia Peiffer, and Mary Stoker Smith. **Welcome Team** members this morning are Margaret Crowley, Leslie Davis, and Lindsey McKee. They are wearing nametags and are available to answer questions about the church and to give tours of the building.

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available this Sunday from 9:30 until noon. The **Immanuel Nursery** is located on the lower level; elevator access is also available. A **"crying room" on the second floor** offers sight and sound of the Sanctuary for parents with small children who prefer an alternate space during the worship service. Click the following link to read this week's "Wednesday Grace" email with more information: <https://conta.cc/3ECJwL9>. Contact Rev. Larson with questions.

BIBLE 101: *the Old and New Testaments* **TODAY at 11:15 in the Upper Room**

All are invited to join Rev. Larson today following worship for the second session in a two-part "Bible 101" offering on the New Testament. In addition to a content review, participants will discuss the ways we read the Bible and how we can deepen our understanding of God's Word. Those interested in learning more about biblical content are encouraged to purchase a copy of *A Guide to Bible Basics* by the Rev. Dr. Tyler D. Mayfield, a professor at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

In Memoriam

David M. Dooley, spouse of Immanuel member Marty Dooley, died on November 24. A memorial service will be held in the Sanctuary this Saturday, March 1 at 2:00 p.m. Our prayers and sympathy are with the Dooley family.

SUNDAY MORNING PARKING: Worshippers may park behind another car in the Waverly or Telluris/Brico (north) lots. **PLEASE place a Sunday bulletin on your dashboard with your name and cell phone number and move your car immediately after worship.** Please DO NOT park in the Barnett Gallery lot.

NEXT SUNDAY IS TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

March 2 at 10:00 a.m.

“This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!”

Luke 9:28-36

Looking back at Christ’s incarnation and looking forward to his death and resurrection, the Transfiguration of the Lord celebrates the revelation of God’s presence in the human life of Jesus Christ.

The service will include the Sacrament of Holy Communion.
Special music: Gabriel Fauré *Pavane* on piano



The worship service will be followed by the annual
“SHROVE SUNDAY” PANCAKE BRUNCH
at 11:15 a.m. in the Upper Room

Make your reservation in the Parlor today.

Immanuel marks the pre-Lenten tradition of pancakes and ham on the Sunday prior to Ash Wednesday, recalling a time when fat, eggs, and milk had to be used up in Christian households before the Lenten fast began. Join Immanuel Church friends for this annual feast next Sunday, March 2 immediately following worship. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Members of the Parish Life Council are in the Parlor ready to take your reservation! Sign up to help by clicking here: https://bit.ly/IPC_ShrovePancakeVolunteers2025

“IMMANUEL READS”

James by Percival Everett

Online discussion + Monday evening, March 10 at 7:30

One of *The New York Times* best books of 2024 was Percival Everett’s novel *James*, which re-tells the story of Huckleberry Finn from the perspective of the runaway slave, Jim. If you’ve read this book or would like to discuss it, please join us on Zoom on March 10 at 7:30 p.m.! The conversation will be facilitated by Immanuel member and Carthage College professor Greg Baer. The Zoom link will be available as the date gets closer.

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ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

March 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Jesus says, "Follow me!"

Luke 9:51-62

The invitation to the Lenten journey invites us to intentionally follow Jesus.

We will break bread together in the Lord's Supper and share in the imposition of ashes.

Special music: *The Call* by Ralph Vaughn Williams

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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 9

Special music: Franz Schubert *Mass in G*

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LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

"Everything in Between:

Meeting God in the Midst of Extremes"

Wednesday evenings during Lent:

March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9

Soup at 6:00 followed by communion, conversation, and study

The theme for this year's study is "Everything in Between: Meeting God in the Midst of Extremes" and offers an invitation to navigate the polarities in our lives with faith and intention. The program on Wednesday evenings includes guest presentations from leaders of local non-profits and conversations on living out our faith as a church community. A full schedule with themes and speakers will be included in next week's bulletin!

"MUSIC AT IMMANUEL"

Chamber Music Concert

Friday, March 7 at 7:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary

As part of Immanuel's commitment to hospitality and the arts, Immanuel will host a special chamber music concert on Friday evening, March 7, featuring the piano and violin duo of Lucas and Leah Amory. Lucas is a Harvard graduate student and last year's winner of the PianoArts North American Competition and Music Festival. He will be joined by his talented younger sister, a student at the Curtiss Institute of Music in Philadelphia. They will be performing the rarely heard Prokofiev Violin Sonatas. Dr. Bush will open the event by interviewing the musicians. This program is open to the public; a freewill offering will be received. For more information on PianoArts go to: <https://pianoarts.org/>

WEEKLY CALENDAR & UPCOMING EVENTS

| TODAY | | EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME |
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| February 23 | 8:55 | Choir rehearsal |
| | 9:30-noon | Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i> |
| | 10:00 | Morning Worship ; Dr. Bush preaching |
| | 10:30-noon | Church School for children and youth ~ <i>The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level</i> |
| | 11:15 | Adult Education: Bible 101 ~ <i>Upper Room</i> |
| Monday | 11:30 | Meeting of the Board of Trustees ~ <i>virtual</i> |
| | 6:00 | Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i> |
| Tuesday | 5:45 | Meeting of the Session ~ <i>Block Conference Room</i> |
| NEXT SUNDAY | | TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION |
| March 2 | 8:55 | Choir rehearsal |
| | 9:30-noon | Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i> |
| | 10:00 | Morning Worship ; Dr. Bush preaching |
| | 10:30-noon | Church School for children and youth ~ <i>The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level</i> |
| | 11:15 | Shrove Sunday Pancake Brunch ~ <i>Upper Room</i> |
| March 3 | 6:00 | Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i> |
| March 4 | 6:00 | Meeting of the Deacons ~ <i>virtual</i> |
| March 5 | 7:30 | Ash Wednesday Worship; Holy Communion |
| March 7 | 7:00 | Chamber Music Concert |

The **Immanuel Columbarium** is open today and every Sunday until noon.

Thank you to this morning's worship volunteers: Ushers – Mark Connelly, Jeff McEathron, Dave Salisbury, Steve Jacobs, and Dick Myers; Camera operator – David Ravie.