

Bulletin Announcements for Sunday, March 2, 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 remain for the **Shrove Sunday Pancake Brunch TODAY** immediately following the service in the Upper Room. Coffee and juice will be served with brunch.

Coffee is also being hosted in the Parlor by Anna Wolff and Jake Cusack. **Welcome Team** members this morning are Tamara and David Crum and Virginia Riggs. 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 worship. Click the following link to read this week's "Wednesday Grace" for more information: <https://conta.cc/4kcTJyh>. Contact Rev. Larson with questions.



"SHROVE SUNDAY" PANCAKE BRUNCH - TODAY! at 11:15 a.m. in the Upper Room

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 before the Lenten fast began. Join Immanuel Church friends for this annual feast today immediately following worship. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

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.

“MUSIC AT IMMANUEL”

Chamber Music Concert

THIS Friday, March 7 at 7:00 p.m. - Sanctuary

As part of Immanuel’s commitment to hospitality and the arts, Immanuel will host a special chamber music concert this Friday evening, March 7, featuring the piano and violin duo of Lucas and Leah Amory. Lucas is 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. More info: <https://pianoarts.org/>

“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 Huck 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 soon.

INTERFAITH CONFERENCE OF GREATER MILWAUKEE

MARCH LUNCHEON/LECTURE SERIES

“Where do we go from here?”

March 4, 11, 18, and 25 + 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

First Unitarian Society + 1342 N. Astor Street

Each year, the Peace and International Issues Committee of the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee sponsors a lecture series in March. This year’s theme “Where do we go from here?” will examine what’s at stake in the upcoming Wisconsin Supreme Court election, the challenges faced by refugees and immigrants, how people of faith might respond to climate change, and the current challenges in public education.

Programs run from 11:45 until 1:30 at the First Unitarian Society, 1342 N. Astor Street. Parking is available at Immanuel. Individual in-person lectures are \$20.00; the full in-person series of four is \$70.00. A simple vegetarian lunch is included with in-person registration. Remote access registration is also available for all sessions for \$20. For more information and/or to register, contact the Interfaith Conference at 414-276-9050 or <https://www.interfaithconference.org/2025-tuesdays-in-march>
The Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee is a longtime Immanuel mission partner.

Thank you to this morning’s worship volunteers: Ushers - Dick Myers, Jeff McEathron, Mark Connelly, and Curtiss Peck; Camera operator - Nancy Debbink.

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ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP THIS Wednesday, 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

NEXT Sunday, 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 offers an invitation to faithfully and intentionally navigate the polarities in our lives. **Sign-up in Parlor or Upper Room.**

March 12 - Faith & Works: Presbyterian Church (USA) Social Witness Policy

March 19 - Stranger & Neighbor: Common Ground's organizing with immigrants and public housing residents - Gabriela Dieguez and Kevin Solomon

March 26 - Rest & Growth: Caring for yourself spiritually in unsteady times
- Rev. Jean Dow, Associate Pastor Emerita and Spiritual Director

April 2 - Righteousness & Mercy: Becoming a bold witness for peace and justice
- Rev. Laurie Lyter Bright, Presbyterian Peace Fellowship

April 9 - Lost & Found: Finding our way in the midst of transitions

WEEKLY CALENDAR & UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY		TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
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>
Monday	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i>
Tuesday	6:00	Meeting of the Deacons ~ <i>hybrid</i>
Wednesday	7:30	Ash Wednesday Worship ; Holy Communion
Friday	7:00	Chamber Music Concert

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March 9	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>
March 10	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i>
	7:30	Immanuel Reads "James" online discussion ~ <i>virtual</i>
March 11	6:00	HR Committee meeting ~ <i>Block Conference Room</i>
March 12	6:00	Lenten Soup Supper, The Lord's Supper at tables, Study and discussion ~ <i>Upper Room</i>

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

Randall K. Bush	Interim Pastor
Robert W. Ater	Associate Pastor
Teresa A. Larson	Associate Pastor
Steven J. Jensen	Organist
John S. Komasa	Choir Director
Crystal Stinemates	Program and Office Administrator
Sarah Campbell	Part-time Financial Administrator
Nathan Wesselowski	Sexton
Deborah A. Block	Pastor Emerita
William H. Johnstone	Pastor Emeritus
Jean Dow	Associate Pastor Emerita
James C. Fisher	Parish Associate
Susan J. Stoll	Parish Associate
Sister Karlyn Cauley	Ecumenical Associate