

Bulletin Announcements Sunday, October 12, 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, from neighborhoods throughout the city, and as far north as Fond du Lac, as far south as Kenosha, and as far west as Summit. Our livestream worship extends our community across the country. **Coffee Hour will be hosted in the Parlor** today by Patsy Aster, Pam Mahnke, Nancy Synder, and Sue and Curtiss Peck.

Welcome Team members this morning are Toni Jones, Claire and Ray Moulis. 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. The **Care Corner** in the northeast corner of the Sanctuary is available for parents with small children who prefer an alternate space during worship. There is also a **"crying room" on the second floor** that offers sight and sound of the Sanctuary. Use the following link to read this week's "Wednesday Grace" email for information about **Church School** activities: <https://conta.cc/3JkkvqV>. Contact Rev. Larson with questions.

REFORMATION SUNDAY: ABOUT WORSHIP TODAY

Reformation Sunday remembers the sweeping church reforms and new theological understandings of the 16th century. The hymns today reflect the Reformation movement and some of its leaders, Martin Luther and John Calvin. The paraments on the lectern and pulpit and the ministers' stoles are made from Immanuel's signature tartan, registered in Scotland, as a celebration of the Presbyterian Church (USA)'s roots in the Church of Scotland.

CELEBRATING 1700 YEARS OF THE NICENE CREED

Facilitated by the Rev. Dr. Deborah Block

TODAY, October 26 at 11:15 in the Upper Room

The Nicene Creed was the first (and in fact is the only) creed used ecumenically by the majority of Christians throughout the world. As part of the annual celebration of Reformation Sunday, Immanuel's Pastor Emerita, Deborah Block, will offer a post-worship presentation on the Nicene Creed which is celebrating its 1700th birthday this year. All are invited to learn more about the origins of the creed, its history, and how its language still speaks to us today.

NEW MEMBERS AND FRIENDS TO BE WELCOMED

Would you like to join Immanuel?

Immanuel will welcome new members and friends next month. Are you interested in joining the congregation as a new member or friend? Speak with one of the ministers today or contact Rev. Ater (robertater@immanuelwi.org, 414-276-4757).

PUTTING FAITH TO WORK

Opportunities for Mission and Service

- ✦ In response to a call from the Milwaukee Presbytery's Disaster Preparedness Task Force, **Immanuel Church School children and youth will assemble 20 CLEAN UP BUCKETS after worship on November 9. Your donations are needed.** Each bucket contains 16 different cleaning supplies that will assist with continuing local recovery efforts. **Sign up to donate items on the flipchart TODAY** in the Parlor or by clicking here: https://bit.ly/IPC_PDA_CleanUpBuckets2025. You may also make a financial donation toward the cost of the project; write "PDA buckets" in the memo line of a check or donate online at: bit.ly/IPC_PDA_BucketDonation. The approximate cost per bucket is \$75. All donations must be received by Monday, November 3.
- ✦ Immanuel is providing evening meals for guests at the **CATHEDRAL CENTER SHELTER FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES** every quarter this year. The next dates are **Sunday-Tuesday, November 16-18**. To participate, sign up for a particular date and menu item, prepare the food in your home, and deliver it to the center where the staff will serve the food. *If you wish to help serve*, put "I want to serve" in the comment box on the form. To volunteer, sign-up on the clipboard in the Parlor, go to https://bit.ly/IPC_CathedralCenterMeals or contact the church office (ipc@immanuelwi.org). Questions may be directed to Bobbi Timberlake (bobbi.timberlake@gmail.com).
- ✦ **THE GATHERING** Meal Program will serve Thanksgiving Dinner to about 800 guests at three Milwaukee locations on Saturday, November 22. Immanuel Church has committed to cooking fourteen of the 125 turkeys for this special holiday meal. If you would like to participate, the frozen turkeys will be available for **pick up after church on Sunday, November 9**. Disposable pans, cooking instructions and zip lock bags will come with each turkey. Bring them back to the church – cooked, deboned and frozen – **on Sunday, November 16**. They have also asked if we could provide some pies for the dinner. Sign up in the Parlor OR sign up to cook a turkey here https://bit.ly/IPC_Turkeys_for_TheGathering2025; sign up to make a pie at https://bit.ly/IPC_Pies_for_TheGathering2025.

CHURCH SCHOOL OUTING TO SANDHILL TREE FARM

Sunday, November 16 following worship

All Church School children, youth, and their families are invited to an afternoon at Sandhill Tree Farm in Grafton, owned by Immanuel members David and Jaclyn Ness. Join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun around the farm and select trees that will be set up in the Sanctuary during the holiday season. *A professional photographer will join us to take family holiday photos!* Sign up in the Peaceable Kingdom or email Cassie Olson, Program Coordinator: programcoordinator@immanuelwi.org.

WEEKLY CALENDAR & UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

October 26

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REFORMATION SUNDAY

8:55	Choir rehearsal
9:30-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>
10:00	Morning Worship ; Rev. Larson preaching
10:30-11:30	Church School for children and youth ~ <i>Lower level</i>
11:00	Coffee Hour ~ <i>Parlor</i>
11:15	Celebrating the Nicene Creed with Dr. Deborah Block ~ <i>Upper Room</i>
Monday 11:30	Meeting of the Trustees ~ <i>virtual</i>
6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i>
Tuesday 1:30	Alternative Christmas Market Planning Team meeting ~ <i>Block Conference Room</i>

NEXT SUNDAY

November 2

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Daylight Saving Time ends

8:55	Choir rehearsal
9:30-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>
10:00	Morning Worship ; Dr. Bush preaching Celebration of the Lord's Supper
10:30-11:30	Church School for children and youth ~ <i>Lower level</i>
11:00	Formal Coffee Hour hosted by the Deacons ~ <i>Parlor</i>
Nov. 3 6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i>
Nov. 4 6:00	Meeting of the Board of Deacons ~ <i>virtual</i>
Nov. 5 6:00	Parish Life Council ~ <i>Block Conference Room</i>

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2 + ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will include reading the names of members and friends who have died in the past year.

Time Change: Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday. Remember to turn your clocks BACK one hour on Saturday night.

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

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

Needed: Chancel flower sponsors. If you would like to sponsor the flowers in the Sanctuary **during Advent** (\$150 total for the two arrangements), please contact the church office (ipc@immanuelwi.org).

Our prayers and sympathy are with Bob and Susan Mikulay following the death of their newborn grandson, Callahan David Mikulay on October 19 in Los Angeles.