

Bulletin Announcements for Sunday, February 9, 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 Kate and Dave Perry, Brian Frailing and Sibyl McCarley. **Welcome Team** members this morning are Leslie Davis, Keith and Eileen Pierce. 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/3WBSa2E>. Contact Rev. Larson with questions.

"SOUPER BOWL OF CARING" TODAY, February 9

More than 100 million Americans will tune in to the Super Bowl football game on February 9. There will be parties with abundant food. At the same time, there will be people worrying about staying warm and finding a warm meal. Again this year, Immanuel's Youth Group will join young people in congregations around the country to celebrate the annual *"Souper Bowl of Caring,"* collecting **donations of non-perishable food and monetary contributions** to help combat hunger in Milwaukee through the Interchange Food Pantry, a longtime mission partner of Immanuel Church.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH ADULT EDUCATION OFFERING

“What, to the Slave, is the Fourth of July?” by Frederick Douglass TODAY, February 9 at 11:15 in the Upper Room

This Black History Month, join Immanuel friends for a closer look into the life of Frederick Douglass and the important role he played in shaping our public conversations. Discussion will be led by Immanuel member Dr. Sara VanderHaagen, Associate Professor of Communication and affiliated faculty in the Department of African and African Diaspora Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM). The conversation will focus on Douglass’s speech, “What, to the Slave, is the Fourth of July?” Copies are available in the Great Hall or by clicking here: https://bit.ly/IPC_FrederickDouglassSpeech.

BIBLE 101: the Old and New Testaments

Sundays: February 16 and 23 at 11:15 in the Upper Room

All are welcome to join Rev. Larson for a two-part “Bible 101” offering following worship later this month. The Old Testament will be covered on February 16 and the New Testament will be covered on February 23. In addition to reviewing the content of each testament, participants will discuss the ways we read the Bible and how we can deepen our understanding of God’s Word. Though there is no required reading ahead of time, 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, Prof. of Old Testament at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

MEALS FOR CATHEDRAL CENTER SHELTER

Meal Volunteers Needed this month!

Immanuel is providing evening meals for guests at the Cathedral Center Shelter for Women and Families every quarter this year. The next dates are **Wednesday, February 26; Thursday, February 27; and Friday, February 28**. To participate, sign up for a particular date and menu item, prepare the food in your home, and deliver the meal to the center where the staff will serve it. If you wish to help serve, put “I want to serve” in the comment box on the sign-up form. Click here: https://bit.ly/IPC_CathedralCenterMeals or contact the church office (ipc@immanuelwi.org). Questions may be directed to Bobbi Timberlake (bobbi.timberlake@gmail.com) or Rev. Ater (robertater@immanuelwi.org).

UPCOMING “IMMANUEL READS”

One of the NY 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, we plan to hold a Zoom book discussion about this text in early March. More details to follow!

“SHROVE SUNDAY” PANCAKE BRUNCH

Sunday, March 2, 11:15 a.m.

Make reservations 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 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

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

Mark your calendar:

Wednesday evenings during Lent: March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9

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

Would you like to help host one of the soup suppers?

A team of hosts prepares soup and provides bread for the meal and cleans up afterward.

Please contact the church office (414-276-4757, ipc@immanuelwi.org).

Our prayers and sympathy are with Debbie Whitmore and her children, Katie and Stuart, following the death of Debbie's mother, Betty Sawyer, on January 31 in DePere, WI. A Celebration of Life will be held on February 27 in DePere at the Ryan Funeral Home.

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

Thank you to this morning's worship volunteers: Ushers - Mark Connelly, Steve Jacobs, Tom Neubauer, Linda Neubauer, and Dick Myers; Camera operator - Rabah Rennane.

SUNDAY MORNING PARKING: Worshipers 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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR & UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

February 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>
	11:15	Adult Education: Black History Month ~ <i>Upper Room</i>
Monday	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i>
Tuesday	6:30	HR Committee meeting ~ <i>virtual</i>
Wednesday	5:00	Mission Committee meeting ~ <i>virtual</i>

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NEXT SUNDAY

February 16	8:55	Choir rehearsal
	9:30-noon	Nursery care ~ <i>Lower level</i>
	10:00	Morning Worship ; Rev. Ater preaching
	10:30-noon	Church School for children and youth ~ <i>The Peaceable Kingdom, lower level</i>
February 17	noon	Building Maintenance Committee meeting ~ <i>virtual</i>
	6:00	Choir rehearsal ~ <i>Choir Room, lower level</i>

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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