CONNECT, GROW AND HAVE FUN

Sunday School Classes for All Ages at 9:45am:

- Preschool and Kindergarten - Room 3
- 1st through 5th grade – Room 6
- 6th through 12th grade - Youth Room
- Adult Class meets in Witherspoon Hall Rooms 12/13. Current class is Dialogues: The Refugee Crisis led by Dan Johnson.

Youth Group:

- Sunday nights from 5:00 – 7:00pm Includes dinner, games and bible fellowship for youth ages 6-12th grade.

Bible Studies:

- **Men's Bible Study -** We are a great group of guys who gather for a time of fellowship, digging deeper into God's Word and sharing life together. Mondays at 10:00am in Witherspoon Hall.
- **Women's Bible Study** meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 10:00am in Witherspoon Hall.
- **Agape Women's Circle Christmas Luncheon on December 9 – Join us at 11:00am at Mary Kay's home for a special ham lunch and desserts**. Devotion after lunch. We will collect $10 from each person to cover the luncheon and money left over will go to YOTO. Contact Mary Kay Bush at ausmbush3@gmail.com for more information.
- **Lydia Women's Circle on December 21** at 6:30pm. Join us for refreshments and the Horizons Book Study. We meet on the third Monday of each month at 6:30pm in Towner Hall.

Fellowship Groups:

- **Desert Sages Games on Tuesdays** from 10:00am – 12:30pm. Come make new friends, play a variety of card and board games, eat popcorn and then top it off with dessert! Held in Witherspoon Hall.
- **Crafters Group on Thursdays** from 10:00am – 2:00pm. Want to unleash your inner artist? Express your creative talents? Join our Crafters Group - all skill levels and craft projects welcome. Meets in Witherspoon Hall 12/13.
- **Wednesday Night Meals** – Let us do the cooking! Join us on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month) from 5:30-6:30pm. Meals are $10.00 each/$5.00 for kids 12 and under. Meets in Witherspoon Hall.

Mission Outreach:

- **Casa Maria Sandwiches on Saturday, November 28** from 8:00 - 9:00am. If you want to participate - each brown bag lunch should include two sandwiches (no mayo please); one fruit item, and two cookies. Drop off station is in parking lot by Witherspoon Hall Kitchen.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Sunday, November 22
- 8:30am Alternative Worship Service
- 9:45am Sunday School
- 11:00am Traditional Worship Service
- 5:00pm Youth Group Friendsgiving

Monday, November 23
- 10:00am Men's Bible Study
- 6:00pm / 7:00pm Cub/Boy Scouts

Tuesday, November 24
- *No Desert Sages Games*
- 6:00pm TOPS

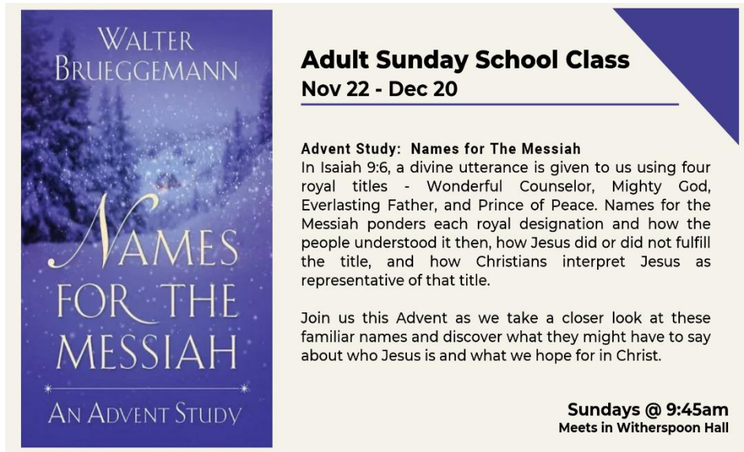
Wednesday, November 25
- 7:30pm AA

Thursday, November 26
- Thanksgiving Day – church closed
- 6:00pm AA meeting

Friday, November 27
- church closed

Saturday, November 28
- 8:00am Casa Maria Ministry

Sunday, November 29
- 8:30am Alternative Worship Service
- *No Sunday School*
- 11:00am Traditional Worship Service
- 12:00pm Outside Group Towner Hall
- *No Youth Group*



Welcome to Immanuel
November 22, 2026 8:30am
ALTERNATIVE WORSHIP SERVICE

Gathering Music	*Give Thanks,* arr. Joel Raney Sandy Russell, flute
Welcome & Opening Prayer	Rev. Duane Mullen
***Song**	*In Christ Alone,* Getty & Townsend
Prayer of Confession	
***Passing the Peace**	
***Hymn 581**	*Glory Be to the Father*
Children's Message	Abby New
Prayer for Understanding	Kevin Murphy
Psalm Reading	Psalm 100: 1-5
Scripture Reading	Matthew 25: 31-46
Sermon	Rev. Duane Mullen
***Song**	*Holy Forever,* Chris Tomlin
Offering	*It Is Well With My Soul,* arr. Suzanne Arant
***Doxology 606**	*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*
***Prayer of Dedication**	Kevin Murphy
Prayers of the People	Shawn Wooll
The Lord's Prayer	
Announcements	
***Song**	*All Hail King Jesus,* Dave Moody
***Charge and Blessing**	
***Sending Music**	*All Hail King Jesus reprise*

*Please stand as you are comfortable when noted by an asterisk.

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL

First time at Immanuel? We are so glad you chose to worship with us today! We would like to give you a welcome gift bag – it's full of goodies and helpful information about our church. Please see an usher to receive yours. Giving envelopes, hymnals, Bibles, printed music and other materials are located on the worship cart inside the sanctuary on the left side by comfort room window.

Please take a moment to fill out the **Connection Card** and let us know that you are here and also if there are any changes to your contact information or a prayer request.

The Nursery is Open for children ages infant to 3yrs. Our Comfort Room is available in the Sanctuary for parents of young children who need comfort and care. We also have children's activity bags, and the playground is open.

Time Together for Children ages 3 - 5, from after the Children's Message in worship until the worship service ends. Please pick up your children in Towner Hall Room 3.

Participants: Rev. Duane Mullen, Pastor Kris Goorsky, Minister of Christian Formation: Lori Stuckey, Interim Director of Music Ministries; Kevin Murphy, Shawn Wooll, lay readers; Abby New, children's message; Ed Vander Woude, Audio/Video

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Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

WEEKLY MESSAGE

Dear Immanuel Family,

Our sermon message this week is both championed and cringeworthy to most modern Christians. It is Matthew 25:31-46; the separation of the sheep from the goats.

We really do love the encouragement to help people, to serve others, to clothe those who are naked, to welcome strangers, and to visit the sick and imprisoned. We like the blessing that Jesus offers; to be blessed by Jesus' father and welcomed into the place God has prepared for us.

Except this conversation has two halves, and the second half should make us very uncomfortable. There are sheep and there are goats. And neither of them really knows which is which. Both are surprised by what they hear and who Jesus the King decides is who.

Both are expected to care for others; both are surprised that they have failed to care for the King. Both are surprised at what caring for the King actually looks like. To bring drink and food and care to the "least of these" is to do this for Jesus. The question of this blessing all comes down to whose terms are these things being done? What does loving and caring for and feeding others look like? And who are "the least of these?" They are members of Jesus' family; sisters and brothers. (v.40)

This second half is the hardest for the modern Christian. The modern church proclaims, "Jesus died for all." However, here Jesus also says, "Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels." (v.41)

The difference between the sheep and goats are the ones who bear the gospel as their living identity, and those who want to do Christian when it suits us. If we say peace be with you on Sunday and during the week we lose sight God, what peace were we talking about?

The difference between the sheep and the goats is what they produce. The people of the world, angry and scared, point fingers, and judge, and fight to protect creation and even God. They call sin - sin. The true Christian is affected by all the same things and may look very similar at times. But the Christian who has truly been forgiven, when they call a sin a sin, they call it from a place of compassion.

You have sinned. Me too. And it grinds my soul to dust. But I've been saved from my sin by the one who formed us from the dust of the earth. Come with me, I know the way to the one who can make all things new. The difference is not even what we do, it is the one for whom we do it; as done unto the King of King, Christ Jesus himself.

Sincerely Yours in This Shared Love of Christ,
Pastor Duane

NEWS AND EVENTS

Let's Build Together 2027 – We are off to a strong start to our stewardship season! Last Sunday we received 31 Estimate of Giving cards totaling $194,290. Of those, six were new commitments and 13 were increased commitments from last year. This is an incredible blessing for Immanuel's mission in the coming year.

To give you some perspective, last year we received 38 Estimate of Giving cards totaling $209,184 on Commitment Sunday, November 16 and our final total was 64 commitments for a total of $324,395. As you can see, we still have a way to go to meet our goals for the coming year.

Immanuel continues to be a place where people find belonging, encouragement and purpose. Your generous giving allows Immanuel to care for one another and our neighbors, to be a welcoming church community for all, to keep our mission strong and be a witness to Christ's love in our actions *in here and out there*.

Please, continue to prayerfully consider your offerings of time, talents, and treasures as we continue to build together at this place, our church home.



