

CONNECT, GROW AND FELLOWSHIP

Sunday School Classes for All Ages on Sundays at 9:45am. The last adult class for – *In the Footsteps of the Savior*, by Max Lucado is today. We will begin a new course “*Half Truths*” on April 27th in Witherspoon Hall.

Youth Group on Sunday Nights - Join us from 5:00 – 7:00pm for dinner, games and bible fellowship for youth ages 6-12th grade.

Men's Bible Study on Mondays at 10:00am in Witherspoon Hall. Come hang out with the guys, have coffee and dig deeper into scripture and connect with friends.

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! Questions? Contact Mary Kay Bush at (520) 661-6737 or ausmbush3@gmail.com. Held in Witherspoon Hall.

Crafters Group on Thursdays from 9:30am – 12:00pm. All are welcome to come and work on your crafts together and enjoy fellowship and laughs. We make quilts, blankets and projects for local missions. We also work on our own projects for fun – grab your gear and join us! Meets in Witherspoon Hall 12/13.

Lydia Circle Women's Bible Study on April 21 - Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30pm in Witherspoon Hall. We start with refreshments then dive into our bible study. All are welcome – email Kay Schmidt for details at hkschmidt10@aol.com

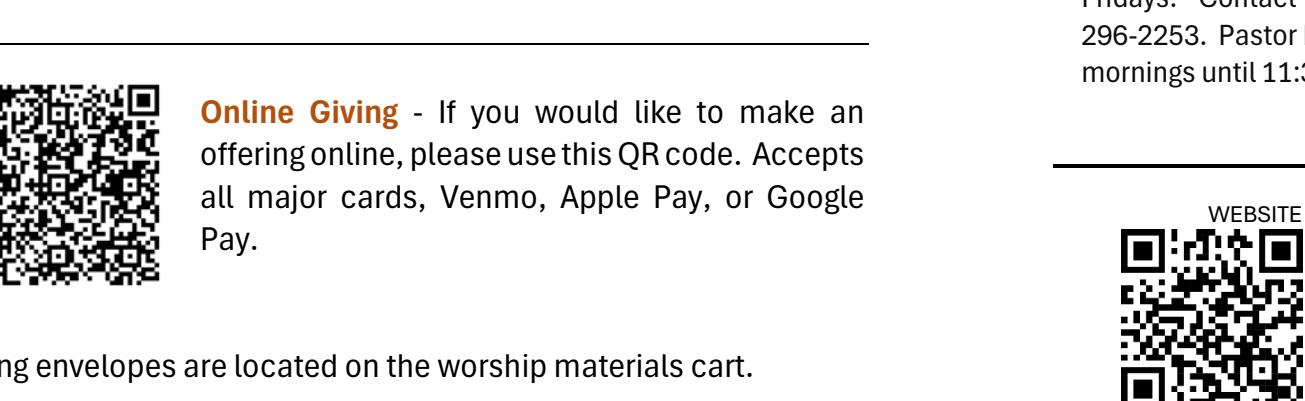
Casa Maria Sandwiches on Saturday, April 26 from 8:00 – 9:00am. Come drop off your bagged lunches and also any clothing or hygiene products. (Casa Maria is the last Saturday of every month).

Prayer Concerns - For those with health challenges and continuing concerns: Andy McComb, Charles Carpenter, Ann Thornes, Bill Aurand and Kay Schmidt



Online Giving - If you would like to make an offering online, please use this QR code. Accepts all major cards, Venmo, Apple Pay, or Google Pay.

Giving envelopes are located on the worship materials cart.



Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday, April 14

- 10:00am Men's Bible Study
- 6:00pm Cub/Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 15

- 10:00am Desert Sages Games
- 6:00pm TOPS

Wednesday, April 16

- 7:00pm Handbells Rehearsal
- 7:30pm AA

Thursday, April 17

- 9:30am Crafters Group
- 6:00pm AA meeting
- **7:00pm Maundy Thursday service**

Friday, April 18

- 7:00pm AA Meeting

Sunday, April 20- EASTER

- 6:30am Sunrise Service outdoors
- 8:30am Alternative Worship Service
- 9:45 Easter Egg Hung
- 9:45am One Fellowship Hour
- 11:00am Traditional Worship Service
- No Youth Group

Monday, April 21

- Office Closed
- 6:30pm Lydia Circle

Office Hours: Open Monday - Thursday from 9:00am – 4:00pm; closed Fridays. Contact Kate Kelly at kate@immanuelpc.org or call (520) 296-2253. Pastor Bart Smith's office hours are Tuesday and Thursday mornings until 11:30am and his email is bart@immanuelpc.org.



Welcome to Immanuel

April 13, 2025 • 11:00am
Palm Sunday

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

*Please stand as able when noted by an asterisk.

The prayers for our worship come from the Bread of Life collection by Illustrated Ministry.

Prelude

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed, Joyce Jones

Welcome and Gathering Prayer

Kris Goorsky

*Call to Worship

*Hymn No. 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Prayer of Confession

Kyrie Eleison No. 551

Lord, Have Mercy

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Passing the Peace

*Song

All Glory, Laud and Honor, Immanuel Handbell Choir

Children's Message

Rev. Bart Smith

Prayer for Illumination

Michael Dungan

Old Testament Passage

Zechariah 9: 9-12 (NRSVue)

New Testament Passage

Luke 19: 28-40 (NTFE)

Sermon

Shifting Perspective, Kris Goorsky

*Hymn No. 200

A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd

Offering Our Gifts

Lift High the Palms! by Joseph M. Martin

Offertory

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Doxology No. 606

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn No. 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Announcements

*Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Aria on Redhead No. 76 by Philip Moore

WELCOME! 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. All services are live-streamed on our website or YouTube – all past services are available to view as well.

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.

➔ **NEW! Worship Materials Cart** – Giving envelopes, hymnals, Bibles, printed music and other materials are located on the new worship cart inside the sanctuary on the left side by the comfort room window.

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.

Join us for Fellowship Hour after each service in Witherspoon Hall – Come for conversation and refreshments after the service – we usually have coffee and donuts. It's a great way to make new friends and take some time to connect with each other.

Participants: Rev. Bart Smith, Interim Pastor; Kris Goorsky, Director of Christian Formation; Clay Whittington, Director of Music Ministries; Michael Dungan, Lay Reader; Ed Vander Woude, Audio/Video

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WEEKLY MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Hindsight is 20/20, the crowd that gathered on Palm Sunday could've used some hindsight. There were signs Jesus was using to tell them about what kind of king he was, they just didn't bother to pay attention. Jesus rode on a donkey, not a majestic horse. Jesus wore clothes of a peasant, not royalty. Jesus served many and never had servants. Jesus fed multitudes with fish and loaves instead of feasting on sumptuous foods prepared for him. Yet, despite these clear signs, they were blinded by their own expectations, unable to see that the true king was not one of power and grandeur, but one of humility and service.

Kris Goorsky

Director of Christian Formation

UPCOMING NEWS AND EVENTS



Mission Study Team – Question #3

Where are we most hungry for change?

Use the QR code or use the connection card in your bulletin to submit your answers. Place your connection card in the MST basket at the end of the service – thank you.



Maundy Thursday Service - To make sure we have enough seats for everyone, please RSVP via sign-up sheets at services today or call the church office or email Kate at kate@immanuelpc.org. Children are welcome to attend.

Easter Candy Needed - Our kids are getting excited for Easter and our Easter Egg Hunt, and we could use your help! We are looking for donations of individually wrapped candy for prizes. Please drop off your donations to the church office or sanctuary – thank you!

Hymn Sing Service on April 27th – For this special Sunday we are asking YOU to help decide which hymns/songs you would like to sing during the services. Please email Clay with your selections at clay@immanuelpc.org or note on your connection card and place in offering plate.

The Mission Study Team is holding two town hall style meetings. We encourage everyone to attend. We will give an update on where we are in the process, and it will be an opportunity to ask questions, and we want to hear your feedback.

- **Sunday, May 4th** at 9:45am in Witherspoon Hall
- **Wednesday, May 7th** at 5:30pm during the Wednesday Night Meals

Baby Shower! Join us in showering the Stewart Family with love as they await the arrival of a baby boy! Everyone (women, men, and kids) is invited to celebrate with us at a baby shower for Taylor and Isaiah Stewart and family on **Saturday, May 3rd, from 1:00-3:00pm**. Please RSVP to Shannon at shannon_dooling@hotmail.com or 480-238-3704.

Text and Email Scams – Fraudulent emails/texts are continuing to circulate appearing to come from Rev. Bart. These attacks are a phishing or spoofing scam. This means that the email account or phone number has probably not been hacked. The names on these attempts may be familiar, but the email address or phone number used will not be the one you know. These emails or text messages often pretend they are a pastor or staff member and ask for private conversation, or the need for a favor, or to purchase gift cards. This is unfortunately a common predatory tactic. Please know that staff will never ask you for money via text or email. If you receive one of these, do not respond. Mark as spam/junk and delete.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - June 9 - 13

The ultimate Alaskan adventure where True North always points to Jesus! For kids ages 3 – completed 5th grade. \$15/child (aid available). From 9am – 12pm each day. **Use the QR Code to Register!**

We also have a VBS gift registry here:

<https://giftregistry.group.com/?mrsearch=&mrrid=4738714>