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## The Voice of Immanuel November 2011

### Dear Members and Friends of Immanuel,

Welcome to the November 2011 edition of our e-newsletter. We always appreciate comments and suggestions. Please feel free to send ideas and opinions.

Remember that our MONTHLY CALENDAR is online and updated each month. Please click [Church Calendar](#) to access Immanuel's schedule and events. This Google calendar also syncs with most phones.

### From Pastor Mark A Great Devotional Opportunity



I have been working hard on a new devotional opportunity for all of you. It is in connection with our Capital Campaign, God With Us for the next 150 Years. Here is what I have done:

- I have prepared 4 devotions that are filled with meaning and application to your life.
- I have recorded those devotions on DVD. They are currently being edited and copied onto DVD to share with the congregation.
- Next Sunday, November 6, 1/3 of our congregation will get a DVD copy of the 4 devotions.

Here is what you will do:

- That first group will have one week to watch the 4 devotions, one per day, or so. If you do not have a DVD player there will be a printed set of the devotions in the packet.
- On the next Sunday, November 13, those first DVD watchers will deliver to another member of the congregation. Their name will also be on the front of the DVD packet.
- That second group will also have one week to watch the 4 DVD devotions.
- On the following Sunday, November 20, that second set of DVD watchers will deliver the DVD to the final group of watchers.

Does that make some sense? The last group (it will consist of those who cannot easily make a delivery of a DVD) will not have to deliver the DVD to anyone. We will also use the phone tree to let you know when you should expect your DVD. If you don't receive it we can deliver one to you.

This should be a fun adventure. It will also be meaningful and of great value to you. God bless this process. I am counting on you!

I am Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Mark

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## Cornerstone Contest

It is time to consider what will go on the cornerstone that will sit at the new south entrance of our new sanctuary. The Building Committee has decided to open it up to the congregation by way of a contest. Watch bulletins in November to submit your idea for what should be on (and perhaps in) our new sanctuary's cornerstone.

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## Prayer Walk

Saturday, November 12th

In connection with our Capital Campaign, Immanuel is hosting a prayer walk on Saturday morning, November 12. The Prayer Walk consists of 5 stations around our campus where people will pray privately (not putting anyone in an uncomfortable position) for about 10 minutes at each station. We will pray for the members of Immanuel (be sure to get your prayer requests in!) and our ministry. One of the prayer stations will actually be in the new sanctuary! It takes less than an hour and will be a great blessing to you and to us. Join us.



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## God With Us for the Next 150 Years - Important Dates

- Saturday, November 12, 8 a.m. to 12 noon - Prayer Walk
- Tuesday, November 22, 6 p.m. - Initial Commitment Dinner
- Sunday, December 4, 5:30 p.m. - Congregational Commitment Dinner
- Sunday, December 18, all services - Dedication and first offerings of our commitments



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## Youth News

There are a lot of Youth activities to keep up-to-date on this month. From cake baking to leaf raking. Don't miss out! Click [Youth News](#) to read the latest!



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## Thanksgiving Worship

Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 24 at 9:00 a.m.



"Remembering" is the theme for the services this Thanksgiving. Remembering is one of God's great gifts to us and that is exactly what we will do this Thanksgiving. Come and

remember and rejoice in that remembering!



## School News

The school is gearing up for many activities this month. The list includes honoring our Veterans; hosting a Book Fair and Family Reading Night and sponsoring "Operation Christmas Child." Click on [School News](#) to read more about each of these activities.

## Men's Club

Men's Club meets on Monday, November 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Room. All men are invited to join us. Hope to see you there!



## Ladies' Aid Christmas Luncheon



The Ladies' Aid Christmas Luncheon will be held on Thursday, December 1st at 1:00 p.m. at Ponderosa in Washington. The cost is \$10.00. Please notify Barb Hill (239-4256) if you plan to attend.

New members are ALWAYS welcome to Ladies' Aid and you are warmly invited to join us for this luncheon to see what Ladies' Aid is all about. Please give Barb Hill a call if you would like to be a guest at the Christmas Luncheon. You will enjoy good food and fellowship!

## 69th Annual Pork Sausage & Sauerkraut Dinner Sunday, November 6th

A great deal of help is needed for this annual event. Please check out the sign-up sheets in the narthex and write your name down where you can help.



Don't forget -- We need lots of pies!!! Please bring 2 homemade or bakery pies to be served at the dinner!

## 2011 Christmas Angel Tree

Our annual Christmas Angel Tree will be put up in the narthex the weekend of November 12th. All gifts need to be returned by Sunday, December 4th.



Gifts will again be given to children of our Seminary students in St. Louis. These tags usually suggest several items. One item (or as many as you wish) can be given to that name. Please do not feel obligated to buy everything listed. These angel gifts need to be wrapped.

please, as indicated on the angel tag.

The gold ribboned angels are for monetary gifts to be sent to Bangkok, Thailand where Robin McCoy is our missionary.

All Christmas ornaments (not angels) are for local agencies and are not to be wrapped.

Also, it is very important that you write your name and phone number by the corresponding number in the book set up by the tree. We need this to know who to contact if the gift would be late in being returned.

Thank you for your support as we share our blessings with others again this Christmas!

--Board of Christian Care

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## Holiday Brass Concert

Tuesday, December 13th

Manchester United Methodist Church



Cost: \$20 per person

In celebration of their 20th Anniversary, the feature will be Grammy Award-winning soprano Christine Brewer, who has performed with the Metropolitan Opera, Paris Opera and Opera Theatre of St. Louis. Bagpiper George Gerules will also perform his signature "Highland

Cathedral".

Last year a large group attended this wonderful holiday concert. Once again we have purchased a block of tickets and plan to attend. The concert begins at 10:15 a.m. and we will plan to leave Immanuel at 8:45 that morning. We also plan to stop for lunch after the concert. We only have 20 tickets ordered, so don't hesitate to sign up. You will enjoy it!!

Sign up and leave your payment at the wooden table in the narthex. Please also indicate if you will be able to drive to the concert.

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