



News & Notes

A community growing in Christ, living in grace and serving in love.

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Worship with us: 9:30 am, with Holy Communion, in person or via livestream [on the website](#) or through YouTube and Facebook (including on your Smart TV). A recording will be available after the service.

Coffee Hour: You're invited to remain inside for fellowship, but without coffee and treats

Faith formation: Off until Jan. 9

WEDNESDAYS

Music rehearsal schedule:

No choir rehearsals Dec. 29.

Confirmation (grades 7 & 8): Off until Jan. 5

Holiday office closures, program breaks

- The church office will be closed Monday (12/27), at noon on Friday (12/31) and all day Monday, Jan. 3, to give staff their holidays.
- Choir rehearsals, Sunday morning faith formation, Confirmation and Cindy's Bible study will be on break through **Jan. 2**.

This Week:

worship. If you wish to pick up during the week, call the church office (651-699-5560) to let staff know you're coming. You may also request that your envelopes be mailed to you.

Ongoing/Coming Up:

WRAP UP YEAR-END GIVING

If you plan to mail a donation to the church to be included in the 2021 accounts, be sure it is postmarked no later than **Dec. 31**. If you plan to bring gifts in person, the church office will be closed **Monday (12/27)** and closes at **noon on Friday (12/31)**.

WATCH PAGEANT, CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Immanuel's [YouTube channel](#) has a Christmas playlist. On it, you can find David Stark's carol sing-along, the community Christmas pageant and recordings of all of our Christmas Eve services. Search "Immanuel Lutheran Church St Paul MN" to find us on YouTube.com.

PICK UP OFFERING ENVELOPES

Envelopes have arrived for those who use them and are in alphabetical order under the bulletin outside the administrator's office. Grab yours as you leave

CELEBRATE EPIPHANY

- Pastor Cindy's Thursday evening study of the Christmas Story concludes **Jan. 6** — perfect timing, as the topic is the magi! Join her [on Zoom](#) at **7:30 pm**.
- Confirmation students will have their postponed holiday party on **Wednesday, Jan. 5, at 7 pm**. If you can't find your way, try following a star.

COMPLETE ANNUAL REPORT

If you're a team lead, please submit your team's an-

GIVE AS YOU ARE ABLE

You can make your offerings using this QR code or mail your offering to the church. We are so grateful for your gifts!



nual report to Deanna at dhesse@ilcsp.org. The deadline is **Friday, Jan. 7**. A reminder to keep reports brief and to include pictures if you have them.

MARK CALENDAR FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The Immanuel community is invited to our annual meeting **Sunday, Jan. 30, at 11:15 am** via Zoom. Anyone may attend, but you must be a member in good standing to vote. The Finance Team will present the 2022 budget to the congregation on **Sunday, Jan. 23**. This is an opportunity to ask questions about our current and expected financial health.

ATTEND WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All Immanuel women are invited to gather for good company and good conversation on **Monday, Jan. 10, at 9:30 am** in the Gathering Space. We will use the study from the *Gather* magazine.

SEND IN YOUR KUDOS, NEWS, EVEN ART

Did you read about the changes coming next year to our long-form newsletter? If you haven't seen the December/January edition of the Messenger, you can read it [on our website](#). We'll need your good news! We want to hear about awards (large and small),

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

We lift in prayer: Andrea, Brielle, Craig, David, Gordy, Hafizan, Irene, Janet, Jerry, Josie, Karen, MaryAnn, Matt, Natalie, Nathan E., Nathan L., Ricky, Sarah, Stephen, Susan, Tim, Tom, Wanda

Our partner congregations Mkimbizi and Magubike Lutheran churches of Tanzania and brothers and sisters in Christ in Guatemala.

WORSHIP DETAILS FOR JANUARY 2

Assisting Minister: Jeff Schmidt

Reader: Kari Olson

Communion Assistants: Kari Olson, Berit Nelson

Ushers: Jerry Sandahl and Judie Prayfrock

parts in plays, favorite books in our library, acts of kindness, beloved Bible verses and more. Send them to Emily at eking@ilcsp.org or leave her a message.

THE WEEK AHEAD: DECEMBER 26–JANUARY 1

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30A Worship Service 4P Como Piano Recital (EL)	OFFICE CLOSED		10:30A TOPS	9A Improvers	OFFICE CLOSED at noon	HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Abbreviations: YR: Youth Room EC: Education Commons WL: West Lounge EL: East Lounge LC: Lower Commons GS: Gathering Space FH: Fellowship Hall