

NEWS & NOTES—WEEK OF APRIL 26TH TO MAY 2ND, 2026

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This Week at Immanuel

Sunday, April 26

9:00 AM – Worship with Jesse Klosterboer, Executive Director Sugar Creek Bible Camp

Monday, April 27

6:30 PM – Altar Guild Meeting

7:00 PM – Summer Eats Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 28

6:30 PM – Stewardship Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 29

9:00 AM – 3D in Upper Room

10:30 AM – Bible Study on Third Century Developments: Apostolic Centers and Bishops

6:30 PM – 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation at Church

7:00 PM – Choir

Thursday, April 30

1:00 PM – Do-Day

6:30 PM – Bible Study on Third Century Developments: Apostolic Centers and Bishops

Sunday, May 3

9:00 AM Worship with Senior Recognition Sunday

5:00 PM - 9th Grade Mentoring

6:00 PM – Game Night

Birthdays this Week: Lawrence Fruechte, Georgina Steele, Auden Bauer, Mavis Moe, Joni Twite, Barb Ferkingstad, Aiden King, and Sequoia Twite. Happy Birthday everyone!!!

Remembering Those who Died within the Last 20 Years: Elise Mills, Helen Hauser, Harold Dahle, Lois Meyer, and Carroll Johnson.

Please lift up in prayer: Emily Douglas, Patricia Holdmeyer (mother of Ryan Holdmeyer), Tim Schroeder, Gayle Grippen, Karen Meiners, Noah and family, Roger Vick, Tom Danielson, Orville Larson (Grandpa of Emily Riley), Don Zoubek (Uncle to Geoff Mell), Rachel Storlie, Donna Schulze, John Stange (cousin to Pastor), Gladys Tegtmeier (moved to Claddagh), and Phyllis Duxbury (Bethany St Joseph Care Center, La Crosse).

If you would like a prayer request to be added, please contact the church office.

The next blood drive: Is being held in Caledonia at Four Seasons Community Center will be held on **Wednesday, June 17 from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm.** There is a huge need for blood donations and it only takes a short time to help save lives! Please consider donating. If you would like to schedule an appointment, you may do so online at www.redcrossblood.org or by messaging on the Facebook page “Caledonia-MN Community Blood Drive”, or contacting Bonnie Giesler, Vicki Kruckow, or Donise Heiller-Becker. Thank you for your help in saving lives!

Need Something Shredded? Because of the amount of shredding that Immanuel needs to do, the church council recently purchased shredding services through Woodland Industries. If you have items that you would like to have shredded, you can bring them to the church office and put them in the shredding bin. The council does ask that you make a donation for this service. It is also limited to members of Immanuel.

WELCA Baby Kit Donations: Are you a Kohl's shopper and have unused Kohl's Cash available? Please consider using your Kohl's Cash for essential WELCA baby kit items. Items urgently needed are socks and t-shirts size 6 months – 24 months/2T (note that NO camouflage, religious symbols, flags, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces are allowed). Lutheran World Relief now requires 2 pairs of new socks for each baby kit. Please leave the items in the WELCA containers under the church mailboxes. This is an ongoing need.

WELCA Flannel Sheets and Pillowcases Donations:

Also of need are Flannel sheets and pillowcases. WELCA members are looking for gently used flannel sheets of any size (both fitted and flat) and flannel pillowcases. These linens will be made into diapers for mission baby kits, with each kit containing 4 diapers. Please leave the linens in the WELCA containers under the church mailboxes. Thank you!

Bible Study: How Did We Get the New Testament?

Why does our Bible have a New Testament comprising only 27 books? If you have ever been curious as to how the New Testament came to be, plan to attend a 5-session class, held on **Wednesday mornings and Thursday evenings**. This course will answer questions such as:

- Were the 27 books in our New Testament always considered special? If not, why did they end up in our Bible?
- Were these the only books valued by the early church? If not, what happened to the rest?
- How much of a role did the “real people” play in this process?
- Did our New Testament gradually emerge, or was it the result of 4th century decisions by bishops and emperors?
- What role did technology play in the formation of our New Testament?

With the help of dozens of original graphics, this 5-session course will help you answer these and many other questions surrounding the formation of the New Testament.

April 29/30: Third Century Developments: Apostolic Centers and Bishops

May 6/7: Fourth Century Developments: From Persecutions to Patronage

May 13/14: From Lists to Canon: Technology, Time, and Distance

Scam Alert: Once again Pastor Meyer has been a victim of a scammer. Several Immanuel members received emails or text messages claiming to be Pastor Meyer (even the email address the messages came from look like pastor sent the messages). These emails asked that you purchase gift cards for him so he can distribute them to “needy women” in the church. I will never ask you to do such a thing. If you ever wonder, please call pastor directly.

Summer Eats Update: Come have coffee and sign up to help on May 10 and May 17!

We have had so many offers to help with our summer meals program and we are very thankful. It's finally time to sign up! We will be serving coffee and treats in the social hall following church services on May 10 and again May 17. We can answer your questions and help you choose someday(s) to help. Bring your calendars and we'll find a day or two that will work for you.