



## The Pastor's Page

“Our service of worship has ended. Our worship through service now begins. “

I have seen or heard this statement at the close of worship services in various congregations, either printed in the bulletin or spoken aloud as part of the liturgy. I appreciate it because it both emphasizes the importance of not limiting our service to God to what happens within the sanctuary on Sunday morning but also highlights the importance of worship for preparing us to go out into the world.

Worship is central to our identity as Christians and it is certainly central to our life as a congregation. Worship is the time we set aside to gather with our brothers and sisters of faith, to sing and pray together, to **listen to God's Word, and** to renew ourselves spiritually. Without that regular experience of worship, it is hard to maintain our connection to God. Without frequent prayer and exploration of **God's Word, it is hard to** maintain the energy,

courage, and hope needed to live faithfully, to love our neighbors, and to shine the light of Christ into what is often a dark world. And without gathering together on a regular basis, it is hard to maintain our connection to one another as the body of Christ. Thus as a congregation, it is essential for us to regularly gather for worship.

But as the quote above indicates, it is also important that we do not stop with worship. Worship grounds us, inspires us, and energizes us so that we can go into the world with the faith, courage, wisdom, and energy that we need to **do God's work.** And there is much work to do. Our national government is currently considering taking away the ability for millions of people to access affordable health care. On the local level, we face a ballot initiative that seeks to remove equal rights for

some residents of our city. Many people, especially the most vulnerable among us – the poor, the sick, the elderly, the marginalized - feel stressed and afraid. There is great need for people of faith to advocate for justice and work for healing, in our nation and in our community. There is great need for words (and acts) of hope and love in order to counteract fear and hostility. Worshipping together is important, but so is living out our faith in the public realm.

Immanuel has an impressive history of living out its faith in visible and often courageous ways. May we continue that tradition of faithful service, both in and out of the sanctuary.

See you in worship,

Ellen



### Summer Schedule

- ◆ *Worship Service @ 10:00 AM*
- ◆ *Lite Continental Breakfast & Fellowship @ 9:30 AM*
- ◆ *No Adult Forum or Sunday School until after Labor Day.*

### Fall Schedule... begins

#### September 10

*Adult Forum or Sunday School @ 10:00 AM*

*Worship Service @ 11:00 AM*

*Soup & Cookies @ noon*



### Immanuel's Mission

*We believe that all people are children of God and affirm the worth and dignity of all races, ethnicities, ages, abilities, genders and sexual orientations. Recognizing that we are an increasingly diverse culture and that there are differences among us, we make a commitment to lovingly accept our diversity, as did Christ, with respect, compassion, understanding, and love. We welcome all people into the full life and ministry of this church.*



## Mark Your Calendar

- Ushers for August are needed
- Ushers for September are Elizabeth & Jamie
- **July 31-Aug. 5:** cleaning courtesy of the Arlian Family-Thanks!
- **Wed. Aug. 2, 5:30pm:** Buildings & Grounds/Finance committee meeting @ IPC
- **Sun. Aug. 6:** Weaver Family providing continental breakfast
- **Aug. 7-12:** cleaning courtesy of the Zeh Family-Thanks!
- **Sun. Aug. 13:** Kimpton Family providing continental breakfast. After worship: Endowment Committee meeting AND Membership Class
- **Aug. 14-19:** cleaner needed
- **Wed. Aug. 16,** Immanuel providing breakfast to Nunaka Valley ES teachers on their 1st day back
- **Sun. Aug. 20:** Dan Ketchum providing continental breakfast. Blessing of the Backpacks during worship AND Mission committee meeting after worship
- **Aug. 21-26:** cleaning courtesy of Haldane/Andersons-Thanks!
- **Mon. Aug. 21, 6:30pm:** Men's Night Out, location TBD (Thai food-yum!)
- **Tues. Aug. 22, 7pm:** Presbytery "Road System" region teleconference
- **Sun. Aug. 27:** Haldane-Anderson Family providing continental breakfast. Taize worship service AND Session meeting after worship
- **Sun. Sept. 3:** Continental Bkfst. @ 9:15am provided by Laurence Zeh & family
- **Wed. Sept. 6, 5:30pm:** Buildings & Grounds/Finance committee meeting @ IPC AND Choir rehearsal @ 7pm
- **Sun. Sept. 10:** Return to fall schedule (Sunday School & Adult Forum @ 10am, Worship @ 11am), AND Soup & Cookies following worship provided by Elizabeth & Jamie Amber
- **Wed. Sept. 13, 6pm:** Ladies' Night Out, location TBD
- **Sun. Sept. 17:** Looking for someone(s) to provide soup & cookies after worship
- **Mon. Sept. 18, 6:30pm:** Men's Night Out, location TBD
- **Wed. Sept. 20, 7:15pm:** Choir rehearsal
- **Sun. Sept. 24,** Soup & Cookies following worship provided by the Haldane-Anderson family AND @ 2pm: CROP walk at First Congregational Church

## An ENORMOUS Thank You!!!

Westminster College in New Wilmington, PA: Rev. James Mohr, Stephanie Lehman, Patrick Krantz, and the Westminster students who came to Alaska to serve us and many in our community as well as learn and experience the beauty of our state first hand. They washed every cabinet in the classroom, dusted, washed windows, fixed classroom door, washed all toys in the nursery, swept all around the baseboards and organized the craft storage room. We are eternally grateful for your help!

First Presbyterian Church in Vancouver, WA: Elizabeth Thompson, Youth Director, Jeff Thompson, Youth Leader, Rev. Rev. Josh Rowley, and the students who came to Alaska to share their faith through our VBS, did tireless work on our property such as **planting, mowing, and hauling** and they served Christ daily at the Pioneers' Home, and, had a little free time to enjoy our beautiful state! Thank You!



## From Your B & G Committee

- ◆ The mission group that came up from Vancouver did a number of landscaping jobs for the church while they were here. They mowed, they weeded (thanks for guiding them Jane), and they planted (thanks for guiding them Sandy). They also helped Norm haul off a number of loads of brush. Thanks Norm.
- ◆ No more abandon vehicles have shown up in the parking lot lately. Should any appear, please notify Mark immediately!
- ◆ **Norm had to get one commode repaired in the men's room before the mission group came.** Thanks again Norm.
- ◆ **Future plans include painting Men's Room and continuing to haul off junk.**
- ◆ **It's time to sign up for church cleaning.** Please sign up either to clean or to pay for cleaning. Sign-up covering September will be circulated. Thanks!





## Late August

By Peter S. Quinn

Late August  
In air of treat  
Before colors rust  
Roses sweet  
Of fire sky  
And shadings red  
Knotting tie  
Of flowers bed

Late summer  
In flowing dark  
For autumn's comer  
Of reddish spark  
Earth is plumbing  
Its ripe enhance  
And thus becoming  
A world in trance

Late shady blaze  
In garden ground  
Its many ways  
Those now are found  
Before the fall  
And leaves falling  
In breezy brawl  
For winter's calling

### ALLERGY ALERT!

When buying hand-washing soaps, please do **not buy "Antibacterial"** soaps. They often contain Benzylkonium Chloride. We have a congregant allergic to it. BC is often used in liquid hand soaps, hand sanitizer and many medical solutions (eye, ear drops) as a preservative and disinfectant. Thanks!



PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, do NOT put trash in the recycle bins unless you would like to be the one to dig through the bins to clear out the trash so that which is recyclable can be recycled! Also, please teach the kids what is and is not recyclable so they are not using the recycle bins as trash. Immanuel does not pay for curbside recycling, it is through the graciousness of a few of your fellow Immanuelites who personally haul off recycle.

What is NOT recyclable:

Paper plates, cups, napkins, towels, take-out boxes, greasy pizza boxes, food, colored plastic drinking cups, yogurt containers, plastic tubs, plastic utensils, juice/ beverage boxes: All are NOT

What IS recyclable:

Corrugated cardboard, white/colored/glossy paper, envelopes, cereal/cracker boxes w/o lining, magazines, catalogs, phonebooks, old books, newspaper, junk mail, brochures, non-foil wrapping paper, aluminum cans, tin cans, #1 plastic screw top water & juice bottles (lids ok), #2 screw top & necked milk & detergent jugs (lids ok), clear plastic clamshell containers: All ARE



## A Fun Of September!

By Ramesh T A

End of summer  
And beginning of winter  
Is September!

Sand melting heat  
And sand wetting rain  
Occur in September!

Full grown fruits  
And fully blossomed flowers  
You see in September!

Heat in the morning  
And rain in evening and night  
Town gets in September!

Summer holiday ends  
And all festivals begin now on  
From September on!

September begins  
Fast pace of the year ever  
With all festivals!

They being Ganesh Chadurthi,  
Navrathri, Diwali, Christmas,  
New Year and Pongal are...!

Time moves fast  
As no boredom ever shows  
Head from September!

Fun of September  
Starts Autumn, Rain and Winter  
All in one....!

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### IPC Session

Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price,  
Pastor/Moderator  
Mark Anderson, Building &  
Grounds  
Candace Arlian, Finance  
Sandy Haldane, Clerk  
Sara Johnston, Worship  
Heather MacAlpine, Pledge  
Clerk  
Diane Marquis, Treasurer  
Herb Turner, Mission  
Laurence Zeh, Christian Edu-  
cation

### IPC Board of Deacons

Patti Collins, Deacon  
Rozann Kimpton, Deacon  
Gale Smoke, Deacon  
Sarah Weaver, Deacon

## Church Calendar

- Sun. Aug. 6: Hiroshima Day
- Sun Aug. 13: Day of Prayer for the Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula AND College & Young Adult Sun. Sun. Aug. 20: Youth in the Church & World
- Sun. Aug. 27: Young Adult Volunteer Commissioning Sunday AND Public Education
- Fri. Sept. 1: World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation
- Sun. Sept. 3: Season of Peace begins AND Presbyterian Higher Education
- Mon. Sept. 4: Labor Day AND A Social Creed for the 21st Century
- Sun. Sept. 10: Christian Education Week begins AND Christian Education Celebration
- Sun. Sept. 17: Theological Education/Seminaries
- Thurs. Sept. 21: Global Week of Action against Gun Violence begins AND International Day of Peace
- Fri. Sept. 22: Native American Day
- Sun. Sept. 24: Evangelism Sunday AND Gifts for New Immigrants



8/19 Sara & Aaron Johnston  
9/21 Karen Lipinczyk & Gary Respass



8/6 David Weaver  
8/13 Jim Newton  
**8/14 Rev. Diane O'Connell**  
8/15 Arlene Lidbergh-Jasper  
8/21 Nes Turner  
8/21 Samuel MacInness-Green  
8/26 Sammy Potts  
8/27 Darlene Bess  
8/28 Josie Van Order  
8/29 Rev. Dan Ketchum

9/2 Twyla Johnston  
9/3 Mary Ellen Oman  
9/5 Norm Schlittler  
9/6 Deanna Collins  
9/8 Marvin Jones  
9/11 Roberta Kenny  
9/14 Don Stromberg-Prentke  
9/16 Sarah Weaver  
9/25 Marty Van Order

### Association of Presbyterian Church Educators

Deep & Wide Boundless Hospitality APCE Annual Event: January 31-February 3, 2018 in Louisville, KY. Further information including scholarship available at the following link.

<http://www.apcenet.org/2018-annual-event-louisville>

APCE is an association made up of those who are serving or have served in educational ministries, as ministers, professional or volunteer educators, or students, in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Reformed Church in America, The Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Moravian Church in America, and the Christian Reformed Church in North America.

