



What a great weekend at IBC! It is wonderful to serve alongside such a committed group of church members who desire to minister in so many ways. Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped with the Eggstravaganza, Youth Scavenger Hunt, and the Easter musical.

I especially want to thank the choir for all their time and hard work. It is a joy to lead and minister with you all each week.

PraiSing Him!

Mark



We still have a number of positions to fill for VBS this Summer. Please talk to Sandi Layton about the opportunities available for you to serve.

There will be a very important VBS training time at IBC on Saturday May 4 at 9:30am for all of our volunteers. Please put this date on your calendars!



THURSDAY, APRIL 18 – MAUNDY THURSDAY & COMMUNION AT 6:30PM
A WORSHIP SERVICE TO REMEMBER CHRIST - THE LAMB

This service will be a solemn event as we sing and share in communion to remember the symbolism of Passover in relationship to Jesus, the Lamb of God.

EASTER AT IMMANUEL
Sunday, April 21st

Easter Service - 8:30am
Sunday School - 9:45am
Easter Service - 11:00am
No Evening Service



National Day of Prayer
Thursday, May 2, 2019 @ 7:15am
IBC Outdoor Prayer Service

Sanctuary open to the public for prayer 8:00am-2:00pm.

From the Pastor

Dear Church Family,

No other time on a believer's calendar rivals Easter. It is THE high holy season of the year, even trumping Christmas. Easter brings with it the ideal time to celebrate what matters most to fully functioning followers of Jesus Christ: our Christ and our calling. Our Messiah and our mission. Our Savior and our sending. We have designed some Easter 2019 events for you to observe both in meaningful ways.

Celebrating the Son

First and foremost, we want to remember what Christ has done for us and the extent to which He went to save us through the sacrifice of Himself.
Maundy Thursday

Next week, we will observe our first Maundy Thursday service as a church family. This special time commemorates the Thursday night before Jesus died as He observed the Last Supper with His disciples. We will meet together next Thursday in the sanctuary for a solemn assembly in recognition of the last hours before the great sacrifice of Christ. Communion will be observed.

Easter Sunday Services

Let's not overlook our regular Easter worship as a heightened time to reflect on our Lord's ultimate victory over sin, death, and satan! It's about so much more than eggs, new clothes, and even family get-togethers. It's a time of great celebration and bragging on our Lord! Remember, we will have services at 8:30 am and our regular 11:00 am.

Carrying out our Calling

What a shame it would be for God's people to keep the Easter story to themselves! Not only would that be selfish and unloving, not only would that look like we were ashamed of the Lord Jesus, but it would be in direct violation of the one we call Master! So we are asking you to participate in some strategies that help put the Gospel in front of those who so desperately need to hear it.

Eggstravaganza for kids and Scavenger Hunt for youth

Both of these events are designed to appeal to both church and unchurched young people. It's a great weekend to invite others to something that is non-confrontational and yet still opens up opportunities to point young people and their families to Christ.

Adult Musical

We have a great choir! And they've been working very hard in preparation for bringing us the Easter story in song. Unfortunately, we too often mistake these musicals as just a time to enjoy some good singing. While it is enjoyable, it's also another prime opportunity to invite someone who wouldn't be interested in coming to a "normal" church service but would be willing to come hear the choir. And I can assure you, if you'll get them here, they will hear the Gospel in song and in word.

Let me commend you on your efforts to bring the unchurched to IBC on Friend Day this past Sunday! You were great! Now, let me encourage you in this - every Sunday really is Friend Day! It's always a chance to bring someone with you. And the next 2 weekends are more great chances for you to practice!

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Easter is already special. But it can be more so this year as you personally observe its meaning in your life and as you do all you can to put others in position to hear the truth of the Easter story. I pray these opportunities I've shared here will help you do both!

Pastor Lane

Attention Youth & Parents

We will be having our Easter Eggstravaganza this Saturday, April 13th, and I would like the youth to be there by 12:30 in order to assign stations and groups to help with. After the Easter egg hunt, we will break down the decorations and hopefully start our scavenger hunt at 4, permitting clean up. Following the group scavenger hunt we will have an individual mini-easter egg hunt on church grounds. Once all the eggs are accounted for we will have pizza and fellowship in the gym.

Also, if you are attending mfuge/centrifuge please bring your \$60 deposits to myself or the church office. There is a small price difference between mfuge \$309 and centrifuge \$299.

Call or text me if you have any questions, 912-667-9952. Royce

Our Deepest Sympathy to the family of Delores Swords Exley, who passed away April 2, 2019.

Immanuel family, we would like to extend our appreciation for the care shown during Delores' illness and death. The prayer grams and newsletters she received were all read to her so she could continue to follow Immanuel Baptist Church. Thank you for the delicious meal you served to our family. May God continue to grow his church, as you reach out to Savannah and beyond.

The Family of Delores Exley

WV Mission Trip July 5-13, 2019

Pray about joining us this summer for a Mission Trip to Oceana, WV. We will do a Music Camp for the children, Women's Retreat & Men's Retreat. If you would like more information or have any questions, call the church office at 912.354-0548. Candace Jeancake is the trip coordinator.

THE RECORD SPEAKS

March 31, 2019 Sunday school Enrollment 146 Attendance 150

April 7, 2019 Sunday school Enrollment 141 Attendance 155

March 2019 Giving and Expenses

Budget Giving	\$44,108	Budget Expenses	\$47,295
Restricted Giving	\$8,586	Restricted Expenses	\$2,176

SPRING MISSION OFFERING
 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions
AND
 Georgia State Missions
GIVE: Offering Goal: \$8500.00 (Offering will be divided equally
 between the two)
PRAY AND GIVE AS GOD LEADS!!



Easter Eggstravaganza
Saturday, April 13th 1-3 pm
Crafts, Games, Egg Hunt, Snacks

For kids age 12 and under and their families.



EASTER LILIES
 The DEADLINE to order your lily is
SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019.

The cost is \$7.50
 Please contact Beverly Purcell at 912.429.2740
 or the church office at 912.354.0548

Senior Adult Banquet
 "My Soul Is Satisfied With Jesus"
 Friday, May 3, 2019 at 5:00pm
 Immanuel Baptist Church

\$10 per person Meal catered by Carey Hilliard's

Tickets are available in the church office
 or see Linda Love or Diane Youmans.

Donations are needed.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We are currently preparing and giving out 15 bags per week

- Instant Grits • Instant Oatmeal • Canned Vegetables
- Canned Fruit • Soup
- Canned Pasta • Canned Meat • Ramen Noodles
- Peanut Butter • Jelly • Spaghetti Noodles & Sauce
- Box Mac-n-cheese • Box Pancake Mix • Syrup • Cereal

Please ask for paper bags when you shop.
We use them to distribute the food bags.



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CALENDAR OF OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, April 14

- Sunday School 9:45am
- Morning Worship 11:00am
- Who Will Call Him King of Kings? Musical
- Finance Meeting 4:00pm
- Evening Worship 5:30pm

Tuesday, April 16

- Silver Nuggets Lunch 12:00pm

Wednesday, April 17

No Wednesday Evening Activities

Thursday, April 18

- Men's Bible Study 9:30am
- ESL 10:00am
- Maundy Thursday Service 6:30pm
- No Open Gym

Good Friday, April 19

Saturday, April 20 - Youth – Egg Your House

Easter Sunday, April 21

- Easter Service 8:30am
- Sunday School 9:45am
- Easter Service 11:00am
- No Evening Service

Monday, April 22 - Conference Reports Due

Tuesday, April 23

- Silver Nuggets 10:00am

Wednesday, April 24

- Supper 5:30pm
- Children/Youth Activities 6:30pm
- Prayer Meeting 6:30pm
- Youth Choir 7:15pm
- Choir Rehearsal 7:45pm

Thursday, April 25

- Men's Bible Study 9:30am
- ESL 10:00am
- Open Gym 6:30pm

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