



Immanuel Lutheran Church

# IMMANUEL LIGHTS

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GOD WITH US

April 14, 2024

## Serving in Worship Today

**Pastor:** Rev. James Yonkers

**Music Director / Organist:** Tom Fricke

**Elders:** Don DeMoss, Kurt Thornsborough, Dean Hull

**Ushers:** Team D: Capt. Jerry Kennett

**Lay Reader:** Butch and Julie Buesing

**Gospel Reader:** Butch Buesing

**Altar Guild:** Tina A., Kathy C., and Katie Y.

**Acolyte:** Carley Wright

**Counters:** Jerry and Charlotte Kennett

**Videographer:** Don DeMoss

**Screens/Audio:** Volunteer needed

**SPIRITUAL CARE:** *Your well-being is important to us and we want to pray for you!* Please contact the church office during regular business hours (Monday – Friday from 7 am – 3:30 pm). In case of emergencies after hours, contact Pastor Yonkers on his cell: 260-413-8375.

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE:** The First Reading is from Acts 4:1-12 (Peter and John are brought before the Council.); the Epistle is 1 John 3:16-24 (Let us love in actions and in truth.); the Holy Gospel is John 10:11-18 (I Know My own and My own know Me.)

**ALTAR FLOWERS** for this week and last week are given to the glory of God by Larry Fredericks, and by all who purchased Easter flowers for the altar in memory of loved ones and in honor of the Risen Christ.

*Please feel free to take home any flowers remaining on the altar. Even if you did not purchase one, please consider adopting a plant. You can still plant the bulbs in your home garden for beautiful flowers next spring!*

**HOSPITALIZED:** We pray for those hospitalized this week: Debbie Dill.

**HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS:** We pray for **Myra Greazer, Linda Grinestaff, Bonnie Holmes, Marian Heideman, Earl Lackey, Carol Johnston, Sherry Kramer, Rev. Del Krueger, and Bernice Lane.**

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** next Sunday (04/21) "**More Than He Bargained For**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Whatever we ask of Jesus is probably too small, because Jesus provides more than what we expect. (Acts 3:6) Tune in anytime to hear great sermons anytime at: [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org)

**WELCOME VISITORS!** *New around here?* We hope you are blessed today as we worship the Lord together. Please fill out the visitor's information in the red folder at the end of the pew. If you have any questions, feel free to ask an usher (the gentleman just outside of the sanctuary), or contact the church office at 217-442-5675. *We're so glad you're here and hope to see you again!*

**HOLY BAPTISM:** The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be granted this morning to **Rome Samuel Fleming**, born December 18, 2018, and **Ari Dean Fleming**, born May 27, 2022 to Justin and Kayla Fleming. Through Holy



Baptism, Rome and Ari will become children of God as their sins are washed away in connection with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Their sponsor is Cindy Savalick. May God graciously preserve the saving faith given to Rome and Ari through this sacred act of God's grace and cause their faith to grow through the continued use of His Word and Sacraments.

**ADULT BIBLE CLASSES / SUNDAY SCHOOL:** The **Adult Bible Class** is studying *The Lutheran Difference: Worship*. We'll learn about Our Lutheran beliefs, God's Word, and the whole Christian church on earth. The **Young Adult Bible Class:** Each session introduces a contemporary topic, summarizes what science says, and then provides biblical guidance. **Sunday School** is available for children age 3 through high school. Please see Diana Pratt with questions.

**WITH SYMPATHY** we pray for Bonnie Walker and family at the death of her son, Troy Walker; and for the family and friends of Jerry Young, who died Apr. 9. *May the good Lord comfort all who mourn with the hope of the resurrection of all who believe in Christ Jesus!*

**ZORA DREWS:** Thank you for your help to fulfill the mission of Immanuel! The Zora Drews door offering on Easter raised \$613 to help families who are struggling financially to keep their children in our school. Please continue to support our school daily with your prayers!

**ICEBOX COOKIES:** Thank you to all who supported our Parish Education by purchasing Icebox Cookies! If you ordered rolls of unbaked dough, you may pick it up after the service today. Baked cookie dough can be picked up after the service next week. Thanks!

**PLEASE NOTE:** Pastor Yonkers will be out of town next week, April 15 – 19. If you are in need of spiritual care, contact the church office during regular business hours. In case of emergencies after hours, please contact our head elder, Don DeMoss, at 217-799-1035.

**INGATHERING:** The April ingathering is for The Dwelling Place of Vermilion County, located in the basement of First Presbyterian Church. At the day center, there is access to shower facilities and supplies, laundry facilities and supplies, as well as a day room with the amenities of home. We are collecting personal care items such as shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, and tooth brushes. Also needed are household care items such as shower cleaner, bathroom cleaner, bleach, dish soap, hand soap, Pine Sol, and hand sanitizer. The collection tote for your donations is in the coat room.

**LADIES, YOU'RE INVITED** to attend a bridal shower for deaconess intern Rachel on Sat. **April 27** at 1:30 pm. The shower will be held at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Decatur, IL. Please RSVP to Judy at 620-352-1176 or Kelly at 573-619-4950. See also the invitation posted on the bulletin board by the flower chart.

**IMMANUEL CARES:** All members of the church are invited to join us on **Apr. 29** at 10 am in the multipurpose room! We need more men and women to help us continue the Lord's work. We send cards, make visits and telephone calls, and provide transportation and meals as needed to members of Immanuel who are homebound or have health concerns. *Refreshments will be served. Come for food and fellowship!*

**THE LUTHERAN WITNESS** A must-read for Lutherans of all ages! *The Lutheran Witness* keeps you updated with news from around the Synod, and addresses topical issues with feature articles, columns, Q&As, and more that will inform and inspire. Subscribe by **May 3** using the envelope in your offering box.

**ILS SUNDAY:** It seems as if we still have some time before the school year ends, but it will be here before you know it! The last day of school is May 17. We would like to thank all of our teachers and staff for a job well done all year long! We would also like to thank the Board of Christian Education for your time and efforts, and all of you, the congregation, for your support of ILS all year long! On **May 5**, ILS children will sing and we'll recognize our PreK grads with a special presentation and gift! You don't want to miss it!

**ILS CULVERS SHARE NIGHT:** ILS will host a Share Night with Culvers on Monday, **May 6** from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Those who wish to join us are most welcome: dine in, carry out, or drive through ... just use our Share Night coupon (coming soon) and Culver's gives ILS 20% of the proceeds. Take extra coupons to share with your friends! ILS children will help deliver your order to your table – *how cute!* Thank you!

**KAMMERCHOR TOUR:** You're invited to Calvary Lutheran, located at 120 E. Hickory St. in Watseka, on **May 11** at 6:00 pm for the Concordia University of Wisconsin to see the Kammerchor Choir! Attendance is free, only a free will offering will be collected to help support the choir. Please call Calvary Lutheran for more information at 815-432-4136.

**SPRING BRUNCH:** Save the date! The Women's Guild will host a Spring Brunch on **May 18** from 10 am – noon. Our guest speaker, Carol Garver will present "*In the Beginning...*" a presentation on her Creation quilts. The meal will be provided and there is no cost to attend. *We encourage you to come and invite a friend!*



**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:**

Attendance Easter Sunday (03/31)	160
Communed Easter	115
Attendance Last Sunday (04/07)	91
Communion Attendance	77
Attendance Wednesday (04/10)	10

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:**

Giving Last Week	\$6,831. <sup>00</sup>
Needed Weekly	\$8,006. <sup>00</sup>
Checking Account Balance	\$6,954. <sup>00</sup>
Bills Due This Week	\$6,401. <sup>00</sup>

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Apr. 7 Stephen Koester	14 Hannah VanHoveln
8 Deneen Schendel	16 Sue Henk
13 Lillian Davis	17 Leslie Stone
13 Jessica Landis	18 Dennis Hilton
14 Aidin Stuhr	19 Pastor Yonkers

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Apr. 20 Dean and Pam Hull	39
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**CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...**

Sunday (14)	8:30 am Bible Study & Sunday School
	9:30 am Worship
Tuesday (16)	9:30 am Women's Bible Study
	6:00 pm Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday (17)	8:45 am ILS Chapel
	5:00 pm Evening Worship Service
	5:45 pm Choir
	6:15 pm Handbells
Thursday (18)	8:30 am Food Pantry
	6:30 pm Youth Group
Next Sunday (21)	8:30 am Bible Study & Sunday School
	9:30 am Worship with Communion

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Lunch on the Lawn, Apr. 25
- Rachel's Bridal Shower, Apr. 27
- ILS Sunday, May 5
- ILS Culver's Share Night, May 6
- Ladies Spring Brunch, May 18