



Immanuel Lutheran Church

IMMANUEL LIGHTS

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GOD WITH US

March 17, 2024

Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. James Yonkers

Music Director / Organist: Tom Fricke

Elders: Don DeMoss, Kurt Thornsborough, Dean Hull

Ushers: Team C: Capt. Kurt Thornsborough

Communion: Dean Hull, Josh Christensen

Lay Reader: Josh Christensen

Gospel Reader: Josh Christensen

Altar Guild: Sharon C., Juanita R., Sharron R.

Acolyte: Eli Mann

Counters: Mary Powell and Holly Clem

Videographer: Kim Davis

Screens/Audio: RJ Davis

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 Palm Sunday Processional Reading is John 12:12-19; the Old Testament Reading is Zechariah 9:9-12 (Rejoice, Jerusalem, your king comes to you.); the Epistle is Philippians 2:5-11 (He became obedient to death.); the Holy Gospel is Mark 15:1-14 (The betrayal and crucifixion; Jesus foretells his death.)

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Larry Fredericks.

HOSPITALIZED: We pray for those hospitalized this week: **Bill Burow.**

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Kitty Lee, Angie Lucas, Marsha Malivuk, Phyllis Marsh, Howard Ohl, Bev Page, Don Page, Charlotte Schendel, Bill Russell, Carol Rollins, Billy Schuring.**

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (03/24) "Repurposed Joy and Junk" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. There are artists who can take old junk and turn it into something new and beautiful. Dr. Michael Zeigler tells how Jesus repurposes both the junk and the joy in our lives. (Mark 14:1-11) Tune in anytime to hear sermons at: 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!*



LENT: Please join us for our one remaining Wednesday midweek Lenten service at 6:30 pm on **Mar.** Our sermon focus is on a very special set of treasured Bible passages. From the cross, Jesus spoke seven words, seven sayings that express His mind and what He was going through during His crucifixion. The Lenten supper this week is sponsored by the Women's Guild. The menu includes soup, salad, sandwiches, desserts, and drinks.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Palm Sunday Service is Mar. 24 at 9:30 am.

Pick up your palms as you enter church that morning. You're invited to join us in the Narthex for our Palm Sunday processional at the beginning of the service.

Maundy Thursday Service is Mar. 28 at 6:30 pm.

Come and mark the night Christ instituted the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday Service is Mar. 29 at 6:30 pm.

Join us as we reflect on Jesus' suffering and death to take away our sins.

Easter Sunday is Mar. 31.

We celebrate with joy Christ's victory over death with our Easter services. Our *Easter Sunrise Service* is at 7:00 am. The *Easter Festival Service* will be held at our regular time at 9:30 am.

Easter Breakfast

The youth will once again serve a delicious breakfast in between the two Easter services. Please see the signup sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway for volunteers and food items needed. Thank you!

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.

THANK YOU!



A warm and sincere thank you to all the great volunteers who donated so many hours of hard work to our Spring Rummage and Bake Sale. Setting up and organizing the donations was a huge task along with all the other duties that were involved with the sale.

Bakers, thank you for all the delicious goodies! We still need just a bit more help tomorrow at 9 am to pack up unsold items and clean-up the gym, and on Tuesday at 10 am for help loading the truck for Robin Hood. They take our left over sale items and provide them free of charge to the low income community. We are thankful for the unbelievable amount of donations that made this event possible! The Sale was highly successful, and the proceeds will benefit the Capital Fund Drive.

ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS! The Thrivent Choice Dollars deadline is coming up on **March 31st**! Thrivent Choice Dollars can be designated to many other organizations or charities, but we ask that you would consider making Immanuel your choice! If you wish to designate to a specific mission or ministry here, including the food pantry or school, we can make that happen. For more information, please speak with Dean Hull, or your Thrivent agent. **A big THANK YOU to all who have already designated your dollars to Immanuel! We've received a total of \$2,548!**

INGATHERING: March and 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.

CALLING ALL YOUTH! Join us at 6:30 pm on Thursday, **Mar. 21** for a fun night of games, games, and more games! We'll get the competition going on our new foosball and air hockey tables, then play Wii Pictionary! Bring a friend and a smile!

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.



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Attendance Last Sunday (03/10)	103
Attendance Wednesday (03/13)	30

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$6,934. ⁰⁰
Needed Weekly	\$8,006. ⁰⁰
Checking Account Balance	\$790. ⁰⁰
Bills Due This Week	\$5,982. ⁰⁰

BIRTHDAYS:

Mar. 19 Gina Seymour	22 Tracie Hunt
21 Myles Showers	22 Jodi Wright

ANNIVERSARIES:

Mar. 17	Cody and Rachel Doggett	6
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CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (17)	8:30 am	Bible Study & Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
Monday (18)	10:00 am	Immanuel Manor Bible Study
Tuesday (19)	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday (20)	9:00 am	Grandparents Day Program
	9:30 am	ILS Chapel
	5:00 pm	Lenten Supper
	5:30 pm	Choir
	6:30 pm	Lenten Worship
Thursday (21)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	6:00 pm	Youth Game Night
Next Sunday (24)	8:30 am	Bible Study & Sunday School
	9:30 am	Palm Sunday Worship

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- First Day of Spring, Mar. 19
- Palm Sunday, Mar. 24
- Maundy Thursday, Mar. 28
- Good Friday, Mar. 29
- Easter Sunday, Mar. 31

