



Immanuel Lutheran Church

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Vol. LXVII No. 1 Immanuel Lutheran Church, Danville, Illinois

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Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. James Yonkers

Music Director / Organist: Tom Fricke

Elders: Don DeMoss, Kurt Thornsborough, Dean Hull

Ushers: Team A: Capt. Don DeMoss

Communion: Dean Hull, Al Julian

Lay Reader: Dwain Dixon

Gospel Reader: Dwain Dixon

Children's Church: Jan Mann

Nursery: Chelsea Pratt, Kirsten Thornsborough

Videographer: Josh Christensen

Screens/Audio: Butch Buesing

Acolyte: Eli Mann

Altar Guild: Sue DeMoss, Kimberly Davis

Counters: Jerry and Charlotte Kennett

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 Old Testament is Isaiah 43:1-7 (Fear not, for I have redeemed you.); the Epistle is Romans 6:1-11 (We are united with Christ in His death and resurrection in Baptism.); the Gospel is Luke 3:15-22 (John baptizes Jesus in the Jordan).

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by to the glory of God by Larry and Cindy Pasquale in loving memory of John and Emma Pasquale; and in celebration of Denny and Rosemary Hilton's Anniversary. Happy 60th Anniversary! Love, Tim, Jody, and all of your grandchildren and great grandchildren!

HOSPITALIZED: We pray for those hospitalized this week: none known.

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for Earl Lackey, Bonnie Lazzell, Kitty Lee, Angie Lucas, Marsha Malivuk, Bevely Page, Don Page, Carol Rollins, Bill Russell, and Charlotte Schendel.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Today's lesson is: "We worship by praying – kinds of prayers."

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!*

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (01/12) "What's This Neighborhood Coming To?" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. When you're not limited by the size of your table, you can invite everyone. (John 1:14) Tune in any time: www.lutheranhour.org

2025 ENVELOPES have been distributed. Please begin using your new envelopes now; do not use leftover 2024 envelopes as your number may have changed. This will help us accurately acknowledge your contributions. If you currently do not have envelopes, but would like to begin using them, please call Kim in the church office. Thanks!



WE NEED YOU! Christmas decorations are coming down on **Jan. 9** at 5 pm to be put away for another year. *Many hands make light work* if we have plenty of volunteers and some who are able to climb ladders and reach the high places. *Your help will be appreciated!*

HUSTLE HOOPS CONCESSIONS: We need your help! Please consider signing up to work a shift at the Hustle Hoops concession stand, hosted by the ILC youth. It is a great way to support the youth and get to know people from our community. The dates that need coverage are **Jan. 11, 18, 25, and Feb. 1**. Pick the hours you can work and sign up at the bulletin board by the flower chart. Thank you!



GIFT (SCRIP) CARDS ORDERS: The next Scrip order is due to the church office on **Monday, Jan. 13** by 9 am. Scrip cards make great gifts. Orders will be available on **Jan. 19**.

WOMEN'S GUILD: Ladies, join us for our **Jan. 14** luncheon meeting at 11:30 am. Just bring a dish to share, everything else will be provided. All ladies in the congregation are welcome!

THANK YOU! Last Sunday was our 5th Sunday door offering to benefit the Zora Drews Scholarship Fund. A total of \$393 was collected to help our school families! Thank you to all who made a donation!

BAZAAR RESULTS: Many thanks to all who made time to attend and volunteer the 2024 Bazaar! We served 81 carry-out meals and served 148 in house. Sales were up in several of the holiday booths. Preliminary figures show a profit of \$6,788.32 to fund the anticipated budget of the Women's Guild for 2025. Thanks and blessings to all in the new year!

INGATHERING: Our new ingathering for the months of January and February is for the Food for the Children Backpack Program. In late 2024, this program was feeding 417 children and anticipate growing numbers. Donations can be placed in the marked tote in the coatroom. Items requested: tomato soup (10.5 oz.), chicken noodle soup (10.5 oz.), beef ravioli (15 oz.), Vienna sausages, pork and beans (15 oz.), mac and cheese cups, fruit cups (4 oz. 4 packs), pudding cups (4 packs), cereal bowls, peanut butter crackers, juice boxes, applesauce cups, and peanut butter (12-14 oz. jars).

CAPITAL FUND CHRISTMAS TREE: There is a Christmas tree in the narthex for year-end gifts to the Capital Fund Drive; it has all blue and silver ornaments. Place your donation in the envelope (next to the tree) and place the completed envelope in the offering plate. We welcome you to keep ornament from the tree to commemorate your donation. The tree will be up through Epiphany, if you'd like to jumpstart your 2025 giving. All donations, large or small, are equally appreciated!

ADAMS VOICE CONCERT: Please join us **Feb. 7** at 6:00 pm for a Gospel concert! Adams Voice consists of husband and wife David and Charlene Adams and their four children, Emma, Johnny, Anna, and Luke. Each concert includes duets, trios, as well as the entire family sharing their vocal harmonies. Audiences appreciate their genuine spirit and how they readily connect with the audience through a variety of tunes and testimonies of God's goodness and grace. You can sample their music online at: adamsvoice.net.



THANK YOU! The ILS Lunch program says a big thank you for all of the donations! They are greatly appreciated. Please plan to join us on Thursday, **Feb. 6** for a spaghetti supper to benefit our lunch program. Interested in helping? Please see Diana Pratt.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! *"A Taste of Deutschland"* German Dinner, co-hosted by the Capital Fund Committee and Men's Club is set to return on **Feb. 22!** We'll enjoy a delicious meal and live German music! This year we are adding a silent auction at this event! If you would like to make a donation, please bring your items for auction, such as gift cards, gift baskets, crafts, etc., to the church office.



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Sunday (12/29)	81
Communion Attendance	66
Attendance Wednesday (01/01)	6

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$9,007.00
Needed Weekly	\$7,594.00
Checking Account Balance	\$3,489.00
Bills Due This Week	\$7,777.00

BIRTHDAYS:

Jan. 8 David Courson	9 Nicole Huckstadt
8 Calvin Showers	11 Marjorie Marx
9 Jaxon Gondzur	

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (5)	8:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
Monday (6)	10:00 am	Manor Bible Study
Tuesday (7)	2:00 pm	Midwest Foodbank Delivery
	5:00 pm	Baton Twirlers
Wednesday (8)	8:45 am	ILS Chapel
	5:00 pm	Evening Service
Thursday (9)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	9:30 am	Social Ministry Meeting
	5:00 pm	Un-decorating
	6:00 pm	Christian Education Meeting
	6:30 pm	Capital Fund and German Dinner Meeting
Saturday (11)	9:00 am	Hustle Hoops Concessions
Next Sunday (12)	8:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- The Baptism of our Lord, Jan. 12
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Jan. 20
- ILS Sunday with Kids Singing, Jan. 26
- National Lutheran Schools Week, Jan. 27-31
- ILS Spaghetti Dinner, Feb. 6
- Adams Voice Concert, Feb. 7
- A Taste of Deutschland German Dinner, Feb. 22