



Immanuel Lutheran Church

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GOD WITH US

July 20, 2025

Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. James Yonkers

Lay Leader: Kurt Thornsborough

Music Director / Organist: Tom Fricke

Elders: Don D., Dean H., Butch B., Josh S.

Ushers: Team A: Capt. Don DeMoss

Lay Reader: Sue Heidle

Gospel Reader: Dwain Dixon

Videographer: Kim Davis

Screens/Audio: Jan Mann

Acolyte: Kinley Pratt

Altar Guild: Sharon C., Debbie F., Rosemary H.

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 Reading is Genesis 18:17-33 (Abraham asks the Lord to spare Sodom and Gomorrah.); the Epistle is Colossians 2:6-19 ("You, who were dead in your trespasses ... God made alive together with Him."); and the Gospel is Luke 11:1-13 (The church is taught to pray the Lord's Prayer.)

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Mary Powell in loving memory of her dad in celebration of his birthday.

HOSPITALIZED: We pray for those hospitalized this week: **John Roderick.**

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Earl Lackey, Bonnie Lazzell, Kitty Lee, Marsha Malivuk, Angie Lucas, Bev Page, Don Page, Linda Pasquale, Carol Rollins, and Bill Russell.**

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (07/27) "**Getting the Talk Started**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God's Law-talk prepares us for God's Gospel-talk. Author Tim Carter (The Executioner's Redemption) is featured. (Luke 11:1) Tune in to hear this and other great sermons at: www.lutheranhour.org.

WELCOME VISITORS! *New around here?* If you're new to Immanuel, we pray you feel the love of Christ and are blessed by our time of worship together today. Please take a moment to fill out the visitor information form located in the red folder at the end of your pew; we'd love to get to know you better! If you have any questions or need assistance, our friendly ushers (you'll find them just outside the sanctuary) are happy to help. You can also reach out to the church office anytime at 217-442-5675. *We're glad you're here!*

TEE-RIFFIC TURNOUT – INCREDIBLE IMPACT!



The 1st Annual Schomburg & Schomburg Golf Outing is officially in the books — and what a wonderful day it was! On behalf of Immanuel Lutheran School, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of this incredible event. Thanks to you, Immanuel Lutheran School is stronger, more supported, and more inspired than ever. The proceeds will be announced soon. We look forward to building on this momentum and seeing you all again next year!

EXPERIENCE THE ARK: Join us for a special day trip to the Ark Encounter in Williamstown, KY on **Saturday, Aug. 23!** Open to all, this adventure promises faith, fellowship, and fun. We already have a great group going, with about 20 people committed so far—and there's still room for more! **We're especially excited to share that we've upgraded to a charter bus for transportation!** This means a much more comfortable ride, with cushioned seats, air conditioning, and plenty of space to relax. The bus is equipped with seatbelts, so you can bring your kids and safely secure car seats. We want this to be a family-friendly, memorable experience for everyone. We'll depart from Immanuel early that morning and return the same evening. We'll tour the full-sized replica of Noah's Ark, explore immersive exhibits, and dive into the story of the Great Flood (Genesis 6–8). A group meal at Emzara's Buffet is included in the trip price. Flyers with full details and pricing are available on the table in the hall. Please fill one out or call the church office by **July 21** to reserve your seat. Payment is due **July 31**. Don't miss out on this unforgettable experience—we hope you'll join us!

NOTES FROM ILS...

ILS REGISTRATION OPEN: We still have a few open spots available for the 2025 – 2026 school year. Please share this news with your friends, neighbors, relatives, and co-workers who have small children. The first day of school is approaching quickly – it's **Aug. 18!** As the new school year approaches, please keep our school leadership, staff, and families in your prayers! This is a great time to support the school! Check out the note below to help our teachers prepare their classrooms or make a donation to the Zora Drews Scholarship Fund!



FEELING SWEET? Our amazing teachers pour so much of their own time, and often their own money, into preparing classrooms for a great school year. Now's your chance to sprinkle a little joy in return! Stop by the ILS bulletin board near the coatroom. There are colorful donut cutouts, each one with a small item written on it from a teacher's classroom wish list – **new items have been recently added!** If you're feeling sweet, take a donut, purchase the item, and drop it off in the donation bin located on the floor next to the board. We'll be adding more donuts over the next couple of weeks, so check back often! There's something for every budget, and no item is too pricey. Thank you for your support of our teachers, school, and the incredible kids they serve!

GREETINGS FROM ILS! We are excited to host a Welcome Back Fall Carnival on Saturday, **Sept. 13** from 5-7 pm! This is a freewill donation event for both school families and the church. We are looking for volunteers to help our school staff make this an amazing event for all! We are looking for help cooking (a hog roast), serving, set up and tearing down, running games and activities (ideas are welcome), and baking cakes to run a cake walk! We'll also need help getting prizes to give to people who win some games. Contact Rachel Schmidgall in the school office or email ils.schooldirector@gmail.com if you're interested in this fun opportunity!

SAVE THE DATE! The Capital Fund will once again host our Annual **Steak Fry** on Saturday, **Sept. 20**, from 4:30 to 6 pm. The menu includes grilled ribeye steak, baked potato, salad, Italian bread, dessert, and drink for \$25. An additional steak is \$10. Tickets will go on sale in August. We'll need lots of help with setting up during the event and take down afterwards. ***This event has advance ticket sales only – they will not be sold at the door.***



PASTOR YONKERS will be out of town **July 19 – 25**. Our regular church office hours will not be affected these dates, however, if you are in spiritual need during this time, you may reach Pastor on his cell at 260-413-8375, or our head Elder, Don DeMoss at 217-799-1035.

CHURCH IN THE PARK! Join us at the Lincoln Park Pavilion (English & Logan Streets) for Church and a Family Picnic on **Sunday, Aug. 24**. We'll have our service at 9:30 am, then follow with a picnic lunch - bring your favorite picnic dishes to share. Drinks and table service will be provided. Picnic tables are available in the pavilion but feel free to bring lawn chairs for the service as well. We hope you'll join us!



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Sunday (07/06)	103
Communion Attendance	73
Attendance Wednesday (07/09)	16

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$7,183. ⁰⁰
Needed Weekly	\$7,594. ⁰⁰
Checking Account Balance	\$1,362. ⁰⁰
Bills Due This Week	\$7,325. ⁰⁰

BIRTHDAYS:

July 25 Meghan Burk
25 Michaela Howie
26 Kyla Culotti

ANNIVERSARIES:

July 26 Chip and Sharron Runyan 56

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (20)	9:30 am	Worship
Wednesday (23)	9:30 am	Women's Guild's Shopping and Lunch Outing
	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
Thursday (24)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	1:00 pm	Quilters
Next Sunday (27)	9:30 am	Worship with Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- LWML Mite Collection Sunday, Aug. 3
- ILS First Day of School, Aug. 18
- Ark Encounter Day Trip, Aug. 23
- Worship at the Park and Picnic, Aug. 24
- Zora Drews Door Offering, Aug. 31
- Labor Day, Sept. 1
- ILS Back to School Fall Carnival & Fundraiser, Sept. 13
- Steak Fry, Sept. 20

