



Immanuel Lutheran Church

# IMMANUEL LIGHTS

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GOD WITH US

June 29, 2025

## Serving in Worship Today

**Pastor:** Rev. James Yonkers

**Lay Leader:** Joshua Christensen

**Music Director / Organist:** Tom Fricke

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

**Ushers:** Team F: Capt. Ray Wittmann

**Lay Reader:** Butch and Julie Buesing

**Gospel Reader:** Butch Buesing

**Videographer:** Kim Davis

**Screens/Audio:** RJ Davis

**Acolyte:** Carley Wright

**Altar Guild:** Sharon Crow and Katie Yonkers

**Counters:** Mary Powell and Holly Clem

**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:** Next Sunday is our Patriotic Service. The Old Testament Reading is from Proverbs 8:1-21, the Epistle Reading is Romans 13:1-10, and the Holy Gospel is Mark 12:13-17.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Michelle Moore in loving memory of her mom, Bernice Lane.

**HOSPITALIZED:** We pray for those hospitalized this week: **Sandy Kochvar and Brayson Pratt.**

**HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS:** We pray for **Billy Schuring, Diana Stage, Gary Stuhr, Richard Wahlfeldt, Janet Terry, Paul Teegarden, Betty Watts, and Eric Wittmann.**

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** next Sunday (07/06) "A Little Light, Reading" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Book of Job is not light reading, but Christians read it in the Light of Christ. (Job 1:8) Tune in to hear great sermons: [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org).

**PLEASE NOTE:** The church and school office will be closed on Friday, **July 4**, in observance of Independence Day. We wish everyone a safe and joyful holiday as we celebrate the blessings of freedom!

**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!*

**HOLY BAPTISM:** The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be granted on Saturday, July 5, to **Hudson Henry Huckstadt**, born January 27, 2025, to Kyle and Brandy Huckstadt. Through Holy Baptism, Hudson will become a child of God as his sins are washed away in connection with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Hudson's sponsors are Jeremy and Megan Cheuvront. May God graciously preserve the saving faith given to Hudson through this sacred act of God's grace and cause his faith to grow through the continued use of His Word and Sacraments.



**ZORA DREWS OFFERING TODAY!** You can help fulfill the mission of Immanuel! You can help families who are struggling financially to keep their children in our school. Ushers will be near the doors as you exit the sanctuary. If you would like to contribute, please place your offering in the plate. Thank you!

**BAKE SALE TODAY!** Before you head home today, be sure to stop by the bake sale table in the Narthex! Our Youth Group and talented bakers of the congregation have put together a delicious spread of homemade goodies, and there's something to satisfy every sweet tooth. Your generous support helps fund their upcoming trip and activities. A big thank you to all our talented bakers and hardworking youth!



**WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS:** We're collecting items to create a fun-filled Ice Cream Basket for Camp CILCA's Homecoming & Auction on **Aug. 2**. Donations of sundae toppings, sprinkles, nuts, cones, scoops, spoons, or gift cards for ice cream are all welcome. Please bring your donations by **July 13**. Thank you!

**A SPECIAL PATRIOTIC SERVICE:** Please join us next Sunday, **July 6**, for a special service. All authority comes from God. Here on this earth God rules and He reigns. Yet, He also delegates authority to people here on earth, to the Church, government, and to the family. We will focus on service to our government and country. We will lift up petitions in prayers, sing hymns of service, and thank God for giving us the gift of peace and quietness in our land. We will thank all of those who have served and sacrificed in a most honorable vocation so that we might have these gifts.

**TEE OFF FOR A GREAT CAUSE!** The **1st Annual Schomburg & Schomburg Golf Outing** will take place on **Friday, July 18, 2025**, at the Danville Country Club! All proceeds will benefit Immanuel Lutheran School. The day begins with registration and lunch at 11:30 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. After the round, stick around for prizes, a raffle, and appetizers as we celebrate a great day on the course. The investment is \$500/team. The registration deadline is **July 7, 2025**. Flyers and registration forms can be found on the ushers' desk in the narthex or in the church office. For questions, sponsorship details, or more information, call 217-304-0989 or email [events@schomburginc.com](mailto:events@schomburginc.com). We hope you'll join us on the green as we swing in support of Immanuel Lutheran School!



**INGATHERING:** We'll continue collecting much needed items for the Humane Society will through June. Most needed items at this time are dog food, cat food, dog and cat treats, and cat litter. Please place your donations in the coatroom. Thank you!

**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. 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!



**A MESSAGE FROM EILEEN HUCKSTADT:** *"With a grateful heart, I want to take a moment to thank you for the incredible outpouring of love and support you've shown me. The cards, meals, kind words, prayers, and steady friendships have meant more to me than I can express. Each gesture has reminded me that I am not walking this road alone, and is a beautiful reflection of God's love in action. Thank you for being there, for lifting me up, and caring so deeply."*

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



#### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Sunday (06/22)	90
Attendance Wednesday (06/25)	7
Communed Wednesday	7

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

Giving Last Week	\$5,544. <sup>00</sup>
Needed Weekly	\$7,594. <sup>00</sup>
Checking Account Balance	\$912. <sup>00</sup>
Bills Due This Week	\$9,485. <sup>00</sup>

#### BIRTHDAYS:

July 1 Braden Stone	3 Margie Souza
2 Josiah Heidle	4 Alyssa Julian
2 Ava Perez	5 Josey Clem
2 Melanie Toms	5 Kay Ohl

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

July 1 Pete and Diana Rudolph	63
July 4 Michael and Linda Borgwald	29
July 4 Charles and Denise Vollmer	34

#### CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (29)	9:30 am	Worship
Wednesday (2)	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
Thursday (3)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	1:00 pm	Quilters
	6:00 pm	Youth Night
Saturday (5)	11:00 am	Private Baptism Service
	2:00 pm	Ordination & Commissioning of Ethan & Rachel Hart (at Salem)
Next Sunday (6)	9:30 am	Worship with Communion

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Zora Drews Door Offering, June 29
- National Youth Gathering, July 16 – 23
- Schomburg & Schomburg Golf Outing, July 18
- ILS First Day of School, Aug. 18
- ILS Back to School Fall Carnival & Fundraiser, Sept. 13
- Steak Fry, Sept. 20