



Immanuel Lutheran Church

IMMANUEL LIGHTS

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GOD WITH US

June 8, 2025

Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. James Yonkers

Music Director / Organist: Tom Fricke

Elders: Don DeMoss, Kurt Thornsborough, Dean Hull

Ushers: Team F: Capt. Ray Wittmann

Communion: Allen Julian, Dean Hull

Lay Reader: Allen Julian

Gospel Reader: Allen Julian

Videographer: Josh Christensen

Screens/Audio: Dwain Dixon

Acolyte: Kinley Pratt

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: The Old Testament is Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 (I was set up...before the beginning of the earth.); The Second Reading is Acts 2:14a, 22-36 (God made Jesus both Lord and Christ.); and the Gospel is John 8:48-59 ("Before Abraham was, I am.")



ALTAR FLOWERS are given by to the glory of God by Larry Fredericks in celebration of Pentecost, thankful for the Holy Spirit at work in his life and in our church.

HOSPITALIZED: We pray for those hospitalized this week: **Bev Page, Earl Lackey.**

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Janet Gale, Sharon Glossinger, Myra Greazer, Linda Grinestaff, Marian Heideman, Bonnie Holmes, Bob and Caralee Homann.**

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (06/15) "**Nothing He'd Rather Be Doing**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus is a tireless Searcher with an affinity for finding lost people. (Psalm 8:4) Tune in to hear great sermons anytime: 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!*

WELCOME TO OUR IMMANUEL FAMILY! We welcome new members to our Immanuel family today: **Lawrence and Donna Streuer** from Covington; and **Beverly Ellgass**, currently at Hawthorne, moved here to be closer to her family from Warner Robins, GA. Please welcome and get to know them as our friends in Christ!

VBS IS COMING! Plan now to join us for Vacation Bible School, happening **June 16 – 20!**



We're heading Down Under for an **Epic Australian Adventure!** Life is an adventure, full of amazing things to see, do, learn, and explore. But we also know that along the way, we'll face challenges and tough decisions. That's why it's so important to have the right guide. Kids will discover how Jesus is our Savior and faithful guide, leading us on the path of truth that brings eternal life. Registration forms are available now!

Volunteers are needed! Help us bring the theme to life! From the vibrant Great Barrier Reef to the lush rainforests and the breathtaking outback, we'll be turning our church into the wild and wonderful landscapes of Australia on Thursday and Friday evening, **June 12 & 13** starting at 4:00 pm each day. *Please note this is a change from our original June events calendar.* We're also looking to borrow decorations to help set the scene. If you have stuffed animals of creatures you might find in Australia (kangaroos, koalas, reptiles, birds, etc.) or real or artificial plants (large or small), we'd love to use them during VBS week! Please clearly label your items with your name so we can return them to you afterward.

Donations requested: Next to the VBS poster, you'll find a tree with little koalas clipped to it that have items that are needed for VBS. Take one, purchase the item, and place it in the donation bin by the tree. Thanks!

VOTERS MEETING: Our next congregational Voters' Meeting and breakfast is **June 22** immediately following the service. The agenda includes elections (Vice President, Finance, Stewardship, Missions and Social Ministry, Youth, and Christian Education), and budget.

FROM INTERNSHIP TO MINISTRY: Our former Deaconess Intern Rachel (McCloskey) Hart will be commissioned at Salem Lutheran Church in Salem, IL on Saturday **July 5** at 2:00 pm. Rachel's husband, Ethan Hart, is also to be ordained as Associate Pastor of Salem. A meal will follow the service. If you would like to attend an RSVP is requested, please contact Salem at (618) 548-3190 by **June 22** if you would like to go. Rachel served us well here during her internship. She and Ethan are now being called into ministry and we pray God's blessings upon them as they begin their work in the church. Thanks be to God that He enabled us to serve the church by forming workers in His kingdom!

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS: Ladies, you're invited to an evening of fitness, fun, and fellowship on Thursday, **June 26** at 6:00 pm here at Immanuel. Sharron Runyan will lead us in an Intro to Chair Yoga, a gentle and relaxing way to stretch and move. Healthy snacks will be provided. Sign up on the bulletin board by **June 22** so we can plan accordingly! We're also asking for donations 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. A collection tote is available in the coatroom. Please bring your donations by **July 13**. And yes, we know it's a little funny that after a healthy gathering, we're asking for help putting together an Ice Cream Basket! But hey, balance is important, right?

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, and 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. Businesses are also invited to support the event through sponsorship opportunities, helping to make this fundraiser a success while gaining valuable exposure and showing their support for Christian education. 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. We hope you'll join us on the green as we swing in support of Immanuel Lutheran School!



SAVE THE DATE! The Capital Fund's next fundraiser is the Steak Fry on **Sept. 20**.

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!

SUMMER UPDATES: Adult Bible Class and Sunday School are now on break. During the summer months, Children's Church and Nursery care are also paused during Sunday services. **Parents, we kindly ask that you check your child's church mailbox.** We'll be clearing them out soon, and we'd love for each child to collect their crafts, notes, and treasures before then. We hope you and your family enjoy a joyful and restful summer, and we look forward to resuming our full schedule in the fall!



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Sunday (06/01)	90
Communion Attendance	71
Attendance Wednesday (06/04)	8

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$5,207. ⁰⁰
Needed Weekly	\$7,594. ⁰⁰
Checking Account Balance	\$1,206. ⁰⁰
Bills Due This Week	\$6,053. ⁰⁰

BIRTHDAYS:

June 8 Victoria Hess	10 Scott LaMar
8 LuAnn Pasquale	10 Joey Wilkinson
10 Jean Lackey	12 Justin Fredericks

ANNIVERSARIES:

June 11 Rick and Lynn Beck	48
June 14 John and Linda Pasquale	50

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (8)	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
Monday (9)	10:00 am	Manor Bible Study
Tuesday (10)	5:00 pm	Baton Twirlers in Gym
	6:00 pm	Elders Meeting
Wednesday (11)	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
Thursday (12)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	9:30 am	Social Ministry Meeting
	1:00 pm	Quilters
	4:00 pm	VBS Decoration
	6:00 pm	Christian Education Meeting
Friday (13)	4:00 pm	VBS Decorating
Next Sunday (15)	9:30 am	Worship with Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Trinity Sunday, June 15
- Father's Day, June 15
- Australian Outback VBS, June 16 – 20
- Voter's Meeting, June 22
- 5th Sunday Zora Drews Door Offering, June 29
- National Youth Gathering, July 16 – 23