



Immanuel Lutheran Church

IMMANUEL LIGHTS

GOD WITH US

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Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. James Yonkers

Music Director / Organist: Tom Fricke

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

Ushers: Team D: Capt. Jerry Kennett

Lay Reader: Butch and Julie Buesing

Children's Message: Sue Heidle

Gospel Reader: Butch Buesing

Videographer: Kim Davis

Screens/Audio: RJ Davis

Acolyte: Jamie Yonkers and Owen Price

Altar Guild: Pam Van Camp and Carrie Farrell

Counters: Nancy Purviance and Martha Elliott

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.

TODAY'S THEME: Paul unmasks an entire culture of religious idolatry where objects of worship are rubbish and religious assertions are merely fabricated in the minds of men. In the midst of the ungodly, he preaches the counsels of God, tells of the need for repentance, and confirms the resurrection of the dead. The resurrected Christ is the one we worship. His commandments are divine assertions. By Baptism, we are believers in all these things, loved by God and enabled to love.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Michelle Moore in loving memory of her mom, Bernice Lane, as she lovingly remembers and gives thanks for the blessing her mother was to her on this Mother's Day.

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

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Sandra Courson, Rosalie Finet, Janet Gale, Myra Greazer, Sharon Glossinger, and Linda Grinestaff.**

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (05/17) "**Don't Despise Small Beginnings**" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Our small efforts to become the people Jesus saved us to be might seem insignificant, but small efforts compound. (Acts 1:14) Tune in: www.lutheranhour.org.

WELCOME VISITORS! If you're new to Immanuel, we pray you feel the love of Christ and are blessed by our time of worship together. Please 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. *We're glad you're here!*

ADULT BIBLE CLASS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL meets on Sundays at 8:30 am – *with coffee and donuts!* Join us as we continue with the Bible Expedition series. In Sunday School, children (age 3+) meet in the youth room at the end of the church hallway, and our youth Bible Study (Jr./Sr. high) meet in the Women's Lounge. **The last day of Sunday School before we take a break for summer is Sunday, May 31.**

SCRIP CARD ORDERS: Looking for a thoughtful gift, or just want to make your everyday purchases work for a good cause? Scrip cards are great for birthdays, graduations, weddings, even your weekly grocery run. The next Scrip order is due to the church office by 9 am on **May 11.** Every card you purchase helps support the daily expenses of our church home. Thank you for using this simple and impactful way to give back!

WOMEN'S GUILD: The May Women's Guild Meeting is **May 12** at 11:30 am. This will be the last meeting before we break for summer. Watch your mailbox for information on summer fellowship events! The ingathering for May and June is for the Women's Care Clinic. The following items have been requested: spring and summer outfits for boys and girls in sizes from newborn to 2T; baby hygiene (lotion, soap, diaper rash cream), bottles, diapers and wipes, diaper bags, and infant Tylenol. Thank you!



CEMETERY WORK DAY: Come join us for light yard work and fellowship! We are hosting a cemetery work day on **May 16** beginning at 7:00 am. Come for an hour or the whole morning – anything you can do; it is greatly appreciated! Kids are welcome too! So, bring your weed eaters (gas only – there is no electricity at the cemetery) and yard work tools and join us for a little bit of work and a lot of fun and fellowship!



CONFIRMATION: Join us next Sunday, **May 17**, as we celebrate a special and faith-filled milestone in the lives of three of our youths: Lexie Beauvois, Eli Mann, and Owen Price. On this important day, these young Christians will publicly confess their faith in Jesus Christ and reaffirm the promises made at their Baptism. We give thanks for the many years of Christian love, guidance, and instruction that have led them to this moment, and we pray that the Lord will continue to strengthen and guide them throughout their lives. Confirmation is not the end of learning the faith, but the beginning of a lifelong walk with Christ and His Church. We encourage all our confirmed youth and adults to continue growing in God's Word through worship, Bible study, and life together as the family of faith.

MEMORIAL DAY commemorates our United States Service members who have died while on active duty.



We'll also remember with grateful hearts all who have served, their families and friends, and our own Immanuel and Trinity Lutheran saints departed. Once again, we will gather to honor the fallen at our **Lutheran Cemetery on Memorial Day, May 25** at 9 am along with our friends from Trinity. To all those who courageously gave their lives, and to

those who have fought or are still fighting today, to you, we say *thank you*. We don't know who all of you are, but we are grateful for each one of you. *"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."* (John 15:13).

GRADUATION: It's the time of year when students of all ages are graduating from school and college and moving on to the next step in their lives. We'd like to recognize all our graduates with a special prayer and blessing during the service on **May 31**. Please add your graduate's name to the board in our Narthex, so that we can include them. *Congrats!*



THANK YOU! Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Walk for Education on April 30. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our school and church families, we raised a phenomenal **\$6,150** for ILS! We are grateful to everyone who donated, volunteered, and supported this special event in any way. Special thanks to Tabby Hammer for organizing such a successful event, and to our teachers and staff for all their help and support. Congratulations to our top student fundraisers!

- 3rd place: Kace Leigh – \$415
- 2nd place: Rayne Farren – \$440
- 1st place: Kaelynn West – an impressive \$495!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! On this special day, we extend our heartfelt love and gratitude to all mothers, especially all our Immanuel moms! To every mom, grandma, stepmom, foster mom, and mother figure: thank you. Thank you for your selfless love, quiet strength, and tireless devotion. Whether you're nurturing little ones, supporting grown children, or pouring your heart into the lives of others, your care reflects the deep, abiding love of God. We celebrate and honor you, and we pray that you feel surrounded by love, joy, and appreciation, not just on Mother's Day, but every day.



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Last Sunday (05/03)	160
Communion Attendance	99
Attendance Wednesday (05/06)	13

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$6,451.00
Needed Weekly	\$7,570.00
Checking Account Balance	\$5,686.00
Bills Due This Week	\$7,217.00

BIRTHDAYS:

May 10	Kyan Johnson	13	John Pasquale
11	Debbie Thornsborough	13	Isaiah Perez
12	Jamie Yonkers	16	Gail Gerner
13	Julie Buesing		

ANNIVERSARIES:

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CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (10)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship
Tuesday (12)	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	11:30 am	Guild Luncheon Meeting
	6:00 pm	Elders Meeting
Wednesday (13)	8:45 am	ILS Chapel
	5:00 pm	Worship
	6:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday (14)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	9:30 am	Social Ministry Meeting
	6:00 pm	Christian Education Meeting
Saturday (16)	7:00 am	Cemetery Work Day
Next Sunday (17)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion And Youth Confirmation

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ILS Last Day of School, May 15
- Youth Confirmation, May 17
- Pentecost, May 24
- Memorial Day & Lutheran Cemetery Service, May 25
- Trinity Sunday, May 31
- Tropical Trek VBS, June 15 – 19