



Immanuel Lutheran Church

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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. Denny Hilton

**Communion:** Josh Christensen, Kurt Thornsborough

**Lay Reader:** Allen Julian

**Gospel Reader:** Allen Julian

**Videographer:** Dwain Dixon

**Screens/Audio:** Jamie Yonkers

**Acolyte:** Kinley Pratt

**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:** Jesus promises to release the power of the Holy Spirit that will sustain the church as she magnifies the name of Christ, in all wisdom, knowledge, and enlightenment. Today, the church honors Jesus' ascent into the heavenly realms. In His absence from us, we shall be comforted and sustained by the Spirit of God. In our waiting for Christ's return, we boldly proclaim repentance and the forgiveness of sins to all nations.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Jan Mann in celebration of Eli's Confirmation Day and birthday, with thankful hearts for God's many blessings and His continued guidance in Eli's life.

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

**WITH SYMPATHY** we pray for Ray and Marie Wittmann and family at the death of their son, Eric. *May the good Lord comfort all who mourn with the hope of the resurrection of all who believe in Christ Jesus!*

**HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS:** We pray for **Bonnie Holmes, Bob and Caralee Homann, Rev. Del Krueger, Charlotte Kennett, Angie Lucas, Bonnie Lazzell, Sandy Kochvar, and Marsha Malivuk.**

**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!* Adult Bible Class is beginning a new study titled *Noah: The Man, The Ark, The Flood.* 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 Adult Bible Class and Sunday School before we take a break for summer is Sunday, May 31.**

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** next Sunday (05/24) "**Misery Loves Company**" by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. It's often said, "Misery loves company." Christ comes to us in our misery with God's love and mercy. (Acts 2:38) Tune in: [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org).

**INGATHERING:** 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!

**CONFIRMATION:** Today we celebrate a special and faith-filled milestone in the lives of three of our youth: **Lexie Beauvois, Eli Mann, and Owen**

**Price.** On this important day, these young Christians 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, instruction, and guidance that have led them to this occasion, and we pray that the Lord will continue to strengthen and sustain



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. May God richly bless you on your Confirmation Day and grant you steadfast faith, joy in His promises, and His abiding presence always.

**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!*

**TEE OFF FOR A GREAT CAUSE!** The **2nd Annual Schomburg & Schomburg Golf Outing** will take place on **Friday, July 17, 2026**, at the Danville Country Club, and all proceeds will benefit Immanuel Lutheran School. This exciting event promises a day of fun, fellowship, and friendly competition! The day begins with registration and lunch at 11:00 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at 12:00 p.m. After the round, stick around for prizes, a raffle, and appetizers. The investment is \$600/team. Businesses are also invited to support the event through sponsorship opportunities. The registration deadline is **July 7, 2026**. Registration and sponsorship forms can be found on the information table in the Chapel hallway. 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!



**EXPERIENCE THE CREATION MUSEUM!** Join us on Saturday, **Aug. 29** for a fun and faith-filled day trip to the Creation Museum in Petersburg, KY. Explore inspiring exhibits like *"Fearfully & Wonderfully Made"* and *"Radiance,"* along with beautiful grounds, the Creation Zoo, and the Stargazer Planetarium. This family-friendly trip includes charter bus transportation, museum admission, a meal voucher, and a planetarium show. Last year's Ark Encounter trip filled the bus, so be sure to sign up early! A full flyer with trip details and pricing is included in this Sunday's bulletin, and a sign-up sheet is available on the information table in the chapel hallway. Reservations must be made by **July 31**. Make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church and write Creation Museum on the memo line. You can place your check in the offering place or drop it off to the church office anytime.

**UNTIL WE GATHER AGAIN THIS FALL:** As we approach the summer months, our Parish Education activities will soon be taking a seasonal break. Children's Church on Communion Sundays has already concluded, and next Sunday, will be the final Children's Sermon until fall. Children's mailboxes will remain available through Sunday, June 7. After that date, any remaining items that have not been picked up will be cleaned out for the summer months. We give thanks for another wonderful year of learning, growing, and sharing in God's Word together, and we look forward to resuming all our children's activities again this fall. Have a safe, relaxing, and blessed summer!



**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:**

Attendance Last Sunday (05/10)	109
Attendance Wednesday (05/13)	5

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

Giving Last Week	\$7,023.00
Needed Weekly	\$7,570.00
Checking Account Balance	\$5,521.00
Bills Due This Week	\$7,890.00

**BIRTHDAYS:**

May 17	Eli Mann	20	Jenna Shutes
17	Jacob Seymour	20	Janet Terry
19	Quentin Ablinger	20	Jakob Toms
20	Jennifer Fitting	23	Ronnie Van Camp
20	Rosemary Hilton		

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

May 19	Jeffrey and Melanie Toms	36
May 20	Michael and Amanda Beauvois	20
May 21	David and Tina Ammermann	38
May 22	Chad and Jodi Wright	27

**CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...**

Sunday (17)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion And Youth Confirmation
Monday (18)	10:00 am	Manor Bible Study
Wednesday (20)	5:00 pm	Worship
Thursday (21)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	6:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting
Next Sunday (24)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Pentecost, May 24
- Memorial Day & Lutheran Cemetery Service, May 25
- Trinity Sunday, May 31
- Zora Drews Door Offering, May 31
- Tropical Trek VBS, June 15 – 19
- Voter's Meeting, June 28
- Golf Outing for ILS, July 17
- Creation Museum Trip, Aug. 29