



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. Denny Hilton

Communion: Dean Hull, Al Julian

Lay Reader: Kurt and Debbie Thornsborough

Gospel Reader: Kurt Thornsborough

Children's Message: Diana Pratt

Videographer: Dwain Dixon

Screens/Audio: Jamie Yonkers

Acolyte: Brooklynn Hunt

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: The Spirit rests upon those who prophecy the truth in the name of the Lord. With the inauguration of Pentecost – the dramatic outpouring of the Holy Spirit – the proclamation of Jesus is unleashed in a myriad of languages. Prophecies, visions, and dreams inspired by the Holy Spirit testified to the mighty works and authority of God in Jesus Christ. Divine truths would now shape and inspire the hearts, minds, and speech of those who follow Jesus.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Mary Powell in celebration of her grandsons' High School Graduation. Congratulations Connor and Josiah!

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

WITH SYMPATHY we pray for Chad and Jodi Wright at the death of Lyle Wright, Chad's father. *May the good Lord comfort all who mourn with the hope of the resurrection of all who believe in Christ Jesus!*

HOUBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Bev Page, Don Page, Linda Pasquale, Charlotte Schendel, John Roderick, Carol Rollins, Gary Stuhr, Phyllis Schendel, Billy Schuring, and Diana Stage.**

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 (05/31) "**A Friendly Recommendation**" by Rev. Michael Zeigler. What happens when you find out that acquiring everything you've ever wanted... still isn't enough? (Genesis 1:26) Tune in: 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!

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 to all grads!*

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES: As we approach the summer months, our Parish Education activities will soon take a seasonal break. Children's Church on Communion Sundays has already concluded and today will be the final Children's Sermon. Children's mailboxes will remain available through **June 7**. We look forward to resuming all our children's activities again this fall.

SAVE THE DATES: Ladies of Immanuel, be sure to mark your calendars for summer fellowship gatherings on **June 30** and **July 28**. More details will be coming soon, so keep an eye on your mailbox!



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. Enjoy a day of golf, food, prizes, raffles, and fellowship! Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. with a shotgun start at noon. Team entry is \$600, and sponsorship opportunities are available. Registration and sponsorship forms, along with full event details, can be found on the information table in the Chapel hallway. Registration deadline is July 7. We hope you'll join us on the green as we swing in support of ILS!

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. More information and the signup sheet is available on the 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.

A MESSAGE FROM JOYCE MARTIN: *"I would like to sincerely thank everyone who gave memorials to the food pantry or the church in memory of Bill. Thank you also for your prayers, cards, and words of comfort. I am thankful for a prayer-answering God and for a caring church family who has surrounded us with love."*

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: The church office will be closed on Monday, **May 26**, in observance of Memorial Day. If you are in need of immediate spiritual care, contact Pastor at 260-413-8375. If you need to reach the church office, please leave a voicemail or send an email and we will get back with you on Tuesday.

TROPICAL TREK VBS: Grab your backpack and get ready for an island adventure! VBS is **June 15-19**, and this year we'll journey through **Tropical Trek – Jesus Comes to Seek and Save!** Based on Luke 19:10, children will explore exciting places like island caves and volcanoes while learning that Jesus seeks us out, loves us, and is always with us through every challenge in life. We'll be transforming our church into a tropical oasis filled with sandy beaches, palm trees, jungle vines, and colorful island fun! To make this week unforgettable, we'll need help with decorating, gathering supplies, and volunteering. Check out the display in the narthex for ways you can help. Help us make waves as we share Jesus' love with our children this summer!



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Last Sunday (05/17)	98
Communion Attendance	78
Attendance Wednesday (05/20)	11

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$6,009. ⁰⁰
Needed Weekly	\$7,570. ⁰⁰
Checking Account Balance	\$4,588. ⁰⁰
Bills Due This Week	\$8,206. ⁰⁰

BIRTHDAYS:

May 24 Ray Wittmann	28 Tom Farrell
26 Sharon Glossinger	28 Jared Fredericks
27 Ari Fleming	28 Karie Kucic
27 Helene Frankel	28 Janet Gale

ANNIVERSARIES:

May 30 Kurt and Debbie Thornsborough 34

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (24)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
Monday (25)	9:00 am	Memorial Day Service at the Lutheran Cemetery
Wednesday (27)	5:00 pm	Worship with Communion
Thursday (28)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	9:00 am	Newsletter Assembly
Next Sunday (31)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 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