



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

**Pianist:** Darlene Collins

**Elders:** Don, Kurt, Ken, Dean

**Ushers:** Team E: Cpt. Denny Hilton

**Communion:** Dean Hull, Kurt Thornsborough

**Lay Reader:** Mike & Sue Heidle

**Gospel Reader:** Mike Heidle

**Altar Guild:** Eileen Huckstadt and Carrie Farrell

**Audio/Visual:** Dwain Dixon, Butch Buesing

**Acolyte:** Jamie Yonkers

**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.

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE:** The Old Testament for The Holy Trinity is Genesis 1:1-2:4a (The story of creation.); the Epistles is from Acts 2:14a, 22-36 (God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.); the Holy Gospel is Matthew 28:16-20 (Make disciples of all nations.)

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Joe and Kathy Kyle in loving memory of their grandson, Evan Blount.

**HOSPITALIZED:** We pray for those hospitalized this week: **Bill Russell and Paul Teegarden**

**WITH SYMPATHY** we pray for the family and friends of Mickey Seidler. *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 **Billy Schuring, Diana Stage, Gary Stuhr, Paul Teegarden, Bob & Kathy Wakeley, Betty Watts, Eric Wittmann, and Jerry Young.**

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** next Sunday (06/04) "It's All Good--Even When It's Not" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes. The key to growing closer to others is by growing closer to God. (Genesis 1) Tune in to hear great sermons any time: [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org)

## WELCOME VISITORS! *New around here?*

We're so glad to see you! We hope you are blessed today as we worship the Lord together. Please fill out the visitor's information in the red folder at the end of the pew. If you have any questions about our congregation or the sermon, feel free to ask an usher (one of the gentlemen just outside of the sanctuary), our pastor, or contact the church office at 217-442-5675. *We're so glad you're here and hope to see you again!*

## ADULT BIBLE CLASS & SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Today is the last Sunday for Adult Bible Class and Sunday School before taking a summer break. Have a great summer and we'll meet again this fall!

## CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMANDS!



The Rite of Confirmation will be received during the service by **Kendall M. and Carley L. Wright**. You are invited to celebrate this special day and extend your well wishes to them at a reception following the service today. Help yourself to a treat before you leave! May He, who loves and guides us all, bless each of you on your Confirmation day!

**CONGRATS!** Today, we send our best wishes and God's blessings to our Immanuel member and family graduates during the service. Grads – congratulations on your wonderful achievements! May God be with you every step of the way as you move on to the next steps in your lives.

## MEMORIAL DAY commemorates our Unites 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 29** at 9 am

along with our friends from Trinity for a service of Word and Prayer. 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 and every one of you. "*Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.*" (John 15:13).

**VOTERS MEETING:** Our next congregational Voters' Meeting is scheduled for **June 11** immediately following the service. Items on the agenda include elections, the budget, and an open forum. Positions up for election include VP, Finance, Stewardship, Mission and Social Ministry, Youth, and Christian Education. **We need you!** These are services much needed in the church that serve the body of Christ by taking care of the logistical needs of the church. The board *needs* a few new faces with new ideas and a new and objective view of things. Make your voice heard, and serve the Lord in a new way. If you are interested, please see any member of our nominating committee: Don DeMoss, Diana Pratt, or Kim Davis. **Your participation is important!!**

**MISSION IV CONCERT:** We are excited to welcome the Mission IV Quartet to Immanuel on **June 3 at 6 pm!** We hope you come and enjoy the music of four very talented gentlemen as they perform some original Gospel songs and fresh arrangements to the great classics. There is no fee, so please invite your family and friends! A freewill donation will be collected during the concert. You'll have a great time – just ask anyone that attended the Tim Graves and the Farm Hands concert!



**WELCOMING RACHEL:** Our Deaconess intern, Rachel McCloskey, will arrive soon, around June 8 – 10. The Women's Guild would like to sponsor a Kitchen Shower. They will purchase a set of pots and pans, silverware, and food storage containers. We will collect items such as kitchen and bath towels, disposable products like paper towels, cups, and plates, and nonperishable food items. If you would like to contribute, please place your donations in the coat room. Thanks!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** for preschool – grade 6 is coming back **June 26 – 30** with the theme *God's Living Water – covered in Jesus' grace!* A great week is in store as together we share the Gospel with God's children, so we hope that *you* will prayerfully consider serving in some way! Today, we highlight our need for volunteers! We need LOTS of volunteers to make our VBS a great success! Session leaders are needed for opening and closing, music, storytelling, Bible challenge, crafts, and snacks. We need someone to help with tech and a volunteer photographer. Please see the VBS bulletin board by the water fountain in the hallway to sign up, or see Sue DeMoss. No experience is needed – just a love for sharing the Gospel!

**INGATHERING:** Our ingathering for May and June is for **Dayspring Women's and Children's Shelter** at 213 N. Bowman Avenue. They provide emergency long and short term shelter for women and children who find themselves homeless. They are requesting paper products such as toilet paper and paper towels, cleaning supplies, and travel size toiletries such as shampoo and conditioner. No clothing needed at this time.



**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:**

Attendance Last Sunday (5/21)	106
Wednesday Attendance (5/24)	10

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

Giving Last Week	\$4,698.00
Needed Weekly	\$8,386.00
Checking Account Balance	\$9,913.00
Bills Due This Week	\$7,532.00

**BIRTHDAYS:**

May 28 Tom Farrell	30 Sharon Burow
28 Jared Fredericks	1 Darlene Collins
28 Janet Gale	2 Tabatha Hammer
28 Karie Kucic	3 Roger Dahlenburg
29 Earl Lackey	3 Tabitha Gnaden
30 Hannah Brandt	3 Dottie Pettit

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

May 30 Kurt & Debbie Thornsborough	31
May 31 Michael & Sue Heidle	37

**CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...**

Sunday (28)	8:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
	10:30 am	Confirmation Reception
Monday (29)	9:00 am	Memorial Day Service at the Lutheran Cemetery
Tuesday (30)	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
Wednesday (31)	5:00 pm	Worship with Communion
Thursday (1)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
Saturday (3)	8:30 am	Mission IV Quartet Concert
Next Sunday (4)	8:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Memorial Day & Service at the Cemetery, May 29
- Mission IV Quartet Concert, June 3
- Trinity Sunday, June 4
- Voter's Meeting, June 11
- Father's Day, June 18
- First Day of Summer, June 21
- VBS Decorating Day, June 24
- VBS, June 26 – 30
- Summer Camp, June 5 – July 28