



Immanuel Lutheran Church

# IMMANUEL LIGHTS

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GOD WITH US

May 5, 2024

## Serving in Worship Today

**Pastor:** Rev. James Yonkers

**Music Director / Organist:** Tom Fricke

**Elders:** Don DeMoss, Kurt Thornsborough, Dean Hull

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

**Lay Reader:** Sue DeMoss

**Gospel Reader:** Butch Buesing

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

**Acolyte:** Kinley Pratt

**Counters:** Nancy Purviance, Martha Elliott

**Videographer:** Kim Davis

**Screens/Audio:** RJ Davis

**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 First Reading is from Acts 1:1-11 (The Ascension of Jesus recalled by Luke); the Epistle is Ephesians 1:15-23 (God appointed Jesus head over the Church.); the Holy Gospel is Luke 24:44-53 (The ascension of Jesus.)

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by David and Judy Creek in celebration of their 56<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.



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

**HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS:** We pray for **Mike Borgwald, Dan Burmeister, Ruth Burress, Heather Christensen, Nancy Clark, Darlene Collins, Sandra Courson, Debbie Dill, Rosalie Finet, Janet Gale, and Myra Greazer,**

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** next Sunday (05/12) "Unforecastable" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. It's been said that God's call often comes as a surprise. In Acts 9, we meet three men who found themselves called in ways they could neither forecast nor control. (Acts 9:31) Tune in: [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org)

**SCRIP:** The next Scrip order is due to the church office by 9 am on Monday, **May 13**. Pickup your order May 19.

**WELCOME VISITORS!** *New around here?* 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, feel free to ask an usher (the gentleman just outside of the sanctuary), 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:** For the rest of the season in Bible Class we will be doing a form of "Ask the Pastor". Some preponderances like: *Do all dogs go to heaven? Will I be married in Heaven?* To theological questions: *Does it matter that I am a Lutheran?* **Sunday School** is available for children age 3 through high school. Sunday School and Bible Class will take a break over summer after **May 26**.

**WELCOME TO ILS SUNDAY!** We are so grateful that you are able to be here today to sing and celebrate God's love with us! ILS Preschool children are here to share their musical talents with us and we'll recognize the PreK grads. We'll also hold a door offering for our Zora Drews Scholarship Fund that gives financial support to families to help keep their children in our school. If you would like to make a donation, our ushers will be in the back of the church near the sanctuary doors as you exit. Just place your donation in their plate. Before you head home, stop by the cookie reception and enjoy a sweet treat! **Congrats, grads!**



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** There is a VBS planning meeting on Saturday, **May 4** at 9 am. The theme this year is "Celebrate the Savior – Jesus Gives Us Joy!" The date is tentatively set for **July 15 – 19**. A great week is in store, so we hope that *you* will prayerfully consider serving in some way! If you would like to participate, join us at the meeting or speak with Sue DeMoss. No experience needed – just a love for sharing the Gospel!

**ILS CULVERS SHARE NIGHT:** ILS will host a Share Night with Culvers on Monday, **May 6** from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Those who wish to join us are most welcome: dine in, carry out, or drive through ... just use our Share Night coupon (in your bulletin today) and Culver's gives ILS 20% of the proceeds. ILS children will help deliver your order to your table – *how cute!* Thank you!

**YOUTH LOCK-IN:** Join us **May 10 – 11** for a youth lock-in! It will be a time of fun, fellowship, learning, and service. Items to bring: Sleeping bag or blankets, pillow, appropriate sleepwear, toiletries, medications, and a snack to share! The lock-in starts at 6:30 pm on May 10 and ends at 9 am on the 11<sup>th</sup>. Dinner and breakfast will be served. Get ready for an action-packed night!

**WOMEN'S GUILD:** Ladies, we hope you will join us for our **May 14** luncheon meeting at 11:30 am. This is our last meeting before summer break. Our guest at this meeting will be Christy Little, RN, who is a nurse home visitor with Carle's new Vermilion County Program, Healthy Beginnings. Our May and June ingathering will be items for mothers and children: infant and toddler clothing (boy and girl), Diapers (newborn – size 5), wipes, baby shampoo, lotion, baby bath towels and wash cloths, burp cloths, and receiving blankets.

**MOVIE NIGHT:** All are welcome to join the youth on **May 23** at 6 pm for a showing of "A Matter of Faith". A Christian girl goes off to college for her freshman year and begins to be influenced by her popular Biology professor who teaches that evolution is the answer to the origins of life. When her father suspects something happening, he examines the situation and what he discovers completely catches him off guard. This movie is entertaining and captivating! *Please come – there will be popcorn!*

**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 27** at 9 am along with our friends from Trinity for a service of Word and Prayer.



**DAN YAGOW RETIRING:** After 43 years in the teaching ministry of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, Mr. Dan Yagow is retiring at the conclusion of this school year. You are invited to celebrate this occasion with Trinity Lutheran Church and School on Sunday, **June 2**, during the Divine Service at 9:30 am. Following the service, a dinner in his honor will be served at 11:30 am. If you are unable to attend, but wish to send him a card, his address is: 22219 Carlton Dell Road, Danville, IL 61834.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Rachel McCloskey's internship is wrapping up! Her last day here at Immanuel is Monday, June 10. We invite you all to a congregational potluck and card shower after church on **June 9** to celebrate and thank her a job well done and wish her well on all of her future endeavors. The main course of hamburgers, brats, and hotdogs will be provided, please bring a side dish to share. Rachel, congratulations on completing your internship! You have been a blessing here!

**SPRING BRUNCH:** *Last chance to sign up!* Please sign up on the bulletin board today or call the church office by noon tomorrow. The Women's Guild will host a Spring Brunch on **May 18** from 10 am – noon. Our guest speaker, Carol Garver will present "In the Beginning..." a presentation on her Creation quilts.

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:**

Attendance Last Sunday (04/28)	103
Attendance Wednesday (05/01)	9

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

Giving Last Week	\$5,462. <sup>00</sup>
Needed Weekly	\$8,006. <sup>00</sup>
Checking Account Balance	\$535. <sup>00</sup>
Bills Due This Week	\$7,913. <sup>00</sup>

**BIRTHDAYS:**

May 5 Joseph Mann	8 Marcy Heeren
5 David Parker	8 Courtney Heidle
5 Aaron Pratt	8 Pam Hull
6 Hayley Buesing	10 Kyan Johnson
8 Noah Christensen	11 Debbie Thornsborough

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

May 10 Adam and Sarah Stuhr	10
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**CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...**

Sunday (5)	8:30 am Bible Study & Sunday School
	9:30 am Worship – ILS Sunday
	10:45 am Cookie Reception & Zora Drews Scholarship Door Offering
Monday (6)	10:00 am Manor Bible Study
	5 – 8 pm ILS Culver's Share Night
Tuesday (7)	9:30 am Women's Bible Study
	2:00 pm Midwest Food Bank Delivery
Wednesday (8)	8:45 am ILS Chapel
	11:30 am ILS Lunch on the Lawn
	5:00 pm Evening Worship Service
	6:00 pm Choir Practice
	6:30 pm Handbells Practice
Thursday (9)	8:30 am Food Pantry
	9:30 am Social Ministry Meeting
	6:00 pm Christian Education Board Mtg
Friday (10)	6:30 pm Youth Lock-in Drop Off
Saturday (11)	9:00 am Youth Lock-in Pick Up
Next Sunday (12)	8:30 am Bible Study & Sunday School
	9:30 am Worship with Communion

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ILS Culver's Share Night, May 6
- ILS Lunch on the Lawn, May 8
- The Ascension of our Lord, May 9
- Youth Lock-In, May 10 – 11
- Cemetery Work Day, May 11
- Mother's Day, May 12
- ILS Last Day of School, May 17
- Ladies Spring Brunch, May 18
- Armed Forces Day, May 18
- Pentecost, May 19