



Immanuel Lutheran Church

IMMANUEL LIGHTS

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GOD WITH US

October 5, 2025

Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. James Yonkers

Music Director / Organist: Tom Fricke

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

Ushers: Team D: Capt. Jerry Kennett

Communion: Kurt Thornsborough, Dwain Dixon

Lay Reader: Diana Pratt

Gospel Reader: Kurt Thornsborough

Children's Church: Jan Mann

Videographer: Josh Christensen

Screens/Audio: Jamie Yonkers

Acolyte: Kendall Wright and Brooklynn Hunt

Altar Guild: Juanita Rottmann and Pam Van Camp

Counters: Jerry and Charlotte Kennett

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 Reading is Ruth 1:1-19a (Naomi and Ruth); the Epistle is 2 Timothy 2:1-13 ("If we have died with Him, we will also live with Him."); and the Gospel is Luke 17:11-19 (Healing of the ten lepers).

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Jan Mann in celebration of Annabelle Clark's birthday. Happy Birthday, Annie!

Correction: Last Sunday's altar flowers were also given to the glory of God by Sam and Pam Van Camp in celebration of their birthdays on Sept. 28 & Oct. 11.

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

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Mike Borgwald, Ruth Burress, Dawn Campbell, Heather Christensen, Nancy Clark, Darlene Collins, Sandra Courson, Kyla Culotti, and Rosalie Finet.**

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (10/12) "**When a Cakewalk Becomes a Crucible**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Forgiveness isn't a formality with God. Forgiveness is formative. It changes us. (Numbers 14:30-31) 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. You can also reach out to the church office at 217-442-5675. *We're glad you're here!*

HOLY BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Holy Baptism was granted this past Wednesday, Oct. 1, to **Nicholas Bennett Uplinger**, born February 9, 2025, and to **Maya Diana Uplinger**, born November 13, 2023, to James and Shannon Uplinger. Through Holy Baptism, Maya and Nicholas became children of God as their sins were washed away in connection with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Their sponsors are Pete and Diana Rudolph. May God graciously preserve the saving faith given to Maya and Nicholas through this sacred act of God's grace and cause their faith to grow through the continued use of His Word and Sacraments.



ADULT BIBLE CLASS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL meets every Sunday at 8:30 am. Join us as we continue with the Bible Expedition series. Join Pastor Yonkers' study to learn why we do what we do during the Lutheran worship service. In Sunday School, the children (age 3+) are learning about Noah and the flood and the Tower of Babel. Our youth Bible Study (Jr./Sr. high) will take a look at Paul's letter to the Romans.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped make our Fall Rummage and Bake Sale a success! Whether you baked something delicious, helped with setup or cleanup, or came out to shop and supported the event, we truly appreciate you. You're invited to stop by the gym after today's service for one last look, everything that's left is now free to take home. Cleanup will begin on Monday morning at 8 am, and once again, we'd be grateful for any extra hands. The final total of proceeds will be announced soon.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: October's lesson focus is "The Bible tells us about God."

ROOF PROJECT: We are excited to share that roof replacement work on our school and gym could begin as early as Thursday, **Oct. 9**. Safety is a top priority. We kindly ask everyone to use caution around the building and to avoid any areas where work is actively taking place. Whenever possible, we encourage you to use the church entrances to help keep foot traffic away from construction zones.

INGATHERING: During September and October, we are collecting items for Fair Hope Children's Ministry on Voorhees Street in Danville. Their greatest needs are infant and toddler socks (size 6-18 mo. & 18-36 mo.), boys/girls' underwear (size 2T-4T & 14-18), lightweight zip-up jackets (sizes 2T-5T), and boys jeans (size 6-10).

ILS NEWS: ILS will hold two staff institute days on **Oct. 10 & 13**. Our dedicated teachers and aides will be on campus for important training, meetings, and classroom prep. We would love to start each of these mornings with a light breakfast and devotion. We are looking for volunteers to provide breakfast casseroles. If you're willing to help, please sign up on the bulletin board. Church members are also invited to attend active shooter training on **Oct. 10** at 9:30 am. This would be great training for ushers and other church leaders.

VOTERS MEETING: Our next Voters Meeting will be held on **Oct. 12**. Items on the agenda include a review of our recent survey results, discussion of proposed changes to the Lutheran Cemetery Bylaws, annual board reports, and an open floor session to share thoughts, feedback, and any concerns you may have. We'll also be sharing a meal, continuing our new tradition of fellowship as we conduct the business of the church. Please see Kim in the church office if you would like to help with the breakfast.

FALL CLEANUP: With fall just around the corner, it's time to tackle a few end-of-the-year outdoor tasks. Please consider joining us on Saturday, **Oct. 18** from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm for a morning of light yard work. We'll be focusing on sprucing up the gardens around the bell tower, the sign, near the chapel doors, and the window boxes along the front of the school. To thank you for your help, a light lunch will be provided.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY: We hope you will join us on **Oct. 19**! ILS teachers, all Sunday School teachers, our Confirmation teacher, Bible Study leaders, etc. will be dedicated. We'll also give Bibles to children in 2nd grade, and Catechisms to children in 5th grade. Parents, please call the church office if you have a child in 2nd or 5th grade so we can prepare. Lunch will follow.

CEMETERY: Save the date for a fall cleanup at our Lutheran Cemetery. We invite you to come on **Oct. 25** and help us with weed eating, raking, and cleaning up from 7 – 10 am. Please bring any tools you might have, such as rakes, trimmers, or gloves. There is no power at the cemetery, so any tools you bring should be battery powered, or gas operated.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT: Please join us on **Oct. 26** from 4 – 6 pm as we hand out candy to trick or treaters! There are a couple of ways you can help. Bring some Halloween or Fall decorations and pass out candy to the kids of Immanuel, ILS, and community. You can also donate bags of candy for us to pass out. There is a box next to the table in the hallway for your donations. Thank you!



A MESSAGE FROM THE HUCKSTADT FAMILY: "A very heartfelt thank you to our church family here at Immanuel for the warm thoughts and prayers for Eileen. We thank you for the cards, flowers, and food to our Huckstadt family!" From Scott, Nikki, and Kyle.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Last Sunday (09/28)	117
Attendance Wednesday (10/01)	19

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$8,904. ⁰⁰
Needed Weekly	\$7,594. ⁰⁰
Checking Account Balance	\$720. ⁰⁰
Bills Due This Week	\$7,934. ⁰⁰

BIRTHDAYS:

Oct. 5	Sarah White	8	Kinley Pratt
6	Landry Martin	9	Noah Acree
7	Joyce Martin	10	Anabelle Clark
7	Bev Page	11	Sam Van Camp

ANNIVERSARIES:

Oct. 7 Steven and Claire Martin 8

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (5)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
Tuesday (7)	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	2:00 pm	Midwest Food Bank Delivery
Wednesday (8)	8:45 am	ILS Chapel
	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
	6:00 pm	Choir
	6:45 pm	Handbells
Thursday (9)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	9:30 am	Social Ministry Meeting
	6:00 pm	Christian Education Meeting
Friday (10)	10:00 am	Active Shooter Training
Next Sunday (12)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Voter's Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Voters' Meeting, Oct. 12
- Church Fall Cleanup Day, Oct. 18
- Christian Education Sunday, Oct. 19
- Cemetery Workday, Oct. 25
- Reformation Sunday, Oct. 26
- Trunk or Treat, Oct. 26