



Immanuel Lutheran Church

IMMANUEL LIGHTS

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GOD WITH US

September 14, 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 C: Capt. Kurt Thornsborough

Lay Reader: Sue DeMoss

Gospel Reader: Butch Buesing

Videographer: Dwain Dixon

Screens/Audio: Don DeMoss

Acolyte: Carley Wright

Altar Guild: Sharron Runyan and Kathy Christensen

Counters: Mary Powell and Holly Clem

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 Amos 8:4-7 (Woe to those who trample the needy.); the Epistle is 1 Timothy 2:1-15 (God wants all to be saved.); and the Gospel is Luke 16:1-15 ("You cannot serve God and money.")

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Scott Huckstadt in loving memory of Eileen. Scott and Eileen would have celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on September 13th.

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

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for Sharon Glossinger, Myra Greazer, Del Krueger, Linda Grinestaff, Marian Heideman, Bonnie Holmes, Bob and Caralee Homann, Carol Johnston, Charlotte Kennett, Sandy Kochvar.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (09/21) "Someone Worth Having" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. We lost God's name along the way, but God found us and gave us the Name by which we can know Him: Jesus – "God saves." (Numbers 6:27) Tune in to hear great sermons anytime: 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!*

ADULT BIBLE CLASS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL meets every Sunday at 8:30 am. Join us as we continue with the Bible Expedition series from last year and then delve into a video study of the Flood and Noah. Join Pastor Yonkers' study to learn why we do what we do during the Lutheran worship service. For the first two weeks of September, the children (age 3+) are studying the Creation from Genesis 1 & 2. We will learn that the Triune God created all things, and we are God's creation whom He still preserves. Our youth Bible Study (Jr./Sr. high) will take an in depth look at Paul's letter to the Romans.

ZORA DREWS: Thank you to all who made a special donation last Sunday to the Zora Drews Scholarship door offering! A total of \$378 was collected. Your generosity helps us make a lasting impact in the lives of students. Thank you for supporting our school and the incredible kids they serve!

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS: Monthly meetings will resume on Tuesday, **Sept. 16** with an 11:30 am lunch meeting. Please bring a dish to share. Our Guild board members are our hosts for September and will supply the dessert, drinks, and paper goods. Our **ingathering** for September and October will be 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).

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: The Tuesday morning Women's Bible Study will begin **Sept. 16** at 9:30 am. in the conference room. This fall, we'll be diving into *The Women of the Bible Speak* by Shannon Bream. The study explores the lives of 16 women from Scripture and the timeless lessons their stories offer for our lives today.

SAVE THE DATE! The Capital Fund will once again host our Annual **Steak Fry** on Saturday, **Sept. 20**, from 4:30 to 6 pm. The menu includes grilled ribeye steak, baked potato, salad, Italian bread, dessert, and drink for \$25. An additional steak is \$10. Tickets will be sold on Sundays after church until **Sept. 14** and in the church office during the week. Sign-up sheets for desserts and volunteers will be available Aug. 17 as well. We'll need lots of help with setting up (Sept. 19 at 4:30 pm), during the event, and take down (after church Sept. 21). ***This event has advance ticket sales only – they will not be sold at the door.***



FALL RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE: The Fall Rummage and Bake Sale is **Oct. 3 & 4!** You may bring donations for the sale after the Steak Fry and put them on the stage in the gym. We will also be looking for volunteers to help set up, work the day of the sale, and clean up. Please talk to Diana Pratt if you have any questions. Invite your neighbors and coworkers to the sale to shop – there is something for everyone! The fall rummage sale benefits ILS, and they have chosen to donate the proceeds to the roof fund.



FALL CLEANUP DAY: With fall just around the corner, it's time to tackle a few end-of-the-year outdoor tasks—and we could use your help! Please consider joining us on Saturday, **October 18** from 9:00 am to 12:00 om 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. Tasks will include pulling weeds, trimming bushes, and picking up trash to help freshen up our outdoor spaces before winter sets in. To thank you for your help, a light lunch will be provided! Looking ahead, keep an eye out for more opportunities coming in the spring—we're planning to launch an Adopt-a-Spot program to help share the load and support the wonderful volunteers who care for our grounds throughout the year. We hope to see you there!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY is **Oct. 19**. This Sunday celebrates the many ways the saving Gospel is taught here at Immanuel. We'll celebrate our school, Sunday School, Bible Study, and ILS teachers will be installed, we'll give out 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.

CAMP CILCA: Men and boys, sign up for the Act Like Men Shooting Retreat on Sept. 20. The cost is just \$15 per person and includes lunch. Their annual G.R.I.T. Run (grueling, rugged, intense, trail run) is on Oct. 4. For more information or to sign up for either event, you can call Camp CILCA at 217-487-7497.



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Last Sunday (09/07)	108
Communion Attendance	94
Attendance Wednesday (09/10)	17

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$7,246. ⁰⁰
Needed Weekly	\$7,594. ⁰⁰
Checking Account Balance	\$1,577. ⁰⁰
Bills Due This Week	\$7,741. ⁰⁰

BIRTHDAYS:

Sept. 15 Dean Hull	18 Courtney Perez
16 Cooper Crawley	18 Roger Seibert
16 Patricia Rull	19 Sean Stuhr
	20 Blake Wadsworth

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sept. 15 Tom and Mary Ellen Fricke	18
Sept. 15 Bob and Kathy Wakeley	69
Sept. 16 Mike and Lori Acree	19
Sept. 19 Joshua and Rachel Schmidgall	5
Sept. 20 Kelly and Holly Clem	22

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK ...

Sunday (14)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship
Monday (15)	10:00 am	Manor Bible Study
Tuesday (16)	9:00 am	Circuit Pastors' Conference
	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	11:30 am	Guild Luncheon Meeting
	6:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday (17)	8:45 am	ILS Chapel
	11:30 am	ILS Lunch on the Lawn
	5:00 pm	Worship
	6:00 pm	Choir
	6:45 pm	Handbells
Thursday (18)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	6:00 pm	Youth Night
Friday (19)	4:30 pm	Steak Fry Setup
Saturday (20)	4:30 pm	Steak Fry Dinner
Next Sunday (21)	8:30 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
	10:30 am	Steak Fry Cleanup

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Steak Fry, Sept. 20
- First Day of Autumn, Sept. 22
- Fall Rummage and Bake Sale, Oct. 3 & 4
- LWML Sunday, Oct. 5
- Church Fall Cleanup Day, Oct. 18
- Christian Education Sunday, Oct. 19
- Reformation Day, Oct. 31