

*Making known by word and action the healing presence of God
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Serving in Worship Today

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

Ushers: Team B: Youth Team

Communion: Dwain Dixon, Dean Hull

Lay Reader: Janet Terry

Gospel Reader: Dwain Dixon

Videographer: Kim Davis

Screens/Audio: RJ Davis

Acolyte: Kinley Pratt

Altar Guild: Kathy Christensen and Mary Powell

Counters: Martha Elliott and Nancy Purviance

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: God's plan for His people is deliverance and redemption. Wicked persecutors and ruthless naysayers will not prevail against those who remain steadfast in God's Word. These are the ones who, by God, would be equipped to love, rejoice, contribute, bless, and live! All His goodness trounces evil and its deception. Jesus prevails against wicked men, carries the cross, endures rage, bleeds, and dies! All this He does because He loves, blesses, delivers, and redeems His people.

HOSPITALIZED: We pray for those who were hospitalized this past week: **Chris Purviance, Pam Van Camp.**

WITH SYMPATHY we pray for Kay Ohl and family at the death of her sister, Joan; and for Mary Powell and family at the death of her daughter-in-law, Tamara. *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 **Pam Hull, Charlotte Kennett, Sandy Kochvar, Rev. Del Krueger, Bonnie Lazzell, Angie Lucas, Marsha Malivuk, Bev Page, Don Page, Linda Pasquale, & Chris Purviance.**

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!*

ZORA DREWS OFFERING TODAY: You can help families who are struggling financially to keep their children in our school. Please support this scholarship fund and keep our school in your prayers! Ushers will be near the doors as you exit the sanctuary. If you would like to contribute, please place your offering in the plate.

MUFFINS FOR MITES: Our first Sunday mite collection is a wonderful way to support the mighty missions of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Beginning **Sept. 6**, join us for Muffins for Mites! On the first Sunday of each month, bring your spare change—or any mite offering—to support mission projects around the world. Then, enjoy a delicious muffin as a thank-you! Give a mite. Take a muffin. Make a mighty difference!

LWML FALL RALLY: Ladies, you're invited to join us on **Sept. 8** for the Champaign and Danville Zones Fall Rally at St. John's Lutheran Church in Champaign. Registration and light snacks begin at 12:30 pm. The guest speaker of the day is Rev. Michael Schuermann with the U of I Campus Ministry. The registration fee is \$10 to be paid on the day of the rally. If you're interested in attending or would like to carpool, please see Diana Pratt.

SCRIP ORDERS: Are you looking for a thoughtful gift, or just want to make your everyday purchases work for a good cause? The next Scrip order is due to the church office by 9 am on **Sept. 8** and will be ready for pick up on **Sept. 13**. Order blanks have been revised, so please be sure to use a new one from the table in the hall. Thank you for using this simple and impactful way to give back!

CHOIR & HANDBELLS resumes Wednesday, **Sept. 9**. Choir will meet from 6:00 – 6:45 pm, with Handbells at from 6:45 – 7:30 pm. If you've ever thought about joining — whether you're experienced or simply curious — we'd love to have you!

PARISH EDUCATION ACTIVITIES RETURN! We're excited to welcome everyone back to Parish Education this September! Adult Bible Class and Sunday School return Sunday, **Sept. 13**. Adult Bible Class meets at 8:30 a.m. in the multipurpose room and will continue the video study *Noah: The Man, the Ark, the Flood*. Sunday School is open to children ages 3 through young adults. Children's Sermons also return **Sept. 13**, with Children's Church beginning **Sept. 20** on Communion Sundays. Children's mailboxes in the chapel hallway will return in mid-September, so parents, encourage your children to check their boxes each week!

WOMEN'S GUILD LUNCHEON: All ladies of the are invited to join us for our first monthly luncheon meeting on Tuesday, **Sept. 15**, at 11:30 a.m.! Bring a dish to share, and we'll provide the rest. We'd love to have you join us!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday morning Women's Bible Class will resume on **Sept. 15** at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room. Whether you've been part of the class for years or have never attended before, you are warmly invited to join us. Bring your Bible and come as you are! For more information, please see Cindy Pasquale.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY: Join us **Sept. 27** as we celebrate Christian Education Sunday! We will have a special service giving thanks for the gift of God's Word and the opportunity to grow in faith and knowledge of Christ. **As part of our celebration, we will present Bibles to our 2nd graders and Small Catechisms to our 5th graders in the congregation.** Parents, if you have a child in either of these grades, please sign up on the sheet located on the table in the hallway or call the church office so we can be sure to have a copy prepared especially for your child. Following the service, everyone is invited down to the gym for a brunch and fun activities! Come celebrate with us as we encourage and support the faith of our children and families.

FALL RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE: It is just around the corner – **Oct. 2 & 3**. Please hold onto your donations for now! We will begin accepting donations on **Sept. 23**. Sept. 27, we ask that you be able to carry them in and place them on the stage. If you can wait until **Sept. 28** you can bring your donations to the gym door, and our volunteers will be available to take them in and place them directly in the gym for the sale. Thank you for helping make the donation process easier for everyone, and for supporting our sale!

INGATHERING: Our ingathering is for The Dwelling Place. This faith based ministry is dedicated to those experiencing or at risk of homelessness. Items requested are needed for both men and women: hygiene items, gloves, hats, socks, underwear, toilet paper, and aspirin or pain reliever, There is a tote in the coat room for donations.

THANK YOU! Thanks to your generous support of fundraisers such as our Advent and Lenten suppers, along with the support of the Women's Guild, we have purchased the final batch of new chairs for our church events! These sturdy new chairs replace the older brown chairs and provide a safer, more comfortable option for our gatherings. It took some time and a little thrifty shopping, including putting Menards rebates to good use, but we finally have them all! Thank you to all who helped make this possible through your donations. Every contribution made a difference!

STEAK FRY: The Capital Fund Committee will host its annual Steak Fry on **Oct. 10** from 4:30 - 6:00 pm. ***Tickets go on sale today and must be purchased in advance.*** The cost is \$25 per meal, with an extra steak available for \$10. Volunteer and dessert sign-up sheets will also be available in the chapel hallway. Please consider helping, many hands will be needed to make this event a success! We have kept the ticket price at \$25 despite rising costs so that more people can enjoy the food and fellowship. However, the cost of ribeye steaks has increased significantly. If you would like to make a monetary donation toward the cost of the steaks, your generosity would be greatly appreciated. The proceeds will go towards replacement of the church flat roof.



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Wednesday (08/26)	16
Communed Wednesday	10

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$1,520.00
Needed Weekly	\$7,708.00
Checking Account Balance	\$1,920.00
Bills Due This Week	\$7,732.00

BIRTHDAYS

Sept. 1	Tye Pasquale	3	Glen Natschke
1	Jaycie Moore	3	John Moore
2	Alex Moore	4	Declan Rouse
2	Beau Schackmann	5	Rev. Del Krueger

ANNIVERSARIES

Sept. 1	Daniel and Patricia Rull	53
Sept. 2	Butch and Julie Buesing	30
Sept. 4	Dan and Rosemary Burmeister	61
Sept. 5	Paul and Lindsay Van Hoveln	6

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Sunday (30)	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
Monday (31)	10:00 am	Manor Bible Study
Wednesday (2)	8:45 am 5:00 pm	ILS Chapel Evening Worship
Thursday (3)	8:30 am 11:30 am	Food Pantry ILS Lunch on the Lawn
Next Sunday (6)	9:30 am	Worship with Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Labor Day, Sept. 7
- LWML Fall Rally, Sept. 8
- ILS Welcome Back Carnival, Sept. 11
- Sunday School & Bible Class Begins, Sept. 13
- Women's Bible Study Begins, Sept. 15
- Women's Guild Luncheon Meeting, Sept. 15
- Christian Education Sunday, Sept. 27
- Fall Rummage and Bake Sale, Oct. 2 & 3
- Capital Fund Steak Fry, Oct. 10
- LWML Missionary Ashley Lehr Visit, Oct. 11