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Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. James Yonkers
Lay Leader: Kurt Thornsborough
Music Director / Organist: Tom Fricke
Elders: Don D., Dean H., Butch B.
Ushers: Team A: Capt. Don DeMoss
Lay Reader: Kurt and Debbie Thornsborough
Gospel Reader: Kurt Thornsborough
Videographer: Dwain Dixon
Screens/Audio: Josh Christensen
Acolyte: Eli Mann
Altar Guild: Rosemary Hilton and Debbie Ferris
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.

TODAY'S THEME: The Lord of hosts is the indisputable Redeemer – there is no other! All creation awaits the revelation of the sons of God, who by grace become God's adopted heirs. We are the redeemed, the hope-filled, the ones for whom the Spirit cries out that our weaknesses may not devastate, suffocate, or strangle us. In Christ, we are forgiven and known as the children of His kingdom, because we hear His Word and believe!

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by John and Ruth Roderick in celebration of their 60th Anniversary.

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

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for **Charlotte Kennett, Sandy Kochvar, Rev. Del Krueger, Bonnie Lazzell, Angie Lucas, Marsha Malivuk, Bev Page.**

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (07/26) "Worth the Wait" by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The certainty that Jesus offers is not theoretical or experimental. It's the certainty of a promise, of a secure relationship. (Matthew 13:44) Tune in to hear this and other great sermons at: 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. *We're glad you're here!*

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR ON THE GREEN!



The 2nd Annual Schomburg & Schomburg Golf Outing is officially in the books – and what a fantastic day it was! On behalf of Immanuel Lutheran School, we extend a very special thank you to Butch and Julie Buesing. Their efforts from the earliest planning stages to the final putt ensured every detail came together.

We are also deeply grateful to everyone who helped make this year's outing such a tremendous success. Whether you participated as a golfer, sponsor, volunteer, donor, or supporter, your generosity and enthusiasm continue to strengthen Immanuel Lutheran School and support the ministry we share with our students and families. The total proceeds from this year's outing will be announced soon.

PASTOR YONKERS will be out of town **July 19 – 25**. Our regular church office hours will not be affected during this time. If you have a pastoral emergency or are in spiritual need, please do not hesitate to reach out. You may contact Pastor on his cell at 260-413-8375 or our Head Elder, Don DeMoss, at 217-799-1035.

LADIES SUMMER FELLOWSHIP: We are looking forward to a great day to the Kickapoo Tea Room in Downs, IL on **July 28!** Located in a beautifully restored church building with stained glass windows, the Tea Room offers a unique dining experience and is well-loved for its homemade meals, desserts, and warm atmosphere. We will meet at the Vermilion Farm Bureau on Rt 150 at 10:15 am. Please park on the west side. We Will head to Downs and shop at the boutique in the Tea Room until lunch at 12:30. On the way home, we may stop in Mahomet to shop at the Quilting Bee and Main Street Botanicals.

SUPPORT ILS THROUGH THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS!

Are you a Thrivent member? You have an opportunity to make a real difference for Immanuel Lutheran School at no cost to you! We are currently looking for Thrivent members willing to sponsor Action Teams for several upcoming ILS events, including the Fall Carnival, Veterans Day Program, Christmas Fun Night, Grandparents Day, Pre-K Graduation Ceremonies, and many more events throughout the school year! Your Action Team can help provide supplies, decorations, refreshments, and other resources that bless our students, families, and school community. To learn more or to sponsor an Action Team contact Mrs. S. at 442-5036 or ils.schooldirector@gmail.com. Thank you for using your Thrivent membership to support the ministry of Immanuel Lutheran School!

CHURCH IN THE PARK: Join us at the Lincoln Park Pavilion (English & Logan Streets) for Church and a Family Picnic on **Sunday, Aug. 23**. Church in the Park has become a wonderful opportunity to worship together in God's creation while enjoying fellowship with our church family. We'll have our service at 9:30 am, then follow with a picnic lunch. Picnic tables are available in the pavilion but feel free to bring lawn chairs for the service as well. We hope you'll join us!

EXPERIENCE THE CREATION MUSEUM! Join us on **Saturday, Aug. 29** for a fun and faith-filled day trip to the Creation Museum in Petersburg, KY. Explore inspiring exhibits like "Fearfully & Wonderfully Made" and "Radiance," along with beautiful grounds, the Creation Zoo, and the Stargazer Planetarium. This family-friendly trip includes charter bus transportation. More information and the signup sheet is available on the table in the chapel hallway. **Reservations and payments must be made by July 31.** Please make checks payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church and write Creation Museum on the memo line. You can place your check in the offering place or drop it off to the church office anytime.

SAVE THE DATE: The Capital Fund Committee is excited to host our Steak Fry fundraiser on **Oct. 10**, from 4:30–6:00 pm. We hope you'll plan to join us for a great evening of food and fellowship! We'll also need a few helping hands to make the event run smoothly, help with set-up or clean-up, assist during the event, bring a dessert to share, or simply come and enjoy the meal together. Tickets and volunteer sign-up sheets will be available in the chapel hallway at the end of next month. We look forward to seeing you there!

MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED: We are looking for a few new volunteers to help with our Sunday money counting teams. This is an easy-to-learn task that can be done on Sunday mornings while you are already at church. Consider asking a friend to serve with you and make it a great opportunity to spend a little extra time together. Each Sunday, our money counters count and deposit the offerings received during worship, along with any funds brought into the church office during the week. After counting, the deposit is taken to the bank's night deposit. Currently, we have three teams of two people who rotate this responsibility throughout the year. The commitment is typically less than an hour after church. If you would like more information or would like to help, please contact Kim in the church office. We would be so grateful for your willingness to serve!

A WARM WELCOME BEGINS AT THE DOOR: One area of focus for ILS staff this year is working on building relationships with school families. To give our staff the opportunity to greet families and get to know parents, we have changed drop off procedures to utilize the lobby. We want to create a lobby that helps families feel welcomed, valued, and connected. We will use some of what we have, but we would also like to add a few new items. To help us with this simple lobby refresh, we are seeking donations to purchase a standing reception desk and area rug, with an estimated cost of \$300. We are also looking for artificial plants or greenery to add warmth and life to the space. If you have gently used artificial plants at home that are no longer being used, we would love to give them a new purpose here at Immanuel. The picture below conveys the image and feel we are looking to create. Donations can be brought to the church office. Thank you for your continued support!



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Last Sunday (07/12)	97
Attendance Wednesday (07/15)	18

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$6,172.00
Needed Weekly	\$7,570.00
Checking Account Balance	\$54.00
Bills Due This Week	\$8,841.00

ANNIVERSARIES

July 23	Joe and Jessie McElhoe	21
July 24	Dennis and Carol Eilers	15

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Sunday (19)	9:30 am	Worship
Tuesday (21)	6:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday (22)	5:00 pm	Evening Worship
Thursday (23)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
Next Sunday (26)	9:30 am	Worship with Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Ladies Lunch at Kickapoo Tea Room, July 28
- First Day of School, Aug. 17
- Church in the Park, Aug. 23
- Creation Museum Trip, Aug. 29
- Capital Fund Steak Fry, Oct. 10