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Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. James Yonkers
Music Director / Organist: Tom Fricke
Elders: Don E., Dean H., Butch B.
Ushers: Team D: Capt. Jerry Kennett
Communion: Kurt Thornsborough, Dean Hull
Lay Reader: Allen Julian
Gospel Reader: Allen Julian
Children's Message: Sue DeMoss
Videographer: Dwain Dixon
Screens/Audio: Volunteer Needed
Acolyte: Jamie Yonkers
Altar Guild: Juanita Rottmann and Mary Powell
Counters: Judy Creek and Jerry 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.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Mary Powell in celebration of her granddaughter's birthday. Happy birthday Sydney!

HOSPITALIZED: We pray for those who were hospitalized this past week: Pam Van Camp, Howard Ohl.

HOMEBOUND / HEALTH CONCERNS: We pray for Sharon Glossinger, Myra Greazer, Linda Grinestaff, Mike Heidle, Bonnie Holmes, Bob and Caralee Homann, Pam Hull, Charlotte Kennett, and Sandy Kochvar.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR next Sunday (Nov. 1) "What We Will Be" by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. What we will be has not yet appeared. But even now, we are God's adopted children, through faith in Christ. (1 John 3:2) Tune in to hear great sermons at: www.lutheranhour.org.

CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS! As a reminder we will **Fall Back** one hour when Daylight Savings Time ends on **Nov. 1**. Set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night – you'll get an extra hour of sleep and still make it to church on time!

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!*

TRUNK-OR-TREAT: Join us on **Oct. 31** from 3 – 5 pm as we welcome our costumed candy seekers with smiles and sweets! We plan to line up our cars in the parking lot, weather permitting, but we'll move into the gym if it's too cold or rainy. We need your help! You can decorate your car, dress up if you'd like, and hand out candy to the kids. We ask that you sign up on the bulletin board to help us with planning. If you're not able to host a trunk, you can still join in the fun by donating bags of candy for us to share. A donation box is located next to the table in the hallway. Thank you for helping us share the sweetness of the season!



PLEASE COMPLETE TODAY'S SURVEY: We've seen declining participation in our fellowship events, activities, and ministries, and we want to better understand why. What would make you excited to participate? Is something missing? Are there new ideas or old traditions you'd like to see return? The Board of Directors invites you to share your honest thoughts. This is not a request for more volunteers, but an opportunity to help us strengthen fellowship, renew enthusiasm, and make Immanuel a place where people feel connected and want to participate. We'll allow time at the beginning of today's service to complete the survey. Completed surveys will be collected from the center aisle. We assure you that we will keep your responses anonymous and only shared with the board at a special meeting to discuss the results. Thank you!

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 other pain reliever.

STEAK FRY: Thanks to everyone's support, our Steak Fry raised \$3,102! A big thank-you to everyone who volunteered their time, baked a delicious dessert, or came out to enjoy a meal and support the fundraiser. We appreciate each and every one of you who helped make this event a success!

GIFT (SCRIP) CARD ORDERS: The next order date is Monday, **Nov. 9**. Orders will be available for pickup on Sunday, **Nov. 15**, or afterward in the church office. You may also make special pickup arrangements with Jo Van Hoveln. Please note that the December Scrip order will be placed on Monday, **Dec. 7** (the first Monday of the month), allowing plenty of time to order gift cards for Christmas!

IT'S BAZAAR TIME! It's time to make plans for the Guild's **Leaf and Holly Holiday Bazaar** on **Nov. 10!** The Bazaar is from 10 am – 2 pm. The luncheon is served from 11:00 to 1:30 and the menu is a delicious BBQ pulled pork sandwich, cheesy potato casserole, cranberry salad, and dessert and beverage of your choice. **Tickets are on sale now and are just \$14 each.** They are available before and after church, or in the church office during the week. Get one for you and a friend!



We deliver! Have to work on bazaar day? Consider picking up a group order form from the table in the hallway, available now. You can take orders at work, turn in your form with payment ahead of the bazaar, and we'll bring lunch to you!

Donations needed: Please place donations for any of the booths in the lounge and mark which booth it is for. **Attic Treasures** is always looking for gently used items, the **Christmas Shoppe** needs all things festive and merry, and the **Woodworking** booth is looking for hand crafted projects. New in 2026! A **Vintage Family Heirlooms** booth will sell treasured pieces from the past, lovingly passed down through generations.

Silent Auction: If you have a Silent Auction item or basket, please check with Sharon Crow so she can plan for the proper display. Some items may need an easel for pictures or additional floor space for larger displays. These items can also be placed in the lounge and marked Silent Auction.

Publicity: Yard signs are available now. Please consider picking up a sign if you have access to a high traffic location. We would also like to take a publicity photo of booth and Silent Auction items on Wednesday, **Oct. 28**, so please bring your donations in as soon as possible. Thank you!

MONICAL'S DAY: Eat pizza and support our Parish Education program on **Nov. 17** at the Tilton or Danville locations. The flyer that you must take with you, will be distributed in your church mailbox soon. It's easy and tasty!

MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED: We are looking for one more volunteer to join our money-counting team! With just one more person, we will have enough volunteers to form four teams, which is fantastic! This would allow each team to serve only three times per year instead of four. No experience is necessary, and it should take no more than 30 minutes after an average Sunday service. Please consider helping with this important ministry and see Kim in the church office if you would like to learn more!

VETERAN'S DAY AT IMMANUEL: Join us on **Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 6:30 p.m.** as our ILS children and staff honor our veterans with songs and a display of their patriotic artwork. Members and guests are warmly invited to come show their support for our students and thank those who have served our country! Then, on **Sunday, Nov. 8**, we'll recognize Veterans Day during worship with a special prayer and blessing for our veterans. A door offering will also be collected to benefit our Lutheran Cemetery Fund.



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Last Sunday (10/18)	102
Communion Attendance	82
Attendance Wednesday (10/21)	16

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE:

Giving Last Week	\$2,907.00
Needed Weekly	\$7,708.00
Checking Account Balance	\$1,659.00
Bills Due This Week	\$7,541.00

BIRTHDAYS

Oct. 28	Kathy Christensen
31	Joshua Schmidgall
31	Richard Wahlfeldt

CALENDAR EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Sunday (25)	8:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion
Monday (26)	10:00 am	Manor Bible Study
Tuesday (27)	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
Wednesday (28)	8:45 am	ILS Chapel
	5:00 pm	Worship with Communion
	6:00 pm	Choir
	6:45 pm	Handbells
Thursday (29)	8:30 am	Food Pantry
	9:00 am	ILS Halloween Parade
	9:00 am	Newsletter Assembly
Saturday (31)	3 – 5 pm	Trunk or Treat
Next Sunday (1)	8:30 am	Bible Class & Sunday School
	9:30 am	Worship with Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Trunk-or-Treat, Oct. 31
- All Saints' Day, Nov. 1
- Muffins for Mites, Nov. 1
- ILS Veteran's Day Program, Nov. 4
- Cemetery Door Offering, Nov. 8
- Leaf and Holly Holiday Bazaar, Nov. 10
- Veteran's Day, Nov. 11
- Monical's Day, Nov. 17
- Congregational Thanksgiving Potluck, Nov. 22
- Thanksgiving Eve Service, Nov. 25
- Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26
- Advent Begins, Nov. 29