



Weekly Calendar August 23-30, 2015

Monday, 8/24

8:00p AA Meeting

Tuesday, 8/25

6:30a Men's Bible
Study

8:30-11:30a Preschool T/Th
Class Open House

6-7:30p Zumba

Wednesday, 8/26

8:30-11:30a Preschool M/W/F
Class Open House

9:30a Adult Bible Study

6-6:30p Immanubells Practice

6:30p Midweek Classes

7-8p Choir Practice

8:00p AA Meeting

8:05p Agape Ringers
Practice

Thursday, 8/27

1st Day of Preschool T/Th Class

5:00p Weight Watchers
Meeting

7:00p Ladies' Bible Study

Friday, 8/28

*1st Day of Preschool M/W/F
Class*

Saturday, 8/29

5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 8/30

Rally Day!

7:45a Worship Service

9:00a Sunday School &
Bible Study Classes

10:15a Holy Communion &
Sunday School
Children Sing

11:30a NYG 2016 Meeting
for Youth & Parents

2-8p Youth Group Kick-
Off at the Nichols'
house

Our Weekly Announcements

RESTROOMS are located in the hallway next to the overflow room and multipurpose room and in the church basement in the hallway to the side of the old kitchen.

PARENTS OF LITTLE

CHILDREN: There are activity bags available in the narthex for your little ones. Please feel free and take a bag with you as you enter.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS.

There are several large print bulletins available in the narthex for anyone needing one.

THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS!

Twenty-five people earned a Phil. 4:8 magnet for completing 6 out of 8 sermon outlines during this sermon series. Those people are Lisa Clamors, Rose Exum, Ann Frank, Susan Hargrave, Wayne Hargrave, Barb Heimbürger, Courtney Heimbürger, Jeremy, Karen Hodapp, Allen/Pam Jacobs, Pat Jones, April Kirkley, Mike Kuhlmann, Millie Menke, Jeanette Moeller, Tom Naber, Dinah Pflasterer, Kim Polacek, Bob Polansky, Becky Richards, Tim Scheibe, Laurie Sparwasser, Harry Thompson, Sandy Thompson, and Melissa Ziegler. The magnets are in the narthex. Congratulations!

NEXT SUNDAY is the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The readings for next Sunday will be Deut. 4:1-2, 6-9; Eph. 6:10-20; and Mark 7:14-23. This is being provided so that you can better prepare for worship.

OFFERING STATEMENTS for January-June are available in the narthex. Please pick up your statement and peruse it. Let us know if you find any discrepancies.

PROFIT AND LOSS reports for July 2015 are available in the narthex for anyone wishing a copy of the report.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for July-September 2015 are now available. Pick up your copy today! The booklets can be found on the windowsill in the narthex.

UGANDA UPDATE: Thank you to all who purchased t-shirts! Contact the church office if you would still like to purchase these t-shirts. By the way, over 340 t-shirts have been donated to Uganda already!

FOOD COLLECTION FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE!

The Bi-County Backpack Program provides meals over the summer for children in Waterloo, Valmeyer & Red Bud, who would struggle without it. The items needed include (no glass jars, please) pasta (spaghetti, elbow, etc.), pasta sauce, pasta mixes, Roman noodles, peanut butter, pancake mix, pancake syrup, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, tuna, soups, stews, canned ravioli, fruit (cans or cups), canned vegetables. There is a basket in the narthex for your donations. Thank you!

DID YOU KNOW? Households visited through Immanuel's New Neighbor Outreach since November 2007: 639.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR YOUTH!

(1) Recycle your aluminum cans! There is a large trash can in the kitchen for those cans. If you have a large amount and put them in trash bags, you can put the bags over by the white shed at the corner of the parking lot. (2) The paper recycle bins are located in the back of the education building. Load them up with your paper recycling products! (3) The ice machine is available and ice can be purchased for a freewill donation during office hours, and on weekends before and after the services. Simply bag your own ice with the large ice scoop and place your money in the donation bucket. All proceeds benefit Immanuel's youth group and their events throughout the year. Thanks for your continued support!

A COFFEE & DOUGHNUT FELLOWSHIP

is held each Sunday after the early service (until 9am). Coffee and doughnuts are sponsored by Immanuel's youth and are located in the hallway by the overflow room. The youth appreciate free will donations. **Would you like to sponsor a Sunday?** If so, please sign up on the sheet on the coffee & doughnuts table or by the ice machine! Your help is appreciated!

BULLETIN BOARD IN THE NARTHEX.

Remember to take a look at all the flyers on the bulletin board in the narthex. Many events and activities in and around our community (upcoming Lay Bible

Institutes, concerts, dinners, Thrivent events, blood drives, etc.) are posted there!

AUTO CONTRIBUTIONS. Would you like to have your weekly or monthly contributions taken directly from your checking or savings account? If so, please fill out a Direct Contribution Form found on the shelf in the narthex and drop it in the wooden box in the narthex or in the "Notes 4 Lisa" basket in the church office.

UPDATED CONSTITUTIONS are available in the narthex. Be sure to pick up a copy if you'd like.

LWML MITE BOXES. There is a purple & white "Mites for Missions" box on the table in the narthex for any loose donations you would like to give to support LWML local & national mission work. Thank you!

DO YOU SHOP AT SCHNUCKS?

Schnucks offers a wonderful and EASY fundraising program, and Immanuel is a part of it. If you already have an e-scrip card, remember to use it every time you check out at Schnucks. If you don't have an e-scrip card, you can pick one up right as you enter Schnucks. They can be found on the display with the ads and other coupons. Thank you for using your cards!

MEDIA TEAM—CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for 2-3 computer-savvy people (junior high age or above) to join Immanuel's media team. You would be on a rotating schedule and serve as the media person during one service every 2 weeks or so. If you are interested and would like to join this team, please contact Lisa (939-6480 or immanuelwaterloo@gmail.com). Thanks!

OUR COLLECTION FOR AUGUST

will benefit Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School in East St. Louis. Items needed are colored copier paper (in many colors), 1.5 inch three-ring binders, packs of lined notebook paper, pocket folders (no tabs), colored pencils, 3" x 5" lined index cards, composition notebooks (9.75" x 7.5"), glue sticks, spiral notebooks, student scissors, 24-count Crayola crayons, markers, pencil boxes, white out tape, staplers and staples, colored Sharpie markers, manila folders, 9x12 envelopes, red pens, masking tape, Scotch tape rolls for dispensers, disinfectant spray & wipes, and white copier paper.

Want to view our worship services or need more info? Visit us at www.immanuelwaterloo.org.

Last Weekend's Attendance

	2015	2014
Saturday	60	53
7:45am	43	68
10:15am	115	101
	218	222

2015 weekend average attendance: 240

Sunday School

PreK-8th	21	\$6.55
HS & College	3	
Adults	22	
	46	

Bible Study Opportunities

Sundays:

- Pastor Troup leads a Bible study called "Letters from a Jailbird: Paul's Prison Epistles," at 9:00am in the overflow room.
- A high school and college Bible class in the youth room (lower level of the school building) at 9:00am. They are studying "The Psalms in Life" led by Vicar Merritt.
- A Bible study, "My Apostle, He Wrote Me a Letter," led by Alan Stumpf in the multipurpose room at 9:00am for all 7th & 8th grade students and their parents.
- An adult Sunday School DVD study at 9:00am in the church basement kitchen. Feel free to bring your little ones, too!

Tuesdays:

- A Bible study on selected Psalms led by Pastor Troup at Burger King at 6:30am. This is a Bible fellowship for men.

Wednesdays:

- A Study of Romans led by Vicar Merritt Demski in the overflow room at 9:30am. This is a Bible fellowship for adults.

Thursdays:

- The Ladies' Bible study meets at 7:00pm in the overflow room to study "Mirror, Mirror: Reflections on God's Word."

Thank you for your support! A barrel is in the narthex for your donations.

WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE THE GIFT OF KNOWLEDGE!

Our missionaries Eric and Linda, who visited us earlier this summer, have now returned to Tanzania and need our help. Their school, Mwadui Lutheran Secondary School, currently only has a large closet as space for their library. They want to give the students a space to research and learn to read for fun. They hope to begin construction before the end of 2015, but the school needs \$25,000 for materials before the end of September. They already have \$1,000. As an added incentive, if all of the money comes in before the end of September, Eric and Linda will post a video of themselves, the students, and teachers dancing to the song "Happy." If you feel called to contribute, you can make a secure online donation at www.GlobalLutheranOutreach.com/support-funke.html and write in the donation amount next to "Funke: Mwadui Library." Or you can write a check to Global Lutheran Outreach with "Funke: Mwadui Library" in the memo line and send it to Global Lutheran Outreach, 6709 Ficus Drive, Miramar, FL, 33023. All donations are tax-deductible and every little bit helps!

LADIES, join us for Bible study on Thursdays at 7:00pm in the overflow room. We are studying "Mirror, Mirror: Reflections on God's Word." We'll discuss the difference between how we see ourselves and the true way that God sees us. Hope to see you there!

MIDWEEK CLASSES. Immanuel's first class for this school year's Midweek classes will be on Wed., Aug. 26, starting at 6:30pm. This year we're asking parents to attend this first class with their students so that they become aware of our routine and curriculum. Midweek classes are for children grades 5-8 and is preparation for junior confirmation.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE YOUTH BELLS OR THE ADULT CHOIR?

Our practices will begin on Wed., August 26th, at 6:00pm & 7:00pm, respectively. All youth in grades 5-8 are welcome to join the youth bells, and all voices, high school age and older, are welcome to join the adult choir. If you are interested, please attend the first practice.

RALLY DAY & SUNDAY SCHOOL! Children in the preschool-8th grade Sunday

School classes will be celebrating Rally Day on Sunday, August 30th. On this day, the children will advance to their next grade level during the Sunday School hour at 9:00am. Those children in preschool-6th grade will also be singing 2 songs during the 10:15am service. Families are invited and encouraged to bring their children for this fun morning! *Sunday School is held each Sunday from 9-10am for children and adults.* Preschool-2nd grade meet in the education building, 3rd-6th grades meet in the church basement, 7th-8th grades meet in the multipurpose room, high school & college age young people meet in the youth room, and adults meet in the church basement kitchen and in the overflow room.

ARE YOU PLANNING TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING IN JULY 2016?

If so, please plan to attend a special meeting on Sunday, August 30th, following the 10:15am service. Parents are asked to attend as well. We'll be signing initial paperwork and discussing initial plans. If you can't be at this meeting but are interested in attending the NYG, please contact Karen Valerius (314-920-0488) as soon as possible.

YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF! All young people entering grades 7-12 are invited to a "Kick-Off" Party at Sandy & Jackie Nichols' house (8012 Lakewood Drive, Waterloo) for food, fun & fellowship on Sunday, August 30th. The Nichols family will provide the burgers, hotdogs and bread. Side dishes & desserts are needed. If your last name begins with A-K, please bring a side dish, and L-Z last names, please bring a dessert. We'll get things started at 2:00pm with an optional water fight (our jungle gym is already equipped with water cannons to even the score!), then move into picking teams for a kick ball game. Dinner will be around 6:00pm, and we'll wrap up the night at no specific time. Please bring your own drink of preference, lawn chair and a towel. Please let Sandy (618-719-3424 or nichols7@htc.net) know if you can make it, and as always family and guests are welcome to join us.

"WHEN I'M 64" FOR UNITY. Unity Lutheran School in East St. Louis is hosting a fundraiser entitled "When I'm 64 - Nothing But the Beatles" in Prairietown, IL on Sat., Sept. 12, 2015, from 2-10pm. This will be a family friendly event with live music all day and a children's activity area. Concessions may be brought in or purchased on site. A freewill donation will be accepted. For contributions exceeding \$100, a special hospitality tent, complete

with food and beverages, will be available. For further info, or to become a sponsor, visit www.unityesl.org or our Unity Facebook Page event for "When I'm 64."

A SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, Sept. 13 following the 10:15am service (approx. 11:20am). This meeting will be very brief as the only item on the agenda will be to elect representatives for circuit forum. We'll need a quorum, so please plan to attend!

BOOK CLUB! Immanuel's Book Club will be discussing *The Rise of Theodore Roosevelt* by Edmund Morris at their next meeting on Monday, Sept. 14 at 7:00pm in the church basement kitchen. All are welcome! Watch the bulletins for what they'll be discussing at their Oct. 5th meeting.

OLDER ADULT BUS TRIP. The SID Older Adult Advisory Committee is sponsoring a Comparative Faith Encounter on Friday, Sept. 18, 2015. It's a bus trip touring various mosques, churches and temples in the area. Would you like to attend? If so, see the registration forms on the bulletin board in the narthex. The bus will pick you up at St. Clair Square in Fairview Heights, but Bob Polansky plans to attend and would be happy to give you a ride there if you need one. His contact info is on the registration form or you can talk to him about this at church.

BE A VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS and join Immanuel's team at Life Network's annual Life Walk & 5K Run on Saturday, Sept. 20th. It will be held at 9:00am on the courthouse square. You can find more info and registration forms on the bulletin board in the narthex!

LUTHER TOUR. Pastor Willard and Stephani Meyer of Zion Lutheran Church in Bethalto, IL are leading a tour entitled, "On the Trail of Martin Luther," departing next year on September 14, 2016 from St. Louis. This 11-day tour is specifically designed to connect us with the places Dr. Martin Luther lived, studied, worked and preached. There will be a special travel presentation on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at 6:30pm at Zion Lutheran Church in Bethalto, IL. To learn more about this trip you may request a brochure from us by calling (618) 377-9815 or e-mailing revwilly@charter.net.