



Weekly Calendar Sept. 13-20, 2015

Sunday, 9/13

11:15a Special
Congregational
Meeting

Monday, 9/14

7:00p Book Club Meeting

Tuesday, 9/15

6:30a Men's Bible Study
6:7:30p Zumba
7:00p Women's Christian
Ministry Meeting

Wednesday, 9/16

9:30a Adult Bible Study
6:6:30p Immanubells Practice
6:30:8p Midweek Classes
7:8p Choir Practice
8:00p AA Meeting
8:05p Agape Ringers
Practice

Thursday, 9/17

5:00p Weight Watchers
Meeting
7:00p Church Council
Meeting
7:00p Ladies' Bible Study

Saturday, 9/19

5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 9/20

7:45a Worship Service
9:00a Sunday School &
Bible Study Classes
10:15a Holy Communion &
Third Grade
Celebration
11:30a Luncheon for Third
Graders and families

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.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS this weekend are given to the glory of God by Jim & Dinah Pflasterer in honor of their 48th wedding anniversary. Congratulations, Jim & Dinah, and may God bless you always!

PRESCHOOL FAMILY OF THE WEEK. During the school year, we will be including an Immanuel Preschool student and his/her family in our prayers each week. This week we include Kadie Keller and her family in our prayers. Her parents are Nathan & Stephanie. May God bless you and your family in all your ways, Kadie!

NEXT SUNDAY is the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost. The readings for next Sunday will be Jer. 11:18-20; James 3:13—4:10; and Mark 9:30-37. This is being provided so that you can better prepare for worship.

EXCITING NEWS! Immanuel now has a new website (www.immanuelwaterloo.org) and a new email address (immanuelwaterloo@gmail.com). Be sure to check out the new website—it's pretty cool and has a user-friendly layout! If you have any suggestions, feel free to let us know. Our current website and email address will continue to work through November 1, 2015, but you can begin using the new ones now.

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 for children in Waterloo, Valmeyer & Red Bud, who would struggle without this support. 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!

HELP OUR PRESCHOOL! During September & October we will be collecting items for

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

Last Weekend's Attendance

	2015	2014
Saturday	59	50
7:45am	65	68
10:15am	<u>93</u>	<u>125</u>
	217	243

2015 weekend average attendance: 239

Sunday School

PreK-8th	26	\$10.34
HS & College	7	
Adults	<u>28</u>	
	61	

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 *Broken: 7 Christian Rules that Every Christian Ought to Break as Often as Possible* led by Vicar Merritt.
- A Bible study "Why do we call the Holy Gospels Synoptic?" led by Alan Stumpf in the multipurpose room at 9:00am for all 7th & 8th grade students and their parents.
- An adult & family DVD study by Dr. Kevin Lehman entitled "Value-Packed Parenting: Raising Rock-Solid Kids in a Pleasure-Driven World" 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."

Immanuel's own preschool. Items needed include plain white paper plates (small & large), 9 oz. plastic cups, Kleenex, baby wipes, napkins, plastic spoons, and AA & AAA batteries. 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 and write in the donation amount next to "Funke: Mwadui Library." Visit our website at www.GlobalLutheranOutreach.com/support-funke.html 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!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS!

During the Summer 2015 quarter, one student, Nicholas Hoeffken, had perfect attendance and earned a special certificate. Way to go, Nicholas! Three students, Darian Becker, Jenna Hoeffken, and Paul Hoeffken, earned Honorable Mention certificates having only missed 1-2 classes. Congratulations!

AN ADULT & FAMILY DVD STUDY BY DR. KEVIN LEHMAN entitled "Value-Packed Parenting: Raising Rock-Solid Kids in a Pleasure-Driven World" is held on Sundays at 9:00am in the church basement kitchen. This is led by Scott & Jen Janssen and Tim Scheibe. Feel free to bring your little ones, too!

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! They'll be discussing *American Sniper* by Chris Kyle at their Oct. 5th meeting.

BE A VOICE FOR THE

VOICELESS and join Immanuel's team at Life Network's annual Life Walk & 5K Run on Saturday, Sept. 19th. 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!

NEW BIBLE STUDY TOPIC.

Starting on Sept. 22, Immanuel's Men's Bible study will be watching a new Lutheran Hour Ministries video series on Mormonism. The men meet at the Waterloo Burger King every Tuesday at 6:30am.

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.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FALL

BONFIRE at Pastor & Cindy Troup's home (5876 J Road, Waterloo) on Friday, Sept. 25th beginning at 7pm. Please bring a snack to share and chairs for seating. The Fellowship Committee will provide water and, if the weather is cool, hot chocolate. Also, we will have roasting forks available if you wish to bring hot dogs or marshmallows. Feel free to come

out between 6 & 7pm to park while it is light out. If raining, the event will be cancelled. We look forward to an evening of relaxing and fellowship.

OUR WURSTMARKT & COUNTRY STORE IS COMING UP!

Make plans now to bring your family and friends to our annual Wurstmart & Country Store on Sunday, October 4th. Dine in or carry out from 11:30am to 2:30pm. Prices are \$9.50 for adults, \$5.50 for children 12 & under, and free for children under 5. Your dinner includes pork sausage, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, applesauce, bread, dessert, and drinks. A Country Store will be held during the dinner, so please check it out as well. Meat sales will be held on Oct. 3-4 from 10:00am to 2:00pm. We strongly encourage you to place your meat orders ahead of time by contacting the church office (939-6480 or immanuelwaterloo@gmail.com). All proceeds from this year's dinner & meat sales will benefit Eric & Linda Funke, our missionary partners in Tanzania.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED,

TOO! We need lots of volunteers to help before, after, and during our Wurstmart & Country Store and meat sales. If you can help, even for a couple hours, please fill out the sign up sheet on page 19 of your bulletin and drop it in the wooden box in the narthex. You can also sign up on the board in the narthex. Thanks for your help!