



Weekly Calendar

Jan 17-25, 2026

1/17-1/18
Mission Team returning

Saturday, 1/17
5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 1/18
7:45a Holy Communion
9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study
10:15a Holy Communion
11:30a Reception in multipurpose room

Monday, 1/19
Pastor Hayter's Day Off
No Preschool—MLK Jr Day

Tuesday, 1/20
1-4p Quilters' Guild
6:30p Women's Christian Ministry Meeting

Wednesday, 1/21
10a Adult Bible Study at Cedarhurst
6:30-8p Midweek Classes
7-8p Adult Choir
8:05p Agape Ringers

Thursday, 1/22
9:00a Preschool Chapel
2-7p Quilters' Guild

Saturday, 1/24
5:30p Holy Communion
6:30p Family Bingo Night

Sunday, 1/25
7:45a Holy Communion
9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study
10:15a Holy Communion
4-8p Youth Group Dodgeball Tournament

to all who have continued to provide treats on Sunday mornings. And thank you to all who make a donation! Want to sign up to provide treats? See the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

GARDEN FLAGS & PRAYER CROSSES: Two styles of Immanuel's 125th Anniversary garden flags are available in the narthex or the office. A freewill offering for the flags is kindly accepted and will be put towards anniversary projects. Stop by & take one to display in your yard. In addition, wooden handmade prayer crosses are available so please feel free to take one of those as well.

BAPTISMAL LAMBS: The 2025 lambs are available in the office. Feel free to stop by and pick up your child's lamb before or after service.

Our Weekly Announcements

125TH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND #1: This is the first of 5 special anniversary weekends in 2026. **We welcome Rev. Robert Preece as our guest preacher & Bible study leader this weekend.** Pastor Preece served at Immanuel from 1973-1990. Be sure to see more info about him on pg. 14-15 of your bulletin. **Be sure to join him for a special Bible study in the sanctuary on Sunday from 9-10 a.m. and then stop by the reception hosted by the elders following the 10:15 a.m. service (approx. 11:30 a.m.) in the multipurpose room.**

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS: We welcome the Birkenmeier family (Eric, Lacey, Cason & Carder) during the 7:45 a.m. service this weekend. Their address is 1745 Lakeview Drive in Waterloo. The Birkenmeiers have been regular visitors for several months so it is nice to finally officially welcome them to our Immanuel family! God's blessings, Eric, Lacey, Cason & Carder!

PRESCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK: During Jan. 19-23, we recognize Macy Andres as the Preschool Student of the Week. Macy's parents are Mark & Kristin. God's blessings for a great week, Macy!

REMINDER: Please notify the church office or Pastor Hayter with any illnesses or upcoming surgeries so that we can add you or your loved one to the public prayer list. You can always contact him to schedule an appt. (734-625-1023). Pastor Hayter's day off is Monday.

COLLECTIONS: Our on-going collection of non-perishable food items supports the Bi-County Backpack Program. Place your donations in the box in the narthex. The Board of Community Care is participating in the baby bottle campaign for Life Network during January & February. Take a bottle and fill it with your donations and bring it back by Feb. 15th. They are also collecting baby supplies as well, see the list on the collection box.

KEEP COLLECTING THOSE PLASTIC LIDS & CAPS: Please drop them off in the large basket in the narthex. Benefits the JB VA Hospital.

SUNDAY TREATS: Stop by the treat table located in the narthex! Thank you

"WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?" BIBLE STUDY: This Bible study led by Pastor Hayter will resume on Sunday, Feb. 8th at 9 a.m. All are welcome!

NEXT TWO WEEKENDS: Over the next two weekends, Pastor Hayter will be taking some time off to welcome their new son when he arrives. Pastor Brian Downs will be with us on Jan. 24-25, and Pastor Bruce Keseman on Jan. 31-Feb. 1. They will be leading all 3 worship services and Sunday adult Bible study during those weekends.



Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

17 Rhonda Major
18 Emily Rhodes
Maura Overmann
19 Kelly Goforth
Alycia Otten
21 Jackson Eybel
Barb Grant
June Gunn
22 George Lesinger
Brian Nobbe
Brooks Suess
23 Bonnie Doty
Addie Janssen
25 Denise Gruber
Mike Hemmer

Anniversaries

No anniversaries this week.

Last Week's Attendance

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2025</u>
Saturday 5:30	48	41
Sunday 7:45	52	54
Sunday 10:15	93	130
	193	225

2026 avg. weekly attendance: 192

Sunday School/Bible Class:

PreK-8th	32	\$2.00
HS & Adults	47	79

Next Weekend

The Transfiguration of Our Lord
Ex. 34:29-35; Psalm 2;
2 Peter 1:16-21; Matt. 17:1-9

Sunday School Offerings

Violence Prevention Center

Website

Want to view our live services or past worship services? Need more info about our Preschool, upcoming events, Bible studies? Need bulletins, announcements, or to view our calendar?
immanuelwaterloo.org

In Our Prayers...

Please continue to keep our congregation and preschool in your prayers. And, in addition,

We Pray for our Fellow Parishioners: Sandy Moore (MS, recovering from stroke), Marie Dietzel, Chris Morris (ALS & Non-Hodgkin lymphoma), Ken Schanz (chronic lymphocytic leukemia), Carolyn Henry, Pat Jones, Helen Clamors, Sue Bradshaw, Marvin Henry (back problems), Cathy Whelan (Multiple Myeloma, in remission), Jackie Prigge, Kathy Netzeband, Gina Birrittier (cancer), Michael Evers (autoimmune disorder & seizures), Bill Heizer (cancer, hospitalized), Gloria Knoke, Wendy Gassner, Nadine Rowold, Alycia Otten (pregnancy complications), Tom Bequette (recovering from ankle replacement surgery), Wendy Maag (recovering from hernia surgery), Kyle Rusteberg, Carol Matzenbacher (recovering from fall & broken arm)

We Pray for Friends and Relatives of Parishioners: Michael Washausen, Nina Van Kamp (undergoing chemo, stage 4 cancer), Sarah Castelli, Brian Kreher (brain tumor), Elsa Wiemerslage (leukemia relapse), Gary Hayes (infection), Matt Driskill (cancer), Ray Kellerman (recovering from stroke), Jeff Kistner, Nate Gifford (cancer), Dennis Knobloch, Evelyn Marquardt (cancer), Ron Pflueger, Beth Kilpatrick (breast cancer), Tanna Schablowsky (stage 3 peritoneal sarcoma cancer), Kenny Altschuh (stroke), Ethel Kurfman, Rick McDaniel (pancreatic cancer), Fern Kinzinger (various health issues), Caleb Cottner (leukemia), Heather Sensel (kidney trouble), Dakota Carner (accident recovery), Jim Horn (colon cancer), Linda Land (cancer)

We Pray for Those in the Service of Our Nation: Dustin Bender, Alex Naumann, London Scheft (Air Force)

We Pray for Our Missionaries and Special Missions: Immanuel's Mission Team, Unity Lutheran Elementary School (E. St. Louis, IL)

Weekly Bible Studies & Sunday School Classes

For All Adults:

- Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Join Pastor Preece in the sanctuary this Sunday for a study on the hymnody. Pastor Downs will lead on Jan. 25th & Pastor Keseman on Feb. 1st. Pastor Hayter's study of "What Does This Mean?" will resume on Feb. 8th.
- Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. Held at Cedarhurst (526 Legacy Dr) in Waterloo. *The Book of Mark* led by Bob Kassel.

For Preschool—High School:

- Preschool—4th grades: Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the church basement. The Preschool-2nd grade classes are led by April Kirkley, Millie Powers, Tracy & Doug Simms, Jenny Dori & Jenna Hoeffken, and Melissa Wiegand leads the 3rd-4th grade class.
- 5th-6th grades: Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Led by Devin Voges in the conference room.
- 7th-8th grades: Sundays at 9:00 a.m. *Who Is Teaching Us the Holy Gospel?* *The History of the New Testament* led by Greg Wiegand & Alan Stumpf in the overflow room.
- High school: Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the youth room led by Alex Voges and Jason Valerius.

Life Thoughts... Epiphany 2...

Life issues (abortion, suicide, sexual identity, physician-assisted suicide to name a few) can often be the result of a person trying to solve their own problems or fulfill their own needs instead of relying upon the Lord to help them. The appearance of our Lord as the sacrificial Lamb of God (John 1) reminds us that God is always faithful (Isaiah 49:7), even at the cost of His own blood. By faith in Christ, we can and should wait patiently for the Lord (Psalm 40:1) and make Him our trust (Psalm 40:4) in any and every situation, and we should invite our neighbors to do the same.

Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.