



## Weekly Calendar

### Feb 21-Mar 1, 2026

#### **Saturday, 2/21**

5:30p Holy Communion  
6:30p Bingo hosted by Evangelism committee

#### **Sunday, 2/22**

7:45a Holy Communion  
9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study  
10:15a Holy Communion & 3rd-8th SS sing  
11:30a Youth Group

#### **Monday, 2/23**

*Pastor Hayter's Day Off*  
7p Board of Stewardship

#### **Tuesday, 2/24**

1-4p Quilters' Guild

#### **Wednesday, 2/25**

10:00a Adult Bible Study at Cedarhurst  
5-6:15p Lenten Dinner—WCM, soups  
6:30-8p Midweek Classes  
6:30p Lenten Midweek Service  
7p Adult Choir  
8:05p Agape Ringers

#### **Thursday, 2/26**

9:00a Preschool Chapel  
2-7p Quilters' Guild

#### **Saturday, 2/28**

5:30p Holy Communion

#### **Sunday, 3/1**

7:45a Holy Communion  
9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study  
10:15a Holy Communion

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

**PRESCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK:** During Feb. 23-27 we recognize Hayden Harvell as the Preschool Student of the Week. Hayden's mother is Makenzie. God's blessings for a great week, Hayden! See her special picture on the back cover of your bulletin.

**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 continuing the baby bottle campaign for Life Network through February. **Take a bottle and fill it with your donations and bring it back by Feb. 28th.** They are also collecting baby supplies as well. Please see the list of needed items 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 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:** Garden flags are still 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

**JOIN US FOR CHAPEL:** Pastor Hayter leads a chapel on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. with our Preschool students & teachers. The chapel services last about 15 minutes and are held in the sanctuary. All are welcome!

**"WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?" BIBLE STUDY:** This Bible study about the liturgy and service particulars led by Pastor Hayter in the multipurpose room at 9 a.m. All are welcome!

**FOR "SALE":** Looking for a floor buffer or some metal folding chairs? Immanuel has 3 good condition buffers along with many new pads as well as various bottles of cleaning solution and 10 good condition metal folding chairs. We would love to pass on to those who may need or want them. Reach out to Debbie or Lisa in the office, make a freewill donation, and one or more are yours!

**EVERY-HOUSEHOLD VISITATIONS:** Part of being a pastor is getting to know the sheep and guiding them along life's way. With this goal in mind, Pastor Hayter is undertaking an every-household visitation for Immanuel members over this year. This includes families, couples, and those who live alone. This can be a visit and/or meal in your home, a meal at his house, or a meeting at church. There is a sign up sheet available in the narthex or you can follow this link to schedule your visit/meeting. It's gonna be great!

**LENT DINNERS & SERVICES:** Be sure to join us each Wednesday during Lent. Dinner at 5 p.m. followed by service at 6:30 p.m. Pastor's Lenten theme is The Ten Commandments, Hope to see you there!

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: March 8th** starts daylight savings time. Remember to "spring ahead" one hour Sunday morning!



## Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Birthdays:

21 Lori Roberts  
22 Edith Orsech  
Phillip Reiss  
23 Connor Perjak  
24 Sandy Benyo  
Spencer Kettler  
Doug Land  
25 Lena Andracsek  
Ranley Killian  
26 Mark Arbeiter  
Landrie Ervin  
Heather Griffin  
Jason Valerius  
Nick Valerius  
Andrew Wiese  
27 Paul Hoeffken  
28 Marti Saunders  
1 Cliff Bense  
Jennifer Prather

### Anniversaries:

22 Cal & Carol Neeman (40)  
24 Mark & Ellen Heise (36)  
25 Clay & Debbie Metzger (31)  
29 Mitchell & Dawn Rubemeyer (34)

## Last Week's Attendance

|               | 2026 | 2025 |
|---------------|------|------|
| Saturday 5:30 | 50   | 36   |
| Sunday 7:45   | 50   | 30   |
| Sunday 10:15  | 98   | 80   |
|               | 193  | 146  |

2026 avg. weekly attendance: 221

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| Ash Wed (9am)    | 53  | 63  |
| Ash Wed (6:30pm) | 130 | 123 |

### Sunday School/Bible Class:

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| PreK-8th    | 25 | \$0 |
| HS & Adults | 31 |     |

## Next Weekend—Lent 2

Gen. 32:22-32; 1 Thess. 4:1-7;  
Matt. 15:21-28

## 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](http://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), Gloria Knoke, Wendy Gassner, Nadine Rowold, Alycia Otten (pregnancy complications), Joyce McDaniel (knee replacement), Ed Arras (recovering from surgery), Jane Johnson (leukemia), Joan Koch, Donna Chitty (in ICU, recovering from surgery)

**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), Kenny Altschuh (stroke), Ethel Kurfman, Rick McDaniel (Broken hip), Fern Kinzinger (various health issues), Caleb Cottner (leukemia), Heather Sensel (kidney trouble), Dakota Carner (accident recovery), Jim Horn (colon cancer), Linda Land (cancer), Rhonda Whelan (heart transplant surgery recovery), Robert L. Hoffmann (various health issues), Eddie Jackson (kidney issues), James Daugherty (hospitalized), Dylan Heath (lung surgery)

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

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

## Weekly Bible Studies & Sunday School Classes

### For All Adults:

- Sundays** at 9:00 a.m. Pastor Hayter's study of "What Does This Mean?" held in the multipurpose room.
- 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. Come join them Alan Stumpf & Greg Wiegand in Pastor Hayter's Bible study for the next several weeks.
- High school:** Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the youth room led by Alex Voges and Jason Valerius.

## Life Thoughts...Lent 1

Satan tempts us to turn away from God by appealing to the desires of our flesh and our egos. The devil twists God's Word to make us think that things like abortion, sex without marriage, suicide, and assisted suicide will give us pleasure, self-fulfillment, and an end to our suffering. But, like our first parents did, those who give in quickly find that the devil's words are nothing but empty promises which end in pain and suffering. Thankfully, by withstanding the devil's temptations, Jesus both defeats that old Satanic foe for all sinners and reminds us that the way to true joy and happiness is found in trusting the unfailing promises of our Heavenly Father.

**Sunday School Offerings:** Violence Prevention Center