



## Weekly Calendar Mar 7-15, 2026

### Saturday, 3/7

5:30p Holy Communion

### Sunday, 3/8

7:45a Holy Communion

9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study

10:15a Holy Communion

5:30p LLS Rehearsal

### Monday, 3/9

7p Board of Christian Ed

### Tuesday, 3/10

1-4p Quilters' Guild

4p Board of Community Care

4:30p Board of Evangelism

### Wednesday, 3/11

10:00a Adult Bible Study at Cedarhurst

5-6:15p Lenten Dinner— Girl Scouts

6:30-8p Midweek Classes

6:30p Lenten Midweek Service

7p Adult Choir

8:05p Agape Ringers

### Thursday, 3/12

9:00a Preschool Chapel

2-7p Quilters' Guild

### Saturday, 3/14

5:30p Holy Communion

### Sunday, 3/15

7:45a Holy Communion

9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study

10:15a Holy Communion

11:30 Jigsaw Puzzle Contest & lunch

5:30p LLS Rehearsal

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

## Our Weekly Announcements

### PRESCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK:

During March 8-14<sup>th</sup> we recognize Karsyn Kuper as the Preschool Student of the Week. Karsyn's parents are Aaron & Courtney. God's blessings for a great week, Karsyn! 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 supporting Christian Friends of New Americans (CFNA) during March. Items needed include cleaning products, baby items (diapers, soap, shampoo, wipes), and various art supplies.

### 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 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.

**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! **And....you can find all of these Bible studies on our website!** Go to [immanuelwaterloo.org](http://immanuelwaterloo.org) and click on Bible Studies at the top. Scroll down and click on each week's study. Feel free to share with others, too.

**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!

**GUEST PREACHERS:** In order to give Pastor Hayter some extra time throughout the month for administrative and other pastoral duties, we will be having guest preachers to assist him with preaching and leading Bible study about once a month. *Pastor Bruce Keseman will preach next weekend, March 14th and 15th.* He is an excellent preacher and teacher.

**LIVING LAST SUPPER:** Mark your calendars for our Living Last Supper (LLS) drama on **Wed., April 1st at 6:30 p.m.** All are welcome!

**HOLY WEEK & EASTER:** Watch the announcements beginning next week for the details of our Holy Week & Easter services and events. Holy Week begins on March 28-29, and Easter is April 5.

**EASTER LILIES:** Please find insert in bulletin with info on how to order this year's Easter lilies! Plants and virtual options are again available this year.

## Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Birthdays:

- 7 Tim Joellenbeck
- 8 Barb Heimbürger  
Linda Wittbracht
- 9 Tessie Cadman  
Liam Kirkley
- 10 Kayleigh Luter
- 11 Carder Birkenmeier  
Lee Doty  
Joshua Campbell  
Diana Heins  
Irene Proctor  
Elliott Ramsey  
Tom Wiese
- 13 Jeremy Webb
- 14 Mary Jane Powers

### Anniversaries:

- 4 Verilyn and Irene Proctor (53)
- 12 Butch and Laurie Sparwasser (32)

## Last Week's Attendance

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2025</u>
Saturday 5:30	43	47
Sunday 7:45	52	55
Sunday 10:15	<u>94</u>	<u>104</u>
	189	206

2026 avg. weekly attendance: 214

Midweek Lent 2      120    90

### Sunday School/Bible Class:

PreK-8th	37	\$5.00
HS & Adults	<u>33</u>	
	70	

## Next Weekend—Lent 4

Ex. 16:2-21; Gal. 4:21-31;  
John 6:1-15

## 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)

## Sunday School Offerings:

March—Immanuel Youth Group

## In Our Prayers...

Please continue to pray for our congregation and preschool and those listed below...

**We pray for our shut-in and homebound members:** Nina Binder, Donna Chitty (hospitalized, recovering from surgery), Helen Clamors, Marie Dietzel, Henry & Carolyn Henry, Judy Hitzemann, Leroy & Wanda Horn, Beverly Jarvis, Pat Jones, Gloria Knoke, Joan Koch, Charlie & Phyllis Lloyd, Sandy Moore (MS), Kathy Netzeband, Edith Orsech, Willa Mae Prange, Arnold & Jackie Prigge, Mary Ann Wolf, Georgia Wynn

**We pray for our members who are hospitalized, recovering from or dealing with ongoing health issues:** Chris Morris (ALS & Non-Hodgkin lymphoma), Ken Schanz (chronic lymphocytic leukemia), Cathy Whelan (Multiple Myeloma, in remission), Gina Birrittier (cancer), Michael Evers (autoimmune disorder & seizures), Joyce McDaniel (recovering from knee replacement), Ed Arras (recovering from surgery), Jane Johnson (leukemia, upcoming heart surgery), Emilie Land (recovering from car accident), David Jacobs (recovering from hip replacement surgery)

**We pray for friends and relatives of members who are dealing with various health issues:** 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), Nate Gifford (cancer), Evelyn Marquardt (cancer), Beth Kilpatrick (breast cancer), Kenny Altschuh (stroke), 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), 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)

## 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 Wendy Maag & Sem. Seth Weinberg in the conference room.
- 7th-8th grades: Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Come join Alan Stumpf & Greg Wiegand for a study of the History of the New Testament for the next several weeks.
- High school: Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the youth room led by Jason Valerius.

## Life Thoughts...Lent 3

The world tells us to avoid suffering at all costs, even justifying murder (abortion, suicide, assisted suicide) on the grounds that death can be used to avoid further suffering. However, St. Paul reminds us that instead of trying to avoid suffering through death, we "can rejoice in our sufferings" (Romans 5:3), knowing that God uses our suffering to increase our hope in Him and bring us to everlasting glory. Therefore, when suffering comes, "let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker (Psalm 95:6), entrusting ourselves into the hands of the One who "died for us" (Romans 5:8).