



Weekly Calendar

May 2-10, 2026

Saturday, 5/2

5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 5/3

7:45a Holy Communion

9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study

10:15a Holy Communion

11:30a Semi-Annual Congregational meeting

Monday, 5/4

Pastor Hayter OFF

Tuesday, 5/5

SID Pastors' Retreat

1-4p Quilters' Guild

7:00p Elders' Meeting

Wednesday, 5/6

9-10a Visitation for Gina Birrittier

10:00a Funeral Service for Gina Birrittier

12:30p Funeral Luncheon

7p Adult Choir

8:05p Agape Ringers

Thursday, 5/7

9:00a Preschool Chapel

2-7p Quilters' Guild

Friday, 5/8

Office Closed

Saturday, 5/9

5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 5/10

7:45a Holy Communion

9-10a Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

10:15a Holy Communion & Sunday School children sing

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. Use the QR code or call Lisa in the office to schedule your visit/meeting. It's gonna be great!



Our Weekly Announcements

PRESCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK:

During May 4-8, we recognize Eli Byrd as the Preschool Student of the Week. His parents are Zach & Amanda. God's blessings for a great week, Eli! See his special picture on the back cover of your bulletin.

STYLISH THREADS: After many years (decades, actually) of use, we have purchased new albs and cinctures for our servers. These will be blessed during our Sunday services this weekend and our servers are very appreciative as the new albs should be much cooler and lighter.

125TH ANNIVERSARY ITEMS: Several anniversary items are available! Stop by the narthex before or after the service and grab a set of coasters, a garden flag or a prayer cross, or one of each! Any freewill donations received will be put toward our anniversary projects.

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 Hope Food Pantry during May. Items needed include non-perishable food and cleaning supplies.

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.

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

EVERY-HOUSEHOLD VISITATIONS: Part of being a pastor is getting to know the sheep and guiding them along life's

JOIN US FOR THE LAST TWO CHAPELS OF THE SCHOOL YEAR: Pastor Hayter leads a chapel on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. with our Preschool students & teachers on May 7 & 14. 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 on Sundays at 9 a.m. All are welcome! **And....you can find all of these Bible studies on our website!** Go to our website and click on Bible Studies at the top!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Looking for a few volunteers (men and women) who are able to take members to and from doctor's appointments or the grocery store from time to time. If you are able to do this, please call or text Susan Starbuck (618.920.8511).

VBS ITEMS NEEDED: See page 18 in your bulletin for a list of items needed.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Please join us **THIS Sunday, May 3, at 11:30 a.m.** for this important meeting. We'll be hearing board & financial reports as well as electing our new church officers.

ASCENSION SERVICE: You are invited to a joint Ascension Day Divine Service at Holy Cross, Renault, on **Thursday, May 14 at 7:00 p.m.** Head on down Kaskaskia Road for this great feast day as we rejoice in our Lord's reign and rule over all things. Root beer floats will be served afterwards.

VBS IS COMING: See the insert to register and to volunteer! **June 15-19.** It's going to be a super fun week as we take a "Tropical Trek" with Jesus!

FAITH. FAMILY. FELLOWSHIP: Join us for a Families Retreat at Camp Wartburg on **June 5-7, 2026!** This year's **retreat theme will be "Christian Marriage"**. Pastor Hayter will teach on topics including: Biblical Foundations of Marriage, Duties of Husbands and Wives, Reconciliation, and Common Marriage Pitfalls. Come ready to learn, grow, and PLAY for only \$100 for the whole family! See the special insert, and register today by using the QR code!

CONFIRMATION CAMP: Coming this summer! **July 20-22, 2026.** A fun 3-day camp for 5th-8th grade catechumens held at Camp Wartburg. Held from 9 a.m.—3 p.m. each day and lunch will be provided. See the special insert for all the details! Register today!

Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

- 2 Kristian Bacon
Lily Dietz
Greg Wiegand
- 3 Jensyn Collmeyer
- 5 Lindsey Braun
Jacob Johnson
- 7 Marlene Lieb
Timothy Polacek
Al Scheibe
Ellie Zweigart
- 8 Sarah Alu
Sean Arians
Chris Monroe
- 9 Les Downing
Wyatt Fink
Emilie Land
Meagan Melliere
- 10 Donna Daugherty
Nathan Hemmer
Angela LaRue

Anniversaries:

- 2 Doug & Emilie Land (11)
- 4 Pastor & Beth Hayter (9)
Cody & Dana Todt (13)
- 5 Randy & Candi Bise (47)
- 8 Mike & Laura Richter (16)
- 9 Clint & Deanna Rodenberg (17)

Last Week's Attendance

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2025</u>
Saturday 5:30	53	37
Sunday 7:45	60	51
Sunday 10:15	<u>157</u>	<u>188</u>
	270	276

2026 avg. weekly attendance: 225

Sunday School/Bible Class:

PreK-8th	36	\$4.00
HS & Adults	<u>31</u>	
	67	

Next Weekend **6th Sunday of Easter**

Numbers 21:4-9; James 1:22-27;
John 16:23-30

Sunday School:

May—Camp Wartburg

Website

immanuelwaterloo.org

Need more info about our Preschool, upcoming events, Bible studies? View our calendar for our events and our live services or past worship services, too.

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, Helen Clamors, Marie Dietzel, Marvin & 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 Prigge (going through cancer treatments), 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), Michael Evers (autoimmune disorder & seizures), Cindy O'Brien (immunodeficiency disorder & fibromyalgia), Don Birrittier (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), Gary Hayes (infection), Nate Gifford (cancer), Evelyn Marquardt (cancer), Beth Kilpatrick (breast cancer), Kenny Altschuh (stroke), Rick McDaniel (cancer reoccurrence), 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), Milini Holmes

We pray for those in the service of our nation: Alex Naumann, London Schefft (Air Force), Hunter Kelling (Navy), Sam & Isabelle Rick (Air Force), Justin Woodcock (Navy)

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 in the overflow room for a study of the *Acts of Christian Teaching and Servanthood*, as found in the Book of Acts.
- High school: Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the youth room led by Jason Valerius.

Life Thoughts...Fifth Sunday of Easter

The psalmist invites us to "Come and see what the Lord has done!" (Psalm 66:5). The works of the Lord are many, but the greatest of all is the redemption He has provided us through His Son. Because Jesus bore the cross for us, God's anger "is turned away" (Isaiah 12:1). Whatever stain of sin haunts our past, including the sin of abortion, that stain can be washed clean by Christ's blood. Thanks be to God for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation He gives us in Jesus Christ, our Savior! With joy we draw water from the well of salvation (Isaiah 12:3). Jesus not only sends us the Helper, the Holy Spirit (John 16:8-11), to nurture us in the faith, but also "every good and every perfect gift from above" (James 1:17), most notably, God's holy Word and Sacraments.