



Weekly Calendar May 9-17, 2026

Saturday, 5/9

5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 5/10

Mother's Day

7:45a Holy Communion

9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study

10:15a Holy Communion and Sunday School children sing

Monday, 5/11

Office open 11-4:30 p.m.

9-11a Visitation for Joan Koch

11:00a Funeral service for Joan Koch

Tuesday, 5/12

1p Quilters' Guild

4p Board of Community Care

4:30p Board of Evangelism

6p Board of Stewardship

6:30p Board of Christian Ed

Wednesday, 5/13

10:00a Adult Bible Study at Cedarhurst

7p Adult Choir

8:05p Agape Ringers

Thursday, 5/14

9:00a Preschool Chapel

2-7p Quilters' Guild

7p Ascension Service at Holy Cross Renault

Friday, 5/15

Last Day of Preschool

11:30a Preschool Closing Program

Saturday, 5/16

5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 5/17

7:45a Holy Communion

9-10a Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

10:15a Holy Communion

Our Weekly Announcements

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given by Matt & Jennifer Prather in honor of the 2026 High School graduates. Congratulations to all of the graduates!

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.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: 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. immanuelwaterloo.org

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 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 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!



JOIN US FOR THE LAST CHAPEL OF THE SCHOOL YEAR: Pastor Hayter leads a chapel on Thursday, May 14, at 9:00 a.m. with our Preschool students & teachers. This service lasts about 15 minutes and is 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.

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 WORK DAYS ARE COMING UP: Join us on several days to help construct, cut out, and prepare various decorations. The first one will be Saturday, May 30th from 9 a.m.—4 p.m. Others will be held during June 8-14. Watch bulletins for those days/times.

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! Use the QR code to register today!**

Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

- 9 Les Downing
Wyatt Fink
Emilie Land
Meagan Melliere
- 10 Donna Daugherty
Nathan Hemmer
Angela LaRue
- 11 Owen Black
Sarah Heizer
- 12 Tyler Chitty
Pam Jacobs
Craig Richey
- 13 Stephanie Brandt
Megan Menke
Kambrey Westfall
- 14 Kenny Barton
Lee Eggemeyer
Marcia Jones
Kenneth Moore
Mary Ann Wolf
- 15 Sophia Alu
Sara Schoenborn
Chip Suess
- 16 Carson Black
Georgia Wynn
- 17 Rich Bachelier

Anniversaries:

- 9 Clint & Deanna Rodenberg (17)
- 11 Rob & Jennifer Dieterle (13)
- 12 Allen & Pam Jacobs (47)
- 15 Ryan & Morgan Starbuck (5)
- 16 Mike & Marsha Voges (45)
- 17 Mark & Dawn Garner (46)

Last Week's Attendance

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2025</u>
Saturday 5:30	37	39
Sunday 7:45	61	35
Sunday 10:15	<u>79</u>	<u>78</u>
	177	152

2026 avg. weekly attendance: 222

Sunday School/Bible Classes:

PreK-8th	25	\$6.00
HS & Adults	<u>23</u>	
	48	

Next Weekend

7th Sunday of Easter

Ezek. 56:22-28; 1Peter 4:7-11;
John 15:26—16:4

Sunday School:

May—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, Helen Clamors, Marie Dietzel, Marvin & Carolyn Henry, Judy Hitzemann, Leroy & Wanda Horn, Beverly Jarvis, Pat Jones, Gloria Knoke, 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, Rodney Clamors (recovering from foot 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, Homer Kerr (hospice)

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...Sixth Sunday of Easter

The Old Testament Israelites learned the hard way not to grumble against the Lord. When the Lord sent fiery serpents among them, many were bitten and died. But the people repented, crying out for mercy: "We have sinned! Take away the serpents from us!" (Numbers 21:7-9). God's answer? Make a bronze serpent and place it on a pole; then look upon it and live! We all tend to grumble against the Lord, plagued by our doubts and fears. Many seek to find their own way, and sometimes that way includes choosing to have an abortion or embracing physician-assisted suicide, but this is the way of death. Look to Jesus on the cross and live! Cry to the Lord in your trouble, for He alone delivers you from your distress (Psalm 107:5-6). Ask and you shall receive that your joy may be full (John 16:24). Baptized into Christ, we embark on a new path—the path of life. We must be "doers of the Word" (James 1:22) as we seek to bring help and hope to those who need our prayers and support in choosing life.