

# Our Weekly Announcements for July 25-26, 2026

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## Weekly Calendar July 26-Aug 2, 2026

### Sunday, 7/26

- 7:45 Holy Communion
- 9-10 Summer Sunday School & Bible Study Classes
- 10:15 Holy Communion
- 12-3 Drop off items

### Monday, 7/27

- Pastor Hayter's day off*
- 9a-12 Drop off items
- 4-7 Drop off items

### Tuesday, 7/28

- 9a-12 Drop off items
- 1-4 Quilters' Guild
- 4-7 Drop off items

### Wednesday, 7/29

- 9a-12 Drop off items
- 10:00 Adult Bible Study at Cedarhurst
- 4-7 Drop off items

### Thursday, 7/30

- 9a-12 Drop off items
- 2-7 Quilters' Guild
- 4-7 Drop off items

### Friday, 7/31

- 9-3 Drop off items

### Saturday, 8/1

- 9-3 Drop off items
- 5:30 Holy Communion

### Sunday, 8/2

- 7:45 Holy Communion
- 9-10 Summer Sunday School & Bible Study Classes
- 10:15 Holy Communion
- 11:30 Midweek Orientation Meeting
- 12-3 Drop off items

### 125<sup>TH</sup> 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.

**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! See the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

**COLLECTIONS:** Our on-going collection of non-perishable food items supports the Bi-County Backpack Program. The Board of Community Care is supporting Immanuel's Preschool during July/August. Items needed during the school year include paper towels, napkins, Kleenex, Lysol wipes, classic Crayola markers, large Crayola crayons, 24 pk. Crayola crayons, gift cards to Amazon and Wal-Mart, dry erase markers, black or blue pens, glue sticks, Neosporin, hydrocortisone, AA & AAA batteries, floor puzzles, thermal laminating sheets, carpet cleaner, and quart & gallon Ziploc bags. Please place any donations in the box in the narthex.

**DRIVERS NEEDED:** We're looking for a few caring volunteers to help provide occasional transportation for fellow Immanuel members to doctor's appointments or the grocery store. If you're willing to lend a hand from time to time, we'd love to hear from you! Please call or text Susan Starbuck at 618.920. 8511 for more information.

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

### CONNECTING WITH EVERY HOUSEHOLD:

One of the greatest joys of pastoral ministry is building relationships and walking alongside God's people through every season of life. Throughout 2026, Pastor Hayter hopes to connect personally with every Immanuel household—including families, couples, and individuals. Visits can take place in your home over a meal, during a home visit, or by meeting together at church. To schedule a time that works best for you, scan the QR code or contact Lisa in the church office. It's gonna be great!



**ARE YOU A THRIVENT MEMBER?** Yes? Did you know that they give everyone Choice dollars to donate as well as 2 Action Teams every year? These can be used for church, Preschool or any local organization. Contact Lisa in the office for additional info or assistance.

**POP-UP CANOPIES NEEDED:** The 125th Anniversary Committee is looking for several pop-up canopies for the upcoming Block Party on Sept 12th. Sizes 10x10 or 12x12. Please reach out to Tim Scheibe at 618-401-6661 if you can assist. Thanks!

**RUMMAGE SALE:** Drop off days begin this Sunday, July 26! Can you help during the drop off days or the Sale or for clean up? See the insert for more details, times for dropping off your donations, and how to volunteer! **Many willing volunteers are appreciated for this huge & fun event, so stop by when you can and we'll put you to work!**

### MIDWEEK ORIENTATION

**MEETING:** Pastor Hayter will be leading an Orientation meeting on **Sunday, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30 AM.** All 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade families who plan to attend midweek Confirmation classes this year are encouraged to attend. He'll be going over the Midweek Manual and the plan for the year.

**RALLY DAY:** The new school year kicks off soon so it's time to begin our new Preschool, Sunday School & Midweek year, and begin our new Family Devotions season!

Rally Day will be on **Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**! During the **10:15 service** on this day, the *Preschool - 8th grade Sunday School students will be singing a couple VBS songs.* In addition, we will be *presenting our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders with Bibles, our 5<sup>th</sup> grade midweek students with a backpack, our 7<sup>th</sup> grade midweek students with catechisms, and installing all of our teachers (Preschool, Sunday School & Midweek).*

Following the service, all of the Sunday School families and teachers are invited to *lunch & a Pool Party at Camp Wartburg from 12-2 PM.*

### SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE STUDY

**CLASSES:** Sunday School & Bible Study classes are held for all ages from 9-10 AM. All classes begin together for an opening in the sanctuary. *On August 16<sup>th</sup>, our new Family Devotions season begins and Sunday School parents are especially invited to attend a special Family & Faith Bible Study.*

**MIDWEEK PRAYER SERVICES:** Beginning on Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Hayter will be leading Midweek Prayer Services for all from **6:30-7:00 PM** in the sanctuary. This brief service will be an extra time to come together for prayer & worship throughout the year.

**MIDWEEK CONFIRMATION CLASSES:** All students in grades 5-8 are invited and encouraged to attend Midweek Confirmation classes on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM during the school year (this includes attending the midweek prayer services). **Classes will begin on Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>.** Jen Janssen will lead the 5th-6th grade class, and Pastor Hayter will lead the 7th-8th grade class.

**PRESCHOOL NEWS:** Classes begin on August 17<sup>th</sup> and there are still a few openings available! An **Open House** will be held on **Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6:00 PM**, perfect for any families who plan to attend or who are interested. Preschool questions? Feel free to contact Delana Whelan (618.443.8353).

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

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Birthdays:

- 26 Kevin Wheat  
27 Case Gardner  
28 Mike Segelhorst  
Joe Campbell  
29 Karen Hodapp  
Bob Kassel  
Kelsy Mason  
30 Erik Brandt  
Grace Ziegler  
31 Nichole Kruse  
Tallas Langhorst  
1 Dennis Clamors  
Nicholas Hoeffken  
Dawn Rubemeyer  
2 Judy Hitzemann  
Andrea Kuergeleis

### Anniversaries:

- 29 Max & Gina Eybel (15)  
Tom & Joyce McDaniel (31)

## Our Attendance

|               | 2026 | 2025 |
|---------------|------|------|
| Saturday 5:30 | 71   | 49   |
| Sunday 7:45   | 79   | 38   |
| Sunday 10:15  | 122  | 67   |
|               | 272  | 155  |

2026 avg. weekly attendance:  
209

### Sunday School/Bible Classes:

|                 |    |        |
|-----------------|----|--------|
| Preschool-4th   | 18 | \$ .00 |
| 5th-HS & Adults | 26 |        |
|                 | 44 |        |

## Next Weekend's Readings

### *Ninth Sunday after Trinity*

- 2 Sam. 22:26-34 — Psalm 51:1-12  
1 Cor. 10:6-13 — Luke 16:1-9

## Sunday School Offering

Unity Lutheran Elementary  
School in East St. Louis

## Stay Up to Date!

Visit [immanuelwaterloo.org](http://immanuelwaterloo.org) for the latest on our services, our calendar, our Preschool, our Bible studies, our youth events, and more!

## Consider Supporting the School Stairwell Repair Fund

At our May 3 Congregational meeting we approved expenditures of up to \$75,000.00 for the mission critical stairwell and access improvement on the education building. Creating a safe access to the rear of the education building can no longer be achieved by patching the concrete. At our May 21st church council meeting a "School Stairwell Repair Fund/ Account" was established for interested members/friends to designate gifts for this repair to offset the church expenses and help us to dip less into our savings. Please consider supporting this project in addition to your normal tithes and offerings. Psalm 24:1 "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein."

## 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, 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), David Rehmer (recovering from hip surgery), Ron Heins (hospitalized), Diane Marshall (recovering from fall), Betty Schimpf (stomach testing)

### **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), 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), Milini Holmes, Homer Kerr (hospice), Dorothy Mueller (cancer testing), Tom Gruber (cancer), Carolyn Stellhorn, Douglas Tudor (cancer), Rose Anne Bense (fell, at Oak Hill for rehab), Hayes Maag (4 yr old, in ICU following near drowning), Mark Sullivan (recovering from heart attack), Dora Olsson

### **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), Oliver Valerius (Marines)

### **We pray for our missionaries and special**

**missions:** Unity Lutheran Elementary School (E. St. Louis, IL)

## Bible Studies & Sunday School Classes

### **On Sundays:**

*Begins with an opening together in the sanctuary at 9:00 AM.*

Preschool—4th grades: *The Table of Duties* led by April Kirkley, Millie Powers, Tracy & Doug Simms, Jenny Dori & Jenna Hoeffken in the church basement.

5th grade—Adults: *The Table of Duties* led by Pastor Hayter in the multipurpose room.

### **On Wednesdays:**

The Apostles' Creed led by Bob Kassel at 10:00 AM at Cedarhurst (526 Legacy Dr.) in Waterloo. For adults. All are welcome.

## Life Thoughts for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity

The world tells us that we should follow our own hearts, changing or forsaking God's Word about life and sexuality, and promising that it will be well with us when we do (Jeremiah 23:16-17). Beware of these false prophets who are ravenous wolves, seeking to draw you away from Christ (Matthew 7:15; Acts 20:30). Instead, as God's children and heirs of His kingdom in Christ (Romans 8:17), pay attention to the whole counsel of God (Acts 20:27), and you will stand on level ground (Psalm 26:12).

## 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).

## Volunteers Needed for Our New Pictorial Directory

It has been nearly five years since our last pictorial directory, so plans are underway for an updated edition that will be available in time for our final 125th Anniversary Celebration in November. This time, we'll be creating the directory ourselves rather than using an outside company, making it a true congregation-wide effort. Lisa Clamors is coordinating the project and is looking for volunteers to help with photography, directory design, appointment scheduling, and other tasks. If you'd like to share your time and talents to help make this project a success, please contact Lisa in the office. We would greatly appreciate your help!