



Weekly Calendar July 4-12, 2026

Pastor Hayter & family are on vacation through July 14th.

Saturday, 7/4

Pastor Troup preaching
5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 7/5

Pastor Troup preaching
7:45a Holy Communion
9-10a Summer Sunday
School & Bible
Study Classes
10:15a Holy Communion

Tuesday, 7/7

1-4p Quilters' Guild

Wednesday, 7/8

10:00a Adult Bible Study
at Cedarhurst

Thursday, 7/9

2-7p Quilters' Guild

Saturday, 7/11

Pastor Keseman preaching
5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 7/12

Pastor Keseman preaching
7:45a Holy Communion
9-10a Summer Sunday
School & Bible
Study Classes
10:15a Holy Communion

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expenditures of up to \$75,000.00 for the *mission critical* stairwell and access improvement on the education building. Creating a safe access to

Our Weekly Announcements

GUEST PREACHERS: Over the next two weeks while Pastor Hayter & his family are on vacation, we will welcome a couple guest preachers. We welcome Pastor Troup back this weekend and then Pastor Keseman next weekend. Thank you to both of them for bringing us God's Word!

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). **From July 3rd—14th while Pastor is on vacation, please contact the church office (618-939-6480) if an emergency arises or you need pastoral care. Pastor Stefanic and Pastor Keseman will be on call to take care of any spiritual needs.**

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. Items needed during the school year include Bounty paper towels, napkins, clear vinyl gloves, dissolvable food labels, Kleenex, 3 oz paper cups, Elmer's all-purpose glue sticks, Elmer's washable school glue, watercolor paper, and gift cards to Amazon and Wal-Mart. Please place any donations in the box in the narthex.

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.

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).

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

CONSIDER SUPPORTING THE SCHOOL STAIRWELL REPAIR FUND: At our May 3 Congregational meeting we approved

the rear of the education building can no longer be achieved by patching the concrete. At our May 21 church council meeting we passed a motion to establish a "School Stairwell Repair Fund/Account" for interested members 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."

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 the office to schedule your visit/meeting. It's gonna be great!



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL—TABLE OF

DUTIES: What does God say about being a father, mother, husband, wife, child, adult, pastor, layperson, ruler, citizen, young, or old? Luther gives a list of Biblical texts that talk about this at the end of the catechism. It is called the Table of Duties. Come to Sunday School and Bible study for a nine-week study on these topics through August 9th. All are invited, especially parents and children. In the Sunday School the young children will cover the basics. In Bible Study, parents will be equipped to lead simple, easy family devotions throughout the week that further build on what was learned in Sunday School. Be sure to take a family devotional and see pg. 14-15 in your bulletin each week for devotional info.

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. **Contact the church office with any questions or to register today!**

RUMMAGE SALE IS COMING SOON: Drop off days begin on July 26! Get your donations ready! Can you help with set up and bringing in donations before the Sale? We'll also be having a Bake Sale and lunch stand as well. **See page 13 of your bulletin for more details and how to volunteer!**

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: Join us on **July 16th from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.** Tour the classrooms, meet the teachers! Enrolling now! Open to all 3-5 years old with flexible options. 618-939-6480 or immanuelwaterloo.org/preschool.

Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

- 4 Lacey Birkenmeier
Jill Eggemeyer
- 5 Linda Gutknecht
Cindy O'Brien
- 6 Paul Broske II
David Naumann
- 7 Johnathan Dieterle
Alivia Eybel
Kailey Hemmer
Eric Kinzinger
Michael Trout
- 8 Lauren Heise
Skyler Nothstine
- 9 Daniel Kettler
Linda Tubbesing
- 11 Ellen Brandt
Lynn Helms

Anniversaries

- 5 Drew & Sarah Sappenfield (12)
Dale & Valerie Zeisset (46)
- 7 James & Ashley Bouquet (19)
- 8 Ed & Debbie Arras (49)
- 9 Travis & Amanda Ervin (21)
- 11 Greg & Melissa Wiegand (17)
Randy & Robin Wetzler (44)
Tom & Melissa Ziegler (11)
- 12 Chris & Kelly Black (23)

Our Attendance

| | <u>2026</u> | <u>2025</u> |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| Saturday 5:30 | 32 | 36 |
| Sunday 7:45 | 51 | 42 |
| Sunday 10:15 | <u>67</u> | <u>65</u> |
| | 150 | 143 |

2026 avg. weekly attendance: 211

Sunday School/Bible Classes:

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|-----------------|-----------|--------|
| Preschool-4th | 17 | \$6.00 |
| 5th-HS & Adults | <u>27</u> | |
| | 44 | |

Next Weekend

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Exodus 20:1-17; Rom. 6:(1-2) 3-11;
Matt. 5:(17-19) 20-26

Sunday School:

Unity Lutheran Christian School

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 (hospitalized), 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), Melissa Ziegler (recovering from gall bladder 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), 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 (hospitalized), Douglas Tudor (cancer), Rose Anne Bense (fell, at Oak Hill for rehab), Hayes Maag (4 yr old, in ICU following near drowning)

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)

Weekly Bible Studies & Sunday School Classes

On Sundays:

Begins with an opening together in the sanctuary at 9:00 a.m.

- 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 a.m. at Cedarhurst (526 Legacy Dr.) in Waterloo. For adults. All are welcome.

Life Thoughts...Fifth Sunday after Trinity

We labor night and day in the monotonous—in the diapers, in the dishes, in the routine of our day-to-day lives—and it can often seem to be in vain (Luke 5:1). We wear ourselves out and despair with Elijah that we alone are left to overcome the challenges (1 Kings 19:14). But even when it seems foolish or absurd, we take God at His Word, knowing that He brings the catch (Luke 5:5-7). The cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but for us it is the power of God (1 Corinthians 1:18). The cross redeems our work and gives us hope, even when our works feel vain or when despair takes over (1 Kings 19:14).