

Our Weekly Announcements for September 12-13, 2026

Immanuel Lutheran Church & Preschool - 522 S. Church St. - Waterloo, IL - 618.939.6480



Weekly Calendar Sept 12-20, 2026

Saturday, 9/12

11a-3p 125th Anniversary
Community Block
Party

Crown of Silver

5:30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 9/13

Crown of Silver

7:45a Holy Communion
9-10a Sunday School &
Bible Study Classes
10:15a Holy Communion
11:30a Youth Mission Trip
meeting

Monday, 9/14

Pastor Hayter's day off

Tuesday, 9/15

1-4p Quilters' Guild
6:30p Women's Christian
Ministry meeting

Wednesday, 9/16

9:00a Preschool Chapel
10:00 Adult Bible Study at
Cedarhurst
6:30-8p Midweek Classes
6:30p Midweek Prayer
Service
7:00p Choir
8:05p Agape Ringers

Thursday, 9/17

2-7p Quilters' Guild
7p Church Council

Saturday, 9/19

5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 9/20

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

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

ARE YOU A THRIVENT MEMBER?

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.

CROWN OF SILVER: During our services this weekend, we will recognize and thank God for the blessings of our members who turn 85 during 2026. Those members are Cliff Bense, Jim Heise & Bob Kassel. Congratulations & God's continued blessings to each of you!

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given to the glory of God by Cliff & Kay Bense in honor of their 36th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Cliff & Kay!

PRESCHOOL "FAMILY OF THE WEEK": This week's Student of the Week is Rowan Frank, so we recognize Rowan and his parents, Jacob and Alyssa, in our prayers this weekend. Check out Rowan's artwork on the back cover of your bulletin!

COLLECTIONS: Our on-going collection of non-perishable food items supports the **Bi-County Backpack Program**. The Board of Community Care is supporting **Moms on a Mission** during September. Items needed include school supplies, nonperishable food items and gently used clothing/coats. 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 church, to doctor's appointments or to 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.

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!



RIDES TO CHURCH: One of our shut-ins would like to attend the late service on Sundays. She is able to get in and out of cars without assistance, does not use a walker. She lives off Country Club Lane on Cheshire Dr. If you can help with this, please call Susan Starbuck at 618-939-5296.

PAST PHOTO MEMORIES & MORE: Check out the pictures from the past at Immanuel located on the table in the narthex. Please feel free to take any that have meaning to you and your family/ friends. There are also a few old hymn books along with several other items for anyone to take and enjoy!

WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS:

Immanuel has a Bible class that meets on **Wednesday mornings at 10 AM**. Scripture encourages us to study His Word. This is a good time of the day for retired people to join a class. We are studying the book of John and meet for 1 hour in a meeting room about 20 feet from the front door **at Cedarhurst on Legacy Dr., Waterloo**, off of Hamacher St. Join us!

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.

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."

PAINTBALL PARTY: All youth are invited for this fun event on **Sunday, Sept. 27, from 3-6 PM**. See emails and texts from Jen Janssen for the details!

ALTAR GUILD GIRLS CONFERENCE: **October 11 from 1-7 PM**. Hosted at St. Paul's (6969 W. Frontage Rd, Worden, IL 62097). Girls in 4th grade through high school are encouraged to attend with adult Altar Guild members from their own congregations. There is no cost to attend. Please register by Sunday, October 4! Register or send questions to altarguildgirls@proton.me.

CHILI COOK-OFF: Let's get together for a fun evening on **Sunday, Oct. 11, from 5-7:30 PM** in the multipurpose room. Bring your best chili and compete for the Golden Ladle! Our youth will be heading up a Cornhole Challenge as well. All are invited!

SAVE THE DATE: The 4th annual Preschool Dinner Auction will be held on **Friday, November 6, 2026**, at Turner Hall in Columbia. All are welcome! This is a fun evening to benefit our Preschool ministry. Want to attend? Contact the office and let us know!

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

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

- 12 Kim Arbeiter
Brian Downing
- 13 Jennifer Dori
- 14 Steven Menke
Nancy Schanz
- 15 Tyler Major
Jennifer Patterson
Mason Starbuck
- 16 Debbie Arras
Angie Filipiak
Waylenn Kruse
Chase Rubemeyer
Ely Rusteberg
- 17 Lauren Patterson
- 18 Larry Taake
- 19 Corey Rahn
John Stratman
Alan Stumpf
- 20 Kyra Drewes
Josh Polansky

Anniversaries:

- 13 Ed & Susan Stanglein (51)
- 14 Cliff & Kay Bense (36)
- 16 Claude & Barb Heimbürger (31)
Rob & Angela LaRue (24)
- 19 Josh & Jessi Gregory (17)

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 (recovering at home), Betty Schimpf (stomach & intestinal pain), Maura Overmann (recovering from a fall), Jeff Weihs (knee problems)

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 (in remission), Linda Land (cancer), Rhonda Whelan (heart transplant surgery recovery), Milini Holmes, Homer Kerr (hospice), Dorothy Mueller (cancer testing), Tom Gruber (cancer), Carolyn Stelhorn, Douglas Tudor (cancer), Rose Anne Bense (fell, at Oak Hill for rehab), Hayes Maag (4 yr old, in rehab following a near drowning), Mark Sullivan (recovering from heart attack), Annette Zezoff, Elroy Stelhorn (Parkinsons), Thelma Manion, Billy Bethea, Joel Schoenborn (upcoming kidney surgery)

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 for all classes.

Preschool—4th grades: Led by April Kirkley, Millie Powers, Adam Eggemeyer, Jill Eggemeyer, Ayda & Myla Eggemeyer, Jenny Dori, Jenna Hoeffken, Beth Hayter, and Doug & Tracy Simms in the church basement. An interactive study of The Ten Commandments.

5th-6th grades: Led by Wendy Maag & Seth Weinberg in the conference room. A study of The Ten Commandments.

7th-8th grades: Led by Alan Stumpf & Greg Wiegand in the overflow room.

High School & Adults: Led by Pastor Hayter in the multipurpose room. A study of The Ten Commandments.

On Wednesdays:

An adult Bible study on the Book of John led by Bob Kassel at 10:00 AM at Cedarhurst (526 Legacy Dr.) in Waterloo.

Life Thoughts for the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

The evil one, the world, and your easily influenced sinful flesh preach doubt in God's Word, which is false faith (Matthew 6:24-34). Consider who it is that knows your need, who loves you, who watches over you day and night? It is He who rules all of creation, directing everything in the entire cosmos for the benefit of His children. He is your God. True faith overcomes false faith. Jesus is the object of true faith. We fill our hearts and minds with Him. We daily read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest Him in the Holy Scriptures and His Supper. Beloved in Christ, all your needs are met, and true peace is yours in Jesus.

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).

Stay Up To Date!

Visit immanuelwaterloo.org for the latest on our services, our calendar, our Preschool, our Bible studies, our youth events, and more!

125th Anniversary

Be sure to stop by the narthex and grab a set of coasters, garden flag, or prayer cross!

Last Week's Attendance

	2026	2025
Saturday 5:30	39	49
Sunday 7:45	50	48
Sunday 10:15	83	92
	172	189

2026 avg. weekly attendance: 205

Sunday School/Bible Classes:	
Preschool-8th	35 \$3.00
HS & Adults	26
	61

Midweek Service 48

Next Weekend's Readings

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

1 Kings 17:17-24; Psalm 30;
Eph. 3:13-21; Luke 7:11-17

Sunday School Offering

House of Neighborly Service

A New Pictorial Directory

Plans are underway for an updated edition since it has been nearly five years since our last pictorial directory. This time we are contemplating a couple options of how best to do this. Doing the directory ourselves or using an outside company. Regardless of which option is chosen, volunteers to help with photography, directory design, appt. scheduling, and other tasks are needed. If you'd like to share your time and talents to help make this project a success, please call the office (618.939.6480). We would greatly appreciate your help!

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