

Our Weekly Announcements for September 19-20, 2026

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Weekly Calendar Sept 19-27, 2026

9/17 - 9/23

Ann Frank on vacation

Saturday, 9/19

5:30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 9/20

7:45a Holy Communion

9-10a Sunday School &
Bible Study Classes

10:15a Holy Communion

Monday, 9/21

Pastor Hayter's day off

Tuesday, 9/22

1-4p Quilters' Guild

Wednesday, 9/23

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, 9/24

2-7p Quilters' Guild

Saturday, 9/26

5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 9/27

7:45a Holy Communion

9-10a Sunday School &
Bible Study Classes

10:15a Holy Communion

11:30a 125th Committee
meeting

3p Youth Group Paintball
Xtreme Paintball Park

BLOCK PARTY THANKS!

LSB 806's hymn is familiar to Immanuel's worshippers... "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart."

It is certainly with a "grateful heart" that a huge thanks goes to everyone who had a part in planning, organizing and carrying out this event! Immanuel has been blessed for 125 years to proclaim and share God's Word. May we continue to thank and praise HIM as we continue to do so.

To God be all glory and honor:
Faith, Foundation, Future

- Immanuel's 125th Anniversary
Committee

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 volunteers to help provide occasional transportation for fellow Immanuel members to church, to doctor's appts 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!



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 be a few old hymn books along with several other items for anyone to take and enjoy!

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.

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.

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

A NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: Plans are underway for an updated edition since it has been nearly five years since our last one. Volunteers are needed to help with photography, directory design, appt. scheduling, and other tasks. A couple more volunteers would be great! 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!

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!

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."

WURSTMARKT: Thank you to all those who participated in the 2026 Wurstmart and Stewardship Survey! Based on the majority of responses, we have determined that a Wurstmart should not be held this year. Please watch the next monthly newsletter for more information about the survey results. - Board of Stewardship

PICK OUT YOUR PUMPKINS: On **Sept. 26-27**, Immanuel youth will be selling pumpkins outside after each service. Stop by and pick up one or two for your fall festivities! The proceeds will go toward their Leader Treks mission trip next summer.

CHILI COOK-OFF & BAGS TOURNAMENT: Join the Youth Group & Evangelism board for a fun evening on **Sunday, Oct. 11th from 5 - 7:30 PM**. Bring your best chili for a chance to win the coveted "Golden Ladle" and stick around for lots of great fellowship and a Bags Tournament. All are welcome!

ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND: Join us on **Oct. 17-18** for our 4th special anniversary weekend. Rev. Merritt Demski will be our guest preacher and Bible study leader. A light reception hosted by our youth group will follow the 10:15 AM service.

PRESCHOOL DINNER AUCTION: The 4th annual Preschool Dinner Auction will be held on **Friday, November 6, 2026**, at Turner Hall in Columbia. Doors open at 5:00 PM. All are welcome! This is a great evening to benefit our Preschool.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

- 19 Corey Rahn
John Stratman
Alan Stumpf
20 Kyra Drewes
Josh Polansky
21 Dawn Clamors
Brian Hart
Marsha Voges
Tami Wilson
22 Eric Brandt
Angie Broske
Dawn Garner
Jonathan Koen
Leah Maag
23 Ayda Eggemeyer
Patsy Hicks
Jerry Moeser
24 Tracy Koch
Barb Muench
25 Rose Kettler
Laurie Sparwasser
Ashlyn Whelan
26 Crystal Becker
Kylee LaRue
Katlyn Gore
Cathy Whelan
27 Neal O'Brien

Anniversaries:

- 19 Josh & Jessi Gregory (17)
25 Justin & Kerri Andracsek (4)
Nathan & Caroline Eschmann (5)
26 Charles & Phyllis Lloyd (62)
27 Noah & Madalyn Jost (1)

Last Week's Attendance

	2026	2025
Saturday 5:30	51	43
Sunday 7:45	60	51
Sunday 10:15	72	56
	183	150

2026 avg. weekly attendance:
205

Sunday School/Bible Classes:

Preschool-8th	30	\$1.00
HS & Adults	22	
	52	

Next Weekend's Readings

Seventeenth Sunday after
Trinity

Prov. 25:6-14; Psalm 2;
Eph. 4:1-6; Luke 14:1-11

Sunday School Offering

House of Neighborly Service

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, Georgina 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), Jeff Weihl (knee problems), Paul Broske (quadruple bypass)

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 (testing), Tom Gruber (cancer), Carolyn Stellhorn, 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), Elroy Stellhorn (Parkinson's), Thelma Manion, Billy Bethea, Joel Schoenborn (recovering from kidney surgery), Dan Mueller (recovering from farming accident), Justin Fausz (suffering from rare form of cancer), Nate Gifford (preparing for cancer removal surgery), Joe Ventura (Myeloma)

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 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Let all men know that the Lord is God (Luke 7:11-17). Yes, He appeared in a form like ours. Yet He has revealed to us His divine power and majesty throughout the Scriptures. He healed diseases and rebuked unclean spirits. He gave the blind their sight. Finally, He even evicted death itself from the bodies of men, death that cruelly and mercilessly had tyrannized humankind from Adam even to you. That widow's son at Nain was raised from death to life amidst the finality of it all. Truly unbelievable apart from faith. Jesus, your Lord, your God, will raise you with those same words: "I say to you, arise." For each of us baptized into Jesus, death has no power.

Let Us Know!

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 Items

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

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