

Our Weekly Announcements for October 10-11, 2026

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



Weekly Calendar Oct 10-18, 2026

Saturday, 10/10

5:30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 10/11

7:45a Holy Communion
9-10a Sunday School &
Bible Study Classes
10:15a Holy Communion
5-7:30p Chili Cookout &
Cornhole Tournament

Monday, 10/12

Pastor Hayter's day off
No Preschool

Tuesday 10/13

6p Board of Stewardship
6:30p Board of Christian Ed

Wednesday, 10/14

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

Thursday, 10/15

7p Church Council

Saturday, 10/17

125th Anniversary Weekend
Pastor Demski preaching
5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 10/18

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11:30a Reception for 125th
Anniversary

OCTOBER IS PASTOR

APPRECIATION MONTH: During this month, we celebrate & recognize Pastor Hayter. We appreciate his dedicated service to each of us and thank God for providing us with a faithful shepherd. Please continue to keep Pastor and his family in your prayers. We are blessed!

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.

PRESCHOOL "FAMILY OF THE WEEK": This week's Student of the Week is Bristol Scherle, so we recognize Bristol and her parents, Branden and Caitlin, in our prayers this weekend. Check out Bristol'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 **Concordia Seminary Food & Clothing Bank** Needed items include nonperishable foods, cleaning products and gently used clothing/ coats for students. 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!



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.

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."

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!

ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND: Join us next weekend, **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.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT: Join us for fun and fellowship, **Oct 27th at 6:30 PM**. Hosted by the WCM, the cost is \$2 - or 2 or more nonperishable items for the Bi-County Backpack program. Held in the multi-purpose room. Refreshments provided - call church office for more info, 618-939-6480.

QUILTERS UPDATE: The ed building stairwell renovations are set to begin soon. During this time, our quilting days on Tuesdays & Thursdays will be held day-day as available. Watch the weekly announcements for any changes or updates. Please reach out to Jean Hoeffken (618-612-9670). - Immanuel QTs (Quilters) with any questions.



Chili

COOK OFF

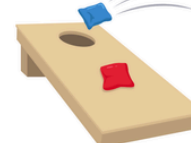
Sunday, October 11th
5:00 - 7:30 P.M.

**Compete for the Golden
Ladle!**

**FUN FOR ALL
AGES!**

**RSVP chili entries to church
office: 618.939.6480**

YOUTH GROUP SPONSORED
CORNHOLE CHALLENGE



Immanuel Lutheran Church
522 S Church Street, Waterloo
Behind the parsonage, weather
permitting



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

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

- 10 Julianna Gregory
Alan Horn
Kirk Ritzel
Jacob Stumpf
Harper Thompson
- 12 Ellen Heise
Lisa Segelhorst
- 13 Amelia Deptula
- 16 David Jacobs
Hunter Kettler
- 18 Don Matzenbacher
Charlotte Rodenberg
Sarah Sappenfield

Anniversaries:

- 11 Don & Connie Rusteberg (23)
- 12 Davide & Nancy Alu (24)
Jeff & Angie Filipiak (19)
Dave & Alycia Otten (7)
- 16 Daniel & Megan Menke (16)
- 17 Henry & Jessy Horrell (11)
Taylor & Val Vernier (6)
- 18 BJ & Jennifer Dori (12)

Last Week's Attendance

	2026	2025
Saturday 5:30	37	39
Sunday 7:45	76	60
Sunday 10:15	82	70
	195	169

2026 avg. weekly attendance:
204

Sunday School/Bible Classes:

Preschool-8th	32	\$1.00
HS & Adults	22	
	54	

Next Weekend's Readings

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Isah. 45:1-7; Psalm 91:11;
1 Thes.. 1:1-10; Matt. 22:15-22

Sunday School Offering

House of Neighborly Services

Keep Collecting Caps/Lids!

Please drop them off in the large basket in the narthex. Benefits the JB VA Hospital.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: All voting members are encouraged to join us for our congregational meeting on **Sunday, Nov. 8, 2026**, following the 10:15 AM service (**approx. 11:30 AM**). We'll be hearing financial, board & Pastor's reports and approving our 2027 Budget.

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), Ron Heins (recovering at home), Betty Schimpf (gall bladder surgery), Jeff Weihi (knee problems), Paul Broske (quadruple bypass), Susan Radden (recovering from eye 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), Dakota Carner (accident recovery), Jim Horn (in remission), Linda Land (cancer), Rhonda Whelan (heart transplant surgery recovery), Milini Holmes, Homer Kerr (hospice), Tom Gruber (cancer), Carolyn Stellhorn, Douglas Tudor (cancer), Rose Anne Bense (in skilled care at Cedarhurst), 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, Dan Mueller (recovering from farming accident), Justin Fausz (rare form of cancer), Nate Gifford (cancer removal surgery), Heather Sensel (cancer treatment), Steve Kendrick (Alzheimer's)

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 Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

What care and compassion are seen by the men who brought their paralyzed friend to Jesus! What burden they gladly bore to carry this man that he could be brought to Christ! They sought nothing for themselves, but only the welfare of their brother! What great compassion, therefore, does our Lord have for us? "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends." And so, then, our Lord commands: "Therefore, go and do likewise."

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!

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