Our Weekly Announcements for November 7-8, 2026

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

Weekly Calendar Nov 7-15, 2026

Saturday, 11/7
New Member Welcome
5:30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 11/8
New Member Welcome
7:45a Holy Communion
9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study Classes
10:15a Holy Communion
11:30a Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting

Monday, 11/9
Pastor Hayter's day off

Tuesday, 11/10
4:00p Board of Community Care
4:30p Board of Evangelism
6:00p Board of Stewardship
6:30p Board of Christian Education

Wednesday, 11/11
No Preschool-Veterans' Day
10:00a Adult Bible Study at Cedarhurst
10:00a Youth Group - CFNA Service Project
6:30p Midweek Prayer Service
7:00p Choir
8:05p Agape Ringers

Saturday, 11/14
Pastor Keseman Preaching
5:30p Holy Communion

Sunday, 11/15
Pastor Keseman Preaching
7:45a Holy Communion
9-10a Sunday School & Bible Study Classes
10:15a Holy Communion

SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Please plan to attend our semi-annual Congregational Meeting this Sunday, Nov 8th at 11:30 AM. Board reports, Committee updates and approval of the 2027 budget will be discussed.

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

LET'S WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS: During our services this weekend, we welcome our newest members who have been received in 2026. These members are Caleb Arbeiter, Ruth Baker, Nick Guebert, Sarah Heizer, David & Susan Radden, and Krysta & Hudson Schmidt. We thank God for each of these members.

COLLECTIONS: Our on-going collection of non-perishable food items supports the **Bi-County Backpack Program**. For November & December, the Board of Community Care is supporting a **Christmas present drive.** Children's lists will be provided very soon.

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.

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.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY: A study of the "Heavy Hitters of the Bible" takes place on **Wednesdays at 7:00 PM** in the conference room. Bring your Bible & join us!

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., off of Hamacher St. Join us!

QUILTERS UPDATE: Our quilting days are put on hold for now since the stairwell work began last week. Watch the bulletins for updates!

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." **The work began on Thursday.**

FAMILY DEVOTIONS: The new family devotionals are available. The topic will be "The Apostles' Creed" and will begin next Sunday, Nov. 15th. Be sure to pick up a copy from the narthex. Our Sunday School classes and Wednesday evening prayer services through February will reflect this topic as well.

INSERTS AND OTHER INFO IN YOUR BULLETINS: Please be sure to look through the inserts and on pg. 15-18 of your bulletin for more info of upcoming events & activities.

Dear Saints at Immanuel,
It's always funny as a pastor to see in the bulletin throughout the month of October, "It's Pastor Appreciation Month!" I get a whole month! Seems kinda crazy! But there is nothing I can say but "Thank you." The whole congregation has been nothing but kind and welcoming to me and my family, and you have made us feel at home among you. Thank you to all who gave gifts to me and my family, the warmth of your care can be felt.
Peace, Pastor Hayter

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

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays:

7 Demi Gardner
Norine Stumpf
8 Elliot Saunders
Mackenzie Wiegand
9 Loralei Griffin
Jimmy Heise
JT Heise
11 Tara Bryan
12 Ed Arras
Rose Exum
13 Matthew Altes
Craig Mehner
Valerie Zeisset
14 Trinity Drewes
Ann Frank
Mason Wilhelm
15 Elizabeth Hayter
Carolyn Henry

Anniversaries:

8 Steve & Lindsay Menke (2)
12 Dan & Breanna Parrott (10)
14 Nick & Ashley Hoeffken (17)

Last Week's Attendance

	2026	2025
Saturday 5:30	n/a	29
Sunday 7:45	50	54
Sunday 10:15	134	72
	184	165

2026 avg. weekly attendance: 203

Sunday School/Bible Classes:

Preschool-8th	40	$.00
HS & Adults	25	
	65	

Next Weekend's Readings

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity

Is. 51:9-16; Psalm 126;
Col. 1:9-14 Matt. 9:18-26

Sunday School Offering

Lutheran Child & Family Services

Keep Collecting Caps/Lids!

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

125th Anniversary Items

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

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 Weihl (knee problems), Paul Broske (quadruple bypass), Jay Pryor (hip surgery), Diane Marshall (recovering at home)

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 Apt 6), 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 (suffering from rare form of cancer), Nate Gifford (cancer removal surgery), Steve Kendrick (Alzheimer's), Heather Sensel (cancer treatment), Shirley Flath, Mike Fausz (cancer), Marilyn Haberl (Scleroderma & ongoing tests)

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:

Adult Bible study: The Book of John led by Bob Kassel at 10:00 AM at Cedarhurst (526 Legacy Dr.) in Waterloo.

Ladies' Bible Study: Working our way through the Bible as we study the "Heavy Hitters of the Bible" at 7-8 PM in the conference room.

Life Thoughts for Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity

As the coin for the tax belonged to Caesar because it bore his likeness (Matthew 22:21), every single person belongs to God and is precious to Him because all are created in His image and likeness. For this reason, God has "sent redemption to His people" (Psalm 111:9), through Jesus Christ, who will restore the believers to His image on the Last Day (Philippians 3:21). As we wait for that day, Christians seek godly wisdom and righteousness, recognizing that "the fear of the Lord is hatred of evil" (Proverbs 8:13), which includes the wanton destruction of lives created in God's image.

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!

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