

“The MISSION of Immanuel is to glorify God, build the Christian Church, foster Christian fellowship and concern, and join in the worldwide work of winning souls for Christ.”

**Immanuel Lutheran Church, LCMS
Rock Island, IL**



***Announcements for the Week of
October 27, 2024***

~~ Take your bulletin home with you to refer to it during the week ~~

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE – SUNDAY, October 27, 2024

Elder:	Larry Wiebel
Communion Assistant:	Mel Vogel
Ushers:	Kevin Millen Jim Boudro
Organist:	Christine Roth

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING

Office Hours: Monday — Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sunday, October 27	9:00 am 10:15 am 2-4 pm	Worship with Holy Communion Bible Study / Sunday School Trunk or Treat
Monday, October 28	7:00 am 8-4 6:00 pm	Matins <i>Home School – RICC</i> Book Club
Tuesday, October 29	9:30 am 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Bible Study Intergenerational Bible Study Confirmation Class
Wednesday, October 30	<i>9-Noon</i>	<i>Home School – CHALK</i>
Thursday, October 31		
Friday, November 1		
Saturday, November 2		
Sunday, November 3 All Saints' Day (Observed)	7:15 am 9:00 am 10:15 am	Elders meet Worship with Holy Communion Bible Study / Sunday School (Voters meeting re-scheduled to November 10)

Attendance for Last Week:

Sunday, October 20th: 65/57 Communed

Visitors – 2



YOUTH GROUP UPCOMING EVENTS

Regular Youth Meetings at Immanuel Rock Island

- All Circuit youth are welcome to attend the regularly scheduled youth group meetings at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rock Island.
- Meeting schedule - First hour: Pastor leads a Bible Study, Second hour: games and snacks.
- Future meeting dates will be shared via email at the beginning of each month for your reference and monthly planning.
- Please join us!

- **November 10, 2024 – Circuit Wide Youth**
 - Service Project & Potluck
5:00 – 7:30 pm
- **January 19, 2025 – Circuit Wide**
 - **“Movie Night”**
4:00-7:00 pm
- **Higher Things 2025**
 - July 29 – August 1, Calvin University, Grand Rapids, Michigan
 - \$100 reservation fee per attendee
 - Early Bird Rate
 - Five (5) youth per adult of the same gender

Please pray that our Circuit Youth Group will continue to be a source of fellowship, fun, and sharing God's word with our youth.

**VOTERS MEETING HAS BEEN RE-SCHEDULED TO
Sunday, November 10, after church service --**



The Elders invite you to Immanuel's
Trunk-or-Treat
TODAY

2:00-4:00 p.m.

Decorate your trunk, go crazy with your costume, and enjoy fellowship with your church family! This is also a great opportunity to invite community members to visit our church. The Elders will grill up some delicious food and will serve at 3 p.m. In case of bad weather, the event will be moved from the parking lot to the gymnasium. Please contact an Elder if you have any questions.



SEASONAL CHOIR - It's that time of year again when we look forward to our "Seasonal" choir. If you are interested, please let one of our organists know.



BELL CHOIR – If you would be interested in playing in a bell choir, please let Chris Roth or the office know. Days and times of practices will be decided among those interested.



**LWML will be collecting gift cards
to send to
Concordia Theological Seminary,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
from October through November 10th.**

Suggested vendors: gas (BP, Shell, Speedway); restaurants (Taco Bell, Subway, McDonalds, Burger King, Texas Roadhouse, Outback Steakhouse, Olive Garden); groceries (Target, Wal-Mart); or VISA cards.

Please write amount on card and give to Laurie Astrowski or church office.



The Lutheran Women in Missions (LWML) has started another year and we would like to invite you to participate! Here is an update and a calendar of events.

To grow in our faith and joy, Pastor will be providing a more in-depth Bible Study instead of a devotion on the 4th Thursday of the month starting in October. We will have just three business meetings for the year and the election of officers in May. To learn more about the missions our Mites are going to, we will share a "Mission Minute" at each business meeting. You will see that we have two dates to serve at Christian Care Men's Shelter. If you have never served, we would love to see more people get the opportunity; it is a rewarding experience and reminds you how blessed you are. We have the fleece purchased for Phil's Friends blankets and will again have the kits available after Christmas.

Please come and join us. Our goal is to be respectful of your time. The meetings start at 6:00 pm with refreshments in the Luther Room and we plan to be done no later than 7:30. These dates are subject to change.

November 21 – Bible Study and Dessert – Business Meeting follows

December 4 – LWML Serve Advent Meal

December 12 – Christmas Party

JANUARY - NO MEETING

February 16 – Fleece Blanket Kits Available

February 27 – Bible Study and Dessert

March 9 – Mite Box Sunday – Return Fleece Blankets

March 20 – Serve at Christian Care Men's Shelter

March 27 – Bible Study and Dessert – Business Meeting

April 2 – Serve Lenten Dinner

April 20 - Easter

April 24 – Bible Study and Dessert

May 22 – Dine Out and Election officers

Total offering and expenses for September 2024

We thank you for your continued generosity!

Income: \$20,370.00

Expenses: \$16,189.09



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE

This year again, due to funding and other constraints, we will only be taking names from the congregation for family members or friends who are in need this year. We will purchase Thanksgiving items to be ready to distribute on Monday, 11/25. Christmas Baskets will be distributed on Friday, 12/20.

We still ask for your help by giving a monetary donation for the “Gift Baskets”. Place your check or cash in an envelope and mark it for “Social Ministry” and drop it in the offering plate, drop it in the mail, or at the office. Be sure to include your offering envelope number so that we may give you credit. Please note that the 2024 offering envelopes include two envelopes for *Social Ministry*.

We also hope to be able to do this again for Thanksgiving/Christmas next year. There are also plans to help with special needs throughout the year as needed when requested.

If you have any questions, contact Tammy (309.781.9248), Mel Vogel (309-781-9624), or any other member of the Social Ministry Committee.

BIRDIES FOR CHARITY

Birdies for Charity from the John Deere Classic golf tournament raised over 16 million dollars for Quad City charities this year. The money people donate goes into a huge fund and comes back to whatever Charity’s name in which it was given, plus a bonus from John Deere. This year raised over a million dollars more than last year and that produced an 8% bonus.

Immanuel received a check for \$270.00 from this fund raiser which we use for Youth Group activities.

THANK YOU to all who participated in this event.

See Laurie Astrowski if you have any questions or would like to manage this event for our church in the future.

**Daily Readings for week of October 27th
from the Lutheran Service Book, pages 299-304**

Sunday, Oct 27	Deut. 29:1-29	Matt. 18:21-35
Monday, Oct 28	Deut. 30:1-20	Matt. 19:1-15
Tuesday, Oct 29	Deut. 31:1-29	Matt. 19:16-30
Wednesday, Oct 30	Deut. 31:30-32:37	Matt. 20:1-16
Thursday, Oct 31	Deut. 32:28-52 <i>Deut. 33:1-29</i>	Matt. 20:17-34
Friday, Nov 1	Deut. 34:1-12	Matt. 21:1-22
Saturday, Nov 2	Jer. 1:1-19	Matt. 21:23-46

LCMS Memory Verse Challenge

Week of October 27, 2024

Ephesians 1:13

In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit.

Stewardship Thought – October 27 – Proper 24

Mark 10:29–30 – “Jesus said, ‘Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the Gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.’ This is Jesus’ encouragement for every faithful disciple — let it encourage you today.

LIFE THOUGHTS:

October 27 – Pentecost XXIII (Proper 25B): Bartimaeus’ neighbors found his disability inconvenient and even burdensome. But Jesus drew near to affirm, support, and even restore his humanity and sanctity. All humankind suffers sin’s brokenness, but the Lord our God does not allow this to disqualify anyone. We get to receive every life as special, precious, and priceless, no matter what age, appearance, or ability.



The Camp CILCA Lowdown

November, 2024

217-487-7497 / camp@cilca.org

4124 Camp Cilca Rd.

Cantrall, IL 62625

SAVE THE DATE:

❖ *Summer Camp registration opens: November 1*

- In celebration of CILCA's 75th anniversary, all program sessions for summer 2025 will be available for \$75 if you register before April 1.

❖ *Act Like Men Field Training: November 2, 6:30-7:15am*

- A brisk hike for men through the 235 acres of Camp CILCA. No cost. Meet at the pine trees by the entrance.

❖ *Work Day: November 2, 8:30-11:30am*

- Raking leaves, closing down cabins, and revamping the Dining Hall kitchen auning are all on the docket. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers.

❖ *Young Adult Game Night: November 9*

- Camp CILCA is hosting a game night for young adults (21+). There is no cost, just bring a friend, any games you want to play, snacks or sides to share. 3-6pm.

❖ *Women's Scrapbook Retreat: November 15-17*

- Cost is \$90 for your shared room and meals. (Private rooms are available upon request for \$120.) Register at cilca.org/womens-scrapbooking-retreat

Camp CILCA exists to strengthen and foster faith in Jesus Christ and relationships with others in a unique outdoor setting.

LIFE QUOTES:

October 27

Do not doubt, dear sister, dear brother, in the midst of your piercing grief, that you are not alone. Jesus stands with you and the whole company of His heaven stands with you, God's gang, you might say. So stand firm with God as your mighty fortress, for you are not alone. But the 'same kinds of suffering you are experiencing are being experienced by your sisters and brothers throughout the world,' 1 Peter tells us. Yes, the people who are mourning are blessed because they will be comforted." Rev. Dr. John Nunes, guest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour"

The Lutheran Hour can be heard each Sunday on the following Stations:

WKEI Kewanee, IL 1450 AM 5:00 am

KCLN Clinton, IL 1390 AM 9:30 am

WMT Cedar Rapids, IA 600 AM 6:30 am



You can receive Daily Devotions to your computer,
Go to <https://www.lhm.org/subscribe/>

For churches outside the St. Louis area for the week of October 27:

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUE.org: Join us as we continue our study of the book of Numbers on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), taking a look at the account of Balak and Balaam in chapters 22-26. Then, tune into Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT) for a special series on All Hallows Eve, covering topics such as Hallowe'en, ghosts, angels, demons, and more! Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfu.org](#) or on the KFUE Radio app!

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Don't forget before retiring next Saturday night (November 2nd), to set your clocks back one hour.



CENTRAL ILLINOIS DISTRICT

of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

October 2024 mid-month

News You Can Use

Habakkuk 3:17-19a

Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will take joy in the God of my salvation. God, the Lord, is my strength.

Habakkuk lived in a tumultuous time. Many people had fears about the future of Israel and Judah. Habakkuk was called by God to encourage the people and to direct them to our Lord and Savior. His hope and joy were not based on possessions and worldly wealth but upon God's mercy and strength.

We are now entering a season of thanksgiving, hope, and joy. Sadly, for many people this season is one of emotional and economic stress. If that is the case with us, we would do well to hear God's words through Habakkuk.

Our hope and joy are not found in feasts, decorations, and gifts. These things bring short-lived pleasure. We find true joy and hope in Christ regardless of our financial situation, personal losses, national and world problems, health issues, or family difficulties. Even if we must sit alone at an empty table on Thanksgiving or celebrate Christmas without loved ones, we still have hope and joy. For the Lord gives us strength to face and overcome any trial.

This Thanksgiving and Christmas, let us rejoice that our loving Lord is with us and will never forsake us. Then no matter what else happens, we can have a blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Rev. Jeff Harter

Pray For Our Central Illinois District Missions supported by your church's Mission Dollars to the District. Our Lord Jesus said, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into the harvest." This month, please thank God for the outreach of the Gospel in Spanish at St. John's Lutheran Church, Beardstown. Pray for Pastor Pablo Dominguez, who travels to Beardstown from East Moline twice a month.

Items of Interest to Share

Witnessing HELPS the CID has released a series of videos on key witnessing skills:

- Beginning a spiritual conversation
- Listening discerningly to a nonchurched person
- Making a simple statement of the Gospel
- Defending the Resurrection.

Visit the CID Website for current information. <https://www.cidlcms.org/outreach-witness-ministry.html>

**Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty
Springfield Circuit Fall Gathering
October 26, 2024 9am- 2pm**

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church
120 W Monroe St, Petersburg, IL**

The Rev. Mark Frith from LCRL in Washington, DC, is coming to Central Illinois. He will give a presentation on the Two kingdoms of God. Rev. Mark Frith of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty will join us for our twin circuits triennial Circuit Forum for parishes to meet and discuss important topics that affect our churches. (go to www.lcrlfreedom.org for more info on LCRL) During Rev. Frith's presentation, he will have time to answer questions on how religious liberty is under attack in many areas of our American society & law. (LCRL is a registered LCMS Recognized Service Organization, headed by former Lutheran Hour Speaker Dr. Greg Seitz.) In addition to the morning break, Lunch will be served at noontime. Free will offering will be accepted to defray the cost of lunch and for LCRL.

Springfield Circuits Reformation Service

Bethlehem Lutheran Church 120 West Monroe Street Petersburg, Illinois 62675
October 27th at 2:00 pm

Pastor Frith from the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty will preach at the Reformation Service.

**SAVE THE DATE: MARCH FOR LIFE – ILLINOIS
Tuesday, March 25, 2025**

As last year, Trinity Lutheran Church in downtown Springfield (across the street from the State Capitol building) will host a Matins service in the morning before the rally and march, and a light lunch will be provided at a nominal cost. Precise times are being determined. Again this year, parking will be available to you downtown at the State House Inn, a block north of the capitol and near Trinity. However, please make plans now to carpool whenever possible.

2025 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING

Looking for information: Ways to Connect

- CID Lutheran Youth Facebook Group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/249327678480252>) – Find the latest district updates and information LCMS Youth Ministry Facebook Group – Lots of Gathering content and collaboration, but all things youth ministry too!
- End Goals: LCMS Youth Ministry Podcast <https://www.kfuo.org/category/lcms-youth-ministry-end-goals/> All things youth ministry and some great episodes on the Gathering! Be sure to check out www.lcmsgathering.com under the Resources tab for tons of information, worksheets, budgeting sheets, etc



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