

“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
May 21, 2023***

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

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE – May 21, 2023:

Elder:	Mel Vogel
Communion Assistant:	Todd Hazen
Ushers:	Mitch Bull Eric Campbell
Organist:	Christine Roth
Cantor:	Keith Hentrich

**THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING
Office Hours: Mon.—Fri. 9-1:00**

Sunday, May 21	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship w/Holy Communion Bible Study/SS
Monday, May 22	9 am 6 pm	Winkel Book Club
Tuesday, May 23	9:30 am	Adult Bible Study
Wednesday, May 24		
Thursday, May 25	6 pm	<i>LWML – Out to eat and election of officers.</i>
Friday, May 26		
Saturday, May 27		
Sunday, May 28	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship w/Holy Communion Bible Study/SS

Attendance for Last Week May 14th :
70/59 Received Communion

Below are the total offering and expenses for the last three months.
We thank you for your continued generosity through this difficult time.

Feb. Offerings – \$26,375.00	Feb. Expenses - \$18,972.00
March Offerings - \$23,927.00	March Expenses - \$38,128.55
April Offerings - \$16,588.00	April Expenses - \$15,852.00



OFFICERS NEEDED

If you are interested in becoming an officer or member of a committee at Immanuel, there are several positions that will be open including but not limited to:

Corporate Secretary (1); Treasurer/Board of Finance Chairman (1); Property Committee Chairman(1); Foundation (1); Call Committee (3); Board of Elders (4).

This requires attending the council meetings which are *generally* held on the 3rd Thursday of every other month. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for July. If you are interested, please contact Mel Vogel, Ron Mau or call the church office at 309-786-3391.

There will be a Voters' Meeting on Sunday, June 25, 2023 after church services. The agenda will be sent out ahead of the meeting and will be published in the weekly announcements in the weeks prior to the meeting.



According to the Immanuel Constitution, to be eligible to cast a vote at the meeting you must be a communicant member of the congregation (18 years of age or older) who has attended at least one voter's assembly in the past 12 months. If you are a new member, you may attend the meeting and sign the constitution, thereby becoming eligible to vote at the subsequent Voter's Assembly. If you have any questions, please contact the office.



Thank you to those who have signed up to help mow! We can always use more, even if you're only available to mow a couple of times. Please contact Clayton or call the office if you can help or if you have any questions.



Cemetery Clean-Up Fund

Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery incurred extensive damage from an April 4, 2023 tornado. Our insurance does not cover this damage. We have hired a tree service company to take out the trees and grind the stumps for a cost exceeding \$25,000. This cost does NOT include resetting the toppled stones which will be done at a later date. We are asking your help by contributing funds and/or volunteering to assist with a final clean-up of small debris. With God's help we will have this completed by Memorial Day.

If you wish to donate towards this fund, please make checks out to Immanuel Lutheran Church and note in the "memo" line of your check that it is for the cemetery clean-up.

If you have any questions or would be interested in assisting with clean-up, please contact Ron Mau or Clayton Weisenborn – or you can call the office at 309-786-3391.

A special voters meeting was held on Sunday, May 7th after church services to discuss/vote on choosing a tree service to do the large clean-up at the Immanuel Cemetery. The results are as follows:

MOTION: Whereas the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery incurred severe damage from the EF2 tornado that hit on the morning of April 4, 2023: Be it resolved that the Property Committee be permitted to spend up to \$20,000 for removal of trees and other clean-up based on quotes received from tree removal companies. That these funds be released from the General Church Funds and Foundation accounts.

Discussion –

Four bids were received and the tree service chosen gave a bid of: Tree removal - \$18,897 and stump removal - \$6,250 for a total of \$25,147.

After further explanation and discussion, it was moved that we accept this bid for tree and stump removal; Motion seconded.

Discussion was held on where funds would come from, various ways we could make known the need for extra donations to help cover the cost, what volunteers can do to help with clean-up after the removal etc. It was decided that we would publish information on our Facebook site regarding the damage and expenses to take care of the damage. We were informed that the “Cemetery Maintenance” budget line is to cover the cost of normal maintenance only (mowing, trimming, etc).

A vote was called and the MOTION passed.

The Comptroller, Financial Secretary, and the Treasurer were tasked with determining where the funds will come from.

There were 25 in attendance.



The LWML will be holding our end of the year dinner on Thursday, May 25th at the Rock Island Riverfront Grille at 6:00 PM.

The address is 4619 34th St, Rock Island IL 61201. Please join us for a time of great food and fellowship. We do not have a reserved room so plan to arrive between 5:30 and 6pm. If you could let Janet Mau know at 563 209-0723 or JanetMau6@gmail.com if you plan to attend it would be much appreciated. See you there!



Immanuel Youth Group News – Rock Island Circuit Youth Group Summer 2023

- Saturday, June 10th** **Golf Outing 8 AM, Concordia, Geneseo**
Let Tyler know if you would like him to register by
MAY 21st
- Sunday, June 25th** **Starved Rock State Park**
Meet at Concordia, Geneseo at 1:30 (65 min. to
Starved Rock). Returning to Geneseo at 7 pm.
- July – Date TBD** **Miller’s Pool Party**
- August 6th** **Zion Taylor Ridge**
- Softball, kickball, sand volleyball 4 pm
 - Wiener Roast – 6 pm



VBS at Immanuel
July 10 -14 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm.

For Children 4 years old through 5th grade.

Monday thru Thursday we will start with a light meal followed by music, Bible Lessons, crafts, Bible challenges and games. We will wrap up the week on Friday with a closing program, cookout and a Fun Night filled with activities.

More details to follow regarding registration. Thank you to all who have expressed interest in volunteering. We will be contacting you soon. If you have not signed up to help, please consider participating. We will need help with the kitchen, crafts, registration table, music and overall helpers.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Welch 309-714-5491.



The Camp CILCA Lowdown

217-487-7497 / camp@cilca.org

4124 Camp Cilca Rd.

Cantrall, IL 62625

SAVE THE DATE: May 28 – Hog Roast

- Adults \$10, Children \$8.
- 11:30am-2:30pm
- Pulled Pork, sides, drinks, & desserts!

Find out more at www.cilca.org



A Dollar for Missions

“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich” (2 Corinthians 8:9). ‘A Dollar for Missions’ is a project hosted by Evangelism/Stewardship Bds. One EXTRA dollar given by EACH member of the churches of the Central IL District Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, will

enable tremendous Mission work to be accomplished. At the time of this printing, the current ‘Dollar for Missions’ project has not been completed. Here is a reminder of the project: These first dollars will be used to provide the first half-years’ worth of support for a Vicar to serve Immanuel Lutheran Church, Springfield, devoting most of his time to continuing development of this congregation’s new church start in northwest Springfield, Immanuel Lutheran Chapel. CID’s first \$30,000 of DFM funds will be applied to this endeavor. For more information, see <http://www.cidlcms.org/ministry-dfm-current-project.html>.

Daily Readings for week of May 21st from the Lutheran Service book, pages 299-304.

May 21 st	Num. 14:1-25		Luke 18:18-34
May 22 nd	Num. 14:26-45	<i>Num. 15:1-41</i>	Luke 18:35 – 19:10
May 23 rd	Num. 16:1-22		Luke 19:11-28
May 24 th	Num. 16:23-40		Luke 19:29-48
May 25 th	Num. 16:41 – 17:13		Luke 20:1-18
		<i>Num. 18:1 – 19:22</i>	
May 26 th	Num. 20:1-21		Luke 20:19-44
May 27 th	Num. 20:22 – 21:19		Luke 20:45 – 21:19

Stewardship Thought

May 21 – Easter 7

1 Peter 5:7 – “Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.” We have a Father in heaven who really cares for us and loves us. That is the basis of generosity, because such knowledge spells the end of worry, which is the source of all tightfisted greed.



*For churches outside the St. Louis area for the week of **May 21**:*

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares

Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Study Revelation 4-7 on Sharper Iron's "Come Lord Jesus!" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study 1 Samuel 17-21 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and hear how our Lutheran theology is for the instruction and consolation of a disturbed conscience on Concord Matters (5/27 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!



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

WGEN Kewanee, IL 1500 AM 5:30 am

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 lhmin@lhm.org



2023 LUTHERANS FOR LIFE NATIONAL CONFERENCE

2023 Lutherans For Life National Conference • October 11-13

Holiday Inn Cincinnati Airport | Erlanger, Kentucky, with visits to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum

National Conference Early Bird Registration Is Now Open!

Are you excited yet?! We are looking forward to learning and exploring with you at our 2023 National Conference taking place just outside Cincinnati, in Erlanger, Kentucky, October 11-13. After a morning of devotions and learning with a keynote speaker and breakout sessions at the **Holiday Inn Cincinnati Airport**, we'll head out for a scheduled visit to **Answers in Genesis** attractions—the **Creation Museum** on October 11 and the **Ark Experience** on October 12. Dinner will offer time for fellowship back at the hotel and is included in your conference rate. Breakfast is included with the hotel stay. Lunches will be on your own, with options available at the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Early Bird Registration – \$100 through May 31, 2023. *Early Bird discounts for adults only.*

Regular Registration – \$125 – begins June 1, 2023.

Youth Registration – \$25 – 11-years-old through college-aged

Child Registration – FREE – 10-years-old and under

Registration includes access to conference sessions with keynote and breakout presentations, Wednesday and Thursday banquet evening meals, and access to discounted admission pricing for Creation Museum and Ark Encounter. Admission tickets for the attractions are not included in registration pricing. Discounted admission tickets for either or both attractions can only be purchased at the [registration link](#).

LIFE THOUGHTS:

May 21 – Easter VII – The demise of Judas (Acts 1:18) confirms death is always the devil’s work (1 Peter 5:8). We are not ashamed to resist its enticements, for the sake of both the Gospel and our neighbors. The work of God, on the other hand, always seeks to adopt even the ones the world discards and number every human life among His household (Psalm 68:5-6). Let us be about the Father’s business!

LIFE QUOTES:

May 21 “God has chosen each one of us from the beginning of creation. God has also chosen our body to be a temple. He gave us the beautiful gift of a body, and we are called to be stewards of that body, to take care of it and be aware of what we do with it. God also chooses each one of us to belong. We all have a spot and purpose in God’s family—and not one of us is useless or random. God chose us with a purpose. Nothing He does is random.” *Kambria Steinhaus, Knights 4 Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



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