

“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
September 29, 2024***

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

SERVANTS IN THE LORD’S HOUSE – SUNDAY, September 29, 2024

Elder:	John Campbell
Communion Assistant:	Mel Vogel
Ushers:	Kevin Millen Jim Boudro
Organist:	Katherine Cobert
Sunday School children will sing during the Offering: <i>O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe</i>	

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING
Office Hours: Monday — Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sunday, September 29	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:15 am	Worship with Holy Communion “Transfer the Blessings” Seminar Sunday School
Monday, September 30	7:00 am 8-4 6:00 pm	Matins <i>Home School – RICC</i> Book Club
Tuesday, October 1	9:30 am 6:00 pm	Bible Study Intergenerational Bible Study
Wed, October 2	9-Noon	<i>Home School - CHALK</i>
Thurs, October 3	7:00 pm	Youth Group Planning Board
Friday, October 4		
Sat, October 5		
Sunday, October 6 <i>LWML Sunday</i>	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship with Holy Communion Bible Study / Sunday School

Attendance for Last Week:
Sunday, September 22nd: 68/56 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!

- **Fall Activity – Circuit Youth Group Event**

- Sunday, October 20th
- 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Tanners Orchard in Speer, Illinois
- Admission \$20 person, includes all-day admission to all attractions in the Back 40 Fun Acres plus admission to the U-Pick (apples) and the Corn Maze

- **Higher Things 2025**

- June 24-27 – University of Mass., Amherst, MA
- July 8-11 – Concordia Nebraska, Seward, NE
- July 29 – August 1, Calvin University, Grand Rapids, MI
 - \$100 reservation fee per attendee
 - Early Bird Rate
 - **Immanuel most likely going to the Grand Rapids Higher Things**
 - 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.



The Elders invite you to Immanuel's Trunk-or-Treat
Sunday, October 27, from 2-4 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.

LIFE QUOTES:

September 29 "When we engage in the political process, we as Christians rightfully assert these rights, knowing that in doing so we are defending not only or even primarily ourselves, but our neighbors ... By asserting the right to life, and to other natural rights, we are in fact confessing God's given order." *Rev. Dr. Peter Scaer, Concordia Theological Seminary – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

LIFE THOUGHTS:

September 29 – Pentecost XIX (Proper 21B) – The God of the Gospel leaves no one alone. So the Christian fellowship does not ignore or avoid its members in distress. We fetch cups of cold water for each other (Mark 9:41). We absolve and intercede for one another (James 5:14-16). We assist in preserving surprise pregnancies instead of abandoning them to abortion. And we serve in terminal diagnoses instead of dismissing them to assisted suicide.



The Lutheran Women in Missions (LWML) is kicking off 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 meetings. You will see that we have two dates to serve at Christian Care Men's shelter. If you have never served, I 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 do that after Christmas.

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

September 26 – Pastor Devotion and Business Meeting

October 6th – LWML Sunday - "Ready to Serve"

October 17 – Serve at Christian Care Men's Shelter

October 24 – Bible Study and Dessert

November 21 – Bible Study and Dessert – Business Meeting Follows

December 4th – LWML Serve Advent Meal

December 12 – Christmas Party

NO MEETING JANUARY

February 16th – Fleece Blankets Available

February 27 – Bible Study and Dessert

March 9 – Mite Box Sunday – Return Fleece Blankets

March 20 – Serve at Christian Care

March 27 – Bible Study and Dessert – Business Meeting

April 2 – Serve Lenten Dinner

April 20 - Easter

April 24 – Bible Study and Dessert

May 22 – Dinner Out and Election officers

***Daily Readings for week of September 29th
from the Lutheran Service Book, pages 299-304***

Sep 29	Deut. 1:19-36	Matt. 5:21-48
Sep 30	Deut. 1:37-2:15	Matt. 6:1-15
Oct 1	Deut. 2:16-37	Matt. 6:16-34
Oct 2	Deut. 3:1-29	Matt. 7:1-12
Oct 3	Deut. 4:1-20	Matt. 7:13-29
Oct 4	Deut. 4:21-40	Matt. 8:1-17
Oct 5	Deut. 5:1-21	Matt. 8:18-34

Stewardship Thought

September 29 – Proper 21

Mark 9:45 – “And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell.” So what is causing us to sin? Lust? Greed? Fear? Better to cut it off! We need the Lord’s help to do this — and you are in the right place this Lord’s Day to receive that help through Word and Sacrament!

LCMS Memory Verse Challenge

Week of September 29, 2024

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

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 September 29:

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: We will be continuing our study of Numbers on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and discussing the third and fourth chapters of Revelation on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Tune in to the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT) for a conversation with the director of Project 24 in Kenya, a special story in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, and the October edition of Searching Scripture from *The Lutheran Witness*. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

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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 at the church office (786-3391), Mel Vogel (309-781-9624), or any other member of the Social Ministry Committee.

“TRANSFER THE BLESSINGS”
Seminar at
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Rock Island, IL

TODAY, SEPTEMBER 29th
10:15 am

Presented by
Rev. Charles Olander, CID Planned Gift Counselor
and Scott Radden, LCMS Foundation

- *Learn how to develop a Lifetime Plan for Giving that meets your personal goals.*
- *Find out more about wills, charitable trusts, tax benefits, and tools for charitable giving*

Free / No obligations

Will discuss how wills, beneficiary designations, charitable trusts, and gift annuities might be used to help you better provide for yourself, your family, and your church.

Individual follow-up meetings can be scheduled with no charge. Whether you have an estate plan in place currently or if you don't have a Will, this would be an excellent presentation to attend.

Sheet with more information is on the table in the Narthex.

LCMS Foundation
GIFT PLANNING FOR YOUR FAMILY & MINISTRY

None of the information presented is intended as specific legal or tax advice.

You should consult with your own advisors for specific advice.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. Romans 15:13 (ESV)

Items of Interest to Share

Camp CILCA's G.R.I.T. Run -- Saturday, October 5, 2024

The 5-kilometer course includes narrow trails, steep hills, creek bed crossings, scenic views, and stairs. Open Run participants will be able to take an alternative route for anyone nervous about navigating the creek bed. Open run participants ages 6-18 run for \$10, and participants 19+ run for \$30.

MUSIC FOR MISSIONS EVENT to Support Christo Rey

This event is a sacred music concert and hymn sing in **support of Christo Rey (Christ the King) Lutheran Church, East Moline.**

The event is scheduled for Sunday, October 13, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 711 Court St., Pekin. Music for Missions will feature guest organist Samuel Bishop, vocalists Allison Harley and Jennifer Rosa, the Bells of St. John's, St. John's Sanctuary Choir, and ample congregational singing.

A free-will offering will be collected to support Christo Rey Lutheran Church, a mission congregation of the Central Illinois District, LC-MS. Refreshments will be served following the program. Everyone is welcome! For more information, contact the St. John's, Pekin church office at 309-347-2136.

Current DFM Project

Amount to be funded: \$25,000 (is currently half-funded)

Project: Replace furnaces at Immanuel Lutheran Student Center, Macomb

It is a great blessing that all four of CID's campus ministries are headquartered in facilities near their campuses. Three of the four are owned by the District. One is the Immanuel Lutheran Student Center in Macomb, one block from Western Illinois University.

Church services are held at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday in the student center's Chapel of St. Timothy the Learner. Students and members of Immanuel Lutheran Church, CID's partner in campus ministry in Macomb, attend. On Wednesday evenings, students are invited to meals prepared by church member families in the student center kitchen prior to a weekly Bible study session also in the student center. The pastor's office and church office for Immanuel Macomb are located in the center and highly accessible to students.

The student center celebrated its 50th anniversary some five years ago. Now, the furnaces need to be replaced. The current Dollar for Missions project will provide \$25,000 for furnace replacement to keep the student center operational for years.



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



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

Churches of the Central Illinois District:

Christ Lutheran, Normal, will be having a Hall of Tyrannus seminar on Saturday, October 19th, from 10 am – 4 pm. The guest presenter will be Rev. Dr. Alfonso Espinosa and he will present "Faith That Shines in the Culture", which is one of his books. The cost is \$15 and a light breakfast and lunch will be provided. You may sign up for the seminar on-line at <https://www.christlutherannormal.org/events-announcements> and scroll down the page.



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