

***“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
July 12, 2026***

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

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE – SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026	
Elder	Todd Hazen
Communion Assistant	Mel Vogel
Ushers	Larry Wiebel Bryan Cobert
Cantor	Burnie Eckardt
Organist	Christine Roth
<i>The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of dear friend Bob Kestler (died 7/12/2025) by Tammy Robinson.</i>	

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

TODAY – Sunday, July 12

9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion

10:30 am – Bible Study

Tuesday, July 14

9:30 am – Bible Study

Sunday, July 19

9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion

10:30 am – Bible Study

Attendance for Sunday, July 5

Attended – 51 Communed – 47

THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered their time and talents to make last week's **Vacation Bible School** a success! We are already making plans for next year!

– Kathy Welch & Helen Vogel, VBS Co-Directors

Portals of Prayer for July through September 2026 are in the Narthex. Please take one for yourself and one for a friend!

BUILDING UPKEEP: Thank you to those who have signed up to clean a room/area monthly.

MOWERS NEEDED: If you are willing and able to help with the church lawn mowing this summer, please sign up on the schedule sheet on the table in the Narthex. Thank you for your help!

The LWML Lutheran Women in Mission will take a break this summer but are already making plans for the fall. We are looking forward to another year of fellowship as we serve the Lord through our mites, projects and prayer.



In His name,
Helen Vogel

OFFICERS NEEDED: If you are interested in becoming an officer or member of a committee at Immanuel, there are positions that will be open, including but not limited to: Foundation (1), Board of Christian Education (4).

Some positions require attendance at Council meetings which are *generally* held on the 3rd Thursday of every other month. The next Council meeting will be Thursday, June 18, and at that time a nomination list will be put together for the next Voters Assembly to elect the new officers. ***If you are interested, please contact Mel Vogel, Scott Welch, or call the church office (309-786-3391).***



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

SOCIAL MINISTRY would like to compile a list of people to contact for help in the kitchen for funeral luncheons. If you would be willing to help, please contact Tammy Robinson via email (ilcriacctg@gmail.com).

Part of our Social Ministry includes helping support Seminary families. **If you wish to help support these Seminarians**, you can place your gift in an envelope with “Seminarians” and your envelope number written on it, and place it in the offering plate or bring to the church office. These gifts will be recorded on your financial statement and checks will be sent to them quarterly.



CHRISTIAN CARE

Christian Care in Rock Island has the following needs:

Canned fruit & vegetables, body wash, large shampoo & conditioner, deodorant (for men & women), shaving cream, razors, T-shirts, Socks, Napkins, toilet paper, all-purpose cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, 12, 22, & 39 gallon trash bags.

Items can be taken directly to Christian Care or placed in their basket in the Narthex and they will be taken to Christian Care.

The Rock Island Circuit is looking for applicants for a Parish Nurse to serve its churches. Requirements include: RN and Online District Parish Nurse certification. Interested parties may contact the church office (309-786-3391) or Mel Vogel (309-781-9624).

All Rock Island Circuit Churches are invited to attend:

What: District Workshop, ‘Exploring God’s Mission Here’

Where: St. John’s, Geneseo – 8948 N. 1900th Ave.,
Geneseo IL

When: Saturday, August 8th, 2026

Time: Coffee and Fellowship, 8:30 AM – 9 AM

Workshop presentations, 9 AM – 3 PM

A free lunch will be provided.

Reservations requested by **July 30th** for planning purposes,

by calling St. John’s @ 815-989-2025

or email: churchoffice@stjohnsgeneseo.org



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For the week of July 12:

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUO.org: Tune in for “The Reign of Heaven Stands Near”, our study of the book of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.)! On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), we’re discussing the book of Acts. Follow along as we pick up with chapter 13. Stay tuned for this week’s edition of Concord Matters (7/18 at 10 a.m.)! Pastor Finnern is beginning a short study on private confession. Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfu.org!



The Lutheran Hour can be heard each Sunday on: WKEI Kewanee 1450 AM 5 am / KCLN Clinton 1390 AM 9:30 am / WMT Cedar Rapids 600 AM 6:30 am

ATTENTION CIRCUIT MEN - The next “Brats, Bibles, & Beverages” will be held on Sunday, July 26 at 5:00pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, East Moline (1450 30th Avenue). The first BBB had members from 4 circuit churches present; let's double that in July! Each time we meet, the Bible Study will be a different topic, so come when you can. Brats, hot dogs, buns, unsweetened iced tea, and water will be provided (feel free to bring your own beverage). Bring something to share such as chips, salads, casseroles, desserts. Weather permitting this will be an outdoor event, so bring a lawn chair. If it rains, we will move indoors. Please call Rod Hopkins, 920-217-1484 to RSVP by July 19th so we know how much food to purchase. This will be a great opportunity for fellowship with others in the Circuit.

Apologetics Boot Camp | Aug. 16–19

Concordia University Chicago | 7400 August St., River Forest, IL

Have you ever been asked questions—or have your own questions—about faith, the reliability of the Bible, the truth of Jesus' resurrection, or how Christianity connects with society and science? Join Concordia University Chicago for an in-depth exploration of apologetics during its second annual Apologetics Boot Camp. Find strength and confidence as you learn to defend your faith, fortify yourself against personal doubt, and respond to the many and various challenges posed to our faith in recent years.

This four-day on-campus event includes an agenda full of presentations from world-class speakers and panel discussions, as well as opportunities for chapel services, film screenings, interactions with others interested in apologetics, and more.

Adult lay member registration ranges from \$25 to \$75, with single-session, one-day, and full-conference options [available here](#). Learn more about the event on the [university's website](#). If you have any questions, please reach out to Rev. Dr. Kirk Clayton, assistant professor of theology and director of CUC's Pre-Seminary program, at Kirk.Clayton@CUChicago.edu or by calling 708-209-3195.

Not Ashamed Conference — Saturday, August 29, 9:00 a.m. (doors open at 8:30 a.m.) at the Tuscola Community Building, 122 W. North Central Avenue, Tuscola, IL. This year's theme: Not Ashamed of the Cross — Speaking the Truth Clearly in a Confused Age. Speaker: Rev. Bryan Wolfmuehler. Attendance is free. Lunch is included. Seating is limited. Register at immanueltuscola.org/not-ashamed-conference.

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FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 12

LCMS MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 1:1–2

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom also He created the world.

LCMS STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: Romans 8:12 – “So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh.” We owe the flesh, the world and the devil nothing at all. We are not debtors to these enemies; we are freed by the blood of Christ. We are joyful servants in Christ’s kingdom — servants that He calls friends. We share our Lord’s plans and purposes, and this gives direction and purpose to our lives.

LIFE THOUGHT from Lutherans for Life – Oh, how many sins against life occur because the devil has snatched the Word of God from peoples’ hearts and because the cares of this earthly life choke out the Word (Matthew 13:19-22)! We are often tempted to withhold preaching the Word to some, thinking that we know which people will believe and bear fruit. However, God calls us to continue casting out His Word onto every type of soil, knowing that His Word never returns to Him empty and will accomplish His purpose (Isaiah 55:11), sometimes in the most unlikely of places.

LIFE QUOTE: “Realistically, most of us will never be more than ordinary, but that doesn’t mean we’re useless. God works through the ordinary, the mundane, and the commonplace. He worked through Esther, and He works through you to bless others in ways you may never know.” *Grace MacPherson – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

St. Paul's, Havana, IL will host a presentation on September 17, 2026 at 6:30pm in observation of the 25th anniversary of 9/11. Pastor Wrede will recount his experience and what it looks like to serve as a pastor in the midst of tragedy. Pastor Bill Wrede is a pastor of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod who was serving on Long Island during the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. He ministered at Ground Zero the entire day and continued to do so for the next nine months.

Daily Readings from the Lutheran Service Book, pages 299-304

Jul 12	Judg. 7:1-23	Gal. 1:1-24
	<i>Judg. 7:24-12:15</i>	
Jul 13	Judg. 13:1-25	Gal. 2:1-21
	<i>Ruth 1:1-4:22</i>	
Jul 14	Judg. 14:1-20	Gal. 3:1-22
Jul 15	Judg. 15:1-16:3	Gal. 3:23-4:11
Jul 16	Judg. 16:4-30	Gal. 4:12-31
	<i>Judg. 17:1-21:25</i>	
Jul 17	1 Sam. 1:1-20	Gal. 5:1-26
Jul 18	1 Sam. 1:21-2:17	Gal. 6:1-18



Church Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

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