"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 November 17, 2024

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

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE - SUNDAY, November 17, 2024

Elder:	Alex Triece		
Communion Assistant:	Todd Hazen		
Ushers:	Brent Titus Carrie Titus		
Organist:	Katherine Cobert		
Cantor:	Keith Hentrich		
The Eternal Light has been given "To the Glory of God" in memory of loved ones by the Brent Titus family			

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

Sunday, November 17		Worship with Holy Communion Bible Study / Sunday School
Monday, November 18		Matins Home School – RICC Book Club
Tuesday, November 19		Bible Study Intergenerational Bible Study
Wednesday, November 20	9-Noon	Home School – CHALK
Thursday, November 21	6:00 pm	LWML Bible Study and Dessert
Friday, November 22		
Saturday, November 23		Cafeteria/kitchen 9-6 (Robinson)
Sunday, November 24		Worship with Holy Communion Bible Study/Sunday School

Attendance for Last Week: Sunday, November 10th - 75/62 Communed Visitors – 3



LWML Collecting items for missions

CHRISTMAS GIFTS (unwrapped) FOR DAVENPORT LUTHERAN HOME through Dec 15th

Suggested items: Baseball caps, beef jerky, body wash, grippy socks, sugar-free candy, bracelets, clip-on earrings. Place items in box in Narthex.

PREGNANCY RESOURCES through Dec 15th

Suggested items: Diapers (newborn, 3, 4, 5), 18-month to 3T winter clothes (snowsuits, boots, long sleeve shirts, newborn onsies, 2T and 3T pajamas. Please place in box in Narthex.

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Any questions – See Laurie Astrowski

MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 17: But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. I Thessalonians 4:13-14

Holiday Service Schedule 2024					
November 27	Wednesday	6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Eve		
December 1	Sunday	9:00 am	First Sunday in Advent		
December 4	Wednesday	5:30/6:30 pm	Supper/Advent I		
December 11	Wednesday	5:30/6:30 pm	Supper/Advent II		
December 18	Wednesday	5:30/6:30 pm	Supper/Advent III – Children's Program		
December 24	Tuesday	2:00 pm	Christmas Eve Service		
		6:30 pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight w/HC		
December 25	Wednesday	9:00 am	Christmas Day – The Feast of the Nativity		
December 29	Sunday	9:00 am	The First Sunday After Christmas		
December 31	Tuesday	6:30 pm	New Year's Eve Service		



Please join us on **Saturday, November 30**th **at 9:00 a.m. to** help decorate the church for Advent/Christmas. We will need many hands to make the church beautiful!

Also, the Altar Guild will be doing a general cleaning of the Sanctuary. Please consider joining them in this project.

Thank you for helping prepare our church for Advent and Christmas!



Wednesday Evening Supper and Advent Worship

We are continuing our tradition of inviting our members and the public to join us for a light supper prior to our midweek Advent Worship Services. Supper will be served at

5:30-6:15 pm in the cafeteria. Our worship service begins at 6:30 PM. The meals may be soup, sandwiches, veggies, and a dessert. Coffee, tea, milk, lemonade, etc. are provided. The host may keep the free-will offering to cover expenses or donate it to the general benefit of the church.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the Elders.

Wednesday, December 4th – Board of Elders
Wednesday, December 11th – LWML
Wednesday, December 18th – Youth Group



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!
 - 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.

Total offering and expenses for October 2024

We thank you for your continued generosity!

Income: \$17,694.00 Expenses: \$15,851.35



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 11 – 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



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

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: November 17 – Proper 28: Hebrews 10:14 – "For by a single offering He has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified." Our Lord Jesus has provided the one offering for sin. What we offer to the Lord is not a sacrifice for sin; we cannot buy our way into heaven with our money, works or effort. Rather, what we give to the Lord's work in the church is a thank offering, a sign of our dependency on God and all He has given us.

LIFE THOUGHTS: November 17 – Pentecost XXVI (Proper 28B) – The heart broken by abortion may be sitting beside us in church. This one desperately longs for the relief and healing only God's forgiveness affords (Hebrews 10:22). We have no right to refuse them this Word because we fear political controversy. Instead, we have the privilege to proclaim abortion as sin and explicitly identify it as atoned for in Christ.

LIFE QUOTES: November 17 "If we find ourselves with a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that we were made for another world." C.S. Lewis (Mere Christianity) – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org



The Camp CILCA Lowdown November, 2024

217-487-7497 / camp@cilca.org 4124 Camp Cilca Rd. Cantrall, IL 62625

Summer Camp registration opens: November 1

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

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

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2025

Envelopes for 2025 will be available for pick-up beginning Sunday, December 22nd. If you do not find your set, please contact the office at 309-786-3391.

REMEMBER – DO NOT USE 2025 ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 1, 2025. If any 2025 envelopes are received before the end of 2024, they will be held until January $1^{\rm st}$.

Thank you for your cooperation. – Board of Finance

Daily Readings for week of November 17th from the Lutheran Service Book, pages 299-304

Sunday, Nov 17	Jer. 33:1-22	Matt. 27:11-32
,	Jer. 34:1-36:32; 45:1-51:64	
Monday, Nov 18	Jer. 37:1-21	Matt. 27:33-56
	Rev. 17:1-18	
Tuesday, Nov 19	Jer. 38:1-28	Matt. 27:57-66
	Jer. 39:1-44:30	
Wednesday, Nov 20	Dan. 1:1-21	Matt. 28:1-20
Thursday, Nov 21	Dan. 2:1-23	Rev. 18:1-24
Friday, Nov 22	Dan. 2:24-49	Rev. 19:1-21
Saturday, Nov 23	Dan. 3:1-30	Rev. 20:1-15



LCMS 2024-20125 Winter Season Bowling League Starting Soon! Winter Season – 12 weeks – starting December 2nd Monday Nights at 6:15 pm

QC Family Entertainment – 4401 44th Ave, Moline All skill levels welcome!

Questions: Contact (call or text):

Michael Wagner 309-453-7206 or Jim Pearson 563-293-6456

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 November 17:

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 <u>Facebook</u>, <u>X</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>.

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUO.org: Join us as we begin a short study through several of the Psalms on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and continue the Gospel of John on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT). Don't forget to tune into Concord Matters this Saturday (11/23 at 10:00 a.m. CT) for a discussion on what the Lutheran Reformers believed about the Mass. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

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NOVEMBER NEWS YOU CAN USE: November begins with the observance of All Saints. Later in the month, the church year ends with Scripture lessons pointing us to the Last Things.

If Thanksgiving prompts us to think of "Pilgrims," we can recall that in an even more profound way all Christians are strangers and pilgrims in this wicked world. Yet better – indeed, the best – lies ahead with the returning Lord.

Behold, a host arrayed in white, like thousand snow-clad mountain bright! With palms they stand; who is this band before the throne of light? These are the saints of glorious fame who from the great affliction came And in the flood of Jesus' blood are cleansed from guilt and shame.

They now serve God both day and night; they sing their songs in endless light.

Their anthems ring as they all sing with angels shining bright (LSB 676:1). Baptized and believing child of God, this is about you!

Rev. Dr. Ken Schurb, Central Illinois District

Pray For Our Central Illinois District Missions supported by your church's Mission Dollars to the District.

Please remember in your prayers all our CID campus ministries, especially Rev. William Jensen and Wittenberg Lutheran Center in Normal, which serve students, faculty, and staff of Illinois State University and other institutions. Also, pray for the "Keeping Christ on Campus" campaign, which is building endowments to help CID support our campus ministries.

Items of Interest to Share

MISSION EDUCATION TOOLKIT: By mid-October, a modest Mission Education Toolkit will be available at www.cidlcms.org (main page bottom corner box). Its first two elements will be a video interview with Pastor Aaron Uphoff of Calvary, Watseka, an alumnus of CID's campus ministry at Western Illinois University in Macomb, and suggested text for a pastor to consider incorporating into a church newsletter article this fall. Check it out.

Witnessing HELPS

The Central Illinois District is pleased to announce the availability of a set of Witnessing Helps on our website. These take their cue from the four areas identified in LCMS 2023 Res. 1-01A: 1.) beginning an evangelistic conversation, 2.) listening discerningly to a non-churched person, 3.) making a simple statement of the Gospel, and 4.) defending the resurrection.

There are four sheets of helps, one for each of the above. These sheets, developed in consultation with South Wisconsin District executive Nathan Meador and Ongoing Ambassadors for Christ Director Martin Herzberg, each offer three relatively simple suggestions to help with one of those skills as mentioned by the Synod. The sheets are intended to supplement, not supplant, the core *Every One His Witness* module made available by the Synod.

For the Witnessing Helps sheets, as well as short videos that introduce each, visit https://www.cidlcms.org/outreach-witness-ministry.html

New Dollar for Mission Project

We have been able to fund four of our current DFM projects. We are moving our subsequent approved DFM project. **Restroom and water heater at University Lutheran Church, Champaign**

Dollar for Missions (DFM) contributions are now being devoted to necessary infrastructure at the University Lutheran Church in Champaign (UniLu). New toilets will be installed in the men's room, and a new water heater will be installed for the building.

"Items like these seem far from glamorous," said CID Mission Executive Ken Schurb. "They do not capture our senses until problems arise in connection with them. Then their importance stands out."



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