

***“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 3, 2026***

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

SERVANTS IN THE LORD’S HOUSE – SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026	
Elder	John Campbell
Communion Assistant	Alex Triece
Ushers	Brent Titus Carrie Titus
Cantor	Keith Hentrich
Organist	Katherine Cobert
<i>The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of Jason Gorski by John & Karlene Campbell.</i>	
<i>Additional flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of Janice Roti by Kathy Nelson and Doug & Ellen Campbell.</i>	

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

TODAY - Sunday, May 3 – Confirmation Sunday

- 7:15 am – Board of Elders meeting
- 9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:30 am – Bible Study/Sunday School

Monday, May 4

- 6:00 pm – Book Club

Tuesday, May 5

- 9:30 am – Bible Study
- 6:00 pm – Intergenerational Bible Study

Wednesday, May 6

- 9:00 am – CHALK home school meeting/clean up day

Thursday, May 7

- 7:00 pm – Youth group programming

Sunday, May 10

- 9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:30 am – Bible Study/Sunday School

Attendance for Sunday, April 26

Attended – 55 Communed – 43

There will be a **Voters Meeting** Sunday, May 17 after church. An agenda will be mailed out.

God's blessings to our new confirmands:

Millie Eckardt, daughter of Burnie & Amanda Eckardt

Owen Miller, son of Matt & Sara Miller

Grace Mills, daughter of David & Angie Mills

CIRCUIT MOVIE OUTING, Thursday, May 7 at 3pm

The Story of Everything is a cinematic exploration of the cosmos that reveals the hidden hand behind our universe. The film provides an evidence-based answer to the ultimate mystery of the universe: how did we get here? And it reveals a stunning conclusion: scientific evidence supports not just the existence of an intelligent designer of some kind — but the existence of a personal God. The scientific rediscovery of God provides hope of purpose and meaning to human existence, contrary to the claims of atheist scientists who assert that human life lacks any ultimate significance.

· Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex by Sunday, May 3rd, or RSVP directly to Holy Cross Lutheran Church at office@holycrossmoline-lcms.org, 309-764-9720

· Tickets are \$8.00 each (bring cash or a check written to Holy Cross to the movie)

· We will have reserved a theater at VIP Moline (near Lowes and Applebees)

· Holy Cross, Moline will be inviting the rest of the Rock Island Circuit as well.

· Invite a friend to join us!

You can watch The Story of Everything, Official Trailer on You Tube
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pwL3ZKlwEoc>

**LADIES, YOU ARE INVITED TO A
TEA PARTY!**



The LWML is hosting a tea party on Sunday, May 17 at 2pm in the church cafeteria. Hats and gloves are encouraged, but come as you are comfortable! Please feel free to invite the women and girls in your life to join us as well. RSVP by signing up on the sheet on the table in the Narthex if you plan to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Carrie Werke.

VBS will be held **June 29-July 3, 2026** with the theme: *Teach Us to Pray*. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex if you'd like to help. Thank you!

APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT:

April Income = \$20,885.61

April Expenses = \$23,668.31 (extra expense for JL Brady – repairs to boiler)

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

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).

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 to the Council meetings which are *generally* held on the 3rd Thursday of every other month. The date of the next Council meeting has not yet been determined but at that time a nomination list will be put together for the next Voter Assembly to elect the new officers. ***If you are interested, please contact Mel Vogel, Scott Welch, or call the church office at 309-786-3391.***

Portals of Prayer for April through June 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. We really appreciate the help. If you are interested, there are several areas that haven't been claimed yet. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex.

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 our two 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.

See info on Call Day 2026 in the May Image newsletter!

CHRISTIAN CARE NEEDS: Canned fruit & vegetables, body wash, all-purpose cleaner, large shampoo & conditioner, napkins, toilet paper, deodorant (for men & women), shaving cream, razors, T-shirts, socks, 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.



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.

- Higher Things in St. Louis June 23-26

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



Copies of the Camp CILCA Lowdown for May 2026 are available on the table in the Narthex.



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



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For the week of May 3:

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUO.org: Tune in to Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.) for our latest study, "Springing into the Psalms!" This week will take us through Psalms 21, 30, 38, 45, and 53. Join us on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.) as Pastor Booe guides us through a brand new study of the book of James! Don't forget to listen to Concord Matters this Saturday (5/9 at 10 a.m.) as we look at the Power and Primacy of the Pope. What is "the office of the keys"? Find your favorite programs on-demand by visiting kfuo.org!

FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 3

LCMS MEMORY VERSE: Romans 12:12

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

LCMS STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: 1 Peter 2:9 – “But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.” God has called us to be His own. He has chosen us out of love, out of mercy, out of sheer, divine joy. The apostle Peter says that God chose us so that we might share in His glory and “proclaim the excellencies of Him” who has made us His own. And truly, this is our delight! His joy brings joy to our hearts as well.

LIFE THOUGHT from Lutherans for Life – The truth of God’s Word is not always welcomed by “stiff-necked people” who “resist the Holy Spirit,” and even become enraged at hearing the truth. Stephen faithfully proclaimed that Word even though it led to his martyrdom (Acts 7:51, 59-60). Many angry voices today demand unfettered access to abortion or physician-assisted suicide. But we must continue to sound the trumpet of truth, for only the power of God’s Word can open the eyes of the blind and execute justice for the oppressed (Psalm 146:7-8). It is the narrow road of faith in Jesus Christ, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, that gives us access to our Father in heaven (John 14:6). Baptized into Christ, we are living stones, being built up into a spiritual house, that we may proclaim the Good News of the One who calls us out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:5, 9).

LIFE QUOTE: “When Jesus returns, all who believe in Him will be raised up from death to live in His presence forever. That is the promise of His enduring, steadfast love: ‘I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ’ (Philippians 1:6). The purpose of God for us will be fulfilled!” *Dr. Carol Geisler, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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

Easter 5	Lev. 20:1-16, 22-27	Luke 11:37-54
Monday	Lev. 21:1-24	Luke 12:1-12
Tuesday	Lev. 23:1-22	Luke 12:13-34
Wednesday	Lev. 23:23-44	Luke 12:35-53
Thursday	Lev. 24:1-23	Luke 12:54-13:17
	<i>Lev. 25:1-55</i>	
Friday	Lev. 26:1-20	Luke 13:18-35
Saturday	Lev. 26:21-33, 39-44	Luke 14:1-24
	<i>Num. 1:1-2:34</i>	



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