

***“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
October 4, 2026***

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

SERVANTS IN THE LORD’S HOUSE – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026	
Elder	Todd Hazen
Communion Assistant	Alex Triece
Ushers	Larry Wiebel Bryan Cobert
Cantor	Keith Hentrich
Organist	Katherine Cobert

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

TODAY - Sunday, October 4

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

Wednesday, October 7

- 9:00 am – CHALK Homeschool Group
- 7:00 pm – Youth Group Programming

Sunday, October 11 – LWML Sunday

- 9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:30 am – Bible Study and Sunday School
- 3:00 pm – Circuit Youth Outing

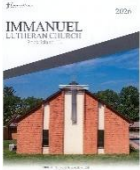
Attendance for Sunday, September 27

Attended – 56 Communed – 48

The Immanuel Lutheran Apparel Store is open! A flyer with a QR code is available on the table in the narthex for ordering.

Portals of Prayer for October through December 2026 are in the narthex. Please take one for yourself and one for a friend.

The new 2026 Immanuel photo directories are now available in the narthex. One directory per family, please. Special thanks to Bryan and Katherine Cobert and Cobert Photography for photographing our members, as well as creating and printing the directories.



INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP AT IMMANUEL? Classes leading to Baptism (for the unbaptized) and participation in Holy Communion are available for you (or a friend and family member). These classes are typically done on a one-on-one basis and adjusted to fit the needs of the catechumen. These classes cover the basics of the Faith, and what it means to be a communicant member of our church. If you would like more information contact Pastor Astrowski at 989-326-0199.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION are available for you by appointment with the pastor. Contact the pastor privately via his personal mobile phone at 989-326-0199 if you would like to schedule an appointment.

BUILDING UPKEEP: Thank you to those who have signed up to clean a room/area monthly in our education wing. *Sunday School and the homeschool group have begun meeting again, so please check on your room/area.*



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.

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

Quad Cities LCMS Bowling League is still welcoming people to join at any time during the season. Please see the flyer on the table in the narthex for more information.



CENTRAL ILLINOIS DISTRICT REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE: We are reaching out to our congregations to ask for assistance for families in our area who have recently been affected by the closing

of Tyson Food Plant. The unexpected loss of employment has placed a number of families in a difficult situation, and **Cristo Rey Food Pantry** is working to help meet their immediate needs.

Cristo Rey Food Pantry is in need of **food donations, grocery and gas gift cards, and monetary donations** to help support these families as they navigate the sudden loss of their jobs and income.

We are asking our congregations to prayerfully consider how they might help. Donations of nonperishable food items can help keep families' pantries stocked, while grocery and gas gift cards can provide some flexibility for immediate necessities. Monetary donations can also help Cristo Rey Food Pantry respond to the needs of the families they are serving.

This is an opportunity for our congregations to come together and show Christ's love and compassion to our neighbors during a time of uncertainty. Whether your congregation is able to organize a food collection, collect gift cards, provide a monetary donation, or simply share this request with your members, every contribution can make a difference.

Please also keep the employees and their families in your prayers as they seek new employment and adjust to the challenges this closure has created. Thank you for your generosity and willingness to serve those in need in our communities.

Items Requested for the Hispanic Food Pantry at Cristo Rey: Knorr Tomato Bouillon, Canned Chicken Soup, Rice, Sugar, Pinto Beans (Dry and Canned), Cooking Oil, Tortillas (any kind), Canned Tuna, Canned Sardines, Canned Fruits, Cereals, Eggs, Chorizo, Bacon, Fresh Cheese, Milk, Cookies, Crackers (any kind), Potatoes, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Shampoo, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Soap. Note: Cristo Rey has both a refrigerator and chest freezer for the perishable food items.

There is a table in the narthex for donated items.

Circuit BBB (Bible, Brats, and Beverages) - Sunday, October 25, 5:00pm, at St. John's, East Moline. Men, don't miss this great opportunity to meet others in the Circuit and share in a time of fellowship and study of God's Word. Weather permitting, we will be in our new courtyard.

Talent Show/Mexican Dinner
Saturday, November 14th-5:00-7:30 (Doors open at 4:30)
Dinner at 5:00 with Talent Show after

Talent Show: Family Friendly, All talent entries will be approved by Pastor, Contact Helen Vogel if you want to participate with a call or text at 309-781-9627

Mexican Dinner: Dinner will include enchiladas (chicken or chorizo and potato), rice and beans, chips and salsa, drinks and dessert, Free Will offering for event, Pinata fun for the kids

RSVP by November 1st with the number that will be attending (call or text Helen Vogel 309-781-9627).



The Immanuel LWML will have their next meeting on Thursday, October 15th. Starting at 6:00 we will have a devotion with Pastor Astrowski, a short business meeting and then work on decorations for our upcoming Talent Show/Mexican Dinner. All ladies are welcome to join us.

Please reach out to Helen Vogel at 309-781-9627 with any questions.

Upcoming events include: October 11th-LWML Sunday, October 29th-Serving at Christian Care

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 in Rock Island has the following needs:

Canned fruit & vegetables, Body wash, large shampoo & conditioner, deodorant (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.



Building Healthy Families: From the newborn infant to the hospice patient in his final hours and for all stages of life in between, physical touch from another person is vitally important. Infants who aren't touched, even though they receive nourishment, will die from Failure to Thrive Syndrome. God designed humans of all ages to need human touch. Safe physical contact releases oxytocin, which lowers stress hormones and builds social bonds. Safe touch can lower blood pressure, decrease anxiety, and reduce pain. In a world increasingly shaped by digital interaction and isolation, physical touch has become a rare form of connection. How long has it been since you have held another person's hand or given or received a hug? If you have to think about it for too long, it's been too long!
www.LutheranFamilyService.org **Lutheran Family Service**

Now Hiring: Lutheran Family Service is seeking a School-Based Mental Health Counselor / School Partnership Coordinator to serve students and families in Davenport through faith-integrated counseling and support. Part-time and full-time opportunities available. For more information or to apply, contact Cassie Beltz at cbeltz@lutheranfamilyservice.org.



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For the week of October 4:

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.)! We're nearing the conclusion of Matthew with chapter 27 this week; stayed tuned for our next study on the book of Job! On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), we're continuing our study of Paul's letters to the Corinthians. Follow along as we pick up with 1 Corinthians 15. On Concord Matters (10/10 at 10 a.m.), Pastor Finnern and Rev. Adam Degroot will be discussing Article 3 of the Epitome of the Formula of Concord, on the righteousness of faith before God. Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfuo.org!

Oktoberfest at Faith Lutheran Church – Kewanee: Join our sister congregation on Thursday, October 15, 4:30-6:30pm for their annual fundraiser for missions and seminarians. Cost is \$12 for a brat sandwich, sauerkraut, German potato salad, beverage and dessert. This is available for dine-in or carryout. 620 Hepner Drive, Kewanee

FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 4

LCMS MEMORY VERSE: Proverbs 22:6

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

LCMS STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: Matthew 21:43 – “Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits.” The Pharisees were not bearing fruit. Though they were faithful to the letter of the Law in keeping the Sabbath, tithing and all the rest, they neglected the heart of God’s will. The grace of God belongs at the center. Our giving and all our other good works flow forth from receiving God’s grace and living in that grace on a daily basis.

LIFE THOUGHT from Lutherans for Life – The master sent servants to harvest, and the tenants beat them and treated them harshly. Even worse, they killed the son. We too can treat the messengers of the Gospel harshly, especially when they speak the truth of God’s Law to us. And yet, the Son of God went to the cross for us who are wicked and sinful (Matthew 21), and the vineyard of the Lord will yield good grapes on the last day (Isaiah 5). So, we press on toward that goal of everlasting life and share the Gospel with others, knowing that it is only by the grace of God that we are counted as perfect (Philippians 3).

LIFE QUOTE: “Your life is valuable, and your life has purpose. It was not an accident; it was planned from the beginning. But that doesn’t mean it will be easy. You will experience hardship and suffering. As you age, your body will wear out. Your mind will dull. Your abilities will lessen. And yet, it is in your body with all of its brokenness that the Holy Spirit resides. It is this, your body, that God the Father formed by hand, and it is this, your body, that Jesus, God’s Son, redeemed. And your body, a unique and miraculous gift, will be raised from the dead and made new.” *Michelle Bauman, Director of Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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

Oct 4	Deut. 4:21-40	Matt. 8:1-17
Oct 5	Deut. 5:1-21	Matt. 8:18-34
Oct 6	Deut. 5:22-6:9	Matt. 9:1-17
Oct 7	Deut. 6:10-25	Matt. 9:18-38
Oct 8	Deut. 7:1-19	Matt. 10:1-23
Oct 9	Deut. 8:1-20	Matt. 10:24-42
Oct 10	Deut. 9:1-22	Matt. 11:1-19



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



Church Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

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