

Mission Statement
“We are called to Love, Serve, and Share God’s Word.”

- Vision Statement**
- Be a loving presence to those in our lives by opening our hearts to all.
 - To serve others by being an example of Christ in all we do
 - To share the Word of God through worship, education, community service, and intentional living.

<u>This Week at Immanuel</u>	
Today (12)	9:00am Fellowship Hour 9:15am Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00am Worship Service 10:20am Blessing of the Quilts 11:15 Adult Study Group
Monday (13)	5:30pm Bible & Brew
Tuesday (14)	9:00am Quilting Group 9:00am Coffee for Vets
Wednesday (15)	10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice 6:00pm Zumba
Thursday (16)	L.E. White Teacher’s Luncheon
Saturday (18)	10:00am Zumba 5:30pm Dinner Nite Out

- Upcoming Events**
- October 20 - Church Council
- October 26 - Youth Luncheon
- October 27 - Book Group
- October 28 - Grand Ravine Breakfast
- October 31 - Trunk or Treat
- November 2 - Daylight Savings Ends

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Serving Today
Reader: Bernie Leneau Communion Assistant: Donna Preisler
Counters: Joyce Davis & Mike Aksamit
Greeters: Jim and Marie Combs

Serving October 12, 2025
Reader: Michele Radke Communion Assistant: Mike Acosta
Counters: Laura Compton & Sharon Aksamit
Greeters: Jim & Marie Combs

PRAYER PARTNER LETTERS: *Please sign the Letter on the Welcome Table* this morning before you leave. Today we are praying for Two Churches (Ascension Lutheran Church and Holy Cross Episcopal Church) in Kentwood, Michigan.

Please remember these people in your prayers for:
On-going health concerns: Ricky, Kerstin, Jacob, Norm, Georgia, Katie, Tyler, Elsie, Julie, Linda, Jeff, Theresa, Julia, Cheryl, Nichole, Sara, Carol, Keith, Dawn, Dan, Doug, Dottie, Ken, Marie, and Tammy.

Coffee for Veterans
Will be held at Immanuel on the **2nd Tuesday of each month from 9:00 am - 11:00 am.** This is for all Veterans who have served or those who are still serving. A time to gather, spend time together, share conversation, and enjoy coffee and donuts / rolls. Please come and see what it is all about and share this with others. If you have any questions, please call Jessie (269)650-0026 or the church office at (269)673-3335. Thank you.

Our Financial Stewardship
\$1,474.50 (includes online giving)
Our weekly offering goal: \$1,835.50
SMART offering goal: \$2,360.36
Noisy Offering (Previous Month) \$164.68
Attendance Last Week: 46 Bible Study: 7

2025 Church Council
Sandie Horwath, President
Rick Bierlein, Vice President
Linda Scott Recording Secretary
Trevor Horwath, Treasurer/Stewardship
Shelley Busfield, Worship/Music
Laura Compton, Education
Brad VanMelle, Property
Sharon Aksamit, Mission/Outreach

Immanuel Lutheran Church



**18th Sunday after Pentecost
October 12, 2025**

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Pastor Chris Laughlin

Immanuel Welcomes You!

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a Christian community in the Lutheran tradition. We welcome all to come and journey with us in faith. We take seriously the Gospel tradition that all are justified by God's grace through faith. We do not earn our salvation. God's grace is not limited to some, but is available to all.

We especially welcome all visitors who worship with us today. If you would like more information about Immanuel, stop by the welcome Table outside of the sanctuary.

BLESSING OF THE QUILTS: During the worship service this morning we will bless the quilts that have been prepared this past year. Donna Moeller said the group has made over 200 quilts this year to send to the Lutheran World Relief mission program. The group meets every Tuesday morning at 9am to work on the quilts and *we would love to have you join in this wonderful mission.*

L.E. WHITE TEACHER’S LUNCHEON: We will again provide a light meal for the staff during their teacher conferences on Thursday October 16th. There is a signup sheet on the Round Table with the items needed. We will also need a couple of volunteers on that day to help prepare the trays and deliver to the school.

DINNER NBITE OUT will meet Saturday October 18th at 5:30pm. The address is on the signup sheet on the Round Table. Join us for an enjoyable time of food and fellowship.

BIBLE AND BREW will resume tomorrow, Monday October 13th. We will meet at the usual time of 5:30pm at the Trestle Stop in Hamilton. The signup sheet is on the Round Table. This is used to let the restaurant know in advance how many to expect for the proper setup. Come and join us! It is always a lot of fun, and the food is good too!

COFFEE FOR VETS will meet in the Fellowship Hall Tuesday October 14th at 9am. This is designed as a fellowship time for anyone that either has served or is currently serving in one of our military branches Refreshments are provided for everyone attending. If you know of any veteran please invite them to attend.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Please mark your calendars now for our annual Trunk or Treat here at Immanuel. It will be on October 31st from 5 to 7pm. Weather will determine if it is in the parking lot or inside the church.

We believe that this is the Lord’s table: all those who seek the Lord’s forgiveness are welcome at Holy Communion. The pastor will hand you bread; if you need gluten free, we have it for you. The communion assistant will hand you a small cup with wine; if you want grape juice, we have that for you.
Lutherans believe that this is Jesus’ body and blood, and we do this to receive the forgiveness he promised and because he commands us to do it.
If you prefer to receive a blessing just let us know.

Prelude:
“Great are You Lord”

Announcements

Gathering

*Confession and Forgiveness
*Entrance Hymn:
“In the Presence”
*Call to Worship
*Prayer of the Day

Word

Noisy Offering
Children’s Message
First Reading
Psalm
Second Reading
*Gospel
Sermon:
*Hymn of the Day
“Worthy, You are Worthy”

Pastor Chris
Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 121
2 Timothy 3:14—4:5
Luke 18:1-8
Pastor Chris

Blessing of the Quilts
*Confession of Faith

*Prayers of Intercession
Each petition ends with
“God of Grace”
And the congregation responds with
“receive our Prayer”

Worship Assistant

*Sharing of the Peace
Offering
*Doxology
*Offertory Prayer

Worship Assistant

Meal

*The Great Thanksgiving
*The Proper Preface
*The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)
*The Verba (Words of Institution)
*The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Invitation
The Distribution
Communion Song:
“Give Me Jesus”
“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Sending of Communion
*Communion Blessing
*Prayer after Holy Communion

Worship Assistant

Sending

*Benediction
*Recessional Hymn
“Forever”

*Dismissal:

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit!
Thanks be to God!

Readings for Next Sunday
Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22
Psalm 84:1-7
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14