

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.

This Week at Immanuel

Today (25)	9:00am Fellowship Hour 9:15am Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00am Worship Service 11:15 Adult Study Group
Monday (26)	1:00pm Book Group Pastor Chris on Army Duty thru Feb. 1st
Tuesday (27)	9:00am Quilting Group
Wednesday (28)	10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice 6:00pm Zumba
Saturday (31)	10:00am Zumba

Upcoming Events

- February 2 - All Committee Meeting
- February 9 - Bible and Brew
- February 10 - Coffee for Vets
- February 14 - Valentine’s Day
- February 16 - Church Council
- February 17 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner
- February 18 - Ash Wednesday
- February 21 - Dinner Nite Out

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Serving Today

Reader: Sharon Aksamit Communion Assistant: Mike Aksamit
Counters: Joyce Davis & Jim Combs
Greeters: Jim and Marie Combs

Serving February 1, 2026

Reader: Donna Preisler Communion Assistant: Jim Horwath
Counters: Joyce Davis & Nancy Brauer
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 Trinity Lutheran Church in New Era, Michigan.

Please remember these people in your prayers for:
On-going health concerns: Arleen, Jim, Louis, Nicole, Kathy, Nicole, Pam, Mike, Lisa, Bill, Joyce, Keith, Dan, Dawn, Jim, Marie, Dottie, and Ken.

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.

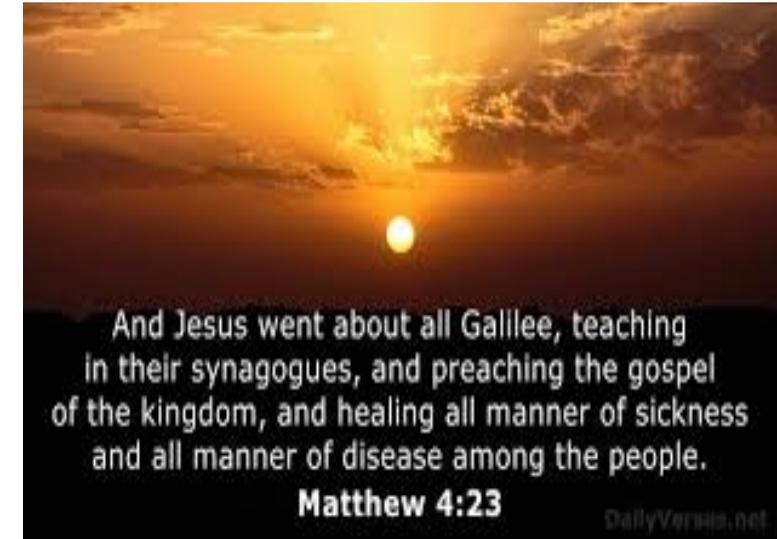
Our Financial Stewardship

\$1,550.50 (includes online giving)
Our weekly offering goal: \$1,434.32
SMART offering goal: \$2,298.35
Noisy Offering (Previous Month) \$140.35
Attendance Last Week: 44 Bible Study: 0

2026 Church Council

Sandie Horwath, President
Rick Bierlein, Vice President
Jacquelyn Burnside Recording Secretary
Trevor Horwath, Treasurer/Stewardship
Shelley Busfield, Worship/Music
Ursala Armourillo, Education
Mike Acosta, Property
Sharon Aksamit, Mission/Outreach

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Third Sunday after Epiphany January 25, 2026

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Pastor Chris Laughlin

Immanuel Welcomes You!

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

THE BOOK GROUP will meet in the Fellowship Hall tomorrow (January 26th) at 1:00pm. We will be talking about *The Power by Naomi Alderman*. Perhaps you have a book that you are excited about. If so, we invite you to attend the meeting and offer your suggestion for future discussion.

PASTOR CHRIS ON ARMY DUTY beginning tomorrow (January 26th) and will return late on Sunday February 1st. He will be at the Rock Island Arsenal in Illinois and if there is any pastoral emergency during this week you are asked to contact Pastor Nicole Smith at Hope Lutheran Church in Plainwell. Pastor Jim Foster will lead us in worship on Sunday February 1st.

ALL COMMITTEE MEETING: Begin planning now to attend the quarterly meeting on February 2nd. There is a signup sheet on the Round Table. We usually start the evening with a pot luck meal and then break into groups for discussion of current needs and issues. *Everyone* is invited and urged to attend. It is an excellent way to learn what is going on in the congregation. The groups are 1) Worship & Music, 2) Education & Youth, 3) Property & Cemetery, 4) Finance & Stewardship, and 5) Mission & Outreach. Choose your interest and sit in on the discussion.

HELP WANTED! Immanuel has been known over the years for our support and participation in the quilting ministry. These quilts are sent all over the world through Lutheran World Relief, including some for the homeless here in the United States. Donna Moeller has almost singlehandedly kept this mission going of late and would greatly appreciate having others come and join her on Tuesday mornings. She says these are **very simple** to make and she can help anyone learn. One person can normally create two quilts every week.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME daily devotionals for the first quarter of 2026 are available on the Welcome Table. Please pick up yours today. There are some of the large print editions still available.

We believe that Holy Communion is Christ's own body and blood, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins, as Christ himself promised. We also believe that this is Christ's table, not ours, so we welcome all as Christ welcomed all. Communion comes in two elements, or forms – (1) bread and (2) wine or grape juice. The bread we serve is gluten-free, nut-free, and dairy-free in hopes that our entire community will be able to share the same bread. The wine is in the clear cups or grape juice is in the purple cups; please indicate to the assisting minister which you would like. If you can only receive the sacrament in one element (bread or wine / grape juice), please know that you receive the fullness of Christ in that one element.

Prelude:
“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

Announcements

Gathering

*Confession and Forgiveness
*Entrance Hymn:
“Shine, Jesus Shine”
*Call to Worship
*Prayer of the Day

Word

Noisy Offering
Children's Message
First Reading
Psalm
Second Reading
*Gospel
Sermon:
*Hymn of the Day
“Will You Come and Follow Me”

Pastor Chris
Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27:1, 4-9
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23
Pastor Chris

*Affirmation of Faith

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

Worship Assistant

*Sharing of the Peace
Offering
Offertory
*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:
“Just a Closer Walk”
“White as Snow”

*Communion Blessing
*Prayer after Holy Communion
Worship Assistant

Sending

*Benediction
*Recessional Hymn
“Step by Step”

*Dismissal:

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy
Thanks be to God!

Readings for Next Sunday

Micah 6:1-8
Psalm 15
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12