

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

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| Today (15) | 9:00am Fellowship Hour 9:15am Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00am Worship Service 11:15am Youth Irish Goodie Exchange |
| Monday (16) | 5:30pm Dishwasher Committee Mtg 6:30pm Church Council |
| Tuesday (17) | 9:00am Quilting Group 9:00am God’s Inside Garden Group |
| Wednesday (18) | 10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice 6:00pm Soup Supper 6:45pm Lenten Worship |
| Saturday (21) | 10:00am Zumba 5:30pm Dinner Niter Out |

Upcoming Events

March 23 - Book Group

March 24 - Grand Ravine Luncheon

March 25 - Lenten Soup Supper & Worship

March 29 - Palm Sunday

April 2 - Maundy Thursday

April 3 - Good Friday

April 5 - Easter Sunday

If you would like to donate to Immanuel, but do not have cash or check, we offer an electronic option; just scan this QR code with your phone:



Serving Today

Reader: Michele Radke Communion Assistant: Mike Fusillo
Counters: Laure Compton & Sharon Aksamit
Greeters: Jim and Marie Combs

Serving March 22, 2026

Reader: Sharon Aksamit Communion Assistant: Mike Aksamit
Counters: Joyce Davis & Jim Combs
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 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Portage, Michigan.

Please remember these people in your prayers for:

On-going health concerns: Jeff, Sandy, Dennis, Chris, Pat, Sarah, Arleen, Louis, Nicole, Kathy, Nicole, Pam, Mike, Lisa, Bill, 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

\$2,989.50(includes online giving)
Our weekly offering goal: \$1,434.32
SMART offering goal: \$2,298.35
Noisy Offering (Previous Month) \$140.39
Attendance Last Week: 60 Bible Study: 7

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

Immanuel Lutheran Church



Fourth Sunday in Lent March 15, 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.

YOUTH IRISH GOODIE EXCHANGE will be in the Fellowship Hall immediately after worship this morning. Your donations will help support our young people to attend Church Camp and the National Youth Conference.

ARMY DUTY: Pastor Christ will be at Fort Carson, Colorado Monday through Friday for Chaplain Training. Please contact Pastor Nicole Smith at Hope Lutheran Church in Plainwell in the event of a pastoral emergency.

DISHWASHER SELECTION COMMITTEE will meet at 5:30pm tomorrow just prior to the council meeting. *ANYONE* interested in the selection of a new dishwasher is invited to attend.

CHURCH COUNCIL will meet for their regular monthly meeting tomorrow evening at 6:30pm in the Adult study room.

GOD'S INSIDE GARDEN GROUP will gather on Tuesday the 17th for about two hours of maintenance and cleaning of our church building beginning at 9am. If you are able and willing to help, please come. Check with Mike Acosta if you have any questions.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER AND WORSHIP: We will meet on Wednesday evening at 6pm for a light meal and then gather in the Sanctuary at 6:45pm for our midweek Lenten worship. Pastor Chris has prepared special meditations on what Christ went through between Palm Sunday and the Crucifixion.

DINNER NITE OUT will gather at 5:30pm on Saturday the 21st at the Old Mill Brewpub in Plainwell. Directions are on the signup sheet on the Round Table. Join us for a great evening of food and fellowship. We need the count of the number attending today.

LE WHITE SCHOOL TIGER CLOSET: Throughout this season of Lent we will be collecting several items for the students at LE White School. Many families are struggling and it is often the students who suffer the most. There is a list of suggested items on the Round Table and baskets are on the floor by the welcome counter. Please share as you are able.

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

Prelude:
“Rock of Ages”

Announcements

Gathering

- *Confession and Forgiveness
- *Entrance Hymn:
“Cry of My Heart”
- *Apostolic Greeting
- *Call to Worship
- *Prayer of the Day

Word

Noisy Offering
Children's Message
First Reading
Psalm
Second Reading
*Gospel
Sermon:
*Hymn of the Day
“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

Pastor Chris
1 Samuel 16:1-13
Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41
Pastor Chris

*Affirmation of Faith

*Prayers of Intercession
Each petition ends with
“Let us pray to the Lord”
And the congregation responds with
“**Lord have mercy**”

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:
“Amazing Grace”
“Make Me a Servant”

*Communion Blessing
*Prayer after Holy Communion
Worship Assistant

Sending

*Benediction
*Recessional Hymn
“Your Grace is Enough”

*Dismissal:

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

Readings for Next Sunday

Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45