

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 (19)	9:00am Fellowship Hour 9:15am Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00am Worship Service 11:15am Adult Study Group
Monday (20)	6:30pm Church Council
Tuesday (21)	9:00am Quilting Group 9:00 am God’s Garden
Wednesday (22)	10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice

Upcoming Events

- April 27 - Book Group
- May 2 - Youth Breakfast
- May 4 - All Committee Meeting
- May 10 - Mothers Day
- May 11 - Bible & Brew
- May 12 - Coffee for Vets
- May 14 - Ascension Worship Service
- May 15 - Rummage Sale
- May 15 & 16 - Synod Assembly

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Serving Today

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

Serving April 26, 2026

Reader: Sharon Aksamit Communion Assistant: Mike Aksamit
Counters: Joyce Davis & Jime 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 Saint James Lutheran Church in Rogers City Michigan.

Please remember these people in your prayers for:
On-going health concerns: Gail, Christian, Sam, Barbara, Linda, Vicki, Jeff, Sandy, Dennis, Lynda, Chris, Pat, Sarah, Arleen, Nicole, Kathy, Nicole, 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

\$1,438.50 (includes online giving)
Our weekly offering goal: \$1,434.32
SMART offering goal: \$2,298.35
Noisy Offering (Previous Month) \$180.05
Attendance Last Week: 70 Bible Study: 3

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



**Third Sunday of Easter
April 19, 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.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: The Council will meet in the Adult Study room tomorrow at 6:30pm. Please let Sandie or Pastor Chris know if you are not able to make it. We expect to have a full agenda.

GOD'S GARDEN GROUP will meet at 9:00am on Tuesday the 21st. Weather permitting, we plan to work at the cemetery (1380 22nd Street) so please bring yard tools for doing some outside work. There is a good bit of cleanup that needs to occur after the winter we have experienced this year. Please join us if you are able. With many hands it should not take very long.

DISHWASHER INSTRUCTIONS: We were able to refurbish our dishwasher thereby saving us from the cost of a new washer. However, it seems that part of the problem has been that it has not been operated properly. **Please read** the instructions posted on the side of the washer before trying to operate it. If you have any questions please see Mike Acosta or Bill Cronkhite.

APOLOGY: We made a major mistake in the bulletin last Sunday regarding the Bible and Brew. I posted an incorrect date which caused some to miss this event. I am very sorry for the error. Bible and Brew always meets on the second **Monday** of the month at 5:30pm and we have been meeting at the Trestle Stop for some time now.

BOOK GROUP: will meet next week on Monday the 27th at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. This month we will discuss the book *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi. We encourage everyone to attend, especially if you have a book you would like to suggest. We post a list of our selections on the church web page.

ALL COMMITTEE MEETING is coming up on Monday May 4th. Please begin preparing now for this meeting and if you have anything that needs to be printed for the meeting just get it to the office and I will see that it is printed for you. We invite everyone to attend these quarterly meetings.

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:
“My Savior, My God”

Announcements

Gathering

- *Thanksgiving for Baptism
- *Entrance Hymn:
“Open the Eyes of My Heart”
- *Confession and Forgiveness
- *Apostolic Greeting
- *Call to Worship
- *Prayer of the Day

Word

Noisy Offering
Children's Message
First Reading
Psalm
Second Reading
*Gospel
Sermon:

Pastor Chris
Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23
John 20:19-31
Pastor Chris

*Hymn of the Day
“I Serve a Risen Savior, He Lives”

*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:
“Bread for the Journey”
“Make Me a Servant”

*Communion Blessing
*Prayer after Holy Communion
Worship Assistant

Sending

*Benediction
*Recessional Hymn
“Let it Rise”

*Dismissal:
Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Readings for Next Sunday

Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10