

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 (26)	9:00am Fellowship Hour 9:15am Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00am Worship Service 11:15am Adult Study Group
Tuesday (28)	9:00am Quilting Group
Wednesday (29)	10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice
Saturday (02)	9:00am Youth Breakfast

Upcoming Events

- May 4 - All Committee Meeting
- May 10 - Mothers Day
- May 11 - Bible & Brew
- May 12 - Coffee for Vets
- May 12 thru 14 - Army online Class
- May 14 - Ascension Worship Service
- May 15 - Rummage Sale
- May 15 & 16 - Synod Assembly
- May 17 - Cookies for HS Baccalaureate

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

Serving May 3, 2026

Reader: Jennifer Vance Communion Assistant: Donna Preisler
Counters: Laura Compton & 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 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Rose 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, 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

\$1,768.14 (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: 58 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 of Easter
April 26, 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 **NOT** be meeting tomorrow at the regular time due to a conflict. Instead we will discuss both the April and the May books next month during the May meeting.

YOUTH BREAKFAST: Our final youth fundraiser for the academic year will be a breakfast on Saturday May 2nd from 9am to 11am. The menu will include pancakes, eggs, sausage, fruit, monkey bread, juice, coffee, and milk. There will be a freewill offering to help support our Youth Ministry.

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE will again be a one day event on Friday May 15th. A signup sheet is on the Round Table for volunteers needed Thursday to set up, Friday during the sale, and Saturday to pack up the left over items. Check the Newsletter for more details.

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.

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.

MAY NEWSLETTER has been emailed out and printed copies are available on the Welcome Table for those that are not able to print theirs at home. If you are not on the email list and would like to be included, please see Ken Kingsbury.

WHITECAPS GAME: is scheduled for August 15th and there is a signup sheet on the Round Table with more information.

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 Life is in You”

Announcements

Gathering

- *Thanksgiving for Baptism
- *Entrance Hymn:
“Jesus Christ is Risen Today” LBW#151
- *Call to Worship
- *Prayer of the Day

Word

Noisy Offering
Children's Message

First Reading

Psalm

Second Reading

*Gospel

Sermon:

- *Hymn of the Day
“The Lord is My Shepherd” LBW#451

*Affirmation of Faith

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

*Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Pastor Chris

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 23

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

Pastor Chris

Worship Assistant

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:

“Worthy is the Lamb”

“Gentle Shepherd”

*Communion Blessing

*Prayer after Holy Communion

Worship Assistant

Sending

*Benediction

*Recessional Hymn

“Forever”

*Dismissal:

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

Readings for Next Sunday

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14