

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 10:00am Worship Service
Monday (20)	Pastor Chris on Army Duty thru Saturday
Tuesday (21)	9:00am Quilting Group 9:00am God’s Garden
Wednesday (22)	10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice

Upcoming Events

- July 27 - Church Council
- July 27 - Book Group
- August 2 thru 7 - Youth Camp
- August 3 - All Committee Meeting
- August 4 - God’s Garden
- August 8-14 - Pastor Chris on Vacation
- August 9 - Annual Church Picnic
- August 10 - Bible and Brew
- August 11 - Coffee for Vets
- August 15 - White Caps Game

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Serving Today
Reader: Michele Radke Communion Assistant: Mike Fusillo
Counters: Joyce Davis & Mike Aksamit
Greeters: Jim and Marie Combs

Serving July 26, 2026
Reader: Sharon Aksamit Communion Assistant: Mike Aksamit
Counters: Joyce Davis & 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 Saint John Lutheran Church in Three Rivers, Michigan.

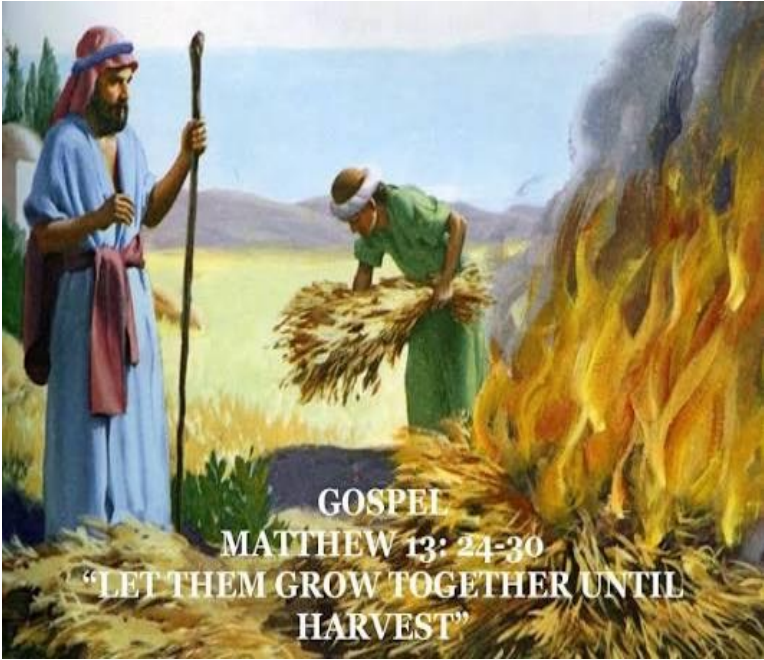
Please remember these people in your prayers for:
On-going health concerns: Cyndi, Sam & AJ, Pam, Bev, Jennifer, Zandra, Christian, Barbara, Vicki, Jeff, Lynda, Dennis, Chris, Pat, Nicole, Kathy, Mike, Lisa, Russ, Bill, Dan, Dawn, Jim, Marie, Dottie, and Ken.

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
\$1,943.70 (includes online giving)
Our weekly offering goal: \$1,434.32
SMART offering goal: \$2,298.35
Noisy Offering (Previous Month) \$147.76
Attendance Last Week: 49 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



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 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.

BACK PACKS: In addition to the personal care products listed here, please find the list of school supplies needed for the Back-packs on the bulletin insert, For the Tiger Closet the School is seeking deodorant, brushes, combs, Band-Aids, and travel Kleenex packs. Thank you so much for your support of the great ministry. It means a lot to our school kids.

PASTOR CHRIS ARMY DUTY: Pastor will be at the Rock Island Arsenal in Illinois through Saturday evening. He will be back in time for worship service on Sunday. Assuming the current schedule holds, he will only have two more meetings before his retirement from service on December 31st.

CHURCH COUNCIL has been cancelled for tomorrow and will instead meet next week on Monday the 27th.

GOD’S GARDEN will meet at the church on Tuesday the 21st at 9am. The goal is for us to spend *only* one hour landscaping the church grounds. Every time I drive up to the church I am awed by the beautiful results from the dedication of this group. Thank you everyone. And if you have the time, please join us. We certainly want to keep up the property.

THE BOOK GROUP will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Monday the 27th to discuss the book *Where I am Calling From* by Raymond Carver. Come and join us!

ALL COMMITTEE MEETING is coming up on Monday, August 3rd. Begin planning now what needs to be discussed in your respective committees. And if you need the agenda or notes for your committee printed, please get them in to the office before that date and we will print them for you.

STICKING DOORS: Summer is here and it brings some humidity along with it. This causes our doors and frames to expand thus often causing the doors to not latch properly. ***Please check to make sure the exterior doors lock properly.*** Especially if you are the last person to leave the building. Thank you.

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:
“Blessed Be Your Name”

Announcements

Gathering

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

Word

Noisy Offering
Children’s Message
First Reading
Psalm
Second Reading
Gradual Hymn
*Gospel
Sermon:
*Hymn of the Day
“Great is Thy Faithfulness” (WOV#771)

Pastor Chris
Genesis 28:10-19a
Psalm 139:1-12, 23-34
Romans 8:12-25
Pastor & Praise Team
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
Pastor Chris

*Affirmation of Faith

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

*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:
“I Belong”
“Give Thanks”

- *Communion Blessing
 - *Prayer after Holy Communion
- Worship Assistant

Sending

- *Benediction
- *Recessional Hymn
“Thank You, Lord”

*Dismissal:

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

Readings for Next Sunday
Genesis 29:15-28
Psalm 128
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52