

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 (30)	9:00am Fellowship Hour 10:00am Worship Service
Tuesday (01)	9:00am Quilting Group 9:00am God’s Garden
Wednesday (02)	10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice

Upcoming Events

- September 6 – Pulpit Swap with Prince of Peace
- September 8 – Coffee for Vets
- September 11-12 – Synod Connection Days
- September 11-19 – Allegan County Fair
- September 13 – Ice Cream Social
- September 15 – God’s Garden
- September 20 – Sunday School & Adult Study Begins
- September 21 – Church Council

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Serving Today
Reader: Karen Acosta Communion Assistant: Mike Acosta
Counters: Joyce Davis & Laura Compton
Greeters: Jim and Marie Combs

Serving September 6, 2026
Reader: Jennifer Vance Communion Assistant: Jim Horwath
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 Zion Lutheran Church in Woodland, Michigan.

Please remember these people in your prayers for: **On-going health concerns:** Susan, Pr. Dan, Gloria, Whitney, Alex, Cyndi, Sam & AJ, Jennifer, Zandra, Christian, Barbara, Vicki, Jeff, Lynda, Dennis, Pat, Mike, Lisa, Marie, Lori, Russ, Bill, Dan, Dawn, 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
\$1,326.70 (includes online giving)
Our weekly offering goal: \$1,434.32
SMART offering goal: \$2,298.35
Noisy Offering (Previous Month) \$146.76
Attendance Last Week: 62 Bible Study: 5

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



**Fourteenth Sunday after
Pentecost
August 30, 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.

We believe that Holy Communion is Christ’s own body and blood, given

GOD’S GARDEN will meet for ***one hour*** on Tuesday the 1st beginning at 9am. If you are able, please join us.

PULPIT SWAP for next Sunday. Pastor Rachel Laughlin from Prince of Peace Lutheran Church will be here to lead us in worship and Pastor Chris will be at Prince of Peace.

BACKPACK MINISTRY: Another amazing year for our Backpack Ministry! You all provided backpacks full of supplies for 50 elementary and 50 middle school students. What a blessing. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed in any way. It truly takes many hands to pull this ministry together. What a wonderful example of our church family coming together to make a difference in the lives of local students who are in need.
With a grateful heart,
Sharon Aksamit

BIBLE & BREW + DINNER NITE OUT: Since both of these events occur during Fair Week next month, we **WILL NOT** be having either of these events in the month of September. We are proud to have so many members of our congregation working and volunteering all week at the Fair and they are not able to attend both

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTERS have been emailed out and there are printed copies on the Welcome Table for those that are not able to print them at home. Please get your copy today.

THE ICE CREAM SOCIAL seems to have been a big hit so we will do it again on Sunday September 13th. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend. It was delicious and lots of fun.

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:
“10 Thousand Reasons”

Announcements

Gathering

*Confession and Forgiveness
*Entrance Hymn:
“Revelation Song”
*Call to Worship
*Prayer of the Day

Word

Noisy Offering	
Children’s Message	Pastor Chris
First Reading	Exodus 3:1-15
Psalms	Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b
Second Reading	Romans 12:9-21
*Gospel	Matthew 16:21-28
Sermon:	Pastor Chris
*Hymn of the Day	
“Will You Come and Follow Me”	

*Affirmation of Faith

*Prayers of Intercession	Worship Assistant
<i>Each petition ends with</i>	
“Merciful God”	
<i>And the congregation responds with</i>	
“ 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”

Sending of Communion	
*Communion Blessing	
*Prayer after Holy Communion	Worship Assistant

Sending

*Benediction
*Recessional Hymn
“Step by Step”

*Dismissal:

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

Readings for Next Sunday
Ezekiel 33:7-11
Psalms 119:33-40
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20