

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.

<u>This Week at Immanuel</u>	
Today (27)	9:00am Fellowship Hour 9:15am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 11:25am Adult Study Group 3:00pm Blessing of the Pets
Monday (28)	1:00pm Book Group
Tuesday (29)	9:00am Quilting Group 10:30am Grand Ravine Brunch
Wednesday (30)	10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice

- Upcoming Events**
- October 4 – Blessing of the Quilts
- October 6 – God’s Garden
- October 12 – Bible and Brew
- October 13 – Coffee for Vets
- October 15 – Middle School Staff Luncheon
- October 17 – Dinner Nite Out
- October 19 – Church Council
- October 19 thru 24 – Pastor Chris on Army Duty

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

Serving October 4, 2026
Reader: Carter Vance Communion Assistant: Jim Horwath
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:** Julia, Cheryl, Julia, Rebecca, Gloria, Whitney, Alex, Cyndi, Sam & AJ, Jennifer, Zandra, Christian, Barbara, Vicki, Jeff, Lynda, Dennis, Pat, Mike, Lisa, Rick, Sally, Dan, Susan, Marie, 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
\$1,822.70 (includes online giving)
Our weekly offering goal: \$1,434.32
SMART offering goal: \$2,298.35
Noisy Offering (Previous Month) \$177.30
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



**Eighteenth Sunday after
Pentecost
September 27, 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.

BLESSING OF THE PETS: Please bring these very special family members to the church today at 3pm for the blessing. Weather permitting, we will meet outside in the parking lot

BOOK GROUP meets tomorrow the 28th at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will discuss the book *The Lovely Bones by Alice Sebold*. Come and join us! We will choose the book for November at the meeting.

GRAND RAVINE BRUNCH will be Tuesday at 10:30am. Our sincere thanks to the *Mission and Outreach* team for sponsoring this event. The church office will be closed for the day as Ken will be attending this event.

THE OCTOBER NEWSLETTER has been published and emailed to all those on the list. Printed copies are available on the Welcome Desk. They are also available on the Church Web Page under the *Ministries* tab.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME DEVOTIONAL for the fourth quarter (October-December) are available on the Welcome Table. Be sure to pick up your copy today.

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER’S LUNCHEON: One important Way in which we can show appreciation and support of our local teachers is by providing the food for their luncheon during their day long conference on October 15th. A sign-up sheet is on the Round Table.

NOISY OFFERING for August was \$177.30. We use these funds to help support the Blessing Box. Thank you for your support.

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;the 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:
“Sing to the Mountains”

Announcements

Gathering

*Confession and Forgiveness
*Entrance Hymn:
“Great is the Lord”
*Call to Worship
*Prayer of the Day

Word

Noisy Offering
Children’s Message
First Reading
Psalm
Second Reading
*Gospel
Sermon:
*Hymn of the Day
“Turn Your Eyes to Jesus”

*Affirmation of Faith

*Prayers of Intercession
Each petition ends with
“Hear us, O God”
And the congregation responds with
“**Your mercy is great**”

*Sharing of the Peace
Offering
Offertory
*Doxology
*Offertory Prayer

Pastor Chris
Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
Psalm 25:1-9
Philippians 2:1-13
Matthew 20:1-16
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:
“By Name I have Called You”
“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

*Communion Blessing
*Prayer after Holy Communion

Worship Assistant

Sending

*Benediction
*Recessional Hymn
“Sing to the King”

*Dismissal:

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
Thanks be to God!

Readings for Next Sunday
Isaiah 25:1-9
Psalms 106:1-6, 19-24
Philippians 4:1-9
Matthew 22:1-13