

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 (18)	9:00am Fellowship Hour 9:15am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 11:25am Adult Study Group
Monday (19)	6:30pm Church Council Thru 24 th Pastor on Army Duty
Tuesday (20)	9:00am Quilting Group 9:00am God’s Garden
Wednesday (21)	10:00am Bible Study 4:00pm Praise Team Practice

- Upcoming Events**
- October 26 – Book Group
- October 28 -Bible Study Group
- October 31 – Trunk or Treat
- November 1 – Daylight Savings Time
- November 2 – All Committee Meeting
- November 3 – ELECTION DAY
- November 3 – God’s Garden
- November 4 – Bible Study Group
- November 9 – Bible & Brew

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Serving Today
Reader: Michele Radke Communion Assistant: Linda Scott
Counters: Joyce Davis & Mike Aksamit
Greeters: Jim and Marie Combs
Serving October 25, 2026
Reader: Sharon Aksamit Communion Assistant: Mike Aksamit
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 Saint John Lutheran Church in Baroda, Michigan.

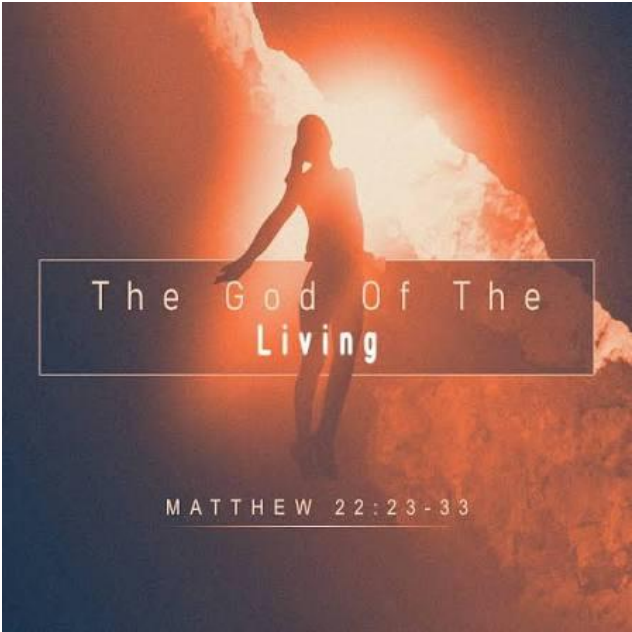
Please remember these people in your prayers for: **On-going health concerns:** Abigail, Dave, Julia, Cheryl, Julia, Rebecca, Gloria, Whitney, Alex, Cyndi, Sam & AJ, Jennifer, Christian, Barbara, Vicki, Jeff, Lynda, Dennis, Pat, Mike, Lisa, Rick, Sally, Dan, Susan, Marie, Dan, Dawn, Marie, Dottie, and 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
\$1,437.20 (includes online giving)
Our weekly offering goal: \$1,434.32
SMART offering goal: \$2,298.35
Noisy Offering (Previous Month) \$116.80
Attendance Last Week: 47 Bible Study: 8

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



Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost October 18, 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: We will have our regular monthly meeting tomorrow (Monday the 19th) at 6:30pm in the Adult Study Room. If anyone needs a report printed for this meeting, please see that it is in the office before Noon tomorrow.

GOD’S GARDEN: Will gather for ***one hour*** from 9am to 10am to work on the landscaping of the church property. Through the efforts of this dedicated group, our grounds are looking great. Thank you! If you are willing and able, please join us.

PASTOR CHRIS ON ARMY DUTY: Pastor Christ will be serving at the Battle Assembly in Rock Island Illinois beginning tomorrow the 19th and returning Saturday the 24th. Only one more duty assembly in November before his official retirement from active duty on December 31st. Thank you Pastor Chris for your service to Immanuel and to our country.

THE BOOK GROUP will have their monthly gathering on Monday the 26th at 1:00pm. We gather in the Fellowship Hall and this month will discuss ***The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hill*** by Robert Dugoni. Come and join us. Especially if you have a favorite book that you would enjoy talking about.

ALL HALLOWS EVE (aka. Halloween) will once again be held on October 31st here at the church. There is a signup sheet on the Round Table for those wishing to participate. This is always a fun evening.

THE QUARTERLY ALL COMMITTEE MEETING is coming up on Monday November 2nd. Everyone is invited to attend. If you need to have your report printed, please see that it is the office before then.

ELECTION DAY is Tuesday November 3rd. ***Be sure to vote!***

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:
“Step by Step”

Announcements

Gathering

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

Word

Noisy Offering
Children’s Message
First Reading
Psalm
Second Reading
*Gospel
Sermon:
*Hymn of the Day
“Bind Us Together” WOV #748

*Affirmation of Faith

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

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:
“One Bread, One Body”
“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

*Communion Blessing
*Prayer after Holy Communion Worship Assistant

Sending

*Benediction
*Recessional Hymn
“Sent Forth by God’s Blessings” LBW #221

*Dismissal:

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

Readings for Next Sunday
Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18
Psalm 1
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-46