



Immanuel Lutheran Church & School
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"What's Happening"



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The mission of Immanuel Lutheran School is to partner with parents and Immanuel Lutheran Church in providing a quality education that nurtures life-long learners who are rooted in Christ, built in faith, and growing in love.

Worship: Sunday 9:30 am

Deadline to submit newsletter articles: Wednesday at the end of the day

Tune in to **107.3** for drive-in worship service

April 4, 2025

FROM THE DESK OF YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

We have 27 youth and adult leaders attending the MO District Youth Retreat at the Lake of the Ozarks this weekend (April 4-6). The theme for the weekend is "Believe". We will be participating in singing, worship, sessions, group activities, service projects and more. We ask that you would pray for faith growth, connections, and safety for this precious group.

In Him,

Mandy McDonald



**But these are written that you may
BELIEVE that JESUS is the CHRIST, THE
SON OF GOD, and that by BELIEVING you
may have LIFE IN HIS NAME.**

-John 20:31



PREPARING FOR CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

Jesus uses some interesting picture language. He talks about a vineyard and the cornerstone in today's Gospel reading. These two images almost seem opposite as one is an agricultural picture and the other a construction picture. But Jesus is describing the Church. The world is where the harvesting takes place - the vineyard. Jesus is talking about prophets who came to tell about the coming Kingdom. Eventually, God sent His Son into the world, but the world also rejected Him.

The picture switches from gathering to building - building the Church. The prophets that were sent laid the foundation and Jesus is the chief piece, the Cornerstone. The cornerstone is fundamental to the building. Without it, the building would fall apart.

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY DIRECTOR POSITION

Basic Job Duties

Youth Group: Resource for youth program, work with volunteers, facilitate youth Bible studies and fellowship events, coordinate/plan/fundraise for National Youth Gathering, and provide general care and counseling of youth.

Family Ministry: Be a resource and coordinator for planning congregational family ministry opportunities and Bible Classes.

Sunday School: Duties include, but not limited to, recruit and train Sunday School Superintendent and teachers and plan curriculum in conjunction with the Pastor.

VBS: Plan Vacation Bible School and enlist volunteers

This position reports to the Pastor. It is a Part-Time church staff position, 20 hours weekly which requires some office hours.

Preferred: Member of Immanuel Church, Synodically trained or colloquy. Must be Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.

Flexible hours and some other duties as assigned.

For more information, contact by email immanuelhc@midmoimmanuel.com or call 573-496-3451

TEACHER CALL UPDATE

Please keep Mr. Krall in your prayers as he prayerfully considers his Call to teach at Immanuel.

2025-2026 STUDENT COUNCIL

Any student currently in 5th grade-7th grade is welcome to apply for next year's student council. Any student that is interested, please contact Mrs. Diener or Mrs. Goldammer to fill out the form.

CHURCH JANITOR

We are interviewing for a 20 hour a week part-time church janitor. Prefer previous experience. This includes the church, founders hall, legacy room, church basement, and all the offices. If interested contact Loretta 573-496-3451.

ALUMINUM CANS

The National Youth Gathering youth are gladly accepting aluminum cans to help earn funds for the gathering in July. Anyone wanting to drop off their cans can place their bags in the bbq shed and they will be hauled off once a month. If you have any questions, contact Heather Jobe at 291-7001.

FROM THE DESK OF THE BOARD OF ELDERS

Pastor Resner will be out of the office this week-end, April 4th- 6th. We ask that you please contact the office or an Elder during this time. Thank You.

Here are your Elders names and numbers.

Danny Sommerer	573-690-6062	Brad Engelbrecht	573-644-2080
Derek Sommerer	573-680-2052	Bill Blochberger	573-690-1664
Scott Schulte	573-690-6283	Troy Wolken	573-680-2083
Mark Morris	573-584-1452	Office	573-496-3451

ENROLLMENT

Enrollment is open for the 25-26 school year. Forms have gone home. Please return to those to the school office in a timely manner. If you are not returning next year we will miss you, but please let us know. Both turning in the forms quickly or letting us know you are not returning helps us plan for next year.

SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday-April 17

Service 7:00 pm

Good Friday-April 18

Service 7:00 pm

Easter Sunrise/Communion 6:30 am - April 20

This service will be held outside and broadcasted on **107.3**

Bring lawn chairs and blankets (Assistance available)

If it is raining, we will be inside.

Altar area will be set up in the front corner of the church near the cemetery.

Please park in front of school.

Easter Breakfast between services- April 20

Serving from 8:00-9:00, but can come in for fellowship any time between services

Provided by the Youth in the Commons

See attached flyer

Free Will Offering

Easter Service/Communion 9:30 am-April 20

This service will be held inside and also broadcasted on **107.3**

BALLFIELD CLOSED

The ballfield was re-seeded this fall and will be closed until the first of June 2025. We know this will cause inconvenience and disruption to those that use it, but the field was in disrepair and needed attention.

Thank you for understanding and cooperation.

With the grass area of the ballfield being re-seeded, there is still additional work that needs to be done and we would greatly appreciate any physical or monetary help that you could provide. If there are any questions regarding what is going on with the ballfield or helping take care of church grounds, please call Don Propst at 573-338-2075.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN MEAL 5:30pm - 6:45pm - Church Basement

4-09 - The Maker's Dozen - Fish Fry - Free-will donations to IL Youth Group

LUNCH MENU (All menus subject to change/milk served with all meals/pbj alternative daily)

4/7 Chicken soft tacos, veggies, fruit

4/8 Lasagna casserole, veggies, fruit

4/9 Pretzel & cheese, veggies, fruit

4/10 Frito pie, veggies, fruit

4/11 Toasted cheese, veggies, fruit



GET INVOLVED WITH IMMANUEL CHURCH AND SCHOOL "SAVE THE DATES"

ILS Golf Tournament	April 25, 2025
May Fellowship Meal	May 11, 2025
Last Day of School	May 16, 2025
Congregation workday	May 17, 2025
8th Grade Graduation	May 18, 2025
June Fellowship Meal	June 8, 2025
Vacation Bible School	June 22-26, 2025
July Fellowship Meal	July 13, 2025
First Day of School	August 13, 2025
Turkey Dinner - Set up & Debone Turkeys	October 24, 2025
Turkey Dinner - Set up & Peel Potatoes	October 25, 2025
Turkey Dinner - All hands on deck	October 26, 2025

Servants for the Lord

Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Lector	Elders
4/6	Grant Jobe	Lance Sommerer Scott Jackson	Lucas Bechel	Scott Schulte Bill Blochberger
4/13	Carys Stunk Bryson Schulte	Craig & Kaden Schulte Caleb Bernskoetter	Josh Allen	Danny Sommerer
April Altar Guild: Tricia Carrender & Kelly Mauzy				

<u>Date</u>	<u>Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Time</u>
4/4 - 4/6	Pastor Resner out of the office	
4/6	Adult Bible Study - The Commons Children's Sunday School Classes - begin in kindergarten room NO YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY SCHOOL due to MO District Youth Gathering NO MOM'S BIBLE STUDY due to MO District Youth Gathering Worship Service/Communion - Pastor Hobratschk	8:15 am 8:15 am 9:30 am
4/9	Chapel (<i>Leader: Pastor Diener</i>) Mid-Week Bible Study - Book of Romans - Church Basement Lent Meal - The Maker's Dozen Fish Fry - Free-will donations to IL Youth Group Lent Service - Pastor Gallagher	8:30 am 9:15 am 5:30-6:45pm 7:00 pm
4/13	Adult Bible Study - The Commons Children's Sunday School Classes - begin in kindergarten room Youth Group Sunday School - 5th and 6th grade room Mom's Bible Study Palm Sunday Children's Processional- meet in Founder's Hall Worship Service/Children's Message	8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 8:15 am 9:20 am 9:30 am

Mid-Week Bible Study

Mid-Week Bible Study, Wed. mornings, 9:15 in the Church Basement. We are studying the Book of Romans. All are welcome.

Men's Bible Study - Invite a Friend

The Men's Bible Study will be **Monday, April 14, 2025 7pm** at Jason Propst's firehouse, 4501 Old Ridge Rd., JC.

Women's Bible Study

We will not have Women's Bible Study during the season of Lent in order for us to worship together. We will resume our Wednesday evening study on **April 23rd from 6-8pm**. We will announce our new topic of study soon. Stay tuned.

Children's Sunday School

Children's Sunday School meets each Sunday from 8:15-9:15 am. Students age 3 - 5th grade will first meet in the kindergarten classroom to sing songs. They will then be dismissed to their classrooms by age. The youth group age (grades 6-12) class meets in the 5th and 6th grade classroom. **THE YOUTH GROUP AGE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS WILL NOT MEET ON APRIL 6TH DUE TO THE MO DISTRICT YOUTH GATHERING.**

Mom's Bible Study



How does this sound for a great way to spend an hour each Sunday morning? Sharing God's Word, stories, encouragement, and a warm cup of coffee with other Christian moms all while your child(ren) are hearing about this same loving Jesus in their Sunday School class. If this sounds good to you, please join us in the church basement each Sunday morning from 8:15-9:15 am. Bring your Bible and feel free to

invite a friend. We even have Sr. High youth who are available to watch children under age three in the preschool room. We would love to have you join us! **WE WILL NOT HAVE MOM'S BIBLE STUDY ON APRIL 6TH DUE TO THE MO DISTRICT YOUTH GATHERING.** All moms are welcome to join the adult Bible Study.

AREA NEWS

EUGENE EAGLES SUMMER SCHOOL (May 19-June 13)

Students entering Kindergarten-6th Grade may register online at www.coler-v.k12.mo.us. - Register by April 17.

DRIVE THRU FISH FRY

Friday, April 11, 2025 from 4:00-7:00 pm

Family Of Christ Lutheran Church, 408 S. Main Street, Ashland (across from YMCA)

Menu: Fried fish, curly fries, baked beans, coleslaw, dessert

\$15 per meal - Portions of the proceeds go to benefit Helping Hands, Southern Boone

TRINITY MEN'S CLUB BBQ

Saturday, April 26, 2025 beginning at 10:00 am

Schulte's Parking Lot

Pork Steak or brat dinners \$14; Pork Steak Sandwich \$6; Brat on bun \$5

Proceeds will be donated to the Trinity Youth Program & Calvary High School



STUCO EASTER EGG HUNT

**STUCO will be hosting an Easter Egg hunt
for the student body on April 11th.**

**We are looking for donations of
candy (please no chocolate), small prizes, or
Thrivent Action Teams.**

**If you would like to donate please drop off in the
office by April 9th.**



EASTER BREAKFAST DONATIONS NEEDED

And Greatly Appreciated!

[CLICK HERE FOR EASTER BREAKFAST DONATION OPPORTUNITIES](#)

JR. AND SR. HIGH YOUTH EVENTS

You can find more information about our youth group events and RSVP by joining our Band app:
[Youth Band App.](#)

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN YOUTH GROUP

Upcoming Events

- Friday-Sunday, April 4-6: Jr. and Sr. High MO District Youth Retreat at the Lake of the Ozarks
- Wednesday, April 9: Sr. High Youth Fish Fry Lenten Meal with Maker's Dozen **Arrive at 5pm- Don't forget to bring a dessert.**
- Sunday, April 20th: Jr. and Sr. High Youth Serve Easter Breakfast between services
- Sunday, April 27th: MO District SHINE Servant Event with Maker's Dozen
- Saturday, May 10th: Immanuel Youth Hosting Coed Volleyball Tournament



Sr. High Youth Attending NYG and
Maker's Dozen
Lenten Meal - Fish Fry

Wednesday, April 9
Church Basement



Join us for the MO District SHINE Servant Event

Who: Youth Group and Maker's Dozen and ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING US!

What? Singing at Heisinger Senior Living Center

When? Sunday, April 27th Singing at Heisinger East at approximately 1:30pm and Heisinger West at approximately 2:30pm.

Why? To SHINE our Gospel Lights and Serve Others

All who participate will get free ice cream at Central Dairy following our event and a free purple SHINE t-shirt!

CALVARY NEWS

CALVARY INSIDER

Wondering what went on at Calvary this week?

- Congratulations to our Scholar Bowl Lions! Tuesday, the team won the Show-Me Central Conference championship!! Ella Roberts also placed 1st, individually! Earlier in the week, they placed 2nd in the Mexico Standard Division competition.
- Mr. Zorena led chapel this week, sharing a message on Worship.

LION ATHLETICS AT HOME

April 7 Baseball v Stover, 5PM *Senior Night

April 11 Home Baseball Tournament, CLHS @ 7PM

April 12 Home Baseball Tournament, CLHS @ 11:30AM, 4:30PM

Stay up to date with Calvary games and events by visiting calvarylhs.org/calendar/

BREAKING GROUND!

Calvary's board of directors is moving forward with Expanding Excellence by breaking ground on Sunday, May 18 at 2PM! You are invited to join us for a short service to thank God for His providence and ask for His blessing on this step of faith. Thank you to those who have supported students and families at Calvary by giving or pledging to this project. Calvary is still accepting gifts to fully fund this project. Thank you for your prayerful support!

ExpandingExcellenceCLHS.org

CRIMSON & SILVER DINNER AUCTION

Tickets are available for the 2025 Crimson and Silver Dinner Auction at the St. Martin's Knights of Columbus Hall on Saturday, April 26, beginning at 4:00pm. Ticket price is \$50 per person, and tables of 8 are available for \$375. Purchase tickets online at www.calvarylhs.org/auction/.

BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT

Calvary's 21st Annual Benefit Golf Tournament will be **Friday, May 30** at Tanglewood Golf Course in Fulton. Sign up today for a fun day supporting students at Calvary Lutheran High School! If you are interested in helping to plan this event or volunteering the day of, contact John Christman at 573-638-0228 for more information. Teams can register at calvarylhs.org/golftournament/.

BE PART OF THE TEAM

Calvary is seeking mission-minded individuals to complete the team.

- Part-time Outreach Coordinator
- Part-time Athletic Director, beginning summer 2025

Applications can be submitted to John Christman at administrator@calvarylhs.org or 2525 Route B, Jefferson City, MO 65101

SAVE THE DATE

May 2 FFA Petting Zoo


May 2 Spring Concert, 7PM

May 24 Graduation, 10AM

CALVARY COMMITMENT

Immanuel is one of 6 association churches that own Calvary Lutheran High School since 2005. Together with Immanuel, Calvary provides the opportunity for a PreK-12 Lutheran school experience in mid-Missouri. Along with the other co-owner congregations (Trinity, Jefferson City; Faith, Jefferson City; Grace, Holts Summit; St. John, Stringtown; & St. John's, Schubert), Immanuel has committed to supporting Calvary financially with \$15 per communicant member per year. This has never been a burden on Immanuel's budget, since special offerings are received for this purpose. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this support through a designated gift in the offering plate or participating in the monthly dinners - whose proceeds also go toward this commitment. Thank you for your support of Lutheran education!

CALVARY STUDENTS FROM IMMANUEL: Freshman: Claire Koetting, Braelynn Lowry and Ailyn McDonald. Sophomore: Julius Resner, Aubree Lowry, Braylon Schulte, Owen Sommerer, and Allie Caley. Juniors: Olivia Carrender. Senior: Cole Wolken.

<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>	<u>3-26 thru 3-30</u>		
Adult Bible Study Sunday School Youth Y'ALL Mom's Bible Study Wed. Bible Study Ladies Bible Study Men's Bible Study Offerings	12 14 ** ** 06 24 ** ** \$ 6.00	Total March \$ 39.00	
<u>Church Offering</u> Plate & Envelopes Electronic Total: <i>Avg Offering Goal (as of 1-1-25)</i>	\$ 5,779.75 540.53 6,320.28	12-mo avg <i>\$10,174 per week</i>	<u>Church Attendance</u> Sunday Mar 30 230 Communion: 165 Lent Mar 26 114 Communion: -
DRC Offering	\$ -0-	\$850.00	

Offering Options Available

We have several eGiving options if you would like to give a one-time or recurring offering electronically:

- 1) Set up an **online donation** from our website: <https://www.midmoimmanuel.com/online-giving>
- 2) Download the **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement** app for your smart-phone and search for "Immanuel Lutheran Church and School" (several churches will display from just "Immanuel", so be sure to type in the full name - there are still at least three on the list that have the same name as us - be sure to select the one with our address - 8231 Tanner Bridge Road). Set up your profile and manage your offerings.
- 3) Text your offering through **Text Giving** by texting a whole number for the offering amount (i.e. "10" for a \$10 gift) to 1-573-267-5706. Follow the link that is replied back.
- 4) Contact Jason Sommerer (573-338-2441 or summertime_99@hotmail.com) for assistance and we can set up an **auto-draft from your bank** directly to Immanuel.
- 5) Vanco also offers to accept gifts **over the phone** for our congregation. Vanco's Client Services team will take donations if you call them at 800.675.7430



PRAYER REQUESTS

At Home or Hospital: Brennan Schulte, John Green, Jane Kesel, Konlee Kempker, Charlie Duenckel, Betty Hoecker, Danny Goodman, Dane Steenburg, Denny Schulte, Ann Shipwash, Trevor Burrows, Clay Rolsing, Sandy Sebastian, Kenny Braun, Jerry Binkley, Brennis Horstmeier, Nathan Gladstone, Deb Leech, Les Lohraff, Leon Berhorst, Chris Eiken, Nathan Lawson, Pam Brauner, Grant Lamb, Marilyn Kloeppel, Carol Hale, Lloyd Sommerer, Andy Rank, Nolan Kesel, Crystal Jennings, Linda Falter, Linda Hagermann, Norma Engelbrecht, Christa (Schubert) Nilges, Marti Thruston, Arlene Binkley, and Jane Engelbrecht

Get Well soon! We miss your contagious smile and spirit.

Celebrating Birthdays: 4-6 Brynlee Phillips, Maximus Phillips, Melanie Blochberger, Joshua Upton, McKenzie Beazley, Alfred Sommerer. 4-7 Reagan Duenckel. 4-8 Brad Engelbrecht, Mike Groner, Carter Crum, Augustus Sommerer. 4-10 Javon Engelbrecht, Kelly Mauzy, Tyler Loveall. 4-11 Lily Bettmann. 4-12 Ethan Mosier, MaeLee Ahart. 4-13 Allison Trinklein, Natalie Sommerer. 4-14 Baylor Bishop, Amanda Braun. 4-15 Sierra Binkley. 4-17 John Mueller, Tavia Dickerson. 4-18 Verah Bax, Kristie Sommerer, Byson Schulte, Hance Sommerer, Chad Geritz. 4-20 Kim Caley, Kaden Browner. 4-21 Peyton Duncan. 4-22 Shannon Schmoeger, John Slicker, Katie Engelbrecht, Molly Wolken. 4-23 Matt Stolle, Claire Prohaska, Brooks Carrender. 4-24 Delbert Hoelscher, Heather Peters. 4-25 Emelyn Doerhoff. 4-26 Mary Schilpp. 4-27 Nate Propst. 4-28 Marcia Gibson, Kenna Rusk. 4-29 Marilyn Sommerer, Nicole Roach.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: 4-6 Steve and Bonnie Ott 51yrs. 4-8 Kevin and Mary Beth Libber 30yrs. 4-12 Schyler and Kim Caley 17yrs. 4-15 Bernie and Shirley Dusheke 64yrs., Glen and Jane Propst 47yrs. 4-16 Corey and Barb Carrender 4yrs., Aidan and Lydia Gallagher 3yrs. 4-17 Brad and Julie Engelbrecht 32yrs., Jason and Joni Wilbers 21yrs. 4-22 Mark and Tammy Morris 30yrs. 4-24 Lloyd and Jane Sommerer 58yrs. 4-27 Neil and Shellie Goodin 29yrs. 4-30 Matt and Sherri Stolle 31yrs.

Celebrating (1-5 yrs old) Baptism Anniversary: 4-7-24 Isla Propst 1yr.

Nursing Home Residents/Shut-Ins: Virginia Meier - Heisinger Bluffs.

Military Personnel: Jack Schmoeger, Clare Hart, and A. J. Kempker.

Thought for the Day: *People want to judge you because of your past, but you are different because of Him! "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way, they persecuted the prophets who were before you." Jesus Christ Matthew 5:11-12*



Thank you Brian Engelbrecht for continuing to supply me with cartoons for the Newsletter.

CHURCH IS HARD

Church is hard for the person walking through the doors, afraid of judgement.
Church is hard for the pastor's family, under the microscope of an entire body.
Church is hard for the prodigal soul returning home, broken and battered by the world.
Church is hard for the girl who looks like she has it all together, but doesn't.
Church is hard for the couple who fought the entire ride to service.
Church is hard for the single mom, surrounded by couples holding hands, and seemingly perfect.
Church is hard for the widow and widower with no invitation to lunch after service.
Church is hard for the deacon with an estranged child.
Church is hard for the person singing worship songs, overwhelmed by the weight of the lyrics.
Church is hard for the man insecure in his role as a leader.
Church is hard for the wife who longs to be led by a righteous man.
Church is hard for the nursery volunteer who desperately longs for a baby to love.
Church is hard for the single woman and single man, praying God brings them a mate.
Church is hard for the teenage girl, wearing a scarlet letter, ashamed of her mistakes.
Church is hard for the sinners.
Church is hard for me.

It's hard because on the outside it all looks shiny and perfect. Sunday best in behavior and dress. However, underneath those layers, you find a body of imperfect people, carnal souls, selfish motives.

BUT, here is the **BEAUTY OF CHURCH**—

Church isn't a building, mentality, or expectation.
Church is a body.
Church is a group of sinners, saved by grace, living in fellowship as saints.
Church is a body of believers bound as brothers and sisters by an eternal love.
Church is a holy ground where sinners stand as equals before the Throne of Grace.
Church is a refuge for broken hearts and a training ground for mighty warriors.
Church is a converging of confrontation and invitation. Where sin is confronted and hearts are invited to seek restoration.
Church is a lesson in faith and trust.
Church is a bearer of burdens and a giver of hope.
Church is a family. A family coming together, setting aside differences, forgetting past mistakes, rejoicing in the smallest of victories.
Church, the body, and the circle of sinners-turned-saints, is where He resides, and if we ask, He is faithful to come.

So even on the **HARD DAYS AT CHURCH**—

The days when I am at odds with a friend, when I've fought with my husband because we're late once again. When I've walked in bearing burdens heavier than my heart can handle, yet masking the pain with a smile on my face. When I've worn a scarlet letter, under the microscope. When I've longed for a baby to hold, or fought tears as the lyrics were sung. When I've walked back in, afraid and broken, after walking away.

I'll remember, **HE HAS NEVER FAILED TO MEET ME THERE.**

By Beverly Palmer



IMMANUEL YOUTH INVITE YOU
TO JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

Easter BREAKFAST

EASTER SUNDAY
20 APRIL 2025

COME ANY TIME BETWEEN
SERVICES FOR FELLOWSHIP.
FOOD WILL BE SERVED
BETWEEN 8-9 AM.

Menu: Breakfast Casseroles,
Biscuits and Gravy, Fruit, Donuts,
and Drinks

All free will offerings will go to help our
youth attend the National Youth
Gathering in New Orleans this summer.
Thank you!