



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Caring for Our Community Through Christ
for over 125 Years!*

REV. DAVID CASEY-MOTLEY, PASTOR

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Restrooms** are located downstairs. An elevator is available in the narthex.
- A **nursery room** is available at the rear of the Sanctuary for young children and their parents. The nursery room is equipped with a speaker so you can hear the service.
- **Worship Bags** are available in the nursery room every Sunday to help kids engage and participate in the service. They include coloring pencils, coloring sheets and Worship Guides. After worship service, keep your papers and place the bag back in the nursery room.
- **Registration cards** are placed in the back of the pews for worshipers to use for: 1) Visitor registration; 2) Communion registration for communion services; 3) Prayer requests may be written on the back of the card; after filling out the card, please place it in the offering plate.
- **Preprinted offering envelopes** are available in the pews for special offerings and Special Funds donations. Visitors are welcome to use these envelopes as well as members. Members, please make sure to note your envelope number on these special envelopes and place in the offering plate.
- **Kids Worship** - We love having children in church! It is so important for the kids to be welcomed and loved in God's house. Kids Worship is offered during the service, after the Bible Readings. Kids ages 3 through 10 can come downstairs where we offer an age appropriate lesson on the readings, snack and sometimes a craft. Children will return to the sanctuary on communion Sundays just before communion. For more information, contact Rene Langwost at 410-253-8735.

We kindly request that all cell phones be silenced.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
APRIL 6, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL!

God makes paths through the sea and rivers in the desert (Isaiah 43:16, 19). Whatever obstacle you face, God will open the way of life for you. Welcome to worship.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Lent comes from a word that means *spring*, and spring is “springing” this April morning. May our faith spring up in new life as well, through this time of worship.

HOLY COMMUNION AT IMMANUEL

Holy Scripture, according to St. Paul, clearly teaches that in Holy Communion we are receiving the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus, together with the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our Christian faith and life. Furthermore, Holy Scripture clearly teaches that those who do *not share this* belief about the Sacrament would be sinning against Jesus if they were to receive the Sacrament (1 Corinthians 11:27, 29).

For this reason, if you desire to receive Holy Communion today, you are, in obedience to God’s Word (1 Corinthians 11:28), to examine yourself *before* receiving the Sacrament. To do so, ask yourself the following questions:

1. Have I been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
2. Do I believe that I am a sinner in need of God’s forgiveness?
3. Do I believe that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, paid for my sins by His death on the cross?
4. Do I believe that in Holy Communion Jesus gives me His true body and true blood, with the bread and wine, to forgive my sins and to strengthen my Christian faith and life?
5. Do I intend, with God’s help, to turn away from my sin and try to live as God wants me to live?

If you answer, “Yes,” to all five of these questions and you have been instructed in the Christian faith of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS), then you are well prepared to receive the Sacrament here at Immanuel. If you are not in agreement and have not received instruction, we ask that you, out of great Christian love and concern for your spiritual welfare, to refrain from the Sacrament. If you are a visitor who has not communed with us before, we ask that you meet with our pastor as soon as possible to let him know your intention to commune prior to the service.

Those receiving the Sacrament should wait for the usher’s invitation to approach the altar. The pastor will offer the bread. The assistant will offer the individual cup of wine to those who desire to receive in that manner, after which the pastor will offer the chalice to those who desire to receive the wine in that manner. A few cups of white grape juice are available for those who are not able to drink wine.

♪ = congregation sings response

Prelude

“And Through Eternity I’ll Sing On”

Handbell Ensemble

Gathering Prayer Concerns

Welcome

The Call to Worship

P This is the day the Lord has made.

C **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P We pause silently to prepare ourselves for worship.

Sharing of the Peace

P The Lord says to you as Paul wrote to the church at Colossae: “Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.”

C **We come to the Lord to hear His Word, to receive His forgiveness, present our tithes and offerings at the altar, and to celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar. It is my desire to be reconciled – to make things right – with you my sisters and brothers (Matthew 5:23-24). Receive the “peace” I share with you as I receive the peace of God through Jesus.**

Stand

Opening Hymn

“Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices”

LSB 811

~ Confession and Absolution ~

LSB 167

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

~ Service of the Word ~

Introit

Psalm 3:3-6; antiphon: v. 8

P Salvation belongs to the LORD;
your blessing be on your people!
C **But you, O LORD, are a shield about me,
my glory, and the lifter of my head.**
P I cried aloud to the LORD,
and he answered me from his holy hill.
C **I lay down and slept;
I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.**
P I will not be afraid of many thousands of people
who have set themselves against me all around.
C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Kyrie

LSB 168

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
♪ C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
 ♪ C ***Lord, have mercy.***
 P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the
 unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
 ♪ C ***Lord, have mercy.***
 P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the
 Lord.
 ♪ C ***Lord, have mercy.***
 P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
 ♪ C ***Amen.***

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
 ♪ C ***And also with you.***

P Let us pray.
 Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may
 be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son,
 our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
 ♪ C ***Amen.***

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶Thus says the LORD,
 who makes a way in the sea,
 a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷who brings forth chariot and horse,
 army and warrior;
 they lie down, they cannot rise,
 they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
¹⁸“Remember not the former things,
 nor consider the things of old.
¹⁹Behold, I am doing a new thing;
 now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
 I will make a way in the wilderness
 and rivers in the desert.
²⁰The wild beasts will honor me,
 the jackals and the ostriches,
 for I give water in the wilderness,

rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
²¹the people whom I formed for myself
that they might declare my praise.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 126

P ¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.

C ²**Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;
then they said among the nations, “The LORD has done great things for them.”**

P ³The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.

C ⁴**Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like streams in the Negeb!**

P ⁵Those who sow in tears
shall reap with shouts of joy!

C ⁶**He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.**

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Epistle

Phillipians 3:8-14

⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Holy Gospel

Luke 20:9-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.
♪ C *Glory to You, O Lord.*

⁹[Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹²And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ ¹⁵And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “Surely not!” ¹⁷But he looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written:

‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone’?

¹⁸Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

¹⁹The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. ²⁰So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
♪ C *Praise to You, O Christ.*

Sit

Kids' Worship

Sermon Hymn “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

LSB 575

Sermon

Stand

**C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

**P O Lord, Your Son spoke the truth before His enemies even as they sought to trap Him in His words and deliver Him up to death. Rescue Your people from fear, and grant them courage to confess the truth, assuring them of deliverance in time of trouble.
Lord, in Your mercy,**

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, You gave Your Son to be rejected by sinners, that we may be welcomed into Your kingdom. Preserve Your Church in this life won by Christ, crucified and risen. Give faithfulness to the preaching of Your Word and the administration of Your Sacraments, and let Your people receive these gifts with penitence and faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, salvation belongs to You. Your blessing be on Your people. Endow parents with every good gift to teach their children Your ways, that they may live in the confidence of Your grace and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, You shield us and lift our heads. Provide for us civil authorities who discourage evil and encourage good, but keep us ever mindful that our hope is in You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, show Your compassion to [and] all who suffer in our midst. Remind them continually of Your benefits, forgive all their iniquities, heal all their diseases and crown them with steadfast love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, St. Paul counted all things as rubbish in order that he might gain Christ. Give us repentant hearts, that we would abandon all confidence in our flesh and so receive Your Son's body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, help us to count all things as loss except Jesus and Him crucified. Draw us to Him through Word and Sacrament, that rejoicing in the righteousness that comes through faith in Jesus, we may forget what lies behind us and press on toward the goal. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, in Baptism You have shared Christ's suffering, death and resurrection with us, that we might be raised from the dead. Preserve us from taking His sacrifice for granted. Encourage us to forget what lies behind and strain forward to what lies ahead, until we attain the resurrection from the dead; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Offering

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Stand

Offertory

LSB 176

♪ C *What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord’s house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.*

~Service of the Sacrament~

Preface

LSB 177

P The Lord be with you.
♪ C *And also with you.*

P Lift up your hearts.
♪ C *We lift them to the Lord.*

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
♪ C *It is right to give Him thanks and praise.*

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 178

♪C *Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow’r and might:
Heav’n and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

LSB 179

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 180

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
♪ C *Amen.*

Agnus Dei

LSB 180

♪ C *Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.*

Sit

Distribution

Communion Hymn

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

LSB 543

Communion Hymn

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”

LSB 524

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 182

♪ C *Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev’ry people: A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
♪ C *Amen.*

Benediction

LSB 183

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
♪ C *Amen.*

Sit

Announcements

P Go in peace, and serve the Lord!
C **Thanks be to God!**



FIFTH SUNDAY
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Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting Two from Lutheran Service Book

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“And Through Eternity I’ll Sing On” Tune, WONDROUS LOVE, Handbell Setting by Michael Ryan.

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” Tune, HAMBURG by Lowell Mason, Setting by Charles Callahan.

SERVICE INFORMATION

THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL TODAY 4/06/2025

Pastor	Rev. David Casey-Motley
Administrative Assistant	Raechl Cannon
Director of Music, Emeritus	Dennis L. Janko, M.M.
Director of Music & Organist	Lynn Short
Director of Hand Bells	Janice Isenberg
Ushers	Rex Rosebrock, Mark Frase
Lay Reader	Desi Casey-Motley
Assisting Elder	Mark Frase
Kids Worship	Rene Langwost
Acolyte	Mikayla Clark
Sound Operator	David Schmidt
Camera Operator	Janice Isenberg
Greeters	Kenny & Michelle Wheatley
Tellers	Janice Isenberg, Shelly Kapitan, John Crampton

THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL NEXT SUNDAY 4/13/2025

Ushers	Rex Rosebrock, Mark Frase
Lay Reader	Cathy Baker
Greeters	Kenny & Michelle Wheatley
Assisting Elder	
Kids Worship	Rene Langwost
Acolyte	Grayson Jackson
Crucifer	Coltyn Bowman-Pinder
Sound Operator	David Schmidt
Camera Operator	Jennifer Phillips
Tellers	Karen Lyons, Jennifer Phillips

ADMINISTRATION

THE WEEK AHEAD 4/07/2025 – 4/13/2025

Monday - Thursday	Nursery School Open	8:50 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
	Church Office Open	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Monday	Board of Elders Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Youth Confirmation Class	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Lent Midweek Service 5 w/ lunch afterwards	12:00 p.m.
	Handbells	6:30 p.m.
	Senior Choir	7:00 p.m.
Sunday	Palm Sunday	
	Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
	Orchestra Rehearsal	
	AA Meeting	7:00 p.m.

Be sure to check the church calendar for events happening at Immanuel Lutheran this month. Check with the church office before scheduling meetings or activities so they can be put on the calendar.

STATISTICS March 30, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICE

Attendance: 61

Goal Income Per Week: \$3,802.04

Offering: \$2,841.00

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2025

Goal income per month	\$19,351.17
Actual Offerings	\$12,197.00
Total Disbursements	<u>-19,631.42</u>
Checking account balance, end of month	\$44,498.35

PRAYER LIST & CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS

SHUT-INS – RETIREMENT FACILITIES – NURSING HOMES: Jimmy Fuchs, Janice Plutschak, Olga McDonald and Margaret Bolyard.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Jennifer Flanagan, Butch Frase, Linda Frase, Cheryl Hochmuth, Dennis Janko, Nicole James, Maggie Thompson, Brianna Fissel, Tony Krupka, James Cohee, William Frase, Page Murphy, Jeannie Kegeal, Mike Lloyd, Dora Bailey, Brenda Richards, Sharlene Steere, Joe Bartenfelder, Jan Baker, Kitty Hefelfinger, and Gail Crampton.

ACTIVE-DUTY SERVICE PERSONNEL & FIRST-RESPONDERS:

Ryan Andrew, Matthew Harris, Shelby Hochmuth, Michael Jantz Jr., Robbie Phillips, Eric Stacey, Jerry Stivers, Amber Thamert, and Robert Barnett.

Happy Birthday!



Ava Kenton	4/6
Andee Harding	4/7
Myrna Roth	4/8
Amanda Scudder	4/8
Brady Edwards	4/9
William Fry	4/9
Kayleigh Bowman-Pinder	4/10
Camden James	4/10



Michael & Amanda Knorr	4/6
Dale & Ruth Thomas	4/12



ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME VISITORS! Before leaving, please stop in the Narthex to sign the guest book and pick up a gift pack. We hope to see you again!

RESURRECTION ORCHESTRA: Orchestra rehearsal this week & next.
For questions, see Lynn Short. Thanks!



SPECIAL YOUTH EASTER SKIT: Practices for our Youth Easter skit will be held during Sunday School now through Palm Sunday. Thank you!

EASTER MORNING BREAKFAST: Come to the Resurrection *He is Risen* Potluck Breakfast on Easter Morning!

- Early breakfast from 9:00–9:20 AM;
- Youth Easter skit from 9:20–9:40 AM;
- 2nd breakfast from 9:40–10:15 AM.

A signup sheet with suggested items will be placed in the Narthex. Beverages and bagels will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Baker. Thanks so much!



BREAKFAST DONATIONS: His Hope Ministries will close its doors to overnight guests around the end of April and reopen in September. Therefore, April 6th and 13th will be our last collection dates for single serve breakfast items for this year. Thank you to all who contributed. Watch the summer bulletins & September newsletter for when we will resume our project. If you have any questions about this project, see or call Irene Wheatley- 410-310-2571.

HOMEMADE EGG PICKUP TIMES: From **9:30 AM – 12:00 PM** on Monday 4/7, Tuesday 4/8, Wednesday 4/9, Thursday 4/10 or at **6:00 PM** on Wednesday 4/9.



SED LCMS BYLAWS PROPOSED AMENDMENTS: In preparation for the 2025 SED Convention in May, proposed changes to the Bylaws of the SED of the LCMS have been provided to us. Copies of the proposed amendments are available in the narthex if you would like to review.

MEETINGS THIS MONTH:



Church Council Meeting – TODAY 4/6 after worship
Board of Elders Meeting – Monday 4/7 at 7:00 pm
Voters' Meeting – Sunday 4/27 after worship

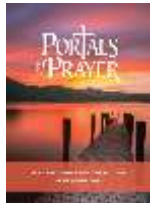
WINGS RUMMAGE SALE: The WinGS Rummage Sale date is changing!
The sale will NOT be held on May 17th. The new date is TBD!



OUR LAST MIDWEEK LENT SERVICE: Our last Midweek Lent Vespers Service for 2025 will be held at 12:00 pm noon followed by lunch on Wednesday April 9.

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX:

- April – June 2025 Portals of Prayer are available in the narthex in large and pocket size. Grab your free copy today!
- Immanuel Lutheran Church 2025 Directory
- Immanuel Lutheran Church April 2025 Newsletter



PASTOR'S VACATION: Pastor will be on vacation Monday April 21st – Sunday May 4th. Guest Pastor Woody Mather will join us on April 27th and Guest Pastor Tad will join us on May 4th. While Pastor David is away, please contact Raechl in the office for non-emergencies or Rex Rosebrock for emergencies. Thank you!

'SET APART TO SERVE' 2025 LCMS

CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY: Where do we get pastors who preach and care for us with God's Word? Where do we get teachers who teach our children about Jesus in our Lutheran schools? Where do we get our directors of Christian education, deaconesses and directors of parish music? *Set Apart to Serve* (SAS) is partnering with our seminaries, Concordia universities, districts and others to build a Synodwide culture of church work formation and recruitment. Will you please take a brief online survey at lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey and let us know how we can make SAS more beneficial to your congregation? We want to hear what you have to say. All responses are anonymous and confidential and would be appreciated by April 12th. For more information visit: [Set Apart to Serve website](https://setaparttoserve.org), or email setapart2serve@lcms.org, or call 888-843-5267. Thank you!

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NO WINGS MEETING IN APRIL: WinGS will NOT meet in April.



Easter lilies for the Altar and Chancel will be available again this year, at a cost of \$9.50.

To order please fill out the blanks below, include your cash or check (made out to Immanuel Lutheran Church) and give to Gail Whealton or Kathy Schmidt, or you may drop off the form/money during the week to Raechl in the church office by April 6th.

Number	Amount
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Total Enclosed	\$ _____
Donor's name	_____
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SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday 4/13

10:30 am Worship Service

Maundy Thursday 4/17

7:00 pm Holy Thursday Service

Good Friday 4/18

7:00 pm Good Friday Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday 4/20

9:00 am - 9:20 am Early Easter Sunday Breakfast

9:20 - 9:40 am Youth Easter Skit

9:40 - 10:15 am Easter Sunday Breakfast

10:30 am Easter Day Worship Service

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