"The MISSION of Immanuel is to glorify God, build the Christian Church, foster Christian fellowship and concern, and join in the worldwide work of winning souls for Christ."

Immanuel Lutheran Church, LCMS Rock Island, IL



Announcements for the Week of March 31, 2024

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SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE - SUNDAY, March 31, 2024

Elder:	Todd Hazen		
Communion Assistant:	Larry Wiebel		
Ushers:	Mitch Bull Eric Campbell		
Organist:	Christine Roth		

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING Office Hours: Monday — Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday	7:15 am	Easter Sunrise (Matins) Easter Potluck Breakfast The Resurrection of Our Lord Worship with Holy Communion	
Monday, April 1		Matins Prayer Service Book Club OFFICE CLOSED – EASTER HOLIDAY	
Tuesday, April 2	6 pm	Adult Bible Study Intergenerational Bible Study Confirmation	
Wednesday, April 3	9 am – Noon	CHALK Homeschool Group	
Thursday, April 4	7 pm	Youth Group Planning Board Mtg.	
Friday, April 5			
Saturday, April 6			
Sunday, April 7	9:00 am	Board of Elders Mtg. Worship w/Holy Communion Bible Study/Sunday School	

Attendance for Last Week:

Wednesday, March 20th 32 Palm Sunday, March 24th 71/52 – Communed Holy Thursday, March 28th – 50/42 Communed

Total offering and expenses for February 2024 We thank you for your continued generosity!

Feb. Offerings: \$17,818.00 Feb. Expenses: \$26,222.00



PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:

officeimmanuelri@gmail.com

You may start using this email immediately.

Thanks

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN... LUTHERAN WITNESS



It's that time again to order your Lutheran Witness. *The cost this year is \$20.65 for 11 issues. June/July are together*. If you would like to renew or start receiving a copy, please let the church office know by *April 22nd*. This subscription will start in June. Call 309-786-3391 or by email at officeimmanuelri@gmail.com.

MARTIN + KATIE CONFERENCE

Join us for the 2024 Martin + Katie Conference at University Lutheran Church in Champaign, IL on Saturday, April 6th, 9 am–5:30 pm. At this free conference, learn about being men and women in Christ, meet new friends, get to know each other, and have fun. Open to ages 18-35. Married or single are welcome. Registration is required, as capacity is limited. Info and registration are available at <u>http://martinpluskatie.org</u>. *Plus:* Extra bonus activities planned for Friday night, April 5, and Saturday night, April 6! All are invited to stay for Sunday Bible Class, Divine Service, and lunch on Sunday, April 7.



There are continuing plans to help with special needs throughout the year as needed when requested via the Elders or Pastor.

If you have any questions, contact Tammy at the church office (786-3391), Mel Vogel (309-781-9624), or any other member of the Social Ministry Committee.



Also this year, the Social Ministry Committee will be providing a first-year Seminarian at Fort Wayne, **Joshua Bieri**, assistance with school related expenses. Funds will be sent directly to Concordia Ft. Wayne in his name. Please include Joshua and his family in your prayers during his tenure at Seminary). If anyone would like to send them a card or note of encouragement, their address is:

Joshua & Chrystal Bieri, 2219 Abbey Dr. Apt. 5, Fort Wayne, IN 46835



YOUTH GROUP UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, April 7th at 2 PM: Bible Bowl at Holy Cross Lutheran, Moline
- Sunday, April 21st from 5:30 7:30 Regular Youth Group Meeting @ Immanuel, RI
- Sunday, May 5th from 4:30 7:30 PM: Cinco De Mayo Taco Party and Games at Immanuel RI

OFFICERS NEEDED

If you are interested in becoming an officer or member of a committee at Immanuel, there are several positions that will be open including but not limited to: Congregation President (1); Chairman, Board of Education (1); Foundation (1); Call Committee (3); Board of Elders (1); Board of



Finance (1). This requires attending the Council meetings which are *generally* held on the 3rd Thursday of every other month. The date of the next Council meeting has not yet been determined but at that time a nomination list will be put together for the June Voter's Meeting to elect new officers. If you are interested, please contact Mel Vogel, Ron Mau or call the church office at 309-786-3391.



Our meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Luther Room on the 4th Thursday of the month with Bible Study, followed by a brief business meeting and then Mission Work and Fellowship.

April 11, 6:00 pm – Business meeting and final Convention preparations April 24, 6:00 pm – Table and Room set-up for Convention April 26 – 27 - LWML District Convention – "Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling" May – Dinner Out and Election of Officers



Items can be taken directly to Christian Care or placed in the box in the Narthex and they will be taken to Christian Care by a member of Immanuel.



Website: http://www.lwmlcid.org/ District President: Laura Strattman Contact this District

2024 District Convention April 26–27, 2024 Immanuel Lutheran Church 3300 24th Street Rock Island, IL

Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling (Luke 10:2)

Visit the district website for more information.

LWML Information for Upcoming Events:

- If you have taken home a tie blanket kit, please remember to return them by April 5th. We will then have ladies from our congregation deliver to Phil's friends later in April. If you and your family are doing the quilt together, could you snap a picture and send it to the church office to possibly be used on our bulletin board?
- Phil's Friends and approved LWML mission grant recipient includes these tie blankets in care boxes to those affected by Cancer. Their moto is *Cancer is Strong, Hope is Stronger*. Phil's friends is a Christ centered support and hope organization. In each care package are things like fuzzy socks, blanket, lip balm, journal, Bible, toothbrush, unscented travel size lotion. Once someone receives a box, they also receive cards of encouragement monthly.
- Thank you in advance to all who are willing to donate their time to spruce up our Church home for our guests from across the Central Illinois District in April. LWML is sponsoring a "work day" for Saturday, April 13th starting at 9 a.m. Come whenever you want and stay as long as you can! Please let Tammy in the church office if you have any questions. Thank you.
- The registration and sign up for the District LWML Convention, "Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling" is at the back of the church in the Narthex. Anyone is welcome to attend. REGISTRATION IS DUE BY APRIL 1,2024. The fee is \$30 but if you send it in after April 1, it goes up to \$40.

2024 Illinois March for Life in Springfield



The 2024 Illinois March for Life is *Wednesday, April 17th* in Springfield.

Schedule of Events:

12:00 p.m. – Rally at the Capitol

1:00 p.m. – Illinois March for Life

There are also other exciting auxiliary events the day of the March!

10:00 a.m. – Mass at Sangamo Auditorium at University of Illinois

Springfield (Register here)

10:00 a.m. – Matins Prayer Service at Trinity Lutheran Church, hosted

by LCMS

5:15 p.m. – Mass at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

LIFE THOUGHTS:

March 31 – Resurrection of Our Lord – The Scriptures do not limit the sanctity of human life to a few isolated passages. Almighty God has made survival and salvation, abundant and everlasting, the point of the whole story. He intends His resurrection to encompass and affect every member of our race and every moment of our existence, from fertilization to forever. This is nothing less than the Gospel of the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:1-4)!

LIFE QUOTES:

March 31 "The disciples and the first century Christians may have felt like they were on the losing side. They had their doubts and fears. Maybe you do, too. They may have lost some earthly things. You may, too. But Jesus takes away the fear and the doubt. You have hope in His resurrection. You have hope even through the trials of life. You have a living hope in your living Lord." *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Daily Readings for week of March 31st from the Lutheran Service Book, pages 299-304

Easter Sunday 3/31	Ex. 14:10-31	Heb. 7:23-8:13
Monday 4/1	Ex. 15:1-18	Heb. 9:1-28
Tuesday 4/2	Ex. 15:19-16:12	Heb. 10:1-18
Wednesday 4/3	Ex. 16:13-35	Heb. 10:19-39
Thursday 4/4	Ex. 17:1-16	Heb. 11:1-29
Friday 4/5	Ex. 18:5-27	Heb. 12:1-24
Saturday 4/6	Ex. 19:1-25	Heb. 13:1-21

Stewardship Thought

March 31 – Easter

John 20:1 – "Now on the first day of the week ..." All is made new by the resurrection of Jesus! Even the day of worship has transitioned from the Old Testament's Sabbath (Saturday) to the Lord's Day of the New Testament (Sunday). For the Lord has made all things new: In rising from the dead as the new Adam, He has begun a new week for a new creation. We are also made new in Him — a new heart, a new life, new desires, a new outlook toward God. All this comes from our risen Lord's grace. Especially after the sort of year we've had since last Easter, it sure is good news to hear that the Lord makes all things start afresh!



For churches outside the St. Louis area for the week of March 31st :

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at <u>kfuo.org</u> and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>.

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Christ is risen! Alleluia! Study Isaiah 54-57 and Lutheran Service Book 457 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), continue studying Good Works in the Apology of the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (4/6 at 10:00 a.m. CT), and worship with us this Easter week in Daily Chapel from the LCMS International Center at 10:00 a.m. CT. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org and the KFUO Radio app!

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We are very thankful to the LWML for a generous Mission Grant from the LWML that made this project possible. Read more about the grant at <u>lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-17</u>.



The Lutheran Hour can be heard each Sunday on the following Stations at the listed times:

WKEI Kewanee, IL 1450 AM 5:00 am KCLN Clinton, IL 1390 AM 9:30 am WMT Cedar Rapids, IA 600 AM 6:30 am You can receive Daily Devotions to your computer, Go to <u>https://www.lhm.org/subscribe/</u>

The Camp CILCA Lowdown March, 2024



217-487-7497 / <u>camp@cilca.org</u> 4124 Camp Cilca Rd. Cantrall, IL 62625

SAVE THE DATE:

April 14: Annual Banquet This year's speaker will be Mary Kate Zander, the Executive Director of Illinois Right to Life. Tickets are \$40 and must be reserved by April 10 by calling 217-487-7497 or emiling <u>camp@cilca.org</u>. Find out more at cilca.org/annual-banquet.

May 29: First Day of Summer Camp! Registration is OPEN for to 2024 camping season. Sign up today for a summer full of adventure in God's creation!

Camp CILCA is seeking a *food service manager/head cook.* This position would be part time and include planning and preparing meals for campers at weekend retreats, outdoor education, and the summer program. Applicants should be willing to obtain an Illinois Food Service Manager license, which the camp will pay for. To get more information, or to apply, contact Pastor Theilen at <u>217-487-7497</u> or <u>director@cilca.org</u>.



We thank the members and friends who have donated the Easter Lilies that decorated our Chancel for Easter Sunday.

- In memory of parents Elvina and Grant O. Roti and Aunt Elverna Mueller - by Janice Roti and Grant C. Roti and family.
- To the Glory of God in Loving Memory of Arthur and Joe
 Williamson by Nancy Williamson, Sheila Kiddoo and families.
- Given in thankfulness for the blessing of a faithful Pastor, and given in appreciation for the Clders in our church by "A Friend of Immanuel".
- In Memory of Loved Ones by Steve & Kathy Daack
- In memory of our good friend, Violet Goodrich by Nan Hasenberg and Jon Ford
- In memory of my grandma, Virginia Novak and my mom, Frankie Ford – by Jon Ford
- Given in Memory of Loved Ones who have passed and in appreciation for Immanuel Lutheran Church – by Tammy Robinson





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