

***“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
January 4, 2026***

~~ Take your bulletin home with you to refer to it during the week ~~

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE – SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2026	
Elder	Tyler Werke
Communion Assistant	John Campbell
Ushers	Larry Wiebel Bryan Cobert
Cantor	Alex Tiece
Organist	Katherine Cobert

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

TODAY - Sunday, January 4

7:15 am – Board of Elders Meeting

9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion

10:30 am – Bible Study / Sunday School

Monday, January 5

6:00 pm – Book Club

Tuesday, January 6

7:00 am – Matins

9:30 am – Bible Study

6:30 pm – Feast of the Epiphany

Wednesday, January 7

7:00 pm – Youth Group Programming Board

Friday, January 9

5:00 pm – Circuit Pastors' Epiphany Gathering in Cafeteria

Sunday, January 11

9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion

10:30 am – Bible Study / Sunday School

Attendance for 2 pm Wednesday, December 24

Attended – 20 Communed – 20

Attendance for 6:30 pm Wednesday, December 24

Attended – 80 Communed – 55

Attendance for Thursday, December 25

Attended – 40 Communed – 27

Attendance for Sunday, December 28

Attended – 56 Communed – 43

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2026: Envelopes for 2026 are available for pick up on the table in the Narthex. If you do not find your set, please contact the office at 309-786-3391.

New church member directories are on the table in the Narthex.

The 2026 Eternal Light Chart and 2026 Altar Flower Chart are posted in the Narthex.



Social Ministry would like to compile a list of people to contact for help in the kitchen for funeral luncheons. If you would be willing to help, please contact Tammy Robinson via email (ilcriacctg@gmail.com).

This year we were able to help 13 families with gift cards to HyVee to do their holiday shopping. We were able to distribute the cards on Friday, December 19th. This is a great mission that the Immanuel Social Ministry team has been carrying down through the years and the recipients of the gifts they received have been very appreciative! Thank you everyone for your continued support.

If you would like to support Social Ministry, envelopes are provided in your offering envelope box or use a plain envelope, indicating for Social Ministry. If you have any questions, contact the church office or Christine Roth (immanuel financemusic@gmail.com).

Part of our Social Ministry includes helping support our two Seminary families. **If you wish to help support these Seminarians**, you can place your gift in an envelope with “Seminarians” and your envelope number written on it, and place it in the offering plate or bring to the church office. These gifts will be recorded on your financial statement and checks will be sent to them quarterly.

Josh Bieri - Vicarage appointment - Faith Lutheran Church, LaCrosse, WI

Josh Camp – in his 2nd year at CTSFW



YOUTH GROUP UPCOMING EVENTS

Regular Youth Meetings at Immanuel Rock Island

All Circuit youth are welcome to attend the regularly scheduled youth group meetings at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rock Island. Meeting schedule is First hour: Pastor leads a Bible Study, Second hour: games and snacks. Future meeting dates will be shared via email at the beginning of each month for your reference and monthly planning.

- January 18, 4pm: Circuit Youth Group Movie Night at Immanuel
- Higher Things in St. Louis June 23-26

Please pray that our Circuit Youth Group will continue to be a source of fellowship, fun and sharing God's Word with our youth.



The Lutheran Hour can be heard each Sunday on: WKEL Kewanee 1450 AM 5 am / KCLN Clinton 1390 AM 9:30 am / WMT Cedar Rapids 600 AM 6:30 am



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 kfu.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: [@KFUOradio](https://www.facebook.com/KFUOradio) on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/KFUOradio), [X](https://www.x.com/KFUOradio), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/KFUOradio).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUO.org: A blessed New Year and Happy Epiphany! This week on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.), we're launching into a new study of the book of Genesis. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.) as we begin "The Magnificent 37", a new series on the miracles of Jesus! On the Coffee Hour this week (weekdays at 9 a.m.), we have some fun things to share, including a new series on the history of the Augsburg Confession with Dr. Cameron MacKenzie and an introduction to this year's Searching Scripture theme! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfu.org or in the KFUO Radio app.

CHRISTIAN CARE NEEDS: Canned fruit & vegetables, body wash, all-purpose cleaner, large shampoo & conditioner, napkins, toilet paper, deodorant (for men & women), shaving cream, razors, T-shirts, socks, toilet bowl cleaner, 12, 22, & 39 gallon trash bags. Items can be taken directly to Christian Care or placed in their basket in the Narthex and they will be taken to Christian Care.



Building Healthy Families: The beginning of a New Year can bring feelings of anticipation, excitement, and hope as we start with a clean slate, our resolutions to keep.

Still looking for ideas that will bring new life to your New Year? How about one of these: read from Scripture 15 minutes every day; go to church every Sunday; set aside 20 minutes at the end of the day to pray; join a Bible Study group; memorize a new Bible verse each week. Don't give up! It takes 6 weeks of doing something repeatedly to make it a habit. Happy & Blessed New Year to you and your family! **Lutheran Family Service**
www.LutheranFamilyService.org

Daily Readings from the Lutheran Service Book, pages 299-304

Jan 4	Is. 63:15-65:2	Luke 2:41-52
Jan 5	Is. 65:8-25	Luke 3:1-20
Jan 6	Is. 66:1-20	Luke 3:21-38
Jan 7	Ezek. 1:1-14, 22-28	Rom. 1:1-17
	<i>Hab. 1:1-3:19</i>	
Jan 8	Ezek. 2:1-3:11	Rom. 1:18-32
Jan 9	Ezek. 3:12-27	Rom. 2:1-16
	<i>Ezek. 4:1-11:25</i>	
Jan 10	Ezek. 18:1-4, 19-32	Rom. 2:17-29
	<i>Ezek. 19:1-24:27</i>	



LWML – CID Mission Grant Mite Bytes
January and February 2026 LWML CID
Mission Grant #5 – Just for Moms - \$3,544

Almost 4 out of 10 women who receive services from Pregnancy Resources in Moline, IL have no faith background or are of non-Christian faith. Along with this, of professing Christian clients, 48 are at risk for abortion. Pregnancy Resources “Just for Moms” bags help provide a new mom with a holistic wellness approach that considers a person’s physical, mental, emotional, social, and spiritual aspects. Each bag offers a Lutherans for Life devotional for mothers, a journal to track emotional needs, post-natal vitamins, and more help to prepare her for the birth and delivery of her baby. *How can I help? Pray that God uses the materials distributed by Pregnancy Resources to bring lost souls to Christ. Support this grant by donating to your church’s LWML group mite fund.*



We live in a “I can do it myself” culture. That has been cultivated by our access to technology. Yet the question is, “Do I need help to create my Christian estate plan?” This month we consider that your estate plan represents the biggest collection of decisions with far more impact than any others in life. To begin with, a good estate plan will include a good attorney, who can take your goals and put them down into carefully crafted, precise documents. Without an attorney, you risk allowing your will to be contested, or making mistakes that could leave something out you wished to do. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can get you ready to meet with your attorney. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnd.org

BUILDING UPKEEP



Thank you to those who have signed up to clean a room/area monthly. We really appreciate the help. If you are interested, there are several areas that haven’t been claimed yet. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex.

FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 4

LCMS MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 37:23–24

The steps of a man are established by the Lord, when he delights in his way; though he fall, he shall not be cast headlong, for the Lord upholds his hand.

LCMS STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: Luke 2:49 – “And he said to them, ‘Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?’” What a privilege the Lord has given to us by calling us to come to His house! It is not a burden but rather an honor and a blessing for us to always be able to come to a place where we know God is present for us in His gifts of Word and Sacrament. Likewise, the Lord has honored us by allowing us to support the work of His house with our tithes and offerings.

LIFE THOUGHT from Lutherans for Life – God used Joseph, who adopted Jesus as his own son (Luke 2:41), to care for our Lord as He (Jesus) mysteriously lived a perfectly human life as our substitute. Through Jesus, God has now adopted us as His own children and has promised us an eternal inheritance in His kingdom (Ephesians 1:5, 11). Christians should be encouraged to likewise consider and promote adoption as a godly way to preserve and care for the lives of God’s precious children and bring them into His kingdom.

LIFE QUOTE – “Your story might not look as extraordinary as Esther’s. It might not be as exciting as David’s or as tumultuous as Rahab’s or as terrifying as Mary’s. But you don’t have to be extraordinary for God to work through you. He can accomplish great things through something as unassuming as prayer or as simple as a meal for a new mother.” *Grace MacPherson – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



Church Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Office Phone

309-786-3391

Website

Immanuelri.org

Pastor Astrowski's Phone

989-326-0199

E-mail

Church Office: officeimmanuelri@gmail.com

Pastor: pastrowski@gmail.com