"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 May 17, 2026

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

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE – SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026	
Elder	Tyler Werke
Communion Assistant	Mel Vogel
Ushers	Larry Wiebel Bryan Cobert
Cantor	Burnie Eckardt
Organist	Katherine Cobert

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

TODAY - Sunday, May 17

9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion
10:30 am – Sunday School
10:30 am – Voters Assembly
2:00 pm – Ladies Tea Party in the cafeteria

Monday, May 18

6:00 pm – Book Club

Tuesday, May 19

9:30 am – Bible Study
6:00 pm – Intergenerational Bible Study

Thursday, May 21

1:00 pm – THE IMAGE Deadline

Sunday, May 24 - Pentecost

9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion
10:30 am – Bible Study/Sunday School

Attendance for Sunday, May 10

Attended – 74 Communed – 62

There will be a **Voters Meeting TODAY** after church. An agenda has been mailed out, but extra copies are available in the Luther room.

LWML NEWS & NOTES

LWML May Meeting

Come join us on Thursday, May 21st at Miss Mamie's at 6 pm. RSVP to Helen by phone or text 309-781-9627.

Tie Blankets and boxes to benefit Phil's Friends

Tie Blanket kits and Cardboard boxes to decorate will be available on Sunday, May 31st. We ask that only adults decorate the boxes which are used to send their care packages. *Please return by June 20th.*

Closet Clean Up

The LWML closet needs a cleaning so look for a table of cute items to take home in June!

VBS will be held **June 29-July 3, 2026** from 5 to 7:35pm with the theme: *Teach Us to Pray*. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex if you'd like to help. **There will be a VBS staff meeting Thursday, May 28th at 6pm.**

MOWERS NEEDED: If you are willing and able to help with the church lawn mowing this Spring and Summer, please sign up on the schedule sheet on the table in the Narthex. Thank you for your help!

From Pregnancy Resources: We're so thankful for your support! Through the Waymaker Baby Bottle Boomerang, you're bringing hope and clarity to Moms & Dads, helping them see and choose LIFE. Your church's generosity is making a meaningful difference in real time and changing lives. Your 2026 Baby Bottle giving is $240.47 to date.

Copies of the Camp CILCA Lowdown for May 2026 are available on the table in the Narthex.

OFFICERS NEEDED

If you are interested in becoming an officer or member of a committee at Immanuel, there are positions that will be open, including but not limited to: Foundation (1), Board of Christian Education (4).

Some positions require attendance to 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 next Voter Assembly to elect the new officers. ***If you are interested, please contact Mel Vogel, Scott Welch, or call the church office at 309-786-3391.***

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.

The Rock Island Circuit is looking for applicants for a Parish Nurse to serve its churches. Requirements include: RN and Online District Parish Nurse certification. Interested parties may contact the church office (309-786-3391) or Mel Vogel (309-781-9624).

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).

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.

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.

• 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.

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.

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

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A good gift plan within an estate includes inheritance for family and gifts to ministry. Some might consider this a difficult task. How does an LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor help? You may be wishing to include a very deliberate spiritual focus to your plan. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor is a fell member of the LCMS. They can discuss with you, pray with you, all with an eye toward uncovering God's plan for great use of His gifts. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnd.org.

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For the week of May 17:

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUO.org: We're continuing our study of select Psalms on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.)! This week, we'll take a look at Psalms 108, 116, 117, 121, and 12. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), we're diving into the book of Romans! Tune in as we unpack chapters 1-3. Don't forget to join us for Concord Matters this Saturday (4/23 at 10 a.m.)! We're studying the Power and Primacy of the Pope— the public confession of the Church matters!

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

Easter 7	Num. 14:1-25	Luke 18:18-34
Monday	Num. 14:26-45	Luke 18:35-19:10
	Num. 15:1-41	
Tuesday	Num. 16:1-22	Luke 19:11-28
Wednesday	Num. 16:23-40	Luke 19:29-48
Thursday	Num. 16:41-17:13	Luke 20:1-18
	Num. 18:1-19:22	
Friday	Num. 20:1-21	Luke 20:19-44
Saturday	Num. 20:22-21:9	Luke 20:45-21:19

FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 17

LCMS MEMORY VERSE: John 1:12
To all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God.

LCMS STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: 1 Peter 5:6–7 – "Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you." We have a Father in heaven who really cares for us and loves us. That is the basis of generosity, because such knowledge spells the end of worry, which is the source of all tightfisted greed.

LIFE THOUGHT from Lutherans for Life – "Sing to God, sing praises to His name; lift up a song to Him who rides through the deserts!" (Psalm 68:4). What a wonderful picture of Christ, God-in-the-flesh, who entered the desert wilderness of this world to bring light into the darkness and life to the dead! In a world that fosters a culture of death, Jesus came to give us eternal life. In Him, grace and peace rain down in abundance (Psalm 68:9). What hope this brings to those who are suffering, facing an unexpected pregnancy, or have lost their mooring in life! Christ brings forgiveness and restoration. Although we endure fiery trials (1 Peter 4:12), and the devil prowls like a roaring lion, seeking to devour (1 Peter 5:8-9), yet by the power of God's Word, we resist him, firm in the faith. We are blessed as we follow Jesus, who suffered once for all on the cross, accomplishing the work that the Father gave Him to do (John 17:4). Risen, ascended, and glorified, Jesus restores, confirms, strengthens, and establishes us in the true faith (1 Peter 5:10).

LIFE QUOTE: "We are no longer terrified sinners but God's own children because of what Jesus has done for us. And so, the Day of Judgment becomes good news for us—because it is the day when the One we love most returns to bring us home in peace." *Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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