

***“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
September 20, 2026***

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

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

Elder	Tyler Werke
Communion Assistant	John Campbell
Ushers	Kevin Millen Jim Boudro
Cantor	Karlene Campbell
Organist	Katherine Cobert
<i>The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Brent & Wanda Titus in celebration of their 48th anniversary.</i>	

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL**TODAY - Sunday, September 20**

9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion

10:30 am – Bible Study and Sunday School

Monday, September 21

6:00 pm – Book Club

Tuesday, September 22

9:30 am – Bible Study

6:00 pm – Intergenerational Bible Study (Online)

Wednesday, September 23

9:00 am – CHALK Homeschool Group

Item Submission Deadline for THE IMAGE

Sunday, September 27

9:00 am – Worship with Holy Communion

10:30 am – Bible Study and Sunday School

Attendance for Sunday, September 13

Attended – 76 Communed – 62

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP AT IMMANUEL? Classes leading to Baptism (for the unbaptized) and participation in Holy Communion are available for you (or a friend and family member). These classes are typically done on a one-on-one basis and adjusted to fit the needs of the catechumen. These classes cover the basics of the Faith, and what it means to be a communicant member of our church. If you would like more information contact Pastor Astrowski at 989-326-0199.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION are available for you by appointment with the pastor. Contact the pastor privately via his personal mobile phone at 989-326-0199 if you would like to schedule an appointment.

BUILDING UPKEEP: Thank you to those who have signed up to clean a room/area monthly in our education wing. *Sunday School and the homeschool group have begun meeting again, so please check on your room/area.*



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.

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

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

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 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.



**CENTRAL ILLINOIS DISTRICT
REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE:** We are reaching out to our congregations to ask for assistance for families in our area who have recently been affected by the closing of Tyson Food Plant. The unexpected loss of

employment has placed a number of families in a difficult situation, and **Cristo Rey Food Pantry** is working to help meet their immediate needs.

Cristo Rey Food Pantry is in need of **food donations, grocery and gas gift cards, and monetary donations** to help support these families as they navigate the sudden loss of their jobs and income.

We are asking our congregations to prayerfully consider how they might help. Donations of nonperishable food items can help keep families' pantries stocked, while grocery and gas gift cards can provide some flexibility for immediate necessities. Monetary donations can also help Cristo Rey Food Pantry respond to the needs of the families they are serving.

This is an opportunity for our congregations to come together and show Christ's love and compassion to our neighbors during a time of uncertainty. Whether your congregation is able to organize a food collection, collect gift cards, provide a monetary donation, or simply share this request with your members, every contribution can make a difference.

Please also keep the employees and their families in your prayers as they seek new employment and adjust to the challenges this closure has created. Thank you for your generosity and willingness to serve those in need in our communities.

Items Requested for the Hispanic Food Pantry at Cristo Rey: Knorr Tomato Bouillon, Canned Chicken Soup, Rice, Sugar, Pinto Beans (Dry and Canned), Cooking Oil, Tortillas (any kind), Canned Tuna, Canned Sardines, Canned Fruits, Cereals, Eggs, Chorizo, Bacon, Fresh Cheese, Milk, Cookies, Crackers (any kind), Potatoes, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Shampoo, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Soap. *Note: Cristo Rey has both a refrigerator and chest freezer for the perishable food items.*

There is a table in the narthex for donated items.

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).



Christian Care in Rock Island has the following needs:

Canned fruit & vegetables, Body wash, large shampoo & conditioner, deodorant (men & women), shaving cream, razors, T-shirts, socks, napkins, toilet paper, all-purpose cleaner, 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: Do you find that hurtful or disrespectful words sometimes come out of your mouth during the week as you interact with your spouse or family?

If so, know that continuing this habit unchecked is damaging to your relationships in ways that you might not even realize. Try memorizing this verse and call it to mind when you are tempted to bite at someone you love this week: "May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer." (Psalm 19:14) You – and your relationships – will be better for it!

www.LutheranFamilyService.org **Lutheran Family Service**

Now Hiring: Lutheran Family Service is seeking a School-Based Mental Health Counselor / School Partnership Coordinator to serve students and families in Davenport, Iowa through faith-integrated counseling and support. Part-time and full-time opportunities available. For more information or to apply, contact Cassie Beltz at cbeltz@lutheranfamilyservice.org.



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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For the week of September 20:

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUO.org: We're continuing our study of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.)! This week, we'll take a look at chapters 24, 25, and 26. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.), our latest study is covering Paul's letters to the Corinthians. Tune in as we discuss 1 Corinthians chapters 9-11! Don't forget to join us for the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9 a.m.), as we meet the Payne family, serving the Lord in Tanzania; discuss mercy on our new crossover series with Friends for Life; and talk with several young adults who served at Higher Things this summer! Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfu.org.

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The best scenario when creating a Christian estate plan is to work in collaboration. When it comes to estates, many are very motivated by privacy concerns. These privacy concerns can sometimes isolate the individual from others who can offer vital help and support. It is essential to connect with others you trust, and especially those who share faith in Jesus Christ with you. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor is ready to help. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnd.org.

Ministry Outreach Grant Program from the Central Illinois District - Church Extension Fund: Flyers with information are on the table in the narthex if your group/organization is interested. Please note that the deadline for applications is 10/1.

Quad Cities LCMS Bowling League is still welcoming people to join at any time during the season. Please see the flyer insert.

FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20

LCMS MEMORY VERSE: Nahum 1:7

The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; He knows those who take refuge in Him.

LCMS STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: Matthew 20:9 – “And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius.” Behold the generosity of God! He gives out of His grace, not what we deserve to receive. Living a godly life means living in imitation of God — and surely one of the foundations of God’s being is His generosity.

LIFE THOUGHT from Lutherans for Life – Thanks be to God for faithful servants of God who have lifted up the truth of God’s Word in their times. Believers who recognize the difficulties of this life often yearn to be with the Lord as Paul says, “...for me to live is Christ, and to die is gain” (Philippians 1:21). So, today, we need not fear death or any enemy, but we can rejoice and stand firm in the Holy Spirit, speaking the truth about God’s gifts of life, eternity, and forgiveness. The Lord’s Word makes clear that He wants people everywhere to repent and be cleansed of their sins that they may dwell with Him forever (Psalm 27:4).

LIFE QUOTE: “I firmly believe that the sanctity of human life is the most important issue of our day and that by means of informing and educating the public, as well as by applying Christian love and compassion to those directly affected by the trauma of abortion, physician-assisted suicide, and euthanasia, the pro-life position will prevail, and our nation will again uphold the dignity and sanctity of human life.” *Rev. Paul Clark, Lutherans For Life of Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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

Sep 20	Neh. 4:7-23	1 Tim. 3:1-16
Sep 21	Neh. 5:1-16; 6:1-9, 15-16	1 Tim. 4:1-16
Sep 22	Neh. 7:1-4; 8:1-18 <i>Ezra 1:1-10:19</i>	1 Tim. 5:1-16
Sep 23	Neh. 9:1-21	1 Tim. 5:17-6:2
Sep 24	Neh. 9:22-38 <i>Neh. 10:1-13:31</i>	1 Tim. 6:3-21
Sep 25	Mal. 1:1-14	Matt. 3:1-17
Sep 26	Mal. 2:1-3:5	Matt. 4:1-11



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