

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE GOD AT IMMANUEL**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	MEETING PLACE	AGE GROUP	CONTACT PERSON
<b>Sun 2/23/25</b>	—	LW Subscription Deadline	Office	Everyone	Darlene Hillman
	8:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	8:00 AM	Facebook Live/YouTube Worship	Online	Everyone	Nathan Allen
	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Study	Fellowship Hall	HS—Adults	Marks/Misic/McQuillan
	9:15 AM	Sunday School	Various Room	3 yrs—high school	Jen Allen
	10:30 AM	Worship Service/Phelps Baptism	Sanctuary	Everyone	Pastor Marty
	10:30 AM	Facebook Live/YouTube Worship	Online	Everyone	Nathan Allen
	10:30 AM	Broadcast of Worship Service	WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	6:00 PM	Christianity 101	Meeting Room	Adults	Pastor Marty
	7:30 PM	Peer Minister Meeting	College Lounge	Peer Ministers	Pastor Marty
<b>Mon 2/24/25</b>	8:30 AM	Little Lambs Opens Fall Registration	Office	Imm & Little Lambs	Katie Martinez
	7:00 PM	Zoom Bible Study	Online	Adults	Pastor Marty
<b>Tue 2/25/25</b>	9:30—11:00	Sewing/Quilt Group	Fellowship Hall	Ladies	Marion Gilbert
	4—5:15 PM	Bright Pointe	Fellowship Hall	Community	Office
	7:00 PM	The Refuge Crafty Christians	College Lounge	College Student	Breanna Terry
	9:00PM	Refuge Bible Study	College Lounge	College Students	Pastor Marty
<b>Wed 2/26/25</b>	9:30 AM	Newsletter Assembly	Fellowship Hall	Everyone	Darlene Hillman
	12:15 PM	Staff Lunch	Fellowship Hall	Staff	Pastor Marty
	5:30 PM	Junior Confirmation	Fellowship Hall	Middle School	Pastor Marty
	6:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Balcony	HS—Adults	C-J Motisi
<b>Thur 2/27/25</b>	8:30 AM	Bulletin Deadline	Office	Everyone	Darlene Hillman
	8:00 PM	Refuge Activity Night	College Lounge	College Students	Peer Ministers
<b>Fri 2/28/25</b>	8:30—12:30	Office Hours	—	—	—
	6:30 PM	Intercultural Café	Fellowship Hall	Everyone	Network of Nations
<b>Sat 3/1/25</b>	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Sun 3/2/25</b>	—	Recycle Sunday	Garage	Everyone	Bd of Trustees
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**PARTNERING IN PRAYER February 23-March 1, 2025**

*“I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone”  
—1 Timothy 2:1-2*

**WE OFFER PRAYER ON BEHALF OF THE FOLLOWING:**

**THOSE WHO ARE CHRONICALLY ILL:**

Robin Nielsen                      Craig Dybas                      Rob McKinley (*son of Pat McKinley*)  
John O’Connor (*friend of Taylor McWilliams*)                      Gail Cantrell

**THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER:**

Dale Geibel                      Staci McNett                      Mandy Long                      Rita Goodwin                      Bryan Faivre  
Danika Nelson                      Glen Roberts                      Donna Cyrier (*friend of Mishelle Rodgers*)  
Colleen Chavez (*granddaughter of Carlos Woolbright*)                      Debbie Teason (*cousin of Audrey Cook*)  
Jenna Wiegel (*Laura Tiggelaar’s sister-in-law*)                      Glenn Lucca (*friend of Chris & Audrey Cook*)  
Carl Campbell (*Pastor Marty’s friend*)

**OUR SHUT-INS:**

Marcia Kiel                      Irene Nelson                      Mary Ebbeson  
Toni Byford                      Mary Jane Lindaas                      Ruth Kuhns                      Lloyd Larson  
Marilyn Mull

**THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:**

Jessica (Marx) Hess: US Air Force; Dayton, OH (*granddaughter of Janet & Patrick Byrnes*)  
Evan Schroeder (*grandson of Dennis & Jane Schroeder*)                      Brendan Spartz (*son of Mindy Lynch*)

**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- For Presley James Phelps, infant daughter of Coltin & Maddie Phelps, who will be received through Holy Baptism at the 10:30 service this morning. We pray for her, her family and friends and her sponsors, Jacob Cook and Hannah Cook;
- For Marilyn Mull who was hospitalized on Thursday;
- One of our Little Lambs, Meara, who has been hospitalized repeatedly for what, initially, was possible appendicitis. She is in great pain and further testing is being done;
- May the Lord grant healing to those in need, comfort to those who mourn, wisdom to those who lead, and compassion to all in times of difficulty. May opportunities open and may we be wise enough to recognize them to see God’s love in all situations and convey Your love to others.

**THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS:**

Lisa Nelson                      Janice Schroeder                      Gail Cantrell  
Diane Griffith                      Michelle Mangini                      Will Lynch                      James Nelson  
Irene Nelson                      Peter Springmire

**THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES:**

02/24/1980                      Doug & Lisa Nelson



**Christianity 101 Class Offered:** Each lesson is self-contained, so you can join in any-time!

In this class we cover the basic teachings of the Christian faith from the Lutheran perspective. It is meant to be both a starter class for those who want to learn the basics and a review class and for those who may have gotten rusty in remembering the basics.

We invite all members, visitors and anyone curious about our church to attend. This is

a great way to learn what our congregation is all about if you are considering joining. Those who attend the class will be invited to join at the end, but are in NO WAY obligated to join.

The class meets on Sunday evenings from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. following this schedule:

February 23                      Worship: The how’s and why’s

March 2                      Our Church: Immanuel, The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and all of Christendom!”



**Join the Lutheran Women in Mission of the Northern Illinois District for Lenten Inspiration 2025.** We will meet together on Saturday, March 22 - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Hampshire. The Guest Speaker is Rev. Dr. Eric Stumpf. Join your Sisters in Christ for a time of Bible Study - Music - Inspiration - Entertainment featuring music leader CJ Motisi. Registration is \$15 (includes lunch) - Register online by March 14 at lwmlnid.org LWML Gifts from the Heart will benefit Burlington/Hampshire Area Food Pantry. Please bring nonperishable items or checks made out to Burlington/Hampshire Area Food Pantry. Also collecting Stamps for Missions & Eyeglasses for MOST Ministries.

**WELCOME VISITORS!** We are glad to have you with us today and invite you to visit again. If you are looking for a church home, please consider Immanuel Lutheran Church. Full Christian Education programs for ages 3 and up are available September —May.

**Please fill out the attendance sheet at the end of the pew or fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to either an usher or the pastor. Include your address and phone number on our attendance pad so we may note your visit with us.**

We have a **DESIRE TO MINISTER** to all who are hospitalized or in some way shut-in. However, we (Pastor and the Elders) cannot provide pastoral care if we are not made aware of the need. If you know of someone hospitalized or needing a visit, please contact the church office. If at any time you have specific needs, or just feel the need to talk or visit, please contact:

Church office: 815-756-6669 (church direct line) office@godwithusilc.org  
 Pastor Marty: 815-501-3951 (cell and text) Rev@godwithusilc.org



**Aluminum Can Recycling — March 2, 2025**

The Board of Trustees continues to collect cans here at church. For those who wish to drop your cans off, you can place them in front of the garage at the southwest corner of the parking lot the first Sunday morning of each month. If you wish, you can also bring cans and metals to DeKalb Iron and Metal and tell them it is for Immanuel Church and they will add it to our account and give you a receipt for your donation.



**GAME DAY:** Each month on the first Friday you will probably hear some laughs & giggles coming from Fellowship Hall. That is game day. We start at 1pm and finish around 3:30. Men and women are invited to enjoy fellowship each month. Mark your calendar for March 7th. We also have some pretty nice snacks.



**Promises, have you SEEN one?** Check out the Promise board. Our world of nature and the earth is highlighted by children's drawings and photos. God's promise of a world for us is there. God promises to hear us when we pray. Can you find that promise on the board? Thank you God for your promises!



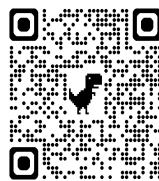
**LWML SOUP & SANDWICH ASH WEDNESDAY DINNER will be offered on Wednesday, March 5 from 5:30—6:30p.m.** We are in need of workers to serve. We also need a few more soups, sandwiches, desserts and staple donations for the evening as well as. See the sign up sheet in the narthex by the Mite Box.

**March Newsletter Assembly is Wednesday, February 26th.**



**LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2025 BEGINS FEBRUARY 24 FOR MEMBERS OF IMMANUEL & CURRENT & PAST LITTLE LAMBS FAMILIES.** Come, join the fun at Little Lambs, a traditional half-day Christian preschool program for children ages 3—5. All interested families are invited to visit us on line at [www.LittleLambsDeKalb.org](http://www.LittleLambsDeKalb.org). You can also call the office for more information or to schedule a tour. (815-756-6669). You can see many of our fun activities and meet our staff on our Facebook page and on our website: [LittleLambsDeKalb.org](http://LittleLambsDeKalb.org). Classes run Labor Day—Memorial Day. We offer a 5:1 student to adult ratio (up to 10 children w/2 adults per class.) Class options are available two, three, or five mornings a week from 9:00—12:00 noon.

Brochures and registration forms are available in the narthex, or visit our website: [www.LittleLambsDeKalb.org](http://www.LittleLambsDeKalb.org)



Scan for our Website



Used Book Sale

**SEEKING GENTLY USED BOOKS FOR ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE: It's Used Book Sale Collection Time!** If you have used books you would like to repurpose, please consider donating them to the

Little Lambs Used Book Sale. We accept books in good condition for all ages! Please keep content in mind if you are donating books for adults. If you have books to donate, please bring them to the church anytime between now and March 6. Dependent on our inventory, the sale will be open for approximately two weeks, March 8-20, 2025.



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**MARCH OPPORTUNITY**

It's almost time for Meals on Wheels and we still have spots open!! Sign up ends today— Sunday February 23rd.

Each year we are given the opportunity to be a part of this community-wide service. Our church covers the month of March to provide meal delivery for the DeKalb area. Meals are provided by the Voluntary Action Center.

**Idea: This is a great event to have the children participate in for a day or two! Consider it as a part of your Spring Break Calendar!**

Delivery involves:

1. Arriving at Meals on Wheels headquarters around 10:45am. (Located on the corner of Peace and Bethany Road).
  2. Obtain prepacked carriers to place in your vehicle.
  3. Using their carefully designed route maps to deliver meals to shut-ins.
  4. Returning carriers to the headquarters.
- You will be finished in about an hour or so. Find a friend, relative, or neighbor to go with and after the route, go out for your own lunch! This is a fun task that is very well organized. Information and calendar sign are in the narthex under the Human Care bulletin board. This is a very rewarding experience and a great way to serve the community!

Please consider signing up!



**Midweek Lenten Services will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 5.**

Services will be offered at 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. A meal with freewill offering will be served before evening services, as available.

*Theme: By means of first-person monologues, the six services in this series for Lent allow Mark, Luke and John to tell why they wrote about the Lord's Passion the way they did.*

**Ash Wednesday, March 5:** We listen to Mark tell about what he wrote in his gospel about Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane.

March 12 : We listen to Mark tell about what he wrote in his gospel about the crucifixion of Jesus.

March 19: We listen to Luke tell about what he wrote in his gospel about Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane.

March 26: We listen to Luke tell about what he wrote in his gospel about the crucifixion of Jesus.

April 2: We listen to John tell about what he wrote in his gospel about Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane.

April 9: We listen to John tell about what he wrote in his gospel about the crucifixion of Jesus.



**Lenten Dinners:** We will continue the tradition of offering a meal before each of the evening Lenten Worship services. Most dinners will be served from 5:30—6:30.

Dinners are as follows:

Wednesday, March 5: LWML Soup & Sandwich  
 Wednesday, March 12: Little Lambs Spaghetti Dinner (*The Spaghetti Dinner will serve from 5:00—6:30.*)

Wednesday, March 19: Council Cookout Dinner

Wednesday, Marcy 26: Refuge Baked Potato & Salad Bar Dinner

Wednesday, April 2: Immanuel Music Groups Mexican Dinner

Wednesday, April 9: Parents of Confirmands; Menu TBD