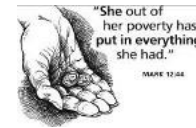


WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad to have you with us today and invite you to visit again. If you are looking for a church home, please consider Immanuel Lutheran Church. Full Christian Education programs for ages 3 and up are available September —May 18.

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



MITES...

Sunday, August 31, it will be the 5th Sunday of the month.

This is the time **Men, Women, and Children** can participate in bringing their mites (coins!) and

putting them into the Big Mite Box in the narthex. **LET'S FILL THE MITE BOX!** (dollars are fine too!)

What is the “Mite” Collection? LWML Mites are voluntary monetary offerings collected by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) through the use of Mite Boxes. Inspired by the Biblical story of the widow's mite, these small, regular contributions fund national and district mission grants, supporting the LWML's global mission efforts to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The women of Immanuel have traditionally set any month with a “fifth Sunday” as an opportunity to invite the congregation to participate in “Mite Collections.”

For an opportunity to see the impact of the collection of all those “mites” see the LWML bulletin board. There is a listing of goals and missions from the last national convention.

So ... check your purses and pockets for loose change and participate in the Fifth Sunday Mite collection!!!



The summer is almost over but game day goes on as usual. The next game day is Sep.5th. The games start at 1pm & the fun lasts until 3:30. Bring a friend.



The Prayer Team will meet Wednesday, September 3rd at 6:30 PM.



Fall Worship Schedule

(Beginning September 7)

**8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Study & Sunday School—9:15 a.m.**

Fall Regular Office Hours: Closed Labor Day
(Beginning September 2)
Monday-Thursday: 8:30a.m.—4:30p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.— 12:30 p.m.

Closed Fridays when school is not in session.



Little Lambs Voted “Best Preschool” in 2025. (Fifth year in a row!)

Thank you for your support.

Mark Your Calendar for Rally Day!



We Are God's Treasures



“The Lord has chosen you to be His treasured possession.” Deuteronomy 7:6

September 7 at 9:15 AM

All children ages 3 through high school are welcome.

Bibles will be presented to our Third Grade students during both worship services on September 7.

New Classes Begin in September!



• Sunday Mornings with Carolyn and Mark: Join us as we start at the beginning with a study of Genesis. Besides detailing the history of mankind, this rich book helps show us how we needed a redeemer from the very start. We'll use a study guide to guide us and stimulate discussion. Whether or not you've been part of a Bible study in the past, this walk through Genesis is for you. For more info or to reserve a spot in class, contact:

Carolyn (basketcasesunlimited@gmail.com) or Mark (markmistic@hotmail.com),

or leave word in the church office. Class will meet between the church services each Sunday, from 9:15am to 10:15am in fellowship hall.

- Sunday morning Bible study with Pastor Marty.** We will continue our study of the Gospel of Matthew that we began last year. We are about half way through the book, but don't let that scare you off, you can jump right in and not feel behind at all. Each chapter is a new adventure!



Week Night Studies

For College Students:

Our Refuge (college Bible Study) will be looking at the Gospel of Matthew. This is a great "starter Bible study" that tells the story of Jesus from beginning to end. While great for beginners there will a deep dive into the teachings of God for His people today. We will meet on Tuesday evenings at 9:00 p.m. in the college lounge. Side note: Bible study is often followed by a variety of games! Come join in the fun.



For Adults:

Monday Zoom Bible study is continuing our journey through the book of first Samuel. See the transformation from God's people ruled by Judges to King Saul and then to King David. We are about to hear the story of David and Goliath and David's ascent to ruling Israel, with all of the good and the bad. This is a great time to join in this wonderfully fun group of people who gather online for Bible study every Monday night at 7pm.



"The Chosen" is a riveting series of episodes about Jesus' life with his disciples and followers. A group has enjoyed meeting to view the first five episodes of Season 5. We meet on Monday evenings at 7:00 PM at Dennis Maakestad's home (4 Greenview Ct., DeKalb) We will complete season five, viewing episodes 6—8 on Monday September 15, 22 & 29. Study guides will be provided. If you're ready for Season 5, please feel free to join us!

For Youth:

Sunday School for ages 3—high school. Rally Day. Bibles for third grade students. See the box at the left for more information or see Sunday School Superintendent. Jennifer Allen.



Junior Confirmation begins Wednesday, September 3rd at 5:30 p.m. Parents are asked to attend the first class with your child. This year's class is for all youth in grades 7—9. A group text message went out to current families earlier this week. If you did not receive the message, please contact Pastor Marty. If you have a youth who has not previously attended, and would like more information, please contact Pastor Marty as well.