

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE GOD AT IMMANUEL					
DATE	TIME	EVENT	MEETING PLACE	AGE GROUP	CONTACT PERSON
Little Lambs Preschool on Christmas Break. Classes Resume on Monday, January 5, 2026					
Wed 12/24/25	— 3:00 PM 7:00 PM	Offices Closed Candlelight Service Candlelight Service	— Building Building	— Everyone Everyone	— Pastor Marty Pastor Marty
Thursday Christmas Day	— 10:30 AM	Offices Closed Broadcast of Worship Service	— WLBK 1360 AM	— Everyone	— Doug Nelson
Pastor Marty on Vacation Friday, December 26 through Saturday, January 10, 2026					
Friday 2/26/25	—	Offices Closed	—	—	—
Sat 12/27/25	—	—	—	—	—
Sunday 12/28/25	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM Afternoon	Worship Service Facebook Live Worship Limited Adult Bible Study Broadcast of Worship Service Private Party	Sanctuary Sanctuary Facebook Live WLBK 1360 AM Fellowship Hall	Everyone Everyone Adults Everyone Private Party	Pastor Prohl Doug Nelson Marks/McQuillan/Prohl Doug Nelson Tom Sawyer
Mon 12/29/25	8:30—2:30 10:00 AM	Office Hours Bulletin Deadline	— Office	— Everyone	— Alma Sanchez
Tue 12/30/25	8:30—2:30	Office Hours	—	—	—
Wed 12/31/25	—	New Year's Eve; Offices Closed	—	—	—
Thur 1/1/26	—	New Year's Day; Offices Closed	—	—	—
Friday 1/2/26	—	Offices Closed	—	—	—
Sat 1/3/26	—	—	—	—	—
Sunday 1/4/26	— 8:00 AM 8:00 AM 9:15 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM	Recycle Sunday Worship Service Facebook Live/YouTube Adult Bible Study Sunday School Worship Service Facebook Live/ YouTube Broadcast of Worship Service	Garage Sanctuary Online Fellowship Hall Building Sanctuary Online WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone Everyone Everyone Adults 3 yrs—HS Everyone Everyone Everyone	Bd of Trustees Rev. J. Prohl Nathan Allen McQuillan/Misic/Prohl Jen Allen Rev. J. Prohl Doug Nelson Doug Nelson
Mon 1/5/25	8:30 –2:30 9:00 AM	Office Hours Little Lambs Resumes Classes	— Building	— Preschool	— Katie Martinez

The next Prayer Team meeting will be Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. If you would like to pray with us or just listen as we pray, please join us! All are welcome!

The Prayer Team continues to pray for all congregational needs, birthdays, anniversaries, and special requests received in the Prayer Request Box or online.

PARTNERING IN PRAYER December 28, 25—January 3, 2026

Lord Jesus, as we celebrate Your birth, draw our hearts closer to You in prayer and thanksgiving. “Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”— *Philippians 4:6*

WE OFFER PRAYER ON BEHALF OF THE FOLLOWING:  
 THOSE WHO ARE CHRONICALLY ILL:  
 Robin Nielsen      Craig Dybas      Gail Cantrell      Rob McKinley      Tammy Snyder

THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER:      Todd Hanson (*nephew of Jackie Hanson*)  
 Dale Geibel      Staci McNett      Mandy Long      Rita Goodwin      Bryan Faivre  
 Danika Nelson      Glen Roberts      Donna Cyrier (*friend of Mishelle Rodgers*)  
 Raymond Schaeffer (*Friend of Norm & Fran Pierce*)  
 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*)      Joan Baker (*cousin of Cindy Berg*)

OUR SHUT-INS: Marcia Kiel      Mary Jane Lindaas      Ruth Kuhns      Lloyd Larson  
 Carlos Woolbright      Judy Thorson

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:

- Thanksgiving for the gift of Jesus and pray that His light would bring hope, healing, and joy to all we lift before God.
- For Jacob Trapp, friend of Riley Marks, who has been diagnosed with Guillain-Barre syndrome and has been hospitalized;
- For Craig Dybas who underwent surgery on Monday, December 22 to have all toes on one foot amputated;
- For Vicky Lohmeier who underwent surgery on December 24th to remove cancerous growths;
- 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: Kylie Von Schnase      Timothy Gilbert      Krista Marks  
 Hunter Tiggelaar      Julie-Ann Fuchs

THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES: 12/31/2005      Mark & Kara Giudice

**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 or Pastor Marty: 815-501-3951 (cell and text) Rev@godwithusilc.org*

## Special Christmas Services, Office Hours & Events Through January 6, 2026

**Wednesday, December 24 – Christmas Eve**  
**3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.**  
Candlelight Worship Services

**Thursday, December 25 – Christmas Day**  
**Christmas Day Radio Broadcast**  
10:30 a.m. of WLBK 1360 AM Radio  
*No In Person Worship Service*

**Sunday, December 28**  
**9:00 a.m. – Worship/No Sunday School**

### Pastoral Coverage

Pastor Marty will be on vacation  
**Through January 10**

- **Pastor Prohl** will lead Sunday worship services & Bible study.
- **Pastor Pinion** will be available for pastoral care. (cell for emergencies: 815-622-8978)

### Holiday Office Hours

- **December 24–26: Office Closed**
- **December 29 & 30:** 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- **December 31 – January 2: Office Closed**
- **Monday, January 5:** 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday, January 6:** 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.



**We give thanks to all who have sponsored poinsettias and shared in this meaningful Christmas tradition. Your generosity helps beautify our sanctuary and glorify God as we celebrate the birth of Christ.**

**Poinsettias on the altar for Christmas Eve have been sponsored to the Glory of God by:**

- **Russ & Shannon Coulombe**
- **Rita Goodwin**
- **Dan & Vicky Lohmeier**
- **Carolyn McQuillan**

**In loving memory of:**

- **“My dad,” by Audrey Cook;**
- **“Family members,” by Norm & Marion Gilbert;**
- **“Megan,” by Gary & Holly Gresholdt;**
- **“Our parents,” by Dennis & Jane Schroeder**
- **“My parents, Bub & Wilma Meyer,” by Jean Scoughton;**
- **“My brothers, Dick and Charles Meyer, and my son, Jeff Scoughton,” by Jean Scoughton;**
- **“My parents,” by Linda Sons**

**Poinsettia’s adorn the sanctuary on Wednesday, December 24. Following the 7:00 p.m. service you are welcome to take your poinsettia home. Several of our elders will be delivering flowers to our shut-ins in the days following Christmas.**



### From the Financial Secretary,

All contributions for the year 2025 must be in the office by December 29 at noon.

**2026 Giving Envelopes:** Please pick up your 2025 Giving Envelopes in the narthex. In an effort to be fiscally responsible, if you have opted to not use your envelopes in 2025 the computer did not generate an envelope number for you.

- If you would like envelopes and do not see your name on a box, please notify the office or Ann Nelson and we will get you envelopes.
- If you would like to sign up for *Joyful Response*, (automated giving) take a form from the envelope table and turn it in to the office.
- If you prefer to not use envelopes and give in an alternative way, such as using your own bill-pay, Joyful Response, or through a debit/credit payment in the office, please notify the office and we will assign you a virtual number.
- If you are already enrolled in Joyful Response or use a virtual number, you will find ONE envelope confirming your virtual number. Joyful Response participants will also find a form in your envelope, as this is an excellent time to evaluate your giving commitment.

*If you have any questions concerning contributions, please contact Ann Nelson or the office.*

Giving statements for 2025 will be available by the end of January.

Thank you. Ann Nelson, Financial Secretary

**Join Us for Game Day!:** The games start at 1p.m. and finish up around 3:30p.m. All are welcome, both men and women! Our upcoming games day is January 9, 2026 (2nd Friday of the month)



### Council/Elders Date to Note: Sunday, January 11, 2026.

Installation and rededication will take place at both services

on January 11th. It will be at the end of the 8:00 am and the beginning of the 10:30 am services, with the desire that all council members might attend both events in order that the entire congregation can see who is serving on church council. A Council retreat will be held on that same Sunday, January 11, 2026, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. We will be discussing our visions and planning for doing the Lord’s work in 2026. Lunch will be provided. For more information contact Jen Allen.



### LWML Quarterly Meeting January 17!

January 17 is to be a quarterly meeting for LWML as the year begins. Prepare for a fellowship brunch, a brief Bible study, planning for the Ash Wed February 18<sup>th</sup> soup and sandwich supper (prior to worship that evening). Expect also a discussion of possible meetings for different age groups of ladies, taking into account those with children and other events which have conflicted sometimes in the past. We will enjoy knowing more of the ladies if some events can be so arranged to count for such events. What should we do to help us get to know others??? Our main thrust will always be mission.

### Aluminum Can Recycling — January 4, 2026



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.