

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE GOD AT IMMANUEL

DATE	TIME	EVENT	MEETING PLACE	AGE GROUP	CONTACT PERSON
Sunday 2/1/26	—	Recycle Sunday Lutheran Schools Week Presentation	Garage During Services	Everyone Everyone	Trustees Little Lambs Preschool
	8:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Rev. Marty Marks
	8:00 AM	Facebook Live/YouTube	Online	Everyone	Nathan Allen
	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Study	Fellowship Hall	Adults	McQuillan/Misic/Marks
	9:15 AM	Sunday School	Building	3 yrs—HS	Jen Allen
	10:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary	Everyone	Rev. Marty Marks
	10:30 AM	Facebook Live/YouTube	Online	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	10:30 AM	Broadcast of Worship Service	WLBK 1360 AM	Everyone	Doug Nelson
	12:00 PM	Peer Ministry Team Meeting	College Lounge	Peer Ministers	Rev. Marty Marks
Mon 2/2/26	5:30 PM	Board of Trustees Meeting	Meeting Room	Board	Roger Nelson
	7:00 PM	Zoom Bible Study	Online	Adults	Rev. Marty Marks
Tue 2/3/26	5:00 PM	Bd of Christian Education Mtg	Upper Mtg. Room	Board	Shannon Coulombe
	5:30 PM	Girl Scout Meeting	Fellowship Hall	Community	Office
	6:30 PM	Human Care Board Mtg	North Narthex	Board	Laura Tiggelaar
	7:00 PM	Crafty Christians	College Lounge	College	Peer Ministers
	9:00 PM	Refuge Bible Study	College Lounge	College	Rev. Marty Marks
Wed 2/4/26	1:00 PM	Staff Meeting	North Narthex	Staff	Rev. Marty Marks
	5:30 PM	Jr. Confirmation	Fellowship Hall	Grades 7-9	Rev. Marty Marks
	6:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Balcony	HS—Adults	C-J Motisi
	6:30 PM	Prayer Team	North Narthex	Adults	Jackie Hanson
Thur 2/5/26	8:30 AM	Bulletin Deadline	Office	Everyone	Darlene Hillman
	6—7 PM	Girl Scout Meeting	Fellowship Hall	Community	Office
	8:00 PM	Refuge Activity Night	College Lounge	College	Peer Ministers
Friday 2/6/26	8:30—12:30	Office Hours	—	—	—
	1:00 PM	Game Day	Fellowship Hall	Adults	Pat McKinley
	5:00 PM	Refuge Leadership Conference	Indiana Dunes	College	Pastor Marty
	5:30 PM	Chit, Chat & Chai	Fellowship Hall	International	Linda Sons
	6:30 PM	Intercultural Café	Fellowship Hall	International	Linda Sons
Sat 2/7/26	5:00 PM	Refuge Leadership Conf. Ends	Indiana Dunes	College	Pastor Marty
Sunday 2/8/26	—	Food Pantry Sunday	Narthex	Everyone	Human Care Board
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	5:00 PM	Refuge Super Bowl Party	College Lounge	College	Peer Ministers



THE LUTHERAN WITNESS MAGAZINE: The office is now taking subscriptions and renewals for *The Lutheran Witness*. If you currently subscribe, and wish to continue, or if you would like to become a subscriber, please make a check out to Immanuel Lutheran Church for \$20.65/year. Place your check in the church office with your name and address and a note indicating your desire to subscribe or renew your current subscription. Subscriptions are due by February 15 and delivery will begin in May.

PARTNERING IN PRAYER February 1—7, 2026

“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
Jacob Trapp (*friend of Riley Marks*)

THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER:

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

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:

- As we conclude National Lutheran Schools Week, we give thanks for Little Lambs Preschool—its staff, students, and families—and for our congregation's faithful support of this ministry. We pray for God's continued guidance and blessing on Lutheran schools across the nation as they share Christ's love through education.
- For Linda Sons, has been remains in a rehabilitation center near Crown Point, Indiana. For those who would like to send words of encouragement, please contact the office for an address;
- 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:

Carol-Joy Motisi	Samantha Gratschmayr
Mia Yelich	Connor Knutson
Addison Schwab	Lily Peckys
Kenneth Hayes II	Angela Pringnitz

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



Aluminum Can Recycling — February 1

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.



From the Financial Secretary, Giving statements for 2025 are available in the narthex. If you would like yours mailed, or have any questions concerning contributions, *please contact me or the office.*

Thank you. Ann Nelson, Financial Secretary



It's Used Book Sale Collection Time!
SEEKING GENTLY USED BOOKS FOR ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE 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 February 27th .



The Prayer Team will meet at 6:30 Wednesday, February 4, 2026

If you would like the Prayer Team to give thanks or pray for you or someone in need:

1. Please fill out a Prayer Request Card located in the pew racks and by the Prayer Request Box on the left side of the sanctuary.
2. Notify Pastor Marty or the church office
3. Fill out the form on the church website to notify Pastor Marty and the team.

You are finished in about an hour or so. This is a fun task that is very well organized. Information and calendar sign up will be in the Narthex under the Human Care bulletin board. This year we will be covering the Northwest route only. This is a very rewarding experience and a great way to serve the community! Please consider signing up!

Join Us for Game Day!



Mark your calendar for game day! **February 6th.** The fun starts at 1pm & wraps up around 3:30pm. Both men & woman are invited.



Sharing Hope Through Phil's Friends
Sponsored by the Human Care Board & Little Lambs Preschool to care for those facing cancer. For complete information see the brochures in the narthex.

Collecting through February 8, 2026



deliver a difference

MARCH OPPORTUNITY
Meals on Wheels is coming in March! Sign up will begin on February 1st and run thru Sunday, Feb 22nd. 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.

Delivery involves:

1. Arriving at Meals on Wheels headquarters around 10:45am. (Located on the corner of Peace and Bethany Road).
2. Obtaining prepacked carriers to place in your vehicle.
3. Using their carefully designed route maps to deliver meals to shut-ins.

Returning carriers to the headquarters.

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Christianity 101 Class Session Schedule

Class Begins February 15, 2026

Are you interested in learning about our God and growing in faith in Him? These classes are meant to give you a broad overview of the basic teachings of Christianity *from a Lutheran perspective*. We encourage questions, visitors, a good sense of humor, and open hearts. This is the place to ask all of the questions you've wanted to ask. We can't promise to provide all of the answers, but we'll at least look at what God has to say about the subject. You are under no pressure to join anything but, if after the class you would like to join our congregation and Church Family, we would happily welcome you. Just come with your questions and an open heart and let God do the rest.

February 15 Introductions & who is God?
The Apostles Creed

February 22 What are the commandments
March 1 God's Word: what is it?

March 8 What is Prayer? – The Lord's Prayer

March 15 What are the Sacraments?

March 22 Worship: The how's and whys
March 29 Our Church: Immanuel, The
Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod,
and all of Christendom!"

The class will meet on Sunday Evenings at 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall of the church. May God bless our time together!



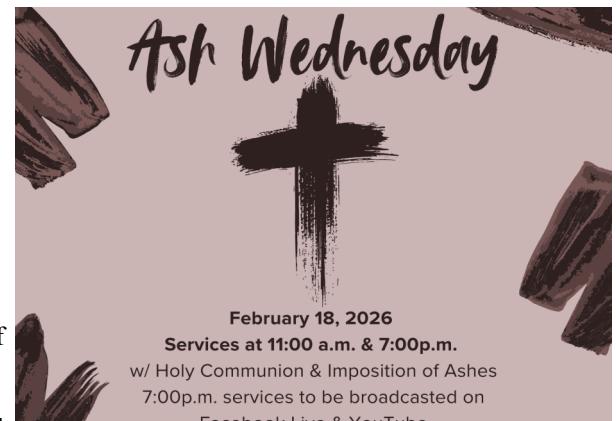
LWML SOUP & SANDWICH ASH WEDNESDAY DINNER will be offered on Wednesday, February 18 from

5:15—6:30p.m. We are in need of soup, sandwiches, desserts and staple donations for the evening as well as workers to serve. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex.



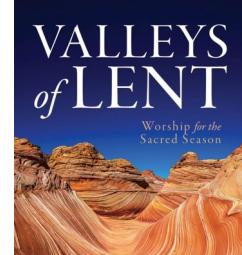
Italian Dinner Fundraiser: St John Lutheran Church Burlington is offering a fundraiser to support comfort dogs, Eunice & Samson and the Ladies Society.

The dinner will be on Saturday, February 7 from 4—7 p.m. Cost is \$15/person; \$5/child. The church is located at 13N535 French Road in Burlington. For more information see their web site: www.StJohnLutheranChurch.com



February 18, 2026

Services at 11:00 a.m. & 7:00p.m.
w/ Holy Communion & Imposition of Ashes
7:00p.m. services to be broadcasted on
Facebook Live & YouTube



Join us for a special series of worship services called "The Valleys of Lent."
Each service looks at a different valley from Scripture that points to something about the suffering Christ endured.

Ash Wednesday, February 18: "You are dust, and to dust you shall return," the Lord God said to Adam and Eve, in words the church recalls each Ash Wednesday. Ezekiel's **Valley of Dry Bones** provides a vivid picture of that, along with the hope of the Spirit's gift of new life.

Midweek Lenten Services
Services are held at
11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. each week.
The 7:00 service will be on Facebook Live and You Tube.

A fellowship dinner is offered from
5:15-6:30 p.m. each week. Ash Wednesday will be the LWML Soup & Sandwich Dinner

Coming Up:
February 8: Copies of Lutheran Hours Ministries Lenten Devotions will be available in the narthex.
February 15: Easter Lily Sign Up Begins