The Lutheran Witness

You can have the Lutheran Witness mailed directly to you for $25.00 a year! The Lutheran Witness Subscription is now due. You can mail your check payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church to 605 S Walnut St or give the church office a call at 812-522-3118.

Items Needed

The Jackson County Clothing Center at 622 W. 2nd Street in Seymour, is needing the following items:

- Men's Jeans & Sweats
- Children's Jeans & Sweats
- Children's Coats

TLHS Founders Day of Giving

Trinity Lutheran High School invites you to join us for our Second Annual Founders Day of Giving on Monday, November 9! As we give thanks for the faithful individuals and congregations who made Trinity possible, we look forward to the future God has planned for our school.

This year's online giving campaign will focus on equipping four new classrooms and one repurposed classroom as we prepare to begin utilizing some of our new classroom space during the second semester of the 2026–27 school year. Additional giving opportunities will include major campus projects, such as stage curtains and a digital/video scoretable for our new gym.

Every gift helps us continue our mission to educate, develop, and prepare Christian servant leaders.

Visit the TLHS website or follow us on social media, to make your gift and help carry Trinity's legacy of faith into the next generation!

9:00 am Greeters: Craig & Linda Moore, Donna Moore, Max & Connie Roeder **Ushers:** Kurt Fenneberg, Larry Harlow, Troy Hehman, Cary Bell, Andrew Bell, Dave Boggs, Ryan Williams, Eli Williams, Caleb Williams, Wes Baker, Luke Baker, Brayden Myers **Elders/Communion:** Sam Borcherding, Parker Wiethoff, Dave Martindale, Ervin Kruse, Cliff Brooks, Keith Sims, Matt Nieman **Counting:** Bill Siefker, Mary Lou Siefker, Dale Siefker, Nikki Minton **Acolyte:** Elizabeth Scheiderer **Altar Guild:** Laverne East **Audio/Video:** Grant VonDielingen/Lance Hubbard
11:15 am Greeters: John & Helen Nolting, Julie Ballard **Elders:** Joe Brooks **Ushers:** Joe Brooks, Dennis Klinge, Matt Pumphrey, Mackenzie Pumphrey, Jeff Schneider, Larry Stahl, Mike Stuckwisch, Myles Montgomery, Max Whitsett, Kameron Williams, Mason Williams, Jeremiah Clay **Acolyte:** Riley Williams **Audio:** Jeff Hopkins
7:00 pm Elders: Monty Siefker, Bryan Ault **Altar Guild:** Linda Schoenfelder **Acolyte:** Autumn Hanners

8	9	10	11	12	13	14
9:00a Worship 10:15a SS/Bible Class 11:15a Worship 3:00p Pastor Fredstrom Installation	8:35a Chapel 3:15p 7th OYR 4:00 Trustees 7:00p Worship	7:00a Men's Bible Study 9:30a Bible Class 3:15p 8th OYR 5:30p Evangelism	3:30p Sr Hi OYR 5:30 School 5:30 ILCCM 6:00p Women's Bible Study 6:15 Brass 7:00p 6th/7th Conf 7:00p WW 7:30p Choir	12:00p Lunch w/ Pastor 12:00-5:00p Blood Drive 6:00p Handbells 7:00 Miscarriage Seminar	10:30a Bible Study	5:30 YAM Event

Additional Spiritual Support:

• **Dial a Meditation:** call 812-522-1345 anytime for a devotion by one of our pastors.
• **Know Your Bible:** You can hear it each weekday at 6:55 a.m. on AM 1390 and FM 99.3
Bulletin and Resource Pick-up
Is available at door number 5 on Oesting Street. Drop in Monday- Friday from 8:30am - 5pm.
Bulletins and Informers for the upcoming week are available on THURSDAYS after 12 noon.
Join us for Worship Online at: http://immanuelseymour.com/worship/
You can also view services on the Immanuel YouTube channel at Immanuel Lutheran Seymour and at 3pm & 8pm on CinergyMetro Cable Channel 2 and Comcast Channel 96. Listen to WZZB 99.3 and streaming at www.wzzb1390.com The Lutheran Hour on WZZB AM1390 at 11:30 a.m. Sundays

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Grieving with Hope

Immanuel Lutheran Church will soon offer "Grieving with Hope: A Lutheran Response to Miscarriage, Disenfranchised Grief, and the Comfort of Christ." This Christ-centered seminar is designed for individuals and families who have experienced miscarriage, as well as pastors, caregivers, healthcare professionals, and anyone desiring to better understand how the Church can compassionately support those who grieve pregnancy loss.

Thursday, November 12, 2026, 7:00–8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall at Immanuel Lutheran. To register call 812-522-3118

This seminar will be led by Pastor Bloch, sharing insights learned in his Doctor of Ministry Program.

Service Time Change

This year, our Thanksgiving Eve and New Year's Eve worship services will both be held at 6:00 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m. We hope this earlier time will make it easier for individuals and families to attend worship and allow everyone to travel home earlier in the evening, especially during these months when it gets dark so early.

Pastor Fredstrom Installation Today

Join us today, November 8, at 3 p.m. for the installation of Pastor Fredstrom as Immanuel's Senior Pastor. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall, hosted by our Pastoral Call Committee.
Rev. Doug Bauman, regional vice president, will officiate, with Pastor Blomenberg preaching, Pastor Bloch serving as liturgist, and Rev. James Rodriquez, Circuit Visitor and retired Associate Pastor, serving as lector. Vicar Genszler will serve as crucifer. Pastors from the Seymour and Brownstown circuits will participate.
The service will also be live-streamed, with a link posted at www.immanuelseymour.com. Join us as we thank God for providing faithful shepherds for His flock and seek His blessing!

ILS 8th Boys Compete in Indy Tourney

Our ILS 8th boys basketball team are to compete in an early season tournament in Indianapolis this weekend. It is hosted by Lutheran High School of Indianapolis, St. John's Lutheran, Indianapolis, and Cornerstone Lutheran. Immanuel's first game was at 6:45 Friday vs. Wyneken Memorial at St. John's, 6630 Southeastern Ave. Check the ILS website for updates. Go Warriors!

Veteran's Day Chapel & Program

Trinity Lutheran High School invites all to attend their annual Veteran's Day Chapel and Program on Wednesday, November 11th at 10 a.m.

If God is for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Matthew 6:33

Totals from November 1, 2026

Unified Budget	32,380.81
Plate Offerings	1,022.26
Total	**33,403.07**
Income & Gifts To Date	**178,317.56**
Budget Needs To Date	216,921.54
Benevolence	419.00
Sunday Attendance/Communed	782/118
Monday Attendance	72
Faith In Our Future Campaign	
Gifts To Date	3,744,254.58

Great Commission Corner

Matthew 25:1-13: Are you prepared? You might respond, "It depends on what I'm preparing for." Since God promises to dwell among us to make His home among us in His new heaven and new earth, isn't all of life a preparation for our homecoming? Unfortunately, we find ourselves preparing for everything but that, thinking that we will prepare for "that" when "that time" comes. God's Word tells us that the time to prepare is always "NOW!" We are to encourage one another all the more as the Day approaches even nearer. We have a WORD to share with the world that literally unpacks our bags and wants us to stay a while rather than helps us prepare for the blessings of our homecoming. The world makes us "unprepared" by draining us of the oil we need to be prepared by taking from us the one thing needful: Jesus Christ! Boldly share Christ with the world, for when they have Him and Him alone, they are prepared for the Day when He returns for His bride, His Church.

Acknowledgements

Today's Broadcast & Informer is sponsored in loving memory of Amanda Stahl, by her family.

Today's Altar Flowers are sponsored in honor of Bill Abraham's 88th birthday, November 6, by Linda.

LCMS Foundation

You need help to construct a good estate plan and the gift plan within it for family and ministry. But it is also true that no one else can tell you what your plan must look like. God has given you the responsibility to steward these assets. Your tax advisor might think that saving on taxes is the only thing that matters in a good estate plan and that all the details should be guided by tax savings.Yet your goals may be more focused on charitable giving than saving taxes, even though the two can be connected.

For more information call the church office.

Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty

Take a second to pray for the precious lives of unborn children and the mamas who carry them. And then join fellow Lutherans in supporting efforts to protect them both! Keep up to date at www.LCRLFreedom.org/subscribe.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

Sadly, through things like abortion, abuse, poverty, and neglect, many people are deprived of a home filled with love, peace, and joy. God shows His love by preparing a "lovely dwelling place" (Psalm 84:1) for all people at His side through the death of Jesus, His Son. As we wait for Christ to gather us, His bride, to that eternal home with Him, we are wise to keep the light of faith burning brightly by continually hearing God's Word and by loving others by sharing His Word with them while there is still time (Matthew 25:1-4).

Bible Readings

11/8 Mark 26; Mark 14
11/9 John 14-17
11/10 Matthew 27; Mark 15
11/11 Luke 23; John 18-19
11/12 Matthew 28; Mark 16
11/13 Luke 24; John 20-21
11/14 Acts 1-3

Women's Advent by Candlelight

Women of all ages are invited to attend the Advent by Candlelight event hosted by the Board of Parish Education. The event will be held on Sunday, December 6, at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. This year's theme is "Questions of Christmas." The program will include a Bible study, music, a charcuterie board meal, and dessert. Call the church office at 812-522-3118 to sign up by Friday, December 4.

Operation Christmas Child

Help share the love of Christ with children around the world through Operation Christmas Child! Pick up a shoebox today in the Atrium and fill it with gifts that will bring joy to a child this Christmas. Each box includes a list of suggested items and instructions for preparing your gift.

Please return your completed shoebox to the church by Thursday, November 19.

Thank you for helping share the joy of Christmas and the good news of Jesus Christ with children around the world!

LCH Gift Tree Open House

The Lutheran Community Home gift shop will welcome the Christmas season on Friday, November 13, with an open house from 9:00 am-6:00 pm. Please stop by and see our Yuletide decorations and Christmas cards, enjoy some refreshments and sign up for a Christmas item to be given away.

Adult Senior Ministry

Adult Senior Ministry will meet on Wednesday, November 18, beginning at 11:30. Lunch will be provided for $5 each. If you need a ride please call the church office. Our program will feature State Representative Jim Lucas.

ILS Call Committee

With teacher retirements scheduled at the conclusion of the 2026–2027 school year, Chairman Chris Stahl has appointed a new ILS Call Committee. The committee includes congregational members Keith Stam, Jennifer Hopkins, and Kristi Burbrink, along with School Board members Jill Glover and Patrick Downey.

We give thanks to God for the faithful teachers who have served our school so well over the years, and we ask for your prayers as the call committee undertakes this important work of prayerfully searching for new teachers to serve!

More information will be shared soon. For questions or inquiries, please contact Mrs. Lister at llister@immanuelschool.org

Oktoberfest Booth Storage

The Immanuel Oktoberfest Committee is seeking the congregation's help in finding a new storage location for our event booth. We need a clean, dry, and secure space—such as a garage, barn, outbuilding, or commercial unit—with periodic access around the festival season. If you have a space available or know of a potential lead, please contact Alexa Ulrey (812) 525-1822 or Eric Stam (812) 498-4830. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

Fall Supper

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Brownstown will have a Fall Soup Supper on Sunday, November 8, from 4:00–7:00 PM.

Menu will be homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, Chili, Oktoberfest Soup, Westerns, Hot Dogs, Chicken Sandwiches, a variety of salads, and dessert. Freewill donation. Dine-in or take-out available. All are welcome!

Planning Conference 2027

Due to when Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall on the calendar, ILC's annual Planning Conference will be held on January 9, 2027. If your term of service on a board or committee continues into 2027 or if you are elected to a board or committee at the October voters' meeting, please mark your calendars and plan to join us as we coordinate, align, and look forward to another great year of mission and ministry as we remain Rooted in Christ and His gifts! Additional details will be shared as we get closer to the date.