

Scholarships Available

Scholarships are available through the Immanuel Foundation to help local students prepare at one of the Concordia Universities or seminaries for a church-work career, such as pastor, teacher or youth worker. For an application form, please check with Lisa at the church office. **DEADLINE MAY 1.**

Dr. Fish Scholarship

This Scholarship is restricted to high school graduates who are also graduates of Immanuel Lutheran School in Seymour. This scholarship award is \$1000.00 for those pursuing a healthcare related degree. Deadline is July 15, 2026. Go to www.drfishscholar.com for more information and to apply.

LWML Mission Grants

About a quarter of the world's population - over 1.9 billion - identify as Muslim and living in spiritual darkness and starving for the love of Jesus Christ. The Lutheran Heritage Foundation supports the mission of the church - bringing Christ to the lost so that through the Holy Spirit and the Word, they may believe in Christ their Savior. For over thirty years, LHF has been extending the ministry of God's Word by translating and publishing Lutheran books that help explain the Bible. They have translated and published more than 1,500 titles in over 150 languages, which have been distributed at no cost to churches, pastors, individuals, and missionaries.

This grant will fund publication of over 20,000 Lutheran books, like the *Small Catechism*, *A Child's Garden of Bible Stories*, and devotions translated into the Arabic, Farsi, Bahasa Indonesian, and Kazakh languages that will be distributed in the United States worldwide.

9:00 am Greeters: Bill Kamman, Jim & Linda Kamman, Sharon Toppe **Elders:** Dave Martindale **Ushers:** Kurt Fenneberg, Brent Kilgas, Ben Thompson, Brian Burbrink, Baron Bullard, Dale VonDielingen, Greg Wehmiller, Roger Wehmiller, Will Borcharding, Tony Combs, Gary Schneider, Jay Hubbard, Daniel Luecke, Jed Strange **Counting:** Bill Siefker, Mary Lou Siefker, Dale Siefker, Nikki Minton **Acolyte:** Autumn Haners **Audio/Video:** Jordan Richart/Jay Hubbard

11:15 am Greeters: Sandra Burbrink, Bill & Carolyn Hubble, Andy & Leah Gillaspay **Ushers:** Joe Brooks, Dennis Klinge, Matt Pumphrey, Mackenzie Pumphrey, Jeff Schneider, Larry Stahl, Mike Stuckwisch, Max Whitsett, Kameron Williams, Mason Williams, Jeremiah Clay **Elders:** Mark Hopkins, Jeff Hopkins, Walter Batman, Brent Wichman, Charlie Smith **Altar Guild:** Sandee Helwig **Acolyte:** Dylan Fields **Audio:** Rick McAllister

7:00 pm Elders: Monty Siefker, Bryan Ault **Acolyte:** Brody Keith

19	20	21	22	23	24	25
9:00 Worship 10:15 Bible Study/ SS/AIC 11:15 Worship 12:30 Voter's Meeting	8:30 Chapel 11:30 Ladies Aid 3 Luncheon 3:15 7th OYR 7:00 Worship	7:00 Men's Bible Study 10:00 Pastor's Conference 3:15 8th OYR	3:15 Sr. Hi OYR 7:00 AIC/Conf	12:00 Lunch w/Pastor	10:30 Bible Study	

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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Member, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

April 19, 2026

Questioning Next Sunday

On Sunday, April 26, during the 9 a.m. service, students who are to be confirmed May 3 will present a witness to what they believe. Each student answers questions concerning faith and life based on what the Bible says.

Confirmation is set for the following Sunday, May 3, at the 11:15 service, where these students will receive Holy Communion for the first time. Please keep them in your prayers for these important events!

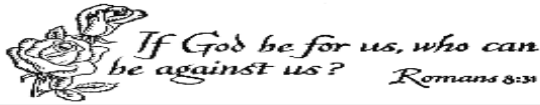
Voters Meeting April 19

The regular quarterly meeting of the Voters is scheduled for **this Sunday, April 19, at 12:30** in the Fellowship Hall. Light refreshments will be served. All confirmed members are eligible to vote and encouraged to attend. Agenda items include the Action Plan for 2026, financial reports, updates from the Call Committee and Faith in Our Future, update on our vicarage application, and other items.

Agendas and reports are available at the Welcome Center and in the Atrium. All confirmed members are eligible to vote and encouraged to attend.

Vice Principal Named

We are pleased to announce that Mrs. Jordan Spieker, a called teacher of Immanuel currently serving in Kindergarten, has accepted the position to serve as the full-time Vice Principal of Immanuel Lutheran School beginning in the 2026–2027 school year. In this role, Mrs. Spieker will work closely with the principal and pastoral team to strengthen our shared mission and vision in several key areas, especially by cultivating a distinctively Lutheran identity through curriculum, instruction, and faculty formation; strengthening mission alignment and strategic partnership between ILS and ILCCM; and fostering student and family success through intentional partnership and engagement. We give thanks to God for Mrs. Spieker's gifts, experience, and faithful commitment to Christ-centered education, and we look forward to the ways the Lord will work through her in this new role. With Mrs. Spieker stepping into this position, a kindergarten faculty opening will be available for the 2026–2027 school year. Please see the separate notice concerning qualifications for applicants for this position.



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

But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matt 6:33

Totals from April 12, 2026	
Unified Budget	\$32,773.12
Plate Offerings	\$882.61
Other Income	\$2,030.00
Total	\$35,685.73
Income & Gifts To Date	\$1,113,818.12
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,236,359.38
Benevolence	\$848.00
Sunday Attendance/Communed	664/355
Monday Attendance	45
Faith In Our Future Campaign	
Pledges to Date	\$4,367,670.04
Gifts to Date	\$3,661,515.37

Luke 24:13-35: Once again, today, we celebrate the blessings of Easter with one another, focusing on Jesus' resurrection appearances. Did you notice that none of the resurrection appearances were marked by dramatic settings? Jesus was mistaken for a gardener. He showed up on a dusty road. He walked along the shoreline watching His disciples' fish. We notice the common, every day sights and sounds of Jesus' appearances and the ordinary routines which He blessed with His abiding presence. The resurrected Jesus comes to us in Word and Sacrament, ordinary means, and He appears to us at meal times, in fun times, amid our work and in the face of our worries. He comes to people of faith and to those plagued by doubt and worry. Did you miss Christ's presence with you today? Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the eyes to see Jesus' abiding presence on your walk of life today, and then celebrate it, but also boldly share this truth with others. Jesus is alive! He is present with and for you. And He is alive for the world around you.

Official Acts

Jonathan Tracy entered eternal life on March 25 and was given Christian burial on April 11.

Sophie Brooke Vega, daughter of Jorge & Makayla (Kieser) Vega, was baptized on April 12.

Margaret Goble entered eternal life on April 10 and was given Christian burial on April 14.



Lutherans
For Life

The practice of abortion rests on the argument that the unborn should not be considered real persons, worthy of dignity and protection under the law. How different that is from the way God views these little ones! St. Peter reminds us that the death and resurrection of Jesus are "for you and your children and for all who are far off" (Acts 2:39). If all children have been purchased by the "precious blood of Christ" (1 Peter 1:19), surely they are worthy of our love and care, both inside and outside of the womb.



Over the last eight years (roughly 2018–2026), the U.S. Supreme Court has decided at least 15 religious liberty cases in favor of religious claims. For more information go to www.LCRLFreedom.org and for a free booklet about these cases.

Bible Readings

4/19 Psalm 121, 123-125, & 128-130

4/20 2 Samuel 1-4

4/21 Psalm 6, 8-10, 14, 16, 19, & 21

4/22 1 Chronicles 1-2

4/23 Psalm 43-45, 49, 84-85, & 87

4/24 1 Chronicles 3-5

4/25 Psalm 73, 77-78

Faith in Our Future Closing Celebration

Everyone is welcome to attend a reception between services **Sunday, May 17**, as we mark the completion of the three-year pledges for Faith in Our Future. Refreshments will be served, and reports will be shared on all of the wonderful things that have been accomplished and are being planned at ILS and ILCCM! The Lord has blessed our partnership together, and as a result, has provided blessings for children now and in generations to come!

Attention future Cougars!

Join us for TLHS Information Night on April 22, at 6:30 PM.

Learn what makes Trinity Lutheran High School a great place to grow in faith and knowledge.

VBS Donations

We're excited to host Vacation Bible School and share God's love with our children and community! To make it a success, we need your help and are seeking donations for crafts, snacks, and activities. Every gift, big or small, makes a difference. If you are interested in donating items for VBS, the requests are located on a poster board in the narthex hallway. The board explains instructions for donating by choosing a slip, following the QR code, or purchasing the item in store. Donations are needed by **Sunday, May 24th** and can be brought to the Church Office.

Vacation Bible School 2026

Join us June 1-5, 2026 for a Tropical Trek where we will learn how Jesus came to seek and save the lost! Sign-ups are now open for children ages 3 (potty trained) through 6th grade and volunteers. VBS will run from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. each day. Follow the QR code to complete the online registration, or complete a paper copy available in the narthex hallway or the church office.



Kindergarten Teacher

Immanuel Lutheran School is seeking a caring, dedicated, and faith-filled Kindergarten Teacher for the 2026–2027 school year. The ideal candidate will have a passion for early childhood education, a commitment to academic excellence, and a desire to nurture students in a Christ-centered environment.

Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Education (early childhood or elementary preferred), Valid teaching license (or ability to obtain one), Strong classroom management and communication skills. The ability to integrate God's Word and the teaching of the Small Catechism into daily instruction and interactions with students and families. Active membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod is required. Candidates should support and uphold the doctrine and mission of the LCMS.

Responsibilities: Plan and deliver engaging, developmentally appropriate lessons, foster a positive and nurturing classroom environment, communicate effectively with students, parents, and staff, integrate faith into daily instruction and interactions

Interested candidates should submit a resume to: **Lori Lister** LLister@immanuel-school.org

Exceptional Friends VBS Returning

The Board of Parish Education is excited to continue the Exceptional Friends VBS for the second year. The Exceptional Needs VBS will take place June 1-5, 2026 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Registration is open to friends of all ages with special needs and those who wish to volunteer. Follow the QR code to complete the online registration, or complete a paper copy available in the narthex hallway or the church office. Please share with anyone you think would benefit from attending!



Remember to call the church office in plenty of time if you would like to sponsor the Broadcast (\$80), Informer (\$50), or Altar Flowers. We Appreciate our sponsors.