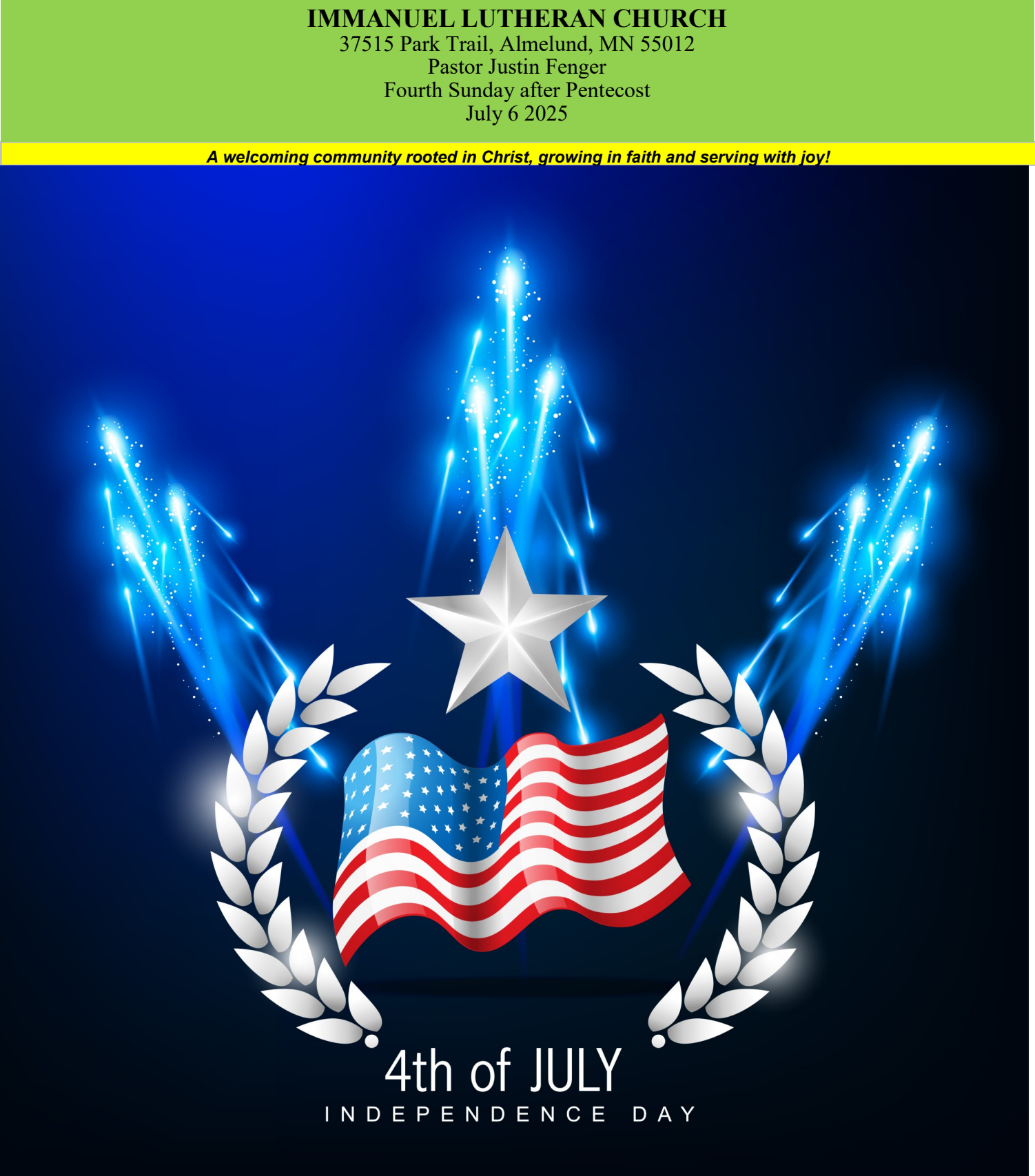


Thank you for helping lead worship today!	Immanuel Church Calendar This Week	Happy Birthday this week!
Pastor: Justin Fenger	Sunday, July 6 9:00 Patriotic Communion Worship Service Live and Online W/Noisy Offering 10:00 Coffee Served: 10:30 Counters count offering 11:00 First Lutheran Service	7 Gary Weness Kim Raschke 8 Vada Fenger 9 Cami Peltier Lynn Carlson Kelsey Larson 10 Henrietta Hendrickson 11 Scott Lundquist Trent Johnson Dunken Buckingham 12 Peter Anderson
Organist: Momoh Freeman	Monday, July 7 9-3 Office Hours	June 29, 2025 Attendance: 70 Weekly Giving Update: June 29, 2025 General \$4,950.71 Loose \$107.00 Building Fund \$120.00 Benevolence: Undesignated \$20.00 Itonya Tanz. Cong. \$205.00 Online Serv. Fee \$1.25 Total \$5,403.96
Special Music: Johnny Russel	Tuesday, July 8 9-3 Office Hours 9:00 Worship Team meets	
Reader: Norm Peterson	Wednesday, July 9 9-3 Office Hours 5:30 Patty Melts @ Ballpark	
Ushers: Marty & Jody Johnson	Thursday, July 10 Deadline for bulletin Info	
Sound Tech: Dave Rue	Friday, July 11 9-3 Office Hours Bulletins Printed 3-6 Farmer's Market	
Camera Tech: Matt Oknich	Saturday, July 12	
Children's Sermon: Pastor Justin	Sunday, July 13 11:00 Immanuel/First Lutheran joint Worship Service @ Wild Mountain Winery with Sunrise River Trio	
Altar Guild: Tora Carlson & Diane Rothe		
Coffee Servers: Tora Carlson		

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

37515 Park Trail, Almelund, MN 55012

Pastor Justin Fenger

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

July 6 2025

A welcoming community rooted in Christ, growing in faith and serving with joy!

GATHERING

Today's Service is using the HFG; TEAL & ELW RED

PRELUDE:

I Pledge Allegiance To The Land

Sung by Johnny Russell

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Welcome to Immanuel!

Thank you for joining us for our worship service. Whoever you are, whatever you’ve done, or where ever you are in life. You are loved by God which means, You are welcome here at Immanuel. God’s grace is given freely, not earned. So whatever journey you are on, God led you here today. We thank you for coming and hope to see you again soon.

Visitors, welcome to worship! If you are interested in knowing more about our congregation please speak to Pastor Justin or call the church office! Contact info is on the back of this bulletin.

We Encourage all Children who can read, to follow along in the bulletin during our worship service.

We invite you to follow the service and take part in a way that feels right to you.

P = Pastor
L = Leader
C = Congregation
R = Reader

Sections in **bold** are to be read by the congregation.

Today’s Scripture
1 Chronicles 16:8-36
Romans 11:33-36

Today’s Hymns
Hymn #688 HFG
Hymn #695 HFG
Hymn #841 ELW
Hymn #184 ELW
Hymn #681 HFG

PROCESSION OF THE FLAGS: *The Star Spangled Banner* #688 HFG Teal (v.1) Francis Scott Key, 1814

CALL TO WORSHIP:

P: Unto Him who is the author and giver of all good, I render sincere and humble thanks for His manifold and unmerited blessings, and especially for our redemption and salvation by his beloved Son. (Written by John Jay, Original Chief Justice U.S. Supreme Court)

C: Blessed be His holy name.

P: I desire to bless and praise the name of God most high for appointing my birth in a land of Gospel Light where the glorious tidings of a Savior and of pardon and salvation through Him have been continually sounding in mine ears. (Robert Treat Pain, signer of the Declaration of Independence)

C: Blessed be His holy name.

P: Rendering thanks to my Creator for my existence and station among His works, for my birth in a country enlightened by the Gospel and enjoying freedom, and for all His other kindnesses, to Him I resign myself humbly confiding in His goodness and in His mercy through Jesus Christ for the events of eternity. (John Dickinson, signer of the Declaration of Independence)

C: Blessed be His holy name.

OPENING HYMN: My Country, Tis of Thee (v.v.1,2,3) #695 HFG Teal

Written by Samuel Francis Smith after he heard a German tune. “I think,” he later recalled, “I instantly felt the impulse to write a patriotic hymn of my own adapted to the tune. Picking up a scrap of waste paper which lay near me, I wrote at once, probably within half an hour, the hymn ‘America’ as it is now known everywhere.” The hymn was first sung at a July 4th celebration at the Boston Sabbath School Union at Park Street Church in 1831.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Lord God Almighty, **you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC: Battle Hymn of the Republic Sung by Johnny Russel
With Congregation singing refrain

Julia Ward Howe, deeply concerned about the issues of the Civil War, decided to visit an Army camp near Washington in 1861. A song she heard there obsessed her; it was “John Brown’s Body,” a Methodist hymn tune to which soldiers had given more military, if hardly genteel, lyrics. Her mind caught by its rhythms, Mrs. Howe spent a sleepless night at the Willard Hotel in Washington thinking out some rhymes; the next morning she jotted down the poem that has made her name famous forever. Time has only burnished the song’s glory and made it brighter. Every few years a special performance or a fresh arrangement makes us hear the inspiring words and triumphant melody as if they were once again totally new.

CHILDREN’S SERMON:

NOISY OFFERING:

FIRST READING: 1 Chronicles 16:8-36

⁸O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. ⁹Sing to him, sing praises to him, tell of all his wonderful works. ¹⁰Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. ¹¹Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his presence continually. ¹²Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, ¹³O offspring of his servant Israel, children of Jacob, his chosen ones. ¹⁴He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth. ¹⁵Remember his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations, ¹⁶the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, ¹⁷which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, ¹⁸saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance." ¹⁹When they were few in number, of little account, and strangers in the land, ²⁰wandering from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another people, ²¹he allowed no one to oppress them; he rebuked kings on their account, ²²saying, "Do not touch my anointed ones; do my prophets no harm." ²³Sing to the LORD, all the earth. Tell of his salvation from day to day. ²⁴Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples. ²⁵For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods. ²⁶For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens. ²⁷Honor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his place. ²⁸Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. ²⁹Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come before him. Worship the LORD in holy splendor; ³⁰tremble before him, all the earth. The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. ³¹Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, "The LORD is king!" ³²Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it. ³³Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. ³⁴O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.³⁵"Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather and rescue us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name, and glory in your praise. ³⁶Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting."

Word of God word of life Thanks be to God

SECOND READING: Romans 11:33-36

³³O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ³⁴"For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?" ³⁵"Or who has given a gift to him, to receive a gift in return?" ³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

Word of God word of life Thanks be to God

SERMON:

HYMN OF THE DAY: Lift Every Voice and Sing (v.v.1,3) #841 ELW Red

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Congregational Response: **Lead Me Jesus Lead Me Jesus
Lead Me Jesus... Lead Me Lord**

OFFERTORY: Down By The River Side by Momoh Freeman

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS: Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful ELW #184 Red

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Thank you, generous God, **for all the thoughts and words of thanks that we have shared today, and let this not be a singular event, but rather a sign of our daily sense of thankfulness. Take the gifts of service and resource that we offer today and every day, use us and them in the creating of a world in which all might have something about which to give thanks. Amen.**

THE APOSTLES CREED:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father, And he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION:

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

THE LORD’S PRAYER:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION: Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

DISTRIBUTION:

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

SENDING:

L: We go, God, C: because you send us, we go because we are called,
L: we go, C: because you guide us,
L: we go, C: because you carry us.
L: We go out into a world of problems,
C: a world of animosity, a world where we may not be welcomed, a world that does not believe it needs you, let alone us.
L: But we go God, C: because you send us,
L: we go C: because we are called,
L: we go C: because you guide us,
L: we go C: because you carry us.
L: We go loving God, All: in Jesus’ name, for his sake, and following his command. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN:

Let There Be Peace on Earth

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

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Pg. 112 ELW Red

Momoh Freeman

#681 HFG Teal

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Almelund Farmers Market Began its 18th Season Friday, May 23rd at Rod's Country Corner! Come Friday afternoons from 3-6pm and check out the local items...annuals, perennials and garden plants, asparagus, rhubarb, eggs, maple syrup, honey, breads, jams/jellies, craft items and other goodies! Products change with the season. New vendors are encouraged and welcomed to join this fun community get-together. If interested, contact Pat @ 651-583-2100.

**Created & Becoming
Faith Conversations at the Edges of Life and Creation**

Fourth Thursday of every month @ Wild Mountain Winery

6:30 PM – Come early for wine, stay for the conversation!

July 24 – Genetic Engineering: What Does It Mean to Be Human?

CRISPR, cloning, and gene editing challenge us to ask: where is the line between healing and playing God? This session dives into embodiment, identity, and bioethics.

Relay for Life 2025 The organizing committee is continuing to make plans for the event which will take place on Fri Aug 22 at Chisago Lake Lutheran Church from 6-9:30 with entertainment prior to the 6 pm program. The Illuminated Immanuel Team will be selling luminaries at Immanuel Church on: July 27th, August 3rd and 17th. The Team will also be serving coffee on August 17th when dedicating them. Everyone is welcome to join our Team or come to the Relay. Cancer touches all of us unfortunately. Help us raise money for research to beat it. You can contact me with any questions @ 651-775-1233 or jnoordergraaf@yahoo.com. Thank you, Jeske

NOW HERE!!! "Patty Melts" at the Almelund Lion's Ball Field! The 10th season began Wednesday, June 11 - running through July 30. Serving starts at 5:30. The "crew" will be cooking Patty Melts, Cheeseburgers, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, French Fries & Cheese Curds - chips, candy & beverages available. Don't miss these fun, summer nights to meet up with friends and neighbors.

What a Great Way to support the Almelund Lion's Club! See You There!!

Naomi Circle will meet on Tuesday, July 15th at 9:30 am at the home of Karen Goodlander. See you all then!

Sunday, July 13 @ 11:00 am- Immanuel/First Lutheran joint Worship Service @ Wild Mountain Winery with Sunrise River Trio - Pot-luck to follow

The Women of the ELCA: Our July 14 meeting with Sarah circle to lead, will be held at church, in the Fireside room at 10am.

Library News

We’re grateful to Kris Koran for donating the following book to our library! Many thanks!

A Journey Of Grace: The Formation Of A Leader And; A Church By Herbert W Chilstrom

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

By end of day Monday, July 21; The third Monday of the month.

Tune in our Daily Texts,

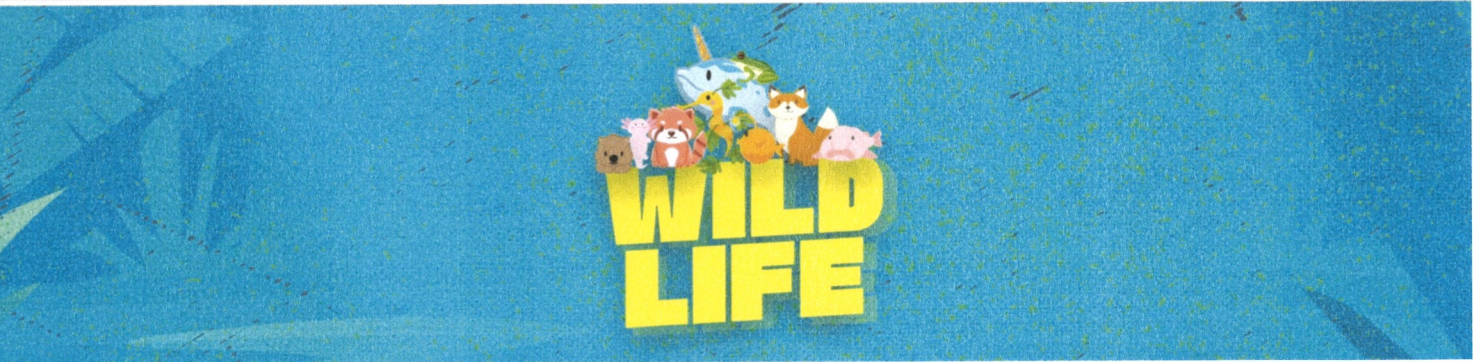
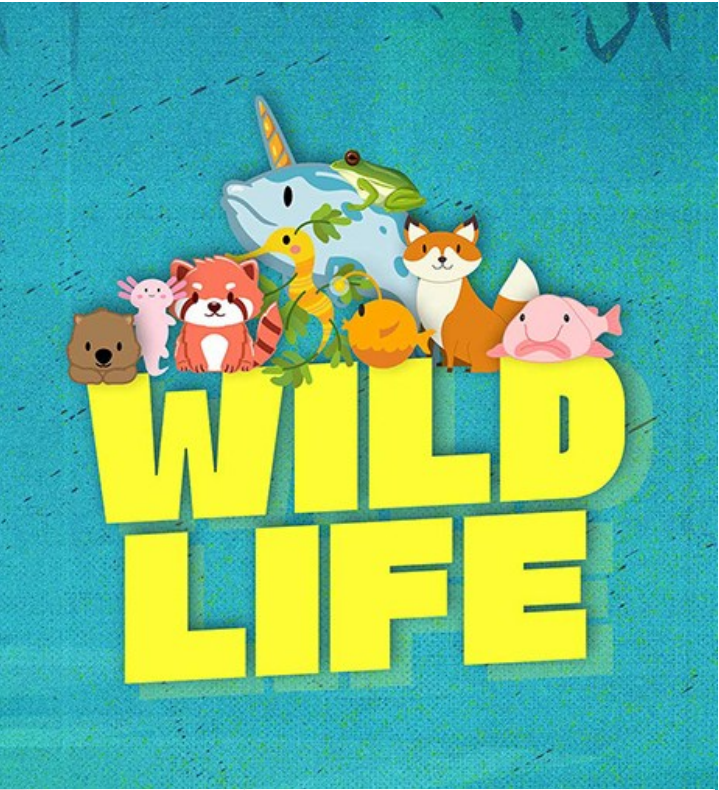
Monday through Saturday on our

Facebook page [@immanuellutheranchurchofalmelund](https://www.facebook.com/immanuellutheranchurchofalmelund)

A daily devotional time based on an Old and New Testament Bible verse based on a Moravian Church tradition and Ground Up Grace Publications Daily Texts 2025 books.

Attention Kids, Parents & Volunteers:
VBS will be held on August 11th - 14th, 5:30pm-8pm.
Please join us for a fun time with a Wild Life theme.
We hope you can join us!
Christian Ed will be looking for volunteers to help with VBS - please contact Teresa Carlson, Jenny Abbott, Valerie Lutz , or Julie Flodquist.

We will have a sign up for volunteers in the gathering area, listing help needed and specific nights, so volunteers can sign up for each night or only nights they have available.
Please contact organizers Teresa Carlson (651-214-9531, tctwinkle42@gmail.com or tctwinkle@citlink.net) or Beth Berger (651-216-3610, bethasnelson@gmail.com) for any questions you may have.



VBS REGISTRATION FORM

Parents Name: _____ Child(ren) Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number/email : _____

Child(ren) Birthday: _____ Child(ren) age & Grade (Fall): _____

Allergies: _____

Emergency Contact (other than parent): _____

Please put VBS Registration Form into the Sunday School box by Pastor Justin’s office.

SUMMER CAMPERSHIPS AVAILABLE

FREE!	Lutheran Bible Camp, Grantsburg, Wisconsin “God’s Word Comes Near” Join the fun and make new friends while enjoying your time by the lake	FREE!
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It’s great to be alive in God’s great Northwoods!
Parents: Get your kids signed up! **Grandparents:** Get your grand-kids signed up! **Kids:** Invite a friend, or a cousin, or a sibling! Even if the are not members of Immanuel, we will pay their entire cost of camp!

Immanuel will pay for your camp experience!!
There are one, tow and five-day opportunities. This is for children entering grades 1-12. Just put your registration form in the offering plate on Sunday or place in the WELCA mailbox located by the church office.

For further info. go to www.jutherpoint.org or info@lutherpoint.org

See Summer Schedule in Newsletter

St. Bridget of Sweden Catholic Church

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

St. Bridget is hosting our 4th annual summer concert series! All are welcome to come enjoy some great musical talent this summer!



ROBERT ROBINSON
THURSDAY, JUNE 26TH @ 7:00 PM



CHOUINARD FAMILY
THURSDAY, JULY 24TH @ 7:00 PM



ALEX SCHINDLER
THURSDAY, AUGUST 21ST @ 7:00 PM

ALL CONCERTS ARE FREE-WILL OFFERING ADMISSION. CONCERTS HELD AT ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN CATHOLIC CHURCH, 13060 LAKE BLVD, LINDSTROM, MN 55045

Sunrise River Trio

2025 Summer of Music

Date	Venue	Time
June 15 Sunday	Wild Mountain Winery 16906 Wild Mountain Rd, Taylors Falls	1:00 – 3:00
June 27 Friday	Brickfield Brewing 30 W. Olson Drive., Grantsburg, WI	5:00 – 8:00
July 12 Saturday	Cornerstone Pub 26753 Forest Blvd., Wyoming, MN	12:00 – 3:00
July 13 Sunday	Wild Mountain Winery 16906 Wild Mountain Rd, Taylors Falls	12:30 – 2:30 Church service prior
August 9 Saturday	Cornerstone Pub 26753 Forest Blvd., Wyoming, MN	3:30 – 6:30
August 10 Sunday <i>Tentative</i>	Wild Mountain Winery 16906 Wild Mountain Rd, Taylors Falls	1:00 – 3:00



Randy ♪ Momoh ♪ Dwight
Join the Fun!

FAITH CONVERSATIONS

LIVING IN THIS MOMENT

THE AFTERLIFE
The mysteries surrounding the afterlife and why it matters

WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH YOUR LIFE?
Finding purpose and discerning Goo’s will

FAITH IN THE DAWN OF A.I.
Technology and the challenges of the age to come

GENETIC ENGINEERING AND WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN
Modern science and human flourishing

END OF TIMES?
Theology, hope, and the meaning of the Apocalypse

EVOLUTION, THEOLOGY, SCIENCE, CANCER AND GOD’S TOOLS FOR CREATION
Understanding God’s working in world



CREATION AND EARTH CARE
Faith and its expression toward the natural world

FOURTH THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH
6:30 PM

WILD MOUNTAIN WINERY

BROUGHT TO YOU BY IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN ALMELUND AND FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN TAYLORS FALLS