(Communion Policy) In preparation for the Lord's Supper, we recognize that we are sinners, are sorry for our sins and desire the Lord's forgiveness. In the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, we believe that the Lord is bodily present in, with and under, the bread and the wine. Our Lord offers Himself in this sacrament to assure us of our sins forgiven through Christ's atoning sacrifice on the cross. Living in that forgiveness, we intend with God's help to amend our sinful life.

Guests, who are communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, have visited with one of our Pastors, and have communed in the past, are invited to come forward for communion. If you are not a member and wish to be placed under the spiritual care of our Pastor and this congregation, you are invited to visit with the Pastor.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Lee Hagan, Pastor Gary Griffin, Danyelle Michaels, Reed Fuemmeler, Kathryn Sullivan, Shelly Mead, Finley Kukal.

Circuit Congregation: Grace Lamar & Pastor Galen Friedrichs

IN PRAYER FOR PRESIDENT HAGAN: Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your ongoing care of our District President Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan as he recovers and ask that You continue to strengthen and restore him. Bless Interim District President Rev. Craig Otto and the Missouri District leadership and staff with wisdom and endurance as they faithfully serve during this time. May Your presence comfort all of us, reminding us that You are always with us until the end of the age. Amen.

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: 9/9: Karen Hayes, Wyvette Wilkinson; 9/12: Corrie Fittje; 9/13: Erin & Joseph Kremp

ALTAR FLOWERS this week are given in memory of Emma Cassity from her grandchildren

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 208 SS 70

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: \$6,422.33

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURES: Ezekiel 34:11-24; Psalm 119:169-

176; 1 Timothy 1:5-11) 12-17; Luke 15:1-10

THOSE WHO SERVE IN SEPTEMBER

Accompanist: 9/7: Phyllis Obert

Elder: Lee Eggerman

Assistant Elder: Dwight Schnelle

Worship Service will be at 9 am until further notice
Ushers: Greg Allen, Randy Hayes, Mike Thieman,

Nik Thieman, Mike Singleton, Eric Allison

Altar Guild: Communion - Paula Lasater & Karen Hayes

Paraments - Carrie Hedemen & Melissa Spinks

Flower Coordinator – Debbie Oeltjen 9/7: Ruger Broiler & Norah Meinzen

Acolytes: 9/7: Ruger Broiler & Norah Meinzen

ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Sun Sept 7

8 am Bible Study (Cafeteria)

9 am Worship

10:15 – 11 am Bible Study / Sunday School – Special Presentation

7 pm Voters' Assembly Meeting

Mon Sept 8 OFFICES CLOSED

Tues Sept 9

9 am Dorcas Quilters

6:30 School Board

Wed Sept 10

8:00 am Chapel

8:30 am Braille

9 am ECC Chapel

2:15 pm Bible Study

6:30 pm Midweek Confirmation

6:30 pm Bell Choir

7:30 pm Adult Choir – **Practice Location in the Choir Loft**

Thurs Sept 11

8:30 am Braille

Fri Sept 12

3-5 pm Food Pantry

Sun Sept 14

8 am Adult Information Class

8 am Bible Study (Cafeteria)

9 am Worship / Communion

10:15 Bible Study / Sunday School

VOTERS' AGENDA: Please see Bulletin insert

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Hymn of Invocation

783 Take My Life and Let It Be

* Invocation: 184

* Confession & Absolution 184

* Declaration of Grace 184

* Introit: On screens

* Kyrie: 186

* Gloria in Excelsis 187

* Salutation and Collect: 189

Old Testament:

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Gradual: *Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.*P Fear the Lord, I you his

saints,*

for those who fear him lack I nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,* but the Lord delivers him out | of them all.

Epistle: Philelmon 1-21

* Alleluia: 190

* Gospel: Luke 14:25-35

* Apostles' Creed

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day: TLH 605

The World Is Very Evil

Sermon: Pastor Fittje

* Offertory: 192

* Offering & Attendance

* Prayer of the Church 193

* Lord's Prayer 196

* Concluding Collect

* Benediction 202

Closing Hymn 708

Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart

(*) marks where to stand

NARTHEX DISPLAY: There were tatted ornaments made by Olga Eggerman left in the narthex table area after her funeral August 16. Eight of them were set down are now missing from the collection. If you happened to pick them up or saw them and/or moved them, would you please let the office know or return them to the church office. They are family heirlooms and belong to one of Olga's grandchildren. Thanks!

LCMS FAQ Have you ever wondered about the stance the LCMS takes on any number of issues but been unsure where to look? Check out https://www.lcms.org/about/beliefs/faqs.

BIBLE STUDY PRESENTATION: Shary Frahm, a short-term volunteer missionary to Cambodia, will present the spiritual and physical needs of the Cambodian people during the 8:00 and 10:15 Bible Classes September 7. Shary and her late husband, George, presented their ministry needs several years ago. Phil and Carrie Hedemann have joined them on several occasions in the Siem Reap area of Cambodia. Please join Shary at either of the two Bible class times.

LWML MISSION POSSIBLE DAY Sept. 16. The first \$10,000 donated on September 16 towards the Mission Grant Goal, will be matched, effectively doubling the impact of your contribution. This generous matching gift presents an exceptional chance to extend the reach and effectiveness of your support. Your donation will have double the impact, funding organizations sharing the Gospel around the world.

CONCORDIA #GiveGreenandGold: Double your impact now through September 24! Your gift to Concordia Seminary plays a vital role in preparing tomorrow's pastors, deaconesses and church leaders to share the light of Christ in a dark world. As we celebrate this year's #GiveGreenandGold Day with the theme "Let it Shine," your generosity can have double the impact. Now through Sept. 24, every unrestricted gift will be matched dollar for dollar, up to the first \$54,000 raised — helping us reach our \$108,000 goal. Your support helps provide vital resources for serving our students and strengthening the Seminary's mission. Can we count on your help?

VOCATIO RETREAT: College students and second-career men and women considering service as a pastor, deaconess, missionary or chaplain are invited to *Vocatio: Retreat* Oct. 5–7, 2025, at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. This distinctively Lutheran retreat offers an introduction to life as a seminarian, time in God's Word and the opportunity to learn from some of the church's brightest theologians. Register by Sept. 15 at www.csl.edu/vocatio-retreat, or by Googling "*Vocatio: Retreat* Concordia Seminary."

VOTERS' MEETING AGENDA September 7 at 7 pm

- Call to Order and Devotion
- Reading and Approval of Minutes
- Invitation to join the Voters' Assembly
- * Reports:
 - > Treasurer's Report
 - Financial Secretary's Report
 - Pastor's Report
 - Principal's Report
 - > Elders' Report
 - > Trustees' Report
 - School Board Report
 - Cemetery Report
- Old Business:
- New Business:
 - Assistant to Pastor
 - Voters' approval for Pastor's housing allowance at 60% of salary
 - Forming Insurance Committee
 - Tuition assistance
 - Moving employee to full time
 - Other new business
- Adjournment and Prayer

Welcome to Worship! Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 7, 2025

Immanuel Lutheran Church & School

Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod P. O. Box H, (212 W. 4th Street), Lockwood, MO 65682 Sunday Worship: 9 am Sunday School/Bible Class: 10:15 am

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The Lutheran Hour: AM 860, Sun 9:30 am; FM 104.1, Sun 6:30 am: FM 90.1. Sun 8:00 am

IMMANUEL'S MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of God's people who have been brought together as one Body in Christ at Immanuel Lutheran Church is growing in personal faith in the Triune God and Sharing the Good News of Salvation in Jesus Christ with each generation.

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES

MTG ROOM - 13 OT Bible

Studies **CAFETERIA** – Trusting God **SPECIALS ROOM – Marriage** and Family WED. CLASS - Next Sunday's Sermon Text

PRAYER CHAIN: The Prayer Chain, organized by the LWML, is a group of disciples that will immediately pray for a specific need. Please obtain permission of the family before calling Liz Hand (417-262-2097) to request prayers.