



Immanuel

Lutheran Church

Love. Serve. Repeat.

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Our Lutheran Church Calendar

Our Lutheran Church Calendar determines what readings from Holy Scripture are read on a particular Sunday. The oldest traditional series of readings repeats itself with the same readings each year.



In more recent years, with some alterations, we joined with other liturgical churches to share a three-year series (called “A, B and C”) so that we hear a much larger number of readings.

A new Church Year begins with the First Sunday in Advent. This year that will be on November 30. We will end our readings from Series C and start again with Series A.

The seasons and special days of celebration all have their assigned colors: white, red, green, blue, violet are the most common.

Some special days fall on an assigned calendar day in the way Christmas always falls on December 25. These minor festivals with assigned dates may fall on a Sunday, but only once in every seven years. When that happens, we have the option of celebrating that special day or continuing with the regular seasonal readings for that Sunday.

Two such days come up on Sundays this September. On the 14th, Holy Cross Day. On the 21st, St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist. Both have the liturgical color of red.

Following the prescribed Church Year’s readings assures us of receiving the fullness of scriptural teaching and preserving us from a pastor or another worship leader who has a favorite topic from monopolizing worship with that topic. There are many important topics which God Himself has chosen to reveal to us through His inspired Word-- some which WE may not like to hear about but which are nevertheless important, even critical, for our salvation.

Let’s all continue to treasure our meeting together to be served by our almighty and gracious God Himself through His life-giving and life-preserving gifts of Word and Sacrament. Gifts need to be opened.





Lutheran love the Holy Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, and we thank and praise His Holy Name for the life and salvation He obtained for us by His Sacrifice upon that Cross. But we're not always quite sure what to make of "Holy Cross Day" on the 14th of September, although it is one of the oldest and most widely spread observances of the Church. The origins of this festival day can seem rather convoluted and even suspect, and questions are often asked as to how the occasion differs from Good Friday.

As Lutherans, we're not especially concerned with traditions concerning the historical artifact of the Cross (weather actually or mistaken), since we are blessed to receive the very fruits and benefits of the Holy Cross in the preaching and ministry of the Gospel, in the waters of Holy Baptism, and in the Body and Blood of Christ Jesus. Nor is the Holy Cross Day observed among us as a repetition of Good Friday, even though we are, of course, always concerned with the preaching and confession of the Cross of Christ the Crucified, proclaiming His death until He comes in glory for the final judgment. (1Cor: 1:18-2:2; 11:26).

Holy Cross Day is rather an opportunity to revel in the glory and victory of the Cross, in spite of how it looks and feels to the world (and to our own fallen flesh!). Outside the sober penitence of Holy Week, we are able to exult in the triumph of the Cross as the self-sacrifice of the Son of God for our salvation. For by His death He conquered death, atoned for sin, and trampled Satan's vile head beneath His feet; and as He was lifted up in death upon the Cross once for all, so does He call people from all nations to Himself by the preaching of His Cross, to die and rise with Him by faith in His Gospel of forgiveness..

O tree of beauty, tree most fair, Ordained those holy limbs to bear: Gone is thy shame, each crimsoned bough Proclaims the King of Glory now. To Thee, eternal Three in One, Let homage meet by all be done; As by the cross Thou dost restore, So guide and keep us evermore.
(LSB #455)

By: Rev. Dr. D. Richard Stuckwisch September 2022
Online at: in.lcms.org/holy-cross-day

Altar Guild - Bev Bayes

THE FLOWER CHART is available to donate flowers
for our Sunday celebrations.

Donations may be made in thanksgiving for
a special event,
or in memory of loved ones,
in honor of someone, or for any reasons to praise God.
Order forms are hanging on the office door.

Two vases - \$30

Also, we want to remind you these are
your flowers and you may take
them with you following the service.



**CHRIST
CENTERED
FUN**



**FOOD
LEARNING
CRAFT**

Our young people's group "Surge" begins it's fall season with a picnic to which their families are invited. It will be on Sunday September 7, at 5:30 p.m.

Regular Sunday meetings include playing games, making a craft that reflects the theme of the evening, a shared meal, a short movie with discussion, and study time. Older children delve more deeply into biblical teaching with Confirmation instruction. A high school group also meets and discusses questions they face in their lives. All learning is Christ-centered.

If you know of young people ages 4-high school, please consider inviting them! Bring them to the picnic for easy introduction.

Information, registration forms and printable schedule for this year are on our website
Immanuel website at immanuel.lutheranbartlett.com

Dates for the 2025-2026 Season

September – 9/7/25
October – 10/5/25
November – 11/9/25
December – 12/7/25
January – 1/11/26

February – 2/9/26
March – 3/15/26
April – 4/12/26
May – 5/17/26

Potluck Dinner



SAVE THE DATES

The Fellowship committee has announced the dates for two future Potluck meals.

Fall Potluck - October 12th

Christmas Potluck - December 14th

Please watch our weekly newsletters for updates and additional information for these two events!

Hope to see you there!

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Join us each Sunday for our 10:45 a.m. Bible Study! No experience necessary! It's informative and will help you grow in your relationship with our Lord and Savior., Jesus Christ.



Immanuel's End of Summer Picnic A Success

On Sunday, August 10th Immanuel held it's end of Summer Potluck picnic. We were blessed with a beautiful day. It was nice to be outdoors and enjoying the sunshine. We were very thankful considering what the weather can be like at this time of the year.

A big thanks to John Moninger, Sally Hover and Bev Bayes who helped to make the afternoon a success! Also a thank you to all who contributed to the delicious food and fellowship.

We hope you join us for our next potluck dinner coming on Oct. 12th.



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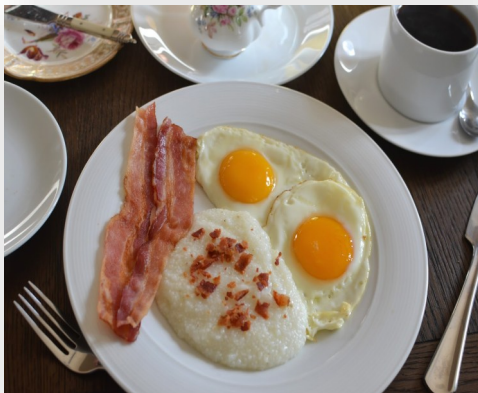
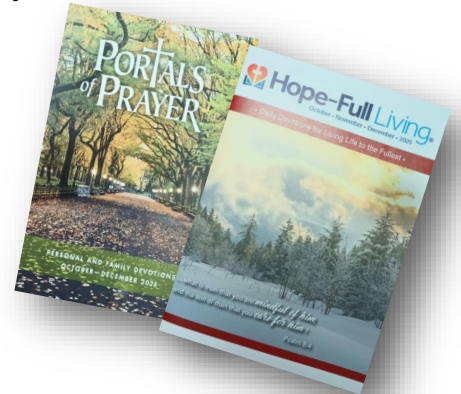
Check out our magazine rack in the Narthex.

We have our new Monthly Newsletters

Portals of Prayer

Hope-Full Living and

Lutheran's Women's Quarterly



Breakfast Brunch Bunch

Our next Breakfast/Brunch Bunch will be on Sunday, Sept 14th. We gather after the Service for a brief discussion of a Bible passage and then leave together for a local restaurant. Everyone welcome! A great day to invite a friend too. We are hoping that you will come!

September Birthdays

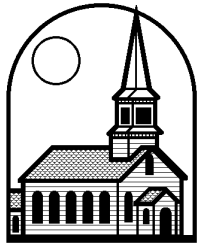
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Jessica Bhatti
Roger Dreher

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Bonnie Hulke
Marty Sterrett
Jacob Anderson
Gary Luper

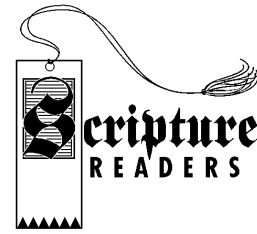
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09/30

September 2025 Schedules



Lay Minister Schedule

September 7 - David Schroeder & Marty Sterrett
September 14 - David Schroeder & Marty Sterrett
September 21 - Gary Luper
September 28 - Al Thilk



Reader Schedule

September 7 - Sally Hover
September 14 - David Schroeder
September 21 - Al Thilk
September 28 - Sally Hover

If you would like to volunteer to serve please call the office.

If unable to serve when scheduled, please try to find a substitute. Also notify the church office as soon as possible (630 837-1166 or immanuelbartlett@sbcglobal.net) Thank you!



SEPTEMBER

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Hispanic Ministry Church

Sunday - 1:00 p.m. - 5:00:p.m.

Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Friday - 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight

The last Sunday of every month

1:00 p.m. - 6:30:p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Monday - 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
7 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Service (HC) 10:45 a.m. Bible Class 5:30 p.m. Surge Picnic	8	9 Board of Lay Ministry 7:00 p.m.	10	11 Board of Directors 7:00 p.m.	12	13 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
14 Holy Cross Day 9:30 a.m. Service (HC) 10:45 a.m. B/B Bunch	15 Church Office closed	16 Church Office closed	17 Church Office closed	18 Church Office closed Service at the Oaks 1:30 p.m.	19 Church Office closed	20 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
21 Saint Matthew Sunday 9:30 a.m. Service (HC) 10:45 a.m. Bible Class	22	23	24	25	26	27 8:00-10:00 a.m. Church Properties
28 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Bible Class	29	30				