

Immanuel Lutheran Church and School

The Thread



Third Sunday of Easter (*Misericordias Domini*) ~ April 14th, 2024

Lectionary Summary:

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Ezekiel 34:11–16

1 Peter 2:21–25

John 10:11–16

The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep

Our Lord Jesus is the Good Shepherd (John 10:11–16). He is not like the hireling, who cares nothing for the sheep and only for himself, who flees when he sees the wolf coming. Rather, Jesus is the Good Shepherd who seeks out His scattered sheep to deliver them (Ezek. 34:11–16). He gathers them and feeds them in rich pasture. He binds up the broken and strengthens the sick. He lays down His life for wandering and wayward sheep. On the cross, Christ bore in His body the attacks of the predators of sin and death and the devil for you that you might be saved. He now lives to restore your soul in the still waters of baptism, to lead you in the paths of righteousness by the voice of His Gospel, to prepare the table of His holy supper before you, that you may dwell in the house of the Lord forever (Psalm 23). *“For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls”* (1 Peter 2:25).



Sunday Divine Service - 9:00 am
Sunday Bible Study - 10:15 am

Contact Us:

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MEMORY VERSE

YET A LITTLE
WHILE AND THE
WORLD WILL
SEE ME NO MORE,
BUT YOU WILL
SEE ME. BECAUSE I
LIVE, YOU ALSO
WILL LIVE. JOHN 14:19



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Live Broadcast

If you are unable to join us for church today, don't miss the opportunity to listen to our service live this morning at 9:00 a.m. on 103.9 FM WXAN. The radio broadcast re-airs on Sunday evenings at 9:00 p.m. You can also view the livestream or recording on our YouTube channel.

Church Announcements:

Adult Bible Study Snack: Here is a schedule of who will be providing snacks in upcoming weeks.

April 14th: *Lloyd & Ruth Mueller*

April 21st: *Helen Bisaga & Alice Svanda*

LWML Mites: Lutheran Women's Missionary League will collect mites after this morning's service to support the Lord's mission here and around the world by sharing the Good News of Christ with all people.

High Chair Donation: We are hoping to provide better seating to welcome and encourage young families to attend church meals. If you or someone you know has an old high chair or booster seat you no longer need, please consider donating it.

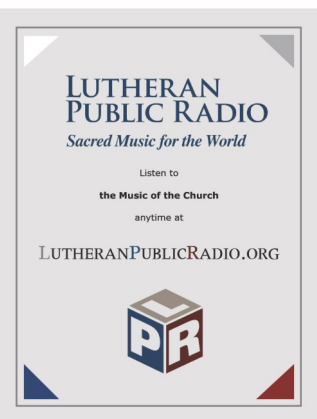
May Voters Assembly: There are several positions for leadership within the congregation that will be filled this coming May at our Voters Assembly. If you are interested in serving the congregation in some capacity, please talk to Jim Zobel to discuss positions that might be right for you.

Rummage Sale: If anyone would like to volunteer their time and/or organizational talents to setting up or running the rummage sale, please contact Veronica Manwaring at 618-201-6168. We will have a few days to begin setting up (May 28-30) and two days to run the sale (May 31 and June 1). Many hands make for light work! Any and all assistance would be greatly appreciated.

VBS: Veronica Manwaring and Michele Carter are heading up VBS this summer at Immanuel. We will be celebrating our Savior with the program, "Jesus Gives Us Joy." VBS will run the week of June 24-28. We'll begin with a meal at 5:30 p.m. with VBS from 6:30-8:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents to VBS, please contact Veronica at 618-201-6168.

We are still seeking a couple Thrivent action cards to assist in paying for the supplies and free meals we'll be offering the children attending VBS.

Hymn Sing: We will have a hymn sing on April 28 in place of the Bible Study hour. Plan to stay after the Divine Service to celebrate God's great gift of music and hymnody within the Church.



School Announcements:

It was great to see all of the students and staff return from Spring Break. School calendars for the 2024-2025 school year were sent home with the students that are pre-registered for next year. If you would like a copy of this calendar, please let me know.

The K-2 classes went on a field trip to Discovery Playhouse in Cape Girardeau. Please check out our Facebook page for photos of this event.

~ *Veronica Manwaring, Principal*

Immanuel Lutheran's
RUMMAGE
SALE

FRIDAY, MAY 31st from 8am-6pm
SATURDAY, JUNE 1st from 8am-12pm

Immanuel Lutheran Gymnasium
1915 Pine St, Murphysboro

FREE WILL OFFERINGS

Accepting donations of items from May 20-24 and
May 28-30 from 7:30am-3:30pm

Please call our office at 618-684-3012 to
arrange a donation drop off outside of these hours

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
PRESENTS



CELEBRATE the Savior

Jesus Gives Us Joy

Ages 3+
must be
pottytrained



JUNE
24-28

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

1915 Pine St, Murphysboro

Meals from 5:30pm-6:15pm
VBS from 6:30pm-8:00pm

Monday: spaghetti with meat sauce, salad with ranch, breadstick, fruit
Tuesday: beef soft taco, rice, queso, black beans
Wednesday: chicken nuggets, mac-n-cheese, veggies, jell-o
Thursday: hot dog, chips, pudding
Friday: pepperoni or cheese pizza, raw veggies with ranch, dessert
meals are free for students participating in VBS



Issues, Etc.

Talk Radio for the
Thinking Christian

www.issuesetc.org

Prepare for Worship Next Week:

21 April

Fourth Sunday of Easter (*Jubilate*)

Hymn of the Day:

LSB 483 With High Delight Let Us Unite

Readings:

Isaiah 40:25-31

or Lamentations 3:22-33

1 Peter 2:11-20

or 1 John 3:1-3

John 16:16-22



Daily Lectionary Readings:

Join in the congregation's daily devotional life with this week's readings.

Date	Old Testament Reading	New Testament Reading
4/14	Exodus 32:15-35	Luke 6:39-49
4/15	Exodus 33:1-23	Luke 7:1-17
4/16	Exodus 34:1-28	Luke 7:18-35
4/17	Exodus 34:29-35:21 <i>Exodus 35:22-38:20</i>	Luke 7:36-50
4/18	Exodus 38:21-39:8, 22-23, 27-31	Luke 8:1-21
4/19	Exodus 39:32-40:16	Luke 8:22-39
4/20	Exodus 40:17-38 <i>Leviticus 8:40-56</i>	Luke 8:40-56

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KIDS IN THE
DIVINE SERVICE
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Every Sunday morning, God's people gather together to receive the wonderful gifts of salvation. The gifts that our Lord has for us are delivered in different ways. One of these very important ways is the sermon.

Why is the sermon so important?

Some people don't like the sermon. They think it is too long, or maybe it is too boring. Some people even try to think of other things while the pastor is preaching. When we are tempted to think this way, we must remember what the sermon is all about. In the sermon, **the wonderful Gospel message of Christ** and all that He has done for us on the cross is proclaimed. Through the sermon, the pastor brings this great message to people right where they are. Though we see and hear our pastor in the pulpit, The words of the Gospel are spoken to us and all people by Jesus, saving all from their sins. Wow! What a great way to actually hear the voice of our Savior!



Parents: Before church, remind your children that Jesus speaks to them directly during the sermon. Let them know that the message is not just for adults, but for Jesus' little lambs too! Encourage them to sit and listen to Jesus as he tells them the Good News. If they get lost in the sermon, comfort them by, after the service, explaining things that might have been confusing.



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Service Participants - This and Next Week

Sunday, April 14th, 2024

Organist: Corey Williams

Elder: Brian Manwaring

Ushers: Forrest Miesner, Bruce Mueller, Craig Mueller, Kent James, Brad Jarrett, Steven Draves

Altar Guild: Sue Williams

Acolyte: Abby Beckman

Greeters: Terry & Jan Estel

Sunday, April 21st, 2024

Organist: Luella McComb

Elder: Bryan Hollmann

Ushers: Forrest Miesner, Bruce Mueller, Craig Mueller, Kent James, Brad Jarrett, Steven Draves

Altar Guild: Sue Williams

Acolyte: Gage Pittman

Greeters: Susan Beckman & Girls

Offering Income from last week:

April 7th, 2024:

Regular Offerings	\$ 4,995.00
Loose Plate	\$ 102.00
Lenten Service	\$ 40.00
Maunday Thursday	\$ 10.00
Good Friday	\$ 20.00
Easter Offering	\$ 100.00
Total Offerings	\$ 5,267.00

Restricted Fund:

School Donation:	\$ 2,000.00
Altar Guild Donation:	\$ 1,000.00

Attendance:

April 7th, 2024 **77**



Comfort, health, recovery:

† *Those in the Armed Forces, Law Enforcement, Fire, Emergency Medical Services, & Healthcare*

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| † David Arbeiter | † Jeff Presutti |
| † June Ashman | † Ruby Pulcher |
| † Leah Carter | † Amanda Reinhardt |
| † Ben Dallas | † Wes Stoffel |
| † Tina Doaen | † Becky Streuter |
| † Paul Estel | † Richard Weber |
| † David Gregory | † Doris Williams |
| † Beth Hicks | † Sue Williams |
| † Mary Ann Hicks | † Beth Zobel |
| † Marilyn Imhoff | † Carol Zobel |
| † Virginia Lewis | |

Those who mourn:

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| † Dorothy Manwaring | † The family of Addilyn Reiman |
| † Ron Manwaring | |
| † Bonnie McMillan | † The family of Carl D. Karg |
| † Nelda Miesner | |
| † Wilma Nelson | |
| † Don Porter | |

Let us pray at all times in the Spirit with boldness and confidence
— making supplication for all the saints (Ephesians 6:18).

✠ Pastor Christian

Anniversaries:

- † 4-16 Chancey & Vickie Hickman
- † 4-16 Bruce & Laura Lynn Mueller

Birthdays:

- † 4-14 Jan Estel
- † 4-14 Matthew Proctor
- † 4-17 Corey Williams
- † 4-17 Moriah Christian
- † 4-20 Matthew Mayberry

Baptismal Anniversaries:

- † 4-14 Andrew Winters
- † 4-14 Emily Beckman
- † 4-14 Abby Beckman
- † 4-15 Abigail Walker
- † 4-17 Robert Boulton
- † 4-18 MaryBeth Varner

Immanuel Families:

- † Jeff, Holly & Jack Mulvany
- † Wilma Nelson
- † Brett & Emily Newton
- † Jane Nichols





April BIRTHDAYS!

4-3 Cindy Fager
4-3 Jenna Draves
4-3 Brooks MacFarlane
4-4 Carolyn Stankovich
4-5 Cindy Gregory
4-6 Zack Cason
4-6 Mikah Streuter
4-10 Gerald Strothmann
4-11 Cindy Boester
4-11 Shawn MacFarlane
4-11 Sam Heiple
4-12 Tony Cramer
4-14 Janet Estel
4-14 Matthew Proctor

4-17 Corey Williams
4-17 Moriah Christian
4-20 Matthew Mayberry
4-21 Megan Pittman
4-21 Jo Troue
4-21 Jaxson Smith
4-25 Larry Troue
4-25 Ella Phillips
4-26 Aubrey Winters
4-28 Judy Baird
4-29 Kelly Lattan

Organists

4-7 Landon Hicks
4-14 Corey Williams
4-21 Luella McComb
4-28 Landon Hicks

Elders

4-7 Jeff Streuter
4-14 Brian Manwaring
4-21 Bryan Hollmann
4-28 Mike Clough

Altar Guild

Sue Williams

Ushers

Forrest Miesner
Bruce Mueller
Craig Mueller
Steven Draves
Kent James
Brad Jarrett

Acolytes

4-7 Charity Behm
4-14 Abby Beckman
4-21 Gage Pittman
4-28 Emily Beckman



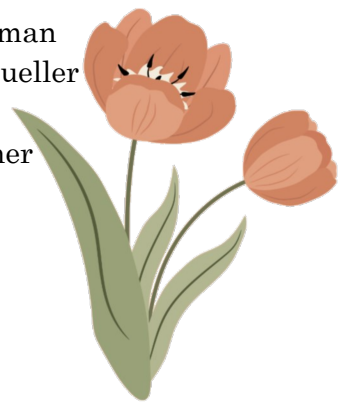
April ANNIVERSARIES!

4-5 Irv & Rose Cartwright
4-5 Jason & Jessica Svanda
4-13 Eric & April Hollmann
4-16 Chancey & Vickie Hickman
4-16 Bruce & Laura Lynn Mueller
4-25 Lloyd & Ruth Mueller
4-28 Rick & Mary Beth Varner
4-29 Brian & Julie Marik



THE LORD WILL GUIDE YOU
ALWAYS YOU WILL BE LIKE A
well watered spring
WHOSE WATERS NEVER FAIL.

ISAIAH 58:11



APRIL 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Spring Break - No School 6:30 pm Elders Mtg.	2 Spring Break - No School 6:30 pm School Board Mtg.	3 Spring Break - No School 6:30 pm Bible Study	4 Spring Break - No School	5 Spring Break - No School Pastor's Day Off	6
7 9:00 am Divine Service Rev. Peter Glock preaching 10:15 am Bible Study	8 Spring Break - No School The Solar Eclipse	9 Pastor out of town for Circuit Winkel	10 8:30 am Chapel 6:30 pm Bible Study	11	12 Pastor at Faith of our Fathers Conference	13 Pastor at Faith of our Fathers Conference
14 9:00 am Divine Service (3-8 Students Sing) 10:15 am Bible Study 11:30 am Catechesis	15	16	17 8:30 am Chapel 6:30 pm Bible Study	18	19 Pastor's Day Off	20
21 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Bible Study 11:30 am Catechesis	22 6:30 pm School Stewardship Mtg.	23 6:30 pm Board of Directors Mtg.	24 8:30 am Chapel 6:30 pm Bible Study	25	26 Pastor's Day Off	27
28 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Hymn Sing 11:30 am Catechesis	29	30				



Greetings Team Immanuel Lutheran

It's that time of the year again for pulling together and supporting the Relay for Life of Jackson County/Murphysboro to benefit the American Cancer Society. This year, the event is broken up into several different activities. Could I please count on support again this year? Our team goal is set at \$5,000. Last year, volunteers raised over \$60,000 during the event.

Please return the donation to me before May 15th if possible. Checks should be payable to: American Cancer Society. Please return the payment to my church mailbox or deliver it to my office (Jackson County Abstract), or mail to me at: P.O. Box 713, Murphysboro. If you would like to register as a team member or cancer survivor, go to: www.relayforlife.org and look for the Murphysboro event. I am listed as Team Captain.

Cancer continues to affect thousands of people in our area alone. Money raised through this event stays in this area and is used for outreach services for patients. This May will mark two years since my diagnosis with breast cancer. I'm thrilled to become a survivor! As a proud supporter and volunteer with ACS since the 1980s, your participation has never been MORE important to me. As a group, we really make a difference!

Use the form below for ordering luminara and return with your contribution. Each luminary bag sells for \$10 each. Join US at the 5K May 20th and for the luminaria display and celebration June 2 at the courthouse square.

With MUCH love and determination,

Paula Maloney, Event Coordinator and Team Captain.

LUMINARIA ORDER FORM \$ _____ (Donation)

1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____
5. _____	6. _____
7. _____	8. _____
9. _____	10. _____