

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Altamont, Illinois



The Apostle Paul on the Areopagus

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

May 14, 2023

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TO OUR GUESTS Welcome to Immanuel. We pray that you will be blessed worshipping the Lord with His people. Please sign a guest attendance card and place it at the end of your row. Please join us often.

THE LORD'S SUPPER is celebrated today. Here Jesus gives us His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. Scripture teaches that anyone who eats and drinks the body and blood of Christ without discerning the body and blood received a judgment rather than a blessing from God (1 Cor. 11:29). Therefore, out of Christian concern for souls, we require thorough instruction in the teaching of the Lutheran Church before coming to the sacrament. Communion is also a testimony of unity of faith with all others who partake (1 Cor. 10:27).

Since unity at the altar means unity in doctrine and confession, we ask that only those who are in confessional fellowship with The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod attend the Lord's Supper. If you would like to come forward to receive a blessing, fold your hands across your chest before the pastor during the communion.

DEAR VISITORS We recognize this communion practice is a sensitive issue for many, therefore we have prepared a brochure to explain it more fully. These are available in the entry to the sanctuary. See Pastor for questions.

In Our Prayers: **Medical Care:** Heather Davis, David Durbin, Abbey Franzen, Sharon Hiser, Linda Holste, Myong Mayfield, Russell Phillips, Evelyn Shumaker, Shirley Siddens, Diana Wendling, Jenny Wendling; Helen Zeigler. **Homebound:** Judy Oldham, Don Ousley, Ruth Ann Owens

Baptisms 11am service of Charlotte Nelson Forys (born 10/18/2017) and Hudson John Forys (born 11/27/2021) daughter and son of Scott and Heather (Thomas) Forys. Sponsors are Amber Barnes and JT Forys. Please keep Charlotte, Hudson, their parents, and sponsors in your prayers.

Ascension Day Service Thursday, May 18th 6:30pm with Holy Communion.

5/7/2023 Offerings: \$14,823.75 Includes: IRA: \$2,000; ASC \$100

9:45 Pastor's Bible Class Life Together as Synod

Family Life Center Baby Bottle Project will be ready for Mothers' Day and then should be turned back in by Fathers' Day with contribution. Make checks payable to Family Life Center.

Lord's Supper: According to the voters' assembly on April 30, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated each weekend service through July.

Cookbook: Immanuel Ladies Aid will be putting together a cookbook to be available for purchase during our 150th Celebration. We are asking all members to submit two of their favorite recipes to be included in our cookbook. You may either drop your recipes in the boxes at the entrances at church, or you may email your recipes to Immanuelrecipe@gmail.com

<u>Monday – 15</u>	9:00 AM	WBC @ Vicki's
	5:30 PM	ALIS Board
	7:30PM	ALIS Graduation
<u>Tuesday -16</u>	7:30 AM	Women's BC – <i>Pew Sisters (last)</i>
<u>Wednesday -17</u>	6:15 AM	Men's BC – <i>Good News: Comfort</i>
		Last Day of ALIS School
<u>Thursday-18</u>	1:00 PM	Sewing Seeds of Kindness
	6:30 PM	Ascension Day Service/HC
<u>Saturday - 20</u>	6:00 PM	Worship / Holy Communion
<u>Sunday - 21</u>	8:30 AM	Worship / Holy Communion
	9:45 AM	Bible Class
	11:00 AM	Worship / Holy Communion Media DVD to Tower- Jordon Seales

“This, dear friends, is why Christ’s ascension is a good goodbye. Jesus leaves you with everything! He has done it all. The grave is empty. Death is defeated. Life is yours. So, people of God, ‘Why do you stand here looking into the sky?’ You have an ascension victory to celebrate and an ascended Savior to proclaim!” *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Kendra Walker has accepted the position of **Director of Youth and Family**. She will begin serving Immanuel on May 15. Our sincere thanks to Andy Dahnke for serving the past three plus years in this position. A public recognition is being planned.

VBS Sign-ups available on table with bulletins or online at Immanuelaltamont.org



Immanuel VBS “God’s Living Water” – Covered in Jesus Grace”
May 30 – June 3, 9AM to Noon
Opening and closing will be in the ALIS gym.

Family Life Center/ Silk Purse Community Give Back Program

Ladies Aid will be providing volunteer workers at Silk Purse throughout June. **Please consider helping by signing in the purple scheduling binder on the counter by the Parish Hall.** Specific date and time slots are available throughout June. In return Silk Purse will donate up to \$3000 to Immanuel's Ladies Aid.

Bells In Motion, an advanced, auditioned community handbell ensemble, based in Springfield, IL, will be on tour with a stop here at Immanuel on Sunday, June 11 at 4:00 pm. Free will donation will be accepted for Bells in Motion. **Immanuel** mixed choir director, Chris, rings with this ensemble.

CPH Booklets - This is the last week to get CPH Booklets discussing different hot topics from a Biblical perspective available for you for free!!!

THIS WEEK-

- A Biblical Response to Islam
- A Biblical Response to Witchcraft
- A Biblical Response to Satanism
- A Biblical Response to Addiction
- A Biblical Response to Abortion

Pick up one of these CPH Booklets on the bulletin table, while supplies last! If you are interested in a past booklet and weren't able to get it before they ran out, talk to Andy or Pastor!

Tour the Holy Land with Pastor Wright, October 29-November 7, 2024. \$4,199 round trip from Chicago. Get a brochure from the lobby table or at immanuelaltamont.org.

Altamont Food Pantry - Items needed for food pantry patrons for May: Hamburger Helpers, Ramen Noodles, Spaghetti Sauce and Noodles, Cereal Bars/Pop Tarts, and Hot Dogs. Thank you for your continued donations and support of the Food Pantry.

Prison Ministry Workshop Thursday, May 18 at St. John's in New Minden, IL. The morning of this will focus on our *Reaching In* volunteers. It is a great opportunity to learn more about the program and the expectations. Start at 9:00 with opening devotions and lunch around noon. If you are interested in attending, please let either Pastor Jeff Nehrt (jeffnehart84@gmail.com) or Jon Hohgreffe (jhohgreffe@gmail.com) know by noon on Monday May 15th for a lunch count.