## Immanuel Lutheran Church

Altamont, Illinois



When Jesus Comes Again (Matthew 10:21-33)

## The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 25, 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.

<u>DEAR VISITORS</u> 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: Dale Berg, Heather Davis, Abbey Franzen, Karen Hammer, Sharon Hiser, Linda Holste, Myong Mayfield, Dennis Meseke, Russell Phillips, Evelyn Shumaker, Jenny Wendling Homebound: Don Ousley, Ruth Ann Owens, Evelyn Shumaker, Shirley Siddens

<u>Birth Announcement</u> Congratulations to Tyler and Gretchen Alwardt who welcomed a baby boy at noon on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.

6/18/2023 Offerings: \$13,776.30

Includes: Sanctuary Renovation 1,974.19 After-School Care - United Way Grant 176.11 After-School Care -100.00 **Also Donation in honor of** Helen & Don Zeigler's 60th anniversary 500.00.

Sunday, 9:45 Pastor's Bible Class "Parables of Jesus" - Lower Level

**Elder's Meeting** will be held on Monday, June 26th at 7 PM.

<u>Grief Support Group</u> meets at St. John's, Effingham on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM.

Youth Fair Stand Clean Up on July 25<sup>th</sup> 8:00am until finished. Sign up on https://linktr.ee/immanuelyouth. This is to get the booth ready for the fair.

**SR LYF Summer Bash** will be held at Ballard Nature Center on July 12<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm. This event is for High School Youth. Details and sign up can be found at <a href="https://linktr.ee/immanuelyouth">https://linktr.ee/immanuelyouth</a>

<u>Lutheran High School</u> Nine local LCMS congregations have asked the LCMS to begin a study about the feasibility of a Lutheran High School in the area. We are awaiting the arrival of our study representative. Pray for clarity of God's will in this endeavor.

<u>Camp Cilca</u> Does your child need a technology detox? Summer is here and registration is open for a variety of camps for youth. No phones; no screens; just God's Word, God's creation, good friends, and fun times. Register today at cilca.org/summer-camp. Call 217-487-7497 or email director@cilca.org

Mon. June 26	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting
Tues. June 27	10:00am	Grief Support St John's Effingham
Wed. June 28	6:15 AM	Men's BC – Good News: Comfort
Thur. June 29	1:00 PM	Sewing Seeds of Kindness
Sat. July 1	6:00 PM	Worship Service w/Holy Communion
Sun. July 2	8:30 AM	Worship Service w/Holy Communion
	9:45 AM	Bible Class: Parables of Jesus
	11:00 AM	Worship Service w/Holy Communion
		Media DVD to Tower -Ron Duckwitz

"We need campfires and cookouts and picnic lunches filled with laughter. Yet, as members of the household of God, we also need conversation and consolation and prayer. We need to gather, in person, at the communion rail. Surrounded by our eternal family, we need to hear God's promises and rejoice in His forgiveness." *Michelle Bauman, Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org* 

Immanuel Fair Stand Schedule Please check the schedule in the lobby, which is based on our prior year's scheduling. Mark with Y by your name if you are keeping the same slot as last year. If you are unable to volunteer during the same designated slot, please cross out your name, give a suggested alternative or select a blank slot. Diana will contact everyone requesting changes to confirm new slot(s). If your name is not crossed out by Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, we will assume you are available to work during the designated time(s). New workers are encouraged to sign up!

\*\*Thrivent member or associate member are needed to apply for Thrivent Action Funds cards for the fair stand, please call Diana Wendling 618-335-0067 for instructions. A Thrivent Action Fund Card is worth \$250 to help with the cost of the fair.

<u>Cookbook</u> Immanuel Ladies Aid will be putting together a cookbook to be available for purchase during our 150<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:lmmanuelrecipe@gmail.com">lmmanuelrecipe@gmail.com</a>.

**150**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary Shirts and Merchandise** The webstore is open and ready to go. We had lot of people see our shirts in the Memorial Day parade and ask about them. This store is open until Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup>, and is also linked on the church Facebook page: https://immlutheran150yrs.itemorder.com/shop/home/

<u>Altamont Food Pantry</u> Tuesday, June 20th, we had a total of 38 participants for the food pantry.

<u>Family Life Center Baby Bottle Project</u> were due back in by Fathers' Day. If you would like to donate by check, please make checks payable to Family Life Center.

<u>The Ushers' Schedule</u> for next quarter is finished and ready for pickup in the entrance of the parish hall.

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 table in the Parish Hall. There is a need for more workers, especially during the last two weeks in June! Specific date and time slots are listed on the sheet. In return Silk Purse will donate up to \$3000 to Immanuel's Ladies Aid.

**LCMS Youth Survey** The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod is asking the youth of our Synod to help us improve <u>Set Apart to Serve</u>, the LCMS church work recruitment initiative. The survey is open to all LCMS youth in seventh grade through recent high school graduates. All responses are completely anonymous and confidential. The congregation's youth are also welcome to share the survey (<u>lcms.org/sas-youth-survey-2023</u>) with other LCMS youth. We would appreciate receiving all responses by July 15. Thank you for your time. Please contact me at <u>james.baneck@lcms.org</u> if you have any questions. – Rev. Dr. James A. Baneck, Executive Director, LCMS Office of Pastoral Education "Pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:38).

<u>Dollar for Missions</u> A Dollar for Missions invites each of us to contribute one extra dollar per week for designated mission projects in our Central Illinois District. The current project is to help one of our campus ministries, University Lutheran Church in Champaign, to purchase a 12-passenger van. Project cost: \$35,000. See the short video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aTJMrriQtV8

<u>Volunteer Program</u> LCC is excited to announce they are reinstating the Volunteer Program. They are looking for individuals who are interested in making a difference in the lives of the residents! There next monthly Volunteer meeting is Wednesday, June 28, 2:00 pm in the LCC Conference Room. Everyone is welcome! If interested, but cannot attend, please contact Dawn Feldhake at 618-483-6136.

**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.