

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Announcements for May 2, 2021



OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday May 2	8:30 am	Sunday School—In Person
	8:30 am	Women's Sunday Bible Study—Lower Level
	9:30 am	Worship Service—Parking Lot/Sanctuary/ Zoom

Thursday May 6	9:30 am	Women's Thursday Bible Study—Zoom
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Saturday May 8	8:00 am	Basketball Practice—AC
	8:30 am	Men's Bible Study—Zoom

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday May 9	8:30 am	Sunday School—In Person
	8:30 am	Women's Sunday Bible Study—Lower Level
	9:30 am	Worship Service—Parking Lot/Sanctuary/ Zoom

CALL PROCESS UPDATE

The Call Committee has selected five pastors to interview the first week in May. The Committee will then select the top candidates for the congregation to vote on during the Voters' meeting on May 23. More information will be available on May 9. Once the vote is made, a call will be extended, and a pastor usually takes 2-4 weeks to decide. If he accepts, he could be here by the end of the summer. If he returns the call, then we will extend a new call to another candidate. Please keep the Call Committee in your prayers as well as the pastoral candidates as we continue the call process. Not our will but may God's will be done!

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Call Committee, as they work towards finding the pastor that God has already chosen for ILC.

Patience and strength for Caregivers.

Boldness in our mission for Jesus to our community and world.

Families to attend worship and Bible Study, and faithfully bring children to Sunday School.

Our ministry to students, faculty, and staff of Kansas, Baker, and Haskell Universities

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Protection and care for those in the military, especially in Iraq and Afghanistan.

FOR COMFORT

Karen Bailey and family on the death of husband and father, Schuyler

Kim Wittman and family, on the death of husband and father, Ed Wittman

Dylan Siler

Charles Bredehoff, Marvin's brother

FOR HEALING

John Whitehead, home after surgery
Karen Studebaker, home after fall
Dale Floyd, June Floyd's brother
Kim Varnadore, facing health issues.
Lois Capps
Amy Wilson, for healing prayers
Candice, daughter of Nancy and David Lahm, for healing prayers
Brian Kubota
John Landgrebe navigating a long recovery after a severe fall
Rob Simons, Sharon Hettinger's brother
Rachel Downs, friend of Julia Rose-Weston
June Floyd

* If a change in prayers is needed, please notify the Prayer chain and church office. Prayer requests will be listed for only one month but may be renewed monthly.

PARISH NOTES AND NEWS

WELCOME, Pastor Tom Harries

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS The youth are excited to sell potted flowers for Mother's Day this year! The youth will be decorating 6-inch clay pots and planting flowers in them. We will be selling these for \$10 each with the proceeds going to ILC Youth group. These will make a great gift for your mom, grandma, aunt, neighbor, friend, or yourself! We will be taking pre-orders for these and collect money when you pick up your flowers on Mother's Day. We will have a few extras, but to ensure that you get one, please pre-order! To order yours, please email Tiffany McCandless at ilcyouthcoordinator@gmail.com or call/text her at 785-218-9944. Order your one-of-a-kind gift today! See Insert/order form.

GARDEN PLOTS at Immanuel are available now for growing vegetables or flowers. There are 6 raised garden beds with water accessible. To start a garden, Contact Marvin Bredehoft, marvinb@sunflower.com.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Join us for women's Bible study from the Book of Philippians, We meet in the Lower Level during the 8:30 Sunday School hour. Please consider joining us for this time of digging into God's word and growing closer to each other and our Savior! Questions? Contact Sandra Scherer at scherer55ks@gmail.com.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTERS 2021 OPPORTUNITY QUILT. This is our annual fundraising event that allows us to purchase batting for the quilts we make. The drawing will be October 3rd (LWML Sunday). Tickets are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. The quilt will be on display in the Narthex, and tickets are "self-serve". Please fill out tickets with your name and phone number and place them and the money in an envelope provided in the container. Contact Kristie Rock with questions, or if you would prefer the tickets delivered. Thank you for your support!

FIRST QUARTER CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2021 were emailed and snail-mailed starting April 13, 2021. The emailed copies come from the address, auto-mail@360members.com and may go to your spam folder. Please review your statement carefully and contact Cristi Hansen by email (cristi4now@gmail.com) or leave a message on her phone (785-550-9001) if you find any problems (especially if your \$80.00 cash contribution on March 28, 2021 is not on your statement).

VOTERS' MEETING ON MAY 23 AT 1PM ILC will have a voter's meeting on May 23rd at 1pm. Both in-person and Zoom options will be available. The congregation will be presented with several pastors for consideration to be our next pastor. A vote will be made to determine to whom we will extend a call, our actions when the call is returned, and what our process will be at that point. Information on the pastors will be available beginning May 9.

COLLECTING HEALTH KITS for those in need for LWR. Items for the kits – soap, toothbrushes, combs, towels—can be placed in the bins inside the church.

OFFERING COUNTERS NEEDED for immediately after Sunday services in August, October, November, December and special midweek services in November and December. Offering counting takes about 1 hour after the day's last service (less after midweek services). Any help is appreciated. You will be trained and won't work alone. Contact Cristi Hansen by email (cristi4now@gmail.com) or phone (785-550-9001, leave message) if you can help.

DESIGNATE YOUR OFFERING by writing on your check in the memo line, or by using a special offering envelope. If your offering is not noted on the check or envelope, your offering will go into the general fund.

NEEDED: Volunteers to organize WORSHIP SERVERS & FLOWERS. A couple of people to gather volunteers, to organize and schedule servers for the monthly usher, the bi-monthly communion care and the occasional flower ordering roles going forward. Please contact Mark Crabtree, markandsheri@sunflower.com, or Leslie, immanuellutheran@ilcandusc.org for information.

SUPPORTING OUR MINISTRIES AND MISSION is only a click away. We offer convenient online giving, so you never have to worry about leaving your cash or checkbook at home. You can make a one-time contribution or set up recurring gifts – a great option for members who will be away or traveling. Get started by visiting our online donation page at immanuel-lawrence.org. ***Look for the Give Plus + link on the yellow bar.***

GROCERY BUCKS UPDATE The youth would like to thank everyone who has bought grocery bucks in January through April! We had total sales of \$23,650 and the youth profit was \$1,419. Thank you to everyone who has purchased them so far! If you haven't had a chance to buy, please consider doing so in May! This is a great fundraiser for our youth group and will help support their trip to Houston for the 2022 National Youth Gathering. As a reminder, we sell them to HyVee, Checkers, and The Merc in quantities of \$50 and \$100. If you would like to purchase, please look for the Grocery Bucks sign on Sunday mornings or contact Tiffany McCandless. You may reach her at (785) 218-9944 or ilcyouthcoordinator@gmail.com. If you order ahead of time, we will have them ready for you on Sunday morning! We really appreciate all your support!

COUNTERS Julia Rose-Weston / Cristi Hansen

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

Sunday, April 25, Attendance—93; Offering—\$4,278; Communion— 72

KEEPING IN CONTACT

Kate Lewis is in 5th grade at Sunflower Elementary. She had been attending in-person several days a week since November with some of her class but is glad to have the whole class back together now. Her favorite subject is writing (both facts and stories). The sports she participates in are basketball, volleyball, and softball. Kate's free time is spent watching videos, dancing, and doing gymnastics around the house, as well as turning her house into volleyball and basketball courts, and playing with friends. During this past year she has learned how to be patient, played some board games with family, and loves to rearrange her room. Her favorite food is mac and cheese, and books and movies are the *Harry Potter* series. Her best church memory is getting Starbursts from Ms. Beth for Sunday School attendance.



'KEEPING IN CONTACT' IS TRANSITIONING TO 'KNOWING OUR MEMBERS' We have enjoyed showcasing our Immanuel members - learning about who we are and how we are living in these unsettling times. Now, however, we are transitioning to "Knowing Our Members." We will focus on a family unit, whether that is an individual, a couple, or a family in our congregation. We will be asking questions and sharing our lives here ... and in the weekly bulletin.

Would you like to volunteer to contact members? This would entail reaching out to families, and gathering and submitting the information for the bulletin/newsletter to the church office. If this opportunity to serve our church (with minimal time commitment ... perhaps 15 minutes per week) would be of interest to you, please contact Kristel Lewis at ktel30@hotmail.com

Please let us know you were here!

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Date: _____

We are glad you are with us in The Lord's House! Record your presence and of those worshipping with you. Please include the names and ages of children present. STUDENTS: please include your address and email address. (Use more than one line if necessary.) Please print. When everyone in your row/car has signed the sheet, please drop it in the basket during offering, or on your way out.

Name:	Address:	Phone/Email	Child/ Youth - Age	Pastor / Elder Please Call	University Student	Visitor	Communing

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