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9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
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IMMANUEL
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September
Newsletter

2026

Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.

Psalm 105:2

Immanuel Lutheran Church Ministry Staff

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Pastor Ben's Corner

The Power of Meditation
Romans 8:6

“For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.”

What comes to mind when you hear (in this case, read) the word meditation? For some, it may be the image of a person sitting with their legs crossed, eyes closed, back straight, maybe with their hands outstretched with elbows rested on their knees. Some may go immediately to the practice common in other religious beliefs, where meditation is a way to help a person achieve “enlightenment”. In this article, I want us to talk about the power of Christian meditation.

Let's start by defining the word meditate. Merriam-Webster defines meditate as a verb meaning “to engage in contemplation or reflection” or “to engage in mental exercise (such as concentration on one’s breathing or repetition of a mantra) for the purpose of reaching a heightened level of spiritual awareness.” With these definitions in mind I also want to make clear that I am not talking about meditation (the act of meditating) with intent of achieving “nirvana”, this is not a Christian belief. Rather, I am talking about meditating on the Word of God, calming our hearts and minds, and focusing upon what God has done for us.

I think this is an extremely important aspect of the Christian life that often gets overlooked. This is disappointing, especially when you consider that the specific Greek or Hebrew word for it is used 23 times and some version of it is used 40 times within the Scriptures. Usually it is focused specifically upon the word of God, like in Psalm 1:2, which says, “but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. Or they are focused upon an internal focus like Psalm 19:14, which says, “May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.”

One final example is meditation upon the actions of God for us, as in Psalm 143:5, “I remember the days of long ago; I meditate on all your works and consider what your hands have done.”

These are just a few examples but they do demonstrate the fact that God recognizes in His word the importance of meditation for His people. And why? Because He knows that with the distractions all around us, it is easy to lose our focus upon Him, and meditation is there to help us calm our minds, to block out distractions, and focus upon Him and His Word. It helps us do what Paul stresses in Romans 8:6 when he writes, “For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.”

Now the question is, where do I start? Here are some tips to help you get started:

1. Start short, maybe 20 minutes.
2. Go to a quiet room that you don't associate with a lot of activity.
3. Use a guided Christian meditation from online.
4. Choose a short Scripture passage that you can use as a focus for your meditation and an anchor to bring your mind back to focusing on God when it gets distracted.
5. Finally, be patient; meditation is a hard and yet rewarding practice that requires practice and consistency.

Regardless of whether or not you choose to formally meditate or not, I pray that each of you is able to spend time each day in God's Word, focusing on your relationship with Him and trusting that true rest is found in Him alone.

Respectfully yours,

Pastor Benjamin A. Braun

>< Pastor Ben Braun



2026 GALA

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN

OCTOBER 3, 2026 | GALA TICKETS

25TH

ANNIVERSARY

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN

2026

EXECUTIVE

\$2500

8 TICKETS / FULL TABLE

PREMIUM TABLE SEATING 8

- Reserved Table for 8 (Premium Placement)
- Prominent Acknowledgement in Program
- Company Logo & Link Posted Online
- Social Media Promotion Online

PRESTIGE

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6 TICKETS

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- Company Logo & Link Posted Online
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- Acknowledgement in the Program
- Social Media Promotion Online

PREMIER

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2 TICKETS

- Reserved Tickets for 2
- Acknowledgement in the Program

DONOR

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2 TICKETS

INDIVIDUAL

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JOIN US FOR THE 4TH TULSA AREA LCMS

ALL CHURCH PICNIC

Food, Music and Fun

Games

Cornhole

Food

Music

Fellowship

AT THE HAIKEY CREEK PARK TRI-PLEX FROM 4PM-7PM

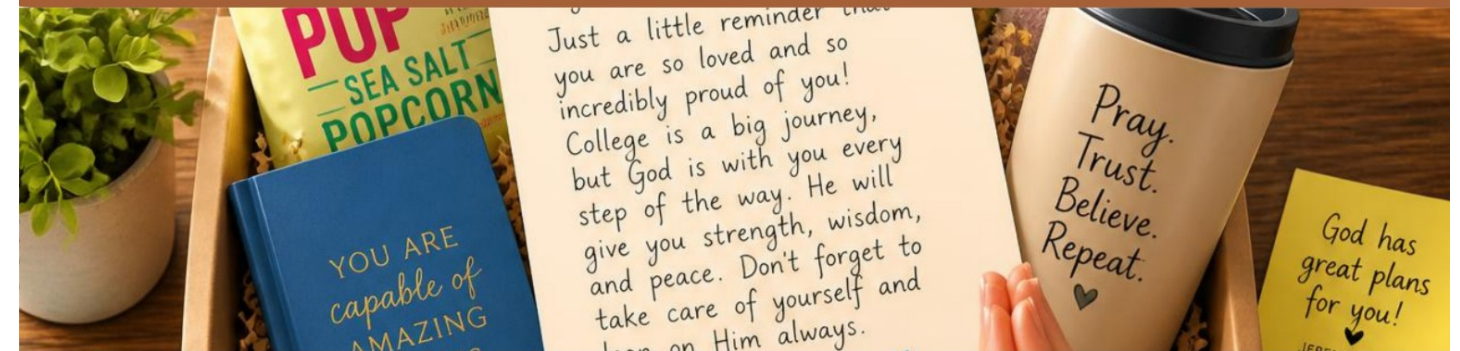
CONGREGATION VS. CONGREGATION CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

PLEASE BRING A LAWN CHAIR & A SIDE OR DESSERT TO SHARE

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2 Ways to Connect Through PRAYER



CollegeCARE Prayer Partners

- Please help us minister to our college students this school year.
- In the midst of such a transitional season of their lives, we want students to know they are loved and cared for by their Savior Jesus, as well as the body of Christ here at Immanuel.
- Prayer partners will commit to one student for the 2026/27 school year. They agree to pray regularly for their student, mail 8 cards (provided) to their student throughout the school year and encourage students throughout the year.

Sign up here



or, email Carrie Ann at youth@icaba.org

Immanuel Prayer Crew



The Immanuel Prayer Crew are supportive adults **Engaged** with youth group students.

We are looking for **50 adults** willing to spend a few minutes of their day praying for a student in our congregation. Studies show that a healthy youth ministry centers around healthy relationships with students and supportive adults in the congregation. Students need to have at least **5 supportive adults** in their lives to continue to grow into healthy and active adult Christians. Please consider signing up to be a member of our Crew.

Signups will be available each Sunday in the month of September, current prayer partners can also pick up a new contact card for your student

SUNDAY EDUCATION HOUR in SEPTEMBER

All classes begin at 10:00am

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES:

- **“Lions, Legends, and the Living God”**
A Study on the Book of Daniel
Led by Pastor Ben Braun; meet in the gym
This study will run through the end of October.

- **A Study of 1 Corinthians**
Led by Pastor Spomer; meet in Multipurpose Room A

CHILDREN’S CLASSES:

- 3-5 year olds—Room 110**
- K & 1st grade—Room 110**
- 2nd & 3rd grade—Room 115**
- 4th grade—Room 124**
- 5th grade—Room 119**
- 6th grade—Room 117**

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES meet in Luther Hall - grades 7th-12th

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- 8:30am — Traditional Divine Service**
- 10:00am — Education Hour**
- 11:00am — Modern Divine Service**



SUNDAY CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation classes for all 4th, 5th, and 6th graders meet Sunday mornings during the Education Hour, 10:00-10:45am.

If you would like to start Confirmation but are not in these grades, please let Todd Stevens know because we will be adding a class for those students. You can email him at tstevens@immanuelba.org.

If you know of someone who could use this information, please forward it to them.



Pictured are 20 of our 27 new members who were received on New Member Sunday, August 16th, during the 8:30am service.



We need volunteers!

Immanuel Youth Ministry

- **Sunday School Teacher**
- **Substitute SS Teacher**
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study Leader**
- **Substitute Bible Study Leader**
- **Help with meals on Wednesday**
- **Help after school on Wednesday**
- **Help with fundraising**
- **Chaperone events and/or retreats**
- **Chaperone Local Mission Weeks**
- **Chaperone Youth Summer Mission**
- **Commit to praying for a student this year**
- **CollegeCARE Prayer Partner**
- **Sponsor a Wednesday night meal through a donation (on average it costs \$250/week)**
- **Donate gift cards to help cover meal expenses**
 - Papa Johns
 - Mazzio's
 - Walmart
 - Cane's
 - Charlie's chicken
 - Mexican restaurant



Immanuel Youth Ministry

Why should you volunteer?

EMBRACE EDUCATE ENGAGE our youth!

"...youth ministry isn't about having all the answers or being the 'expert.' It's simply about showing up with consistency, kindness, and care, and being a steady presence teens can count on."



"I started volunteering 13 years ago to spend time with my nephews, but what kept me was the relationships I built with all the kids. I quickly realized that youth ministry isn't about having all the answers or being the 'expert.' It's simply about showing up with consistency, kindness, and care, and being a steady presence teens can count on.

When we show up like that, relationships grow, faith becomes something they can see lived out, and before you know it, they're inviting you to graduations, weddings, and baby showers. Those relationships and the privilege of walking alongside them in their faith have become some of my greatest blessings."

~Jennifer Stickney

"I chaperone our youth mission and service trips because I love watching their faith turn into action. There's something amazing about seeing these kids take what they've learned in church and Wings and actually live it out. I love sitting back and watching them leading VBS for younger students, stepping up and gaining confidence right in front of you. But honestly, my favorite part is the relationships. I get to know these kids as individuals, not just faces in a crowd. When they come find me later at church, or at Wings, just to tell me about their lives, that's when I know it mattered. It means I'm not just a chaperone to them, I'm someone they trust."

~Katy Lange



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WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAYS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: "God Loves Moms" by Christina Hergenrader.

The women we read about in God's Word were just regular women - like us. And they had the same insecurities and vulnerabilities that we all feel. This study digs deep into the stories of thirteen biblical women for a fresh look at how God reveals His grace through Christ for you. Written in an inviting, friendly tone, this resource is for mothers of all ages. **This study is on Tuesday mornings at 10:00am in the church office conference room; hosted by Lynn Beaird.**

WEDNESDAYS

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST—New Topic starting September 2nd: "Living Life Backwards"

We will be discussing and learning how Ecclesiastes teaches how to live in light of the end — freeing us to live wisely, generously, and faithfully for God's glory and the good of this world. A book has been donated for each participant. **Please join us, 6:30am on Wednesdays at Chick-fil-A, 71st & Garnett; hosted by Joe Kuhlmann. For more information, call the church office, 918-258-5506.**

WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP starts September 9th at 6:00pm. The study book is "Everlasting" by Christina Hergenrader, and can be purchased on Amazon or CPH.

Anxious. Worthy. Ashamed. Nostalgic. Lonely. Secure. This is just a handful of emotions we observe in the Psalms-and in our day-to-day lives, too. In this women's Bible study from beloved author Christina Hergenrader, you'll be guided through 25 psalms, digging into their genres, perplex emotions, glimpses of Jesus, and more. While in this life we experience mountaintop moments, deep valleys, and everything in between, we can rest in God's everlasting love and grace. Christina is the speaker for our Fall Women's Retreat. **Join us Wednesdays from 6-7:30 pm, in the library. Hosted by Anna Braun.**

YOUNG ADULT BOOK STUDY: *A Martyr's Faith in a Faithless World*

Stand firm when faith is tested. Learn how to face pressure, endure hardship, and keep trusting Christ to the very end.

In *A Martyr's Faith in a Faithless World*, Bryan Wolfmuehler points to the witness of early Christians like Stephen, Perpetua, and Polycarp to show what steady faith looks like in real life. Through vivid storytelling and practical insight, he explores how faith grows not in comfort but in challenge--through opposition, suffering, and the everyday demands of family, work, and community. Anchored in Jesus' Parable of the Sower and the Bible's call to "put on the armor of God," this book shows how faith is tested from every side--and how God's Word takes root and endures. **We meet at the church, 6-7:30pm, in the church office conference room. Study led by Mark D'Arcy.**

THURSDAYS

BIBLE STUDY: Revelation

This study is part of the *LifeLight* Bible study series of in-depth studies of Bible books. The goal of *LifeLight* is that through a regular program of in-depth personal and group study of Scripture, more and more Christian adults may grow in their personal faith in Jesus Christ. For men & women. **Join us on Thursdays at 10:00am in the church office conference room; hosted by Dan Kois.**

IMMANUEL BRAILLE MINISTRY

Lutheran Braille Workers is the largest Christian ministry in the world that provides Braille and specialized Large Print Bibles free of charge for people who are Blind or Visually Impaired. Thanks to an army of volunteers and thousands of generous partners who financially support this ministry, Lutheran Braille Workers is able to get the Word of God into the hands of people who are Blind or Visually Impaired at no expense to them.

There are several Immanuel members that are involved in this ministry. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, we gather monthly (the 3rd Monday of the month) to print and collate Braille books for shipment to foreign missions. The next meeting is Monday, September 21st at 9:00am at Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Tulsa; 2250 E 71st St.

If you have any questions, please contact the Immanuel church office, 918-258-5506. All are welcome to join.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Are you experiencing a crisis, facing a challenge, or simply going through a tough time? A Stephen Minister can help.

Stephen Ministers are lay congregation members trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or relocation. After being matched with a person experiencing a life crisis, the Stephen Minister meets with that person—privately and confidentially—on a weekly basis to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. The caring relationship lasts as long as the need for care exists.

Please contact the church office or check the box below the prayer request section of the attendance register to learn more about how Stephen Ministry can help you.

Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2



MITE SUNDAY
September 6th
(the first Sunday of each month)

If you have spare change, you can drop it in the Mite Boxes located in the pews!

Inspired by the Biblical story of the widow's mite, these boxes are meant for regular contributions that help support district and national mission grants, as well as various Lutheran Women in Mission programs. Throughout the decades, Lutheran women have stepped out in faith, setting goals and trusting God to move the hearts of His people to give generously to LWM to proclaim the Gospel. Thank you for your donations!



Lutheran Women
in Mission

Calling all ladies of Immanuel...
you are invited to join us at our next gathering on Tuesday, September 15th at 6:00pm, here at the church.

We share the Gospel with others and focus on growing each women's relationship with her Lord and Savior.

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions.

READING Buddies

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Make a difference. Share a story.
Change a life.

WHAT IS READING BUDDIES?

Reading Buddies pairs caring volunteers with elementary students to practice reading, build confidence, and encourage a lifelong love of books!

BE A ROLE MODEL
Encourage, support, and inspire a young reader.

SHARE THE JOY
Spend quality time reading and making memories.

MAKE AN IMPACT
Your time can boost confidence and brighten a student's day!

Interested?

CONTACT:
Heather Jones
Text 817-874-1816
heatherjones@icaba.org

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TOGETHER WE GROW

Children's Ministry

Sunday School

Ages 3 years to 5 years meet in Room 110
Kindergarten & 1st grade meet in Room 110
2nd grade and 3rd grade meets in Room 115

Confirmation Classes

4th grade Confirmation meets in Room 124
5th grade Confirmation meets in Room 119
6th grade Confirmation meets in Room 117

We have started a new incentive program. Students will earn points for Attendance, Memory Work, Bringing Guests and Leading Songs in worship services. Points can be exchanged for prizes.

Our **NURSERY** is available for use during worship services. It is located on the West side of the main Hall near the Sanctuary. We welcome children of all ages during worship and want parents and children to have a comfortable place if they need to leave briefly.

We have Activity Bags (located near the doors) available for children to use during the services. Children of all ages are encouraged to come to the front for children's lessons during the services.

Wednesday **KID'S CLUB** for children ages 4 years through 5th grade begins on September 16th. We meet in **Multipurpose Room A** across the main hall from the offices from **6:00 to 7:30pm**. We enjoy Bible lessons, songs, crafts, snacks and games, and grow in faith during fellowship.

CHIME CHOIR for children in 1st to 5th grades practices from **6:45 to 7:30pm** on Wednesday. Children learn to read music and ring chimes. We ring during worship services at least twice a year.

Join us for fun and fellowship at **PLAY and PRAY**. Children from infancy through preschool, their parents and other caregivers are invited to join us. We meet at 10:00am at various locations.
Fri. Sep. 4th (church nursery) Sat. Sep. 12th (at the Beaird home-contact Lynn)
Fri. Sep. 18th (no meeting) Sun. Sep. 20th we join the fun at the All Church Picnic
Fri. Oct. 2nd (church nursery) (Siblings and older children welcome when school is out of session.)

Immanuel Family Fun Day had our 3rd Annual Back to School Splash Bash August 22nd. In September, we will be going to the All Church Picnic at Haikey Creek Park on Sunday the 20th. In October we will be participating in Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat on Halloween, Saturday the 31st.

*There are many tasks for many hands. If you can help even once a year it will make a difference.
Contact Todd Stevens for more information.*

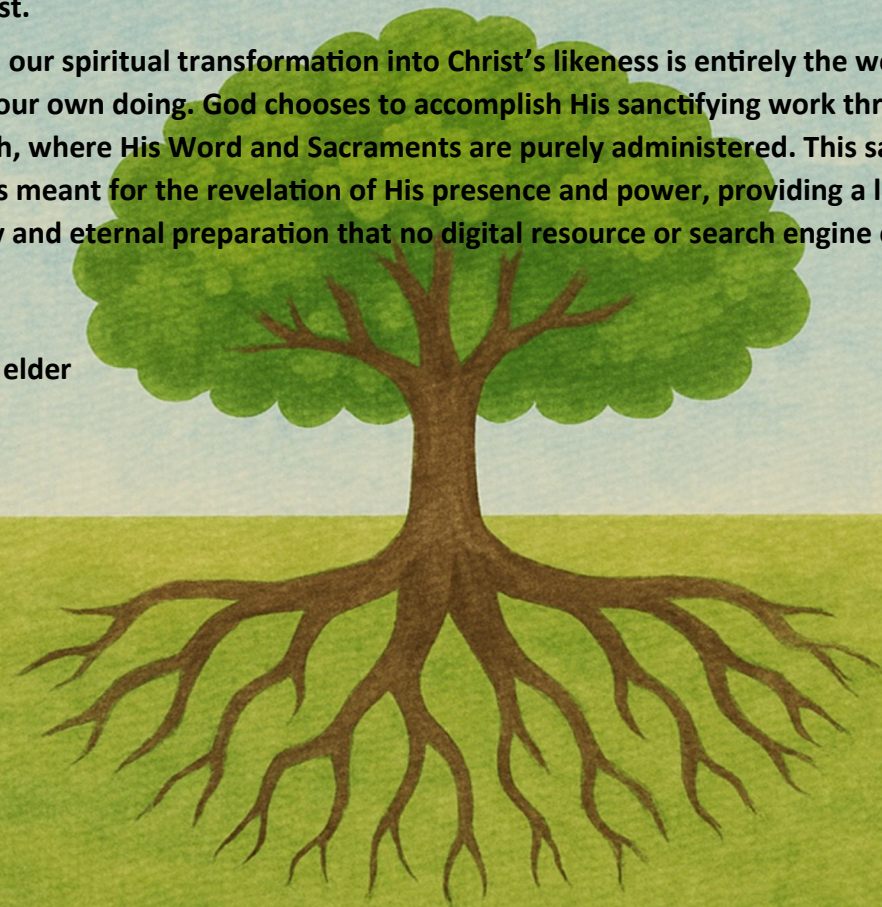
"Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving." Colossians 2:6-7

As baptized followers of Christ, we often feel the shifting tides of a hostile culture around us. Yet, like the apostle Paul, we are called not to retreat from the world, but to faithfully engage it with humility, faith, and love. True church membership is never a matter of passive attendance; it is an active commitment to the body of Christ. God has placed each of us at Immanuel for a distinct purpose: to look outward, serve our neighbors, and actively participate in the growth and health of our community.

We build up the Body of Christ by receiving God's gifts in faithful worship, praying consistently, serving others, and extending Christ-like patience to one another. When a congregation embodies these shared commitments, it becomes a living testimony of a genuinely different organization to a watching world. The church environment we experience is deeply shaped by our own willingness to step forward, participate in various ministries, and use the unique gifts God has given us to strengthen our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Ultimately, our spiritual transformation into Christ's likeness is entirely the work of God's grace, not our own doing. God chooses to accomplish His sanctifying work through the local church, where His Word and Sacraments are purely administered. This sacred gathering is meant for the revelation of His presence and power, providing a living community and eternal preparation that no digital resource or search engine can ever replace.

Jim O'Dell, elder





IN OUR PRAYERS

Carol Feagins – she has not been able to have the chemo treatments due to low blood counts. Please pray for Carol as she is also dealing with extreme fatigue.

Pastor Braun and family

For Our Armed Forces

Immanuel's Visioning Process – pray for our Elders, Staff, our elected leaders, and for us as a congregation to know God's vision for us and that we will be inspired to pursue it.

Those with Health Concerns – Matt Hagans, Loretta Herzberger

Those with cancer – Allen Beaird, Michelle Craig, Donna D., Jill Duran, Carol Feagins, Earl Franklin, Mike Hays, Mark Holcomb, Allen Hufford, Holly Johnson, Lyle Johnson, Shirley Kirkpatrick, Jackie Oestreich, Jonathan Schultz, Gary Siftar, Carrie Ann Swaim, Theresa, Ellen Vester, Lois Wegner, Woody Wicker

Missionary work: Rev. Christian and Gudula Tiews serving in the Eurasia Region; Ben Helge serving in the Czech Republic; Josh Lange and family, working with CWF in Shanghai; Bob & Chris Prouty serving in Australia; Rev. Jason and Anna Marie Steffenson will be serving in Italy. Rev. Bryan and Deaconess Keah Payne serving in Shinyanga, Tanzania.

September

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 June Hood | 20 Craig Brown |
| 3 Lucky Engelman | 21 Lydia Musick |
| Paul-Andrew Cromer | 22 Holly Hoehn |
| 4 Zack Brinkman | Michele Kinsey |
| 6 Paula Smith | 23 Kyah Braun |
| 7 Dillan Braun | Kenny Smith |
| Lynn McDonald | 24 Jim Lewis |
| Isaiah Stevens | Avery Shelton |
| 9 Wanda Kerr | Dennis Voss |
| Shawn McDonald | 25 Charlie Wallace |
| 10 Chantel Barber | 26 Ella Conway |
| Twilla Berwaladt | Ethan Conway |
| 11 Aaron & Julie Thomas, | Jean Ohlde |
| 27 years | 27 DJ O'Dell |
| 12 Eli Chandler | Grayson Stickney |
| Kristen Heisterberg | 28 Kaylee Sanzalone |
| Jerry Henningsen | Lexi Sanzalone |
| 15 John Berwaladt | Steven & Teddi |
| 16 Kara Greene | Beard, 8 years |
| 17 Henry Stolt | 30 Bennett Seeman |
| 18 Nathan Armer | Gary Siftar |
| Bill Hutchins | Paul-Andrew & Amy |
| Kora Seeman | Cromer, 20 years |
| Bill Swaim | |
| Mark & April | |
| Lemaster, 16 years | |



September 6
Steve & Jacki Gray, 51 years

September 25
Marlin & Jackie Bence, 55 years

Attention PARENTS and YOUTH in grades 6-12!

PARENT NIGHT LIVE

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 2

6-8PM (PIZZA @ 5:30P)

IN LUTHER HALL

Interested in Youth Ministry? Join us for an evening of **FUN** and important **INFORMATION** about youth ministry at Immanuel!

Learn how you can get involved, grow in **Faith**, create **Faith-filled relationships**, put **Faith in Action, Funding**, and have some **FUN** together!

Questions? Contact Carrie Ann at youth@icaba.org



JOY OKLAHOMA DISTRICT MIDDLE SCHOOL GATHERING

for 6th-8th Grade Students
October 2-4, 2026 @ Camp Lutherhoma

LEGIT

The Truth Is Out There

JESUS ANSWERED, "I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE. NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME."

\$185 per person
for retreat cabins



Registration and \$ Due
Wednesday, September 2, 2026

WINGS



Immanuel Youth in grades 6-12

Wednesdays are time for us to renew our strength midweek!
Join us for fellowship, food, and faith!

3:10-5:30pm - FELLOWSHIP

Open gym, activities, snacks, etc. Join us when you can!

5:30pm - FOOD

Supper is served in Luther Hall

6:00-7:30pm - FAITH

Bible Studies (we start all together in the chapel for announcements and a devotion and then break into smaller groups for Bible Studies!)

Isaiah 40:31 – "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

Questions or for more information, contact Carrie Ann at youth@icaba.org

Join us!
(bring a friend)

Christina Hergenrader

SPIRITUAL & EMOTIONAL GROWTH COACH

SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

8:00am—2:00pm



You are invited to join us for a **women’s retreat** with author Christina Hergenrader as she shares practical, Christ-centered encouragement to refresh your Faith, renew your Spirit and Connect with other Christian Women. Whether you’re a mom, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, friend--or simply looking to grow in your faith and relationships--this retreat is for you. Invite a friend, neighbor, coworker, or family member to join you! We’d love to welcome women from our church and throughout the community for a time of encouragement, meaningful conversation, and time in God’s Word.

Register now to reserve your spot!
\$35 Pre-Registration / \$40 at the Door
Continental Breakfast sponsored by Thrivent & Lunch will be served.

Immanuel Lutheran Church
400 N Aspen Ave
Broken Arrow, OK 74012



These books will be available for purchase at the Fall Retreat on September 26.



ALL BOOKS \$20
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AND SIGNING AT THE RETREAT



ALTAR FLOWERS

Sign Up Now for any Sunday in 2026

You may **pick a Sunday in advance** to sponsor altar flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, or baptismal birthday. Sign up on the table in the narthex or **online** for your convenience.

**\$65 Single floor arrangement or
\$75 Two wall arrangements**

If you have questions, please contact the church office at **918-258-5506**.

Online sign-up:
<https://tinyurl.com/ILCflowers>



KEEP CONNECTED WITH CHURCH NEWS

The church website, www.immanuelba.org, has up to date information: the weekly announcement flyer, monthly newsletter, calendar events, Youth Ministry events, etc.

You can also download the church app:
Immanuel Broken Arrow

Also, you can watch live on Facebook, YouTube, on our app, and on our website on Sundays at 8:30am for our Traditional worship service.



MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE

The LCMS invites everyone to memorize **a verse together each week for August.**

It is our great opportunity and joy to read and study God’s Word. One beneficial practice is to memorize the Scriptures and, in so doing, to meditate on it.

Week of September 6, 2026
Jude 24-25



Week of September 13, 2026
Psalms 143:8

*Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love,
for in You I trust. Make me know the way I should go,
for to You I lift up my soul.*

Week of September 20, 2026
Nahum 1:7

*The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; He
knows those who take refuge in Him.*

Week of September 27, 2026
Psalms 91:11-12

*For He will command His angels concerning you to guard
you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you
up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.*

AUGUST 2026

CHURCH ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

August 2nd:
10:00am service: 234
Offering: \$15,602.00
Online Giving: \$8,042.29

August 9th:
10:00am service: 350
Offering: \$11,204.32
Online Giving: \$11,029.32

August 16th:
8:30am service: 242
11:00am service: 107
Offering: \$11,192.00
Online Giving: \$7,111.71

August 23rd:
8:30am service: 217
11:00am service: 104
Offering: \$14,220.75
Online Giving: \$7,282.84

August 30th: *Information not available at the time of printing.*

“United in faith and empowered by the Spirit, Immanuel **Embraces, Educates,** and **Engages** our community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.”

July 2026 Monthly Financial Update

		<u>2026 YTD</u>
Offerings Received (General Fund)	\$84,660	\$634,781
Total Income Received	\$110,507	\$806,098
Expenses	\$125,335	\$878,254
Surplus/Deficit	— \$14,827	— \$72,157

In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths. Proverbs 3:6





NOTES FROM MUSIC MINISTRY

COME SING WITH US!

Chancel Choir is for ANYONE high school - adult. No experience necessary! Come make a joyful noise with us and enjoy fellowship with this welcoming group. We meet Wednesdays at 7:00. Let Rebecca know if childcare is an issue for you.

rwinston@immanuelba.org

SCHOLA CANTORUM

Schola Cantorum is our children's choir for ages 1st-8th grade. We will meet Wednesdays from 5:15-6 (Kids' Club start time). Please sign up with the QR code below so we know if we have enough interested kids.



BOAR'S HEAD CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL !



Our annual Christmas Festival is back for its 3rd year! Don't miss being a part of this wonderful community event offered by our Immanuel family! We need you to continue growing this outreach event and making it more successful each year. Performers, musicians, hosts, bakers--there's something for everyone! Watch the Narthex for sign ups soon.

Questions? rwinston@immanuelba.org



Young Adults (18-29) -
Check your emails for information about an evening to get together over supper and conversation.

We'd love to hear what you want at Immanuel, where you want to be involved, and more!

For more information, please reach out to Chris Winston or the church office.



College Care Prayer Partners

College Students

- We would like to keep you in our prayers!
- Please send in a photo and the following information— name, birthdate, address, email address, college, and major (if decided), estimated date of graduation, prayer requests and something you are looking forward to this school year, favorite restaurant near campus and if you have any favorites (candy, coffee, etc.).
- Photos and information can be e-mailed to youth@icaba.org or put them in Carrie Ann Swaim's mailbox outside the church office.

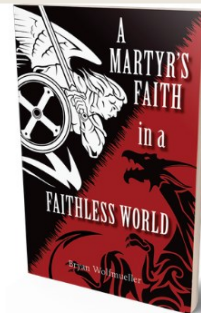
YOUNG ADULTS

TULSA AREA LCMS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 6-8P
GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
2331 E FIFTH PL
TULSA, OK 74104
SWING DANCE (NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 6-8P
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
400 N ASPEN AVE
BROKEN ARROW, OK 74012
PUMPKIN CARVING/SMORES
(BRING A PUMPKIN; S'MORES PROVIDED)

BRING A FRIEND &
JOIN US FOR
FELLOWSHIP AND
FUN!



Young Adult Book Study

College Age Young adults
(ages 18 - 25)

Wednesday evenings from 6-7:30pm in the church conference room.

Join us for (FREE) supper in Luther Hall at 5:30pm if you'd like!

No pre-reading required! We read and discuss together.

