

Immanuel Lutheran Church

United in faith and empowered by the Spirit, Immanuel **embraces, educates, and engages** our community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Immanuel means “God with us.” Knowing this, the possibilities for Immanuel’s ministries are unlimited. Immanuel’s ministries focus on three pillars supported by the foundation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The pillars of **embracing, educating, and engaging** our community serve as guideposts and reflect our unity of faith. The strength of these pillars is based on three faithful relationships originated and strengthened by the Holy Spirit: First, God with us; Next, our interactions with Each Other; and Third, our outward interactions with our neighbors.



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Pastor Ben's Corner

Rooted in Christ

Colossians 2:6-7

"Therefore, as you have 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."

It is hard to believe that the summer is almost over and another school year is about to begin. The theme for our LC-MS schools this year is "Rooted in Christ", based on the above passage from Colossians chapter 2. This theme will form the basis for all of our chapels and other events throughout the school year at our Pre-K through 12th grade Academy. With this theme in mind, I want to offer three truths about what it means to live a life rooted in Christ.

The first is the truth that being rooted in Christ means recognizing/believing that Christ is the foundation for the rest of our lives. In our Gospel reading from a couple of weeks ago, we read Jesus' "Parable of the Sower" (Matthew 13:1-9). In this parable, Jesus described how when some seed was sown on rocky ground, it sprang up, but because it could not have deep roots, the plant became scorched and died. This is why being rooted in Christ is so important. Because when we are rooted in the things of this world, it is like being planted amongst the rocks. On the surface it looks good, but when trials arise, the world cannot provide enough depth to get us through them. Whereas when we are rooted in Christ, it is Christ who holds us firm through any trial, having conquered those trials for us on the cross and ultimately through the empty tomb.

The second truth about being rooted in Christ is that Christ provides for all of our needs. If you know much about plants, then you know that the majority of plants get the majority of the nutrients it needs to grow, flourish, and produce good fruit through their roots. Even though the majority of the plant that we see above the ground helps and is necessary for the life of the plant, it is what lies beneath the surface that sustains its life.

The same is true when it comes to our lives. We are completely reliant upon the provision of God for the sustaining of both our physical and spiritual lives. We pray it every week when we pray the words of the Lord's Prayer, praying, "Give us this day our daily bread." Being rooted in Christ means recognizing this earthly provision and also recognizing that Christ must be the center and foundation of our faith. For it is only through faith in Christ that we have eternal life.

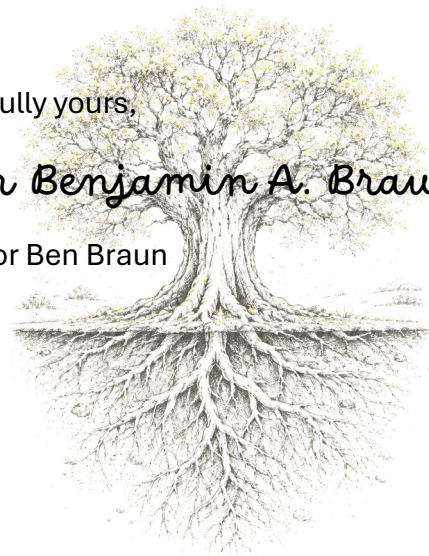
And that brings me to a third truth, and that is the truth that, rooted in Christ, we now bear fruit. In Matthew 3:8, John the Baptist issues this command to the people as he prepares the way for the ministry of Jesus: "Bear fruit in keeping with repentance." In other words, don't simply say, "I am sorry" and then return to your old way of doing things; rather, actually repent- yes, experiencing remorse for an action, but more than that, turn away from it. The fruit of repentance is a turning away from sin and towards the free grace of God, as accomplished through Christ Jesus. As those who are rooted in Christ, we recognize that the only thing that can bring about this fruit is a full reliance upon what Christ has accomplished for us. It isn't our own actions (which are always tainted by sin) that bear fruit, but Christ's actions for us and the faith He has built within us that bear fruit.

As we enter into yet another school year, my prayer is that each of us would be filled by the Holy Spirit and by faith be rooted in Christ. For it is He who is our firm foundation, the one who sustains our lives, and allows us to bear fruit in keeping with repentance.

Respectfully yours,

Pastor Benjamin A. Braun

>< Pastor Ben Braun



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY PRESCHOOL

Come join our team! We are hiring for both FULL time and PART time positions! Contact Nicole Gordon at ngordon@icaba.org or call 918-258-7622 for more information!



NOW HIRING!

Full time & Part time positions available

Join our team and help make a difference in the lives of young learners! We are hiring passionate, dependable, and qualified teachers for multiple age groups. We offer a supportive team environment, opportunities for professional development, and room to grow within our school. Enjoy a consistent schedule with evenings and weekends off, paid PTO, and the chance to inspire children through meaningful learning experiences every day. We'd love to meet you!

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LCMS Family Ministry: CONVERSATION STARTERS FOR MEALTIME

Who's your best friend? What is your favorite Bible verse?
What do you think it means to have courage?
These questions and more, written especially for families to use as conversation starters at mealtimes.

This pack of cards (available online) is meant to accompany your family at the breakfast, lunch or dinner table to add some excitement to your normal mealtime conversations and "mix up" the kinds of things your family talks about with one another.

Martin Luther and his family understood well the importance of welcoming others into their home for lively conversation around a shared meal at the table. Some of these conversations were even recorded by hand and compiled into a collection of writings that are now known as Luther's Table Talk.

LCMS Family Ministry hopes these resources will help your family continue this tradition of good and lively conversation at the dinner table.

Type: lcms conversation starters for mealtimes. www.lcms.org



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>



FOR YOUR OFFERING:

- Text: immanuelba to: 1-888-364-GIVE (4483)
- Church App: "Give" icon
- Website: immanuelba.org
- Mail: 400 N Aspen Ave, Broken Arrow, OK 74012



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 10:00am for our worship service.

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June 2026 Monthly Financial Update

		2026 YTD
Offerings Received (General Fund)	\$106,454	\$549,421
Total Income Received*	\$134,848	\$695,590
Expenses	\$119,335	\$752,920
Surplus/Deficit	\$15,513	—\$57,330
*includes \$10,000 transferred in from Money Market Account		

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

JULY 2026 — 10:00am Service
CHURCH ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

July 5: 246
Offering: \$12,382.00
Online Giving: \$18,021.33
July 12: 255
24 Youth/adults attending Higher Things in Colorado
Offering: \$16,434.48
Online Giving: \$5,366.56
July 19: 251
Offering: \$14,003.18
Online Giving: \$6,755.13
July 26: 273
Offering: \$8,464.05
Online Giving: \$4,947.24



Saturday, August 8th
Church / School Work Day

Join us for our Work Day from 8:00am-11:00am

We have projects both inside and outside the church, with opportunities for everyone—from light tasks that take just a little time to more hands-on projects for those ready to roll up their sleeves. Whether you can help for an hour or the whole morning, many hands make light work. We hope you'll join us!
Help us beautify Immanuel!

Sunday, August 9th
Rally Day ~ Spaghetti Luncheon ~ Ministry Fair

During the 10:00am worship service, our ILCA & Preschool Teachers, Staff, Sunday School Teachers, and new Elders will be installed.

Following worship service, join us in the gym for the
SPAGHETTI LUNCHEON & MINISTRY FAIR!
(Meal hosted by Youth Ministry)

Our Ministry Fair is a one-stop event where you can learn more about the many ways to get involved in the life of our church. Whether you're new, returning, or simply looking for a new way to serve, this is a great opportunity to explore ministry areas, meet leaders, and sign up to help throughout the year.



SUNDAY EDUCATION HOUR

On August 2nd & 9th, all classes begin at 9:00am.
Starting on August 16th, all classes will begin at 10:00am.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS:

NEW Bible Study starting August 2nd!
“Lions, Legends, and the Living God”
A Study on the Book of Daniel

Description: Daniel is a beautiful book of the Old Testament, one filled with both history and prophecy. In life it is easy to lose sight of God’s presence and provision. You are invited to join us on Sunday mornings in the adult education hour as we study the book of Daniel and learn from his witness that God is sovereign, faith endures, kingdoms fall, and yet God’s kingdom stands forever! This study will run through roughly the end of October.



CHILDREN’S CLASSES:

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

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

meet in Luther Hall - grades 7th-12th

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS CLUB

More information coming soon!

YOUTH MINISTRY

**Wednesday, August 19th is
BACK TO SCHOOL BASH!**

This is for all youth in grades 6-12.
Come for supper, games, activities, and fellowship. This is a great time to kick off the school year in God’s Word!
Join us in Luther Hall from 5:00-8:00pm.

School WINGS (aka youth group) schedule resumes Wednesday, August 26:
3:00-6:00pm: Fellowship and open gym
5:30pm: Supper
6:00-7:30pm: Bible Study

Parent Night LIVE is September 2 from 6:00-8:00pm. This is a parent information meeting & fun.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

If your kids are going into fourth, fifth, or sixth grade, we will have a parent/student informational meeting about Confirmation on Sunday, August 16th in Luther Hall Chapel at 10:00am.

We will be delivering some very important information about Confirmation so please mark your calendars now. If you know of someone in the 4th, 5th, or 6th grade (or older) who would like to go through Confirmation but has not done so yet, please forward this message to them and have them contact Todd Stevens at tstevens@immanuelba.org

IMMANUEL FAMILY FUN DAY

“3rd Annual Back to School Splash Bash”
Saturday, September 22 at 10:00am

Location: Veterans Park, 305 S Birch St in Jenks

This event is for all kids (ages 0-12yrs) and their parent(s).

Hosted by Children’s Ministry



WHAT IS STEPHEN MINISTRY?

Our congregation’s Stephen Ministry provides confidential, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to individuals in our congregation who are experiencing difficulty in their lives.

A Stephen Minister is...

A child of God who walks beside a person who is hurting
A congregation member with gifts for caregiving
A lay person who has received 50 hours of training in providing emotional and spiritual care
A caring, Christian friend who listens, cares, prays, supports, and encourages
Someone who will “be there” for his or her care receiver, for as long as there is a need
A extension of the Pastoral Office and Elders, to assist them in caring for those who are faced with a crisis.

Stephen Ministers are ready to provide the emotional and spiritual care we need when faced with a crisis or difficulty such as:

Loss of a loved one
Hospitalization, chronic/terminal illness
Divorce or separation
Loneliness or discouragement
Spiritual crisis
Unemployment or job crisis
Aging
Birth, adoption, miscarriage, or infertility
Relocation
Recovery after an accident or disaster
When life overwhelms you



Stephen Ministry is Your Ministry:

Here’s what you can do:

Pray - for God to bring hope and healing to our hurting people through our Stephen Ministry.
Accept care - from a Stephen Minister during your time of need. God doesn’t expect you to bear your burden alone.
Tell others - who are hurting, about our Stephen Ministry.

Stephen Ministry is a confidential ministry:

The identity of those receiving care and what takes place in each caring relationship remain private.

If you are a good listener and a compassionate person, prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister.

To inquire about Stephen Ministry, contact the church office, 918-258-5506 or check the box below the prayer request section of the attendance register to learn more about how Stephen Ministry can help you.

**Falling in Love with Jesus
through “Mind, Body, & Spirit”**

 Featuring Best-Selling Christian
Author and Speaker
Christina Hergenrader

September 26, 2026 | 8:00am - 2:00pm

Refresh Your Faith • Renew Your Spirit • Connect with Other Christian Women

**3rd Annual
Women’s
Retreat**
*Hosted by
Lutheran
Women in
Mission*

Register Early & Save
\$35 Pre-Registration | \$40 At the Door
Enjoy a Continental Breakfast & Lunch
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Broken Arrow
<https://immanuelba.org>

**Scan to
Register**



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Yes, I plan on attending the Women's Fall Retreat at Immanuel Lutheran Church

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

I'm bringing a guest:

GUEST'S NAME: _____

GUEST'S ADDRESS: _____

GUEST'S PHONE: _____ GUEST'S EMAIL: _____

Continental Breakfast Sponsored by

PRE-REGISTER: \$35 _____ AT THE DOOR: \$40 _____

AMOUNT PAID:_____ CHECK:_____ PAYABLE TO: LWML CASH:_____

Mail to: Immanuel Lutheran Church
400 N Aspen Ave, Broken Arrow, OK 74012
Attn: LWML

We're Returning to Two Worship Services!

Beginning Sunday, August 16th, we'll return to two worship services with a new Sunday morning schedule:

8:30am — Traditional Divine Service

10:00am — Education Hour

11:00am — Modern Divine Service

THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the sanctuary and technology improvements possible during the past couple of months. We're excited to gather again with a schedule designed to create more opportunities for worship, fellowship, and growing together in God's Word.

Please Note: August 30th is the fifth Sunday this month, so we will have ONE Worship Service at 10:00am; Education Hour will be at 9:00am.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

We will receive our new members on August 16 during the 8:30am service. Join in welcoming them in the narthex after service for a cake reception.



Grace and peace be with you all.

This last month we have seen Romans 12:3-8 come alive in our church. As a congregation we opened our doors to almost 200 kids to come in and hear, see, and experience the love of God in a fun and child-friendly way. Through our many gifts we served these children through guiding and mentoring, through teaching and enrichment experiences, through sharing loved activities like crafts, music, and snacks. Thank you for all of your hard work and for maybe stretching your comfort zone to try something new! A big thanks to all of our youth volunteers as well, from being part of VBS to now helping lead it. It is good to see the generations continuing to further the message and the love that was instilled in us throughout the years. It is also wonderful seeing multiple people from different ministries serving in ways that they have been blessed.

Dan Kois, elder

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Romans 12:3-8 ESV





August 2nd is MITE SUNDAY (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!

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth, but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on" (Mark 12:41–43).

CHURCH DIRECTORY - Update your picture and check your contact info!

Help us update our church directory! Stop by the Directory Update Table in the narthex before or after the Sunday service on August 2 or August 9 to verify your family's information and have a quick, updated photo taken, if needed. This will help ensure our next directory is accurate and up to date. We appreciate everyone taking a few minutes to participate!



ILCA IS BACK IN SESSION ON AUGUST 12th!

In an effort to make things easier for the church and the school, we ask that anyone who has church business, please use the single northwest door.

There is a sign indicating the church office entrance. This door will lead you directly into the church office. Thank you.

Mark your calendars for the 3rd ANNUAL ILCA GALA on October 3, 2026!

This year's gala will kick off a very special season for our school as we look ahead to celebrating Immanuel Lutheran Christian Academy's twenty-fifth school year and upcoming anniversary later in the year.

It will be a night to reflect on how far our school has come, celebrate the incredible ILCA community, and look ahead to the future. You won't want to miss this special milestone celebration.

This unforgettable evening will highlight the strength of our community and the bright future ahead. Stay tuned for more details on how you can support, attend, & be part of something truly special.

Calling all CRAFTERS — Immanuel's Annual Holiday Craft Fair is scheduled for Saturday, November 14!

Booths are available - \$50 for 8'x10' and \$90 for 8'x20'. All merchandise must be at least 80% handcrafted with the exception of distributorship products (only one booth per distributorship company will be permitted).

Contact Susan Finn at sfinn@fullnet.net or 918-688-6906 for more information and/or a vendor application. Vendor applications are also available at the LWML table in the narthex.



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: "The Spirituality of the Cross"

Dr. Veith digs deep into what it means to be Lutheran. He comments in the preface: "Indeed, the teaching that we are justified by faith in the atoning work of Christ on the cross is considered 'the chief article' — the underpinning of every aspect of Lutheran theology and, indeed, of the Christian faith as a whole." The book is available on CPH or Amazon. **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.**

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Information coming soon. Watch the Sunday announcement flyer.

THURSDAYS

Thursday Morning Bible Study group will resume this month of September. We will keep you posted.



WHAT DO THEY DO? They Bring Hope to Communities Around the World

Lutheran Bible Translators partners with local leaders to create translation programs for the many communities who do not have access to God's Word in their native language. Your prayers and financial gifts enable them to provide the resources, tools, and the support local leaders need to make the Word of God more accessible than ever.

- **Our Mission** Lutheran Bible Translators makes God's Word accessible to those who do not yet have it in the language they understand best.
- **Our Vision** Vibrant Christian communities, deeply rooted in God's Word, engaging fully in God's mission, in this generation.

Ways to be involved:

- **Pray** – Become a Prayer Partner
- **Give** - Experience the joy in making a profound impact on the lives of countless individuals worldwide. By supporting Bible translation efforts, you become an integral part of their lives, enabling them to engage and grow with the Word of God in their own language.
- **Advocate** – Spread awareness

Go to www.lbt.org for all the information.

Something
Looks
Different



The exciting renovations to Luther Hall and the Chapel are nearly complete! We'd love your help crossing the finish line at our Work Day on August 8.

Join us for this special opportunity to see the beautiful renovations up close, lend a hand with the final touches, and be part of bringing this project to completion. We hope to see you there!

LCMS Missionaries—News from Pastor Tiews



Sharing the Gospel in Germany — July 25, 2026

Dear Friends and Supporters of our Ministry to Germany and across Eurasia!

July’s highlight was traveling to Turku, Finland (about two hours west of Helsinki) to give a three-part-presentation on “Six-Day Creation: The Biblical and Scientific Arguments” at the Corpus Christi conference for young adults. This annual conference is a unique event, offering Confessional Lutherans in their 20s and 30s mainly from Northern Europe (but increasingly also from the LCMS) an opportunity to learn, worship, and fellowship with one another.

Originally, Lula was originally supposed to join me and report on the conference for LCMS Eurasia. Unfortunately, she was called away to Wittenberg for three weeks to fill in for the managing director of the Old Latin School who was on vacation. Back to the conference: I divided my presentation into three parts: teaching first on the three false alternatives to the Bible’s six 24-hour days of creation (namely, naturalistic evolution, theistic evolution, and intelligent design). In the next session, I explained how to defend 6-day creation to your Christian friends. The last session was on how to explain this key biblical teaching to non-Christians, offering several scientific models for a Young Earth. I particularly appreciated the opportunity to teach on this last point, since I too was once an evolutionist, believing that there is no scientific alternative to the earth being billions of years old and every creature having come about through evolution. I was touched that many young people came up to me afterwards, never even having heard that there is an alternative to the theory of naturalistic evolution. Indeed, in many Lutheran churches—even in the LCMS—there is not much catechesis on this topic.

While believing that our triune God created everything in six 24-hour days is certainly not a salvation issue, if someone thought that God’s own words in Genesis 1 and 2 are not true, that could easily instill a seed of doubt into one’s faith in the Word of God. For this reason, I am grateful to the Executive Board of Corpus Christi for inviting me to present on this salient subject.

Thank you so much for your continued love and support, which makes all this possible. It is a privilege for Lula and me to serve on your behalf, out here on the front lines.

If you would like to see daily updates from Lula as regional LCMS Eurasia Communication specialist follow LCMSEurasia on Facebook.

God bless you all!
Pastor Christian and Lula Tiews



JOIN OUR MUSIC MINISTRY

This is a wonderful time to join any of these fun, rewarding, and welcoming groups.
New to Immanuel? What better way to get connected. We'd love to have you!

For more information, please contact Chris Winston cwinston@immanuelba.org or Rebecca Winston rwinston@immanuelba.org.

Chancel Choir – Wednesdays at 7:00pm (begins on August 5)

Handbells – Wednesdays at 5:45pm (begins on August 5)

Praise Band – Thursdays at 6:00pm (see Chris Winston for scheduling details)

Orchestra – Thursdays at 7:15pm (begins on Aug 6)

Schola Cantorum Children’s Choir – TBD

Children’s Chimes – TBD

Men’s Choir – Sundays at 6:00pm (begins on Aug 2; see Chris Winston for location details)

The August issue of
THE LUTHERAN WITNESS is available.

The Lutheran Witness provides stories and information that complement congregational life, foster personal growth in faith, and help interpret the contemporary world from a Lutheran Christian perspective.

The August 2026 issue is located in the magazine holder on the wall in the main hallway.



Did You Know. . . All women of Immanuel are members of the Lutheran Women in Mission group and are invited to join us in sharing the Gospel with the world by funding local, national and international mission grants.

Join us at our next gathering on Tuesday, August 18 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.

PLAY & PRAY GROUP

This group is for children from infancy through Preschool and their Parents / Grandparents / or other Caregivers. Join us for fellowship, fun, and support as Christian parents and caregivers.

We will not meet in August. Our next get-together will be Friday, September 4 at 10:00am, in the church nursery.

Contact the church office for more information, 918-258-5506.



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| 1 Johanna Aussieker | 16 Robert Lindsey |
| Ava Griffiths | Alex Obrock |
| 2 Bruce Wheeler | Cora Scott |
| 3 Renee Beasley | 17 Eddie Grant |
| Dawn Buss | Kristina Jones |
| Wyatt Fayard | Katy McDonald |
| Jake Kinsey | 18 Blake Barber |
| 4 Willie Etchison | 19 Chrissy Holt |
| Samuel Parvez | 21 Linda Mai |
| 6 Stella Barber | 22 Heidi Stumbo |
| Jacob Sparling | 23 Benjamin Smith |
| 7 Dennis Huggins, Sr. | 24 Stephanie Farlow |
| 8 Jamie Sanzalone | 25 Andrew Conway |
| Sharon Sawvel | Linda Hollrah |
| 10 Christy Schneider | 26 Cody Oliver |
| Will Winston | 27 Maleah Oliver |
| 13 Marsha Gordon | 29 Emmeline Conway |
| Victoria Heisterberg | Ross Cromer |
| Elle Hood | 31 Garnita Kuhlmann |
| 14 Leighton Scott | Mitchell McGrew |
| 15 Vicki Koessel | |



Celebrating 90+ Years!

August 14

Cliff Morris, 95 years old

Dear Lord, every year of life is a blessing received from Your hand. You are the Life and the source of life. Thank You for this birthday.



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| 3 Pastor Ben & Anna Braun, 19 years |
| James & Melissa James, 24 years |
| 8 Ron & Tammy Seeman, 39 years |
| 11 Ken & Cindy Agee, 47 years |
| Chris & Jessica Martin, 25 years |
| 12 Jerry & Piper Hanewinkel, 37 years |
| 13 Jon & Michelle Schnitker, 43 years |
| 17 Tony & Jamie Sanzalone, 12 years |
| 21 Jon & Courtney Bence, 16 years |
| 22 Craig & Beth Shiever, 45 years |
| 24 Robert & Susan Lindsey, 41 years |
| 31 Terry & Katherine McGrew, 47 years |



Celebrating 50+ Years!

August 12

Rev. Dr. Arthur & Connie Spomer,
64 years

August 14

Jim & Jackie Oestreich, 61 years

August 20

Paul & Judy Hutter, 55 years

May these couples continue to see each other as gifts from God and their marriage as an icon of Christ and His Bride, the Church. May God implant in them His love that they might see each other with eyes of compassion and grace as they celebrate another year of blessings.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Sunday, August 2:

Ann Voss – suffering from nerve damage after having back surgery. Pray for God’s healing hand and may He relieve the pain.

Pastor Braun and family

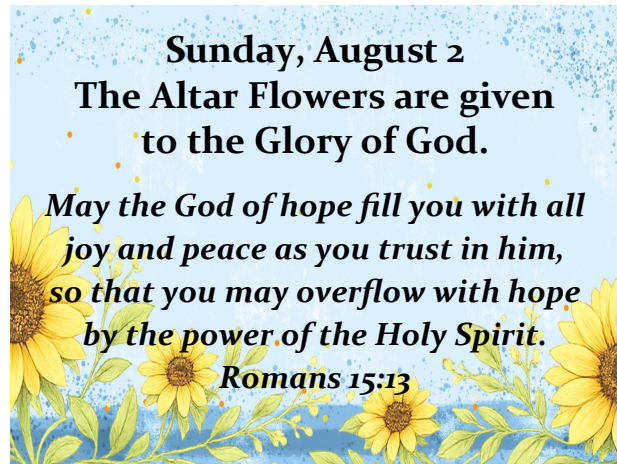
For Our Armed Forces

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 – Justin Bundtrock, 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, Carole Weygand, 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.



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 August 2, 2026

Ephesians 4:29



Week of August 9, 2026

2 Thessalonians 2:16–17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Week of August 16, 2026

Titus 3:4–6

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Week of August 23, 2026

2 John 6

This is love, that we walk according to His commandments; this is the commandment, just as you have heard from the beginning, so that you should walk in it.

Week of August 30, 2026

2 Samuel 7:22

You are great, O Lord God. For there is none like You, and there is no God besides You, according to all that we have heard with our ears.