

July 7, 2026

Dear Immanuel Family,

The Board of Directors is writing to share some exciting news about the campus God has entrusted to us. As of June 30, 2026, Immanuel has purchased the home located directly next to the Fellowship House. Going forward, we will refer to it as the Hope House.

We want you to know that we did not go looking to acquire this property. Rather, the owners came to us, letting us know they were ready to move. Because this home sits inside the rectangle of our complete campus property, the Board met and believed that acquiring it was the right and faithful step to take. Opportunities like this rarely come along, and it made good sense to bring the full footprint of our campus together under the care of the congregation for the sake of future ministry. The funds for this purchase came from our general savings accounts.



At this time, we are not certain of the future use of the Hope House. We are prayerfully excited about the possibilities, and we will take time to discern together how the Lord may lead us to use this blessing in service to our church family and the broader community. As we have shared before, we believe our campus should display warmth, hospitality, and readiness for ministry, and we see this acquisition as one more way of caring well for the place God has given us.

This decision reflects a verse that continues to guide our leadership: *“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God” (Hebrews 13:16)*. We are grateful for a congregation whose faithful stewardship makes steps like this one possible.

In the meantime, there is work to be done, and we would love your help. Please mark your calendar for a **Day of Work on Saturday, August 1**, focused on the exterior of both the Hope House and the Fellowship House. Projects will include landscaping and potential fence removal, and we welcome hands of every ability. Whether you can stay for the whole day or just an hour, your help will make a real difference. Please bring work gloves and any yard tools you are able to share.

We give thanks to God for the way this opportunity came to us, and for a congregation that continues to look to the future with faith and hope. The same faithfulness that has carried Immanuel across generations will continue to guide us in the days ahead. We look forward to serving alongside many of you on August 1.

With gratitude and hope,
Board of Directors
Immanuel Lutheran Church

*Leading our neighbors to the joy of salvation in Jesus Christ,
and building up one another in faith through Word and Sacrament.*