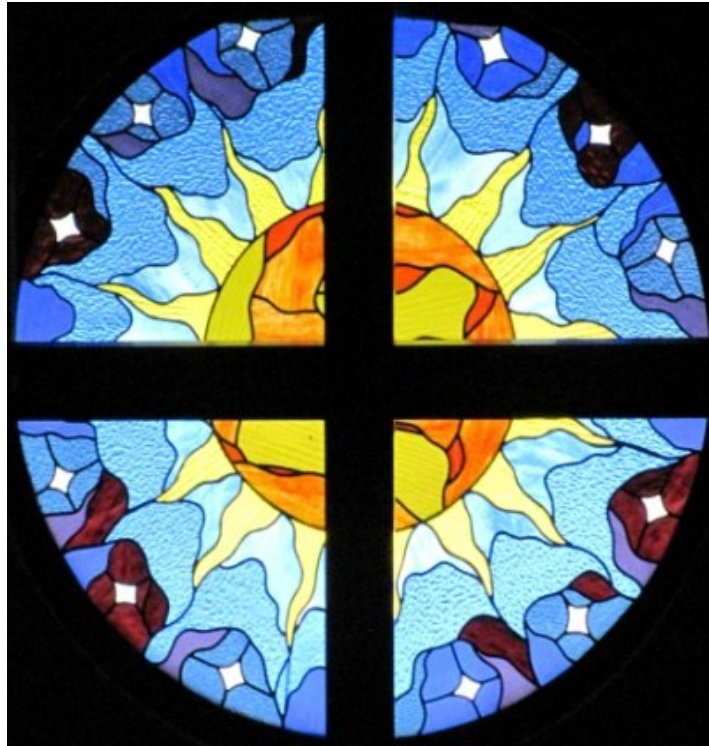


Immanuel Lutheran Church

Share Christ's Love.

June 2026 Newsletter



Worship and Communion
Sunday services ~ 9:00 a.m.
Live Streaming

Faith Formation
Resumes in September

Office Hours
Kelly in office
Tuesdays and Thursdays
9 am - 1 pm

Find us on Facebook at Immanuel Lutheran Washington Iowa and online at luthwash.org

YouTube- [luthwash](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) * Email us at luthwash@hotmail.com

Come visit us at 1226 East Washington Street, Washington, Iowa 52353

Church ~ 319.653.3950

Attendance & Offering

Sunday, May 3

9:00 am ~ 88 Offering ~ \$2567

Sunday, May 10

9:00 a.m. ~ 57 Offering ~ \$935

Sunday, May 17

9:00 a.m. ~ 48 Offering ~ \$2425

Sunday, May 24

9:00 a.m. ~ 47 Offering ~ \$1220

Noisy offering

Immanuel Scholarships

Birthdays For May

- 3- Jay Carey
- 6- Emma Taylor
- 6- Erin Almelien
- 8- Grant Wubbena
- 13- Wilma McKinstry
- 15- Barb Matheson
- 16- Kathleen Almelien
- 17- Andy Six
- 17- Anders Almelien
- 19- Rich Baker
- 20- Gary Brown
- 22- Anker Six
- 28- Armor Six



Anniversaries for May

- 8- Jon & Margie Runaas
- 12- Sid & Donna Manfull
- 23- Dale & Judy Venzke
- 25- Sara & Larry Bartlett



Your dollar buys more when HACAP orders food,
consider sending a few dollars to:

HACAP
2175 Lexington Blvd # 1
Washington, Iowa 52353

Help your local families during
this difficult time.
Thank you, DeAnn



The devotional booklets,
"Christ in Our Home"
are now available in the Hallway.
Please take one for yourself and
one to pass along to someone else.



ENCORE EXPRESS

Encore at Immanuel meals this month:

Thursday, June 11

and

Thursday, June 25

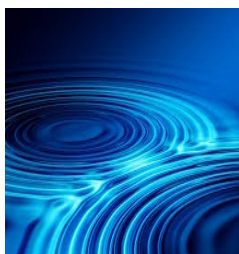


Serving at 11:30 a.m.

Check Facebook for the menus.



RSVPs are required. *See you there!!*



Centering Prayer:

Saturday, June 13 and Saturday, June 27

8:30 a.m.—9:30 a.m.

Deacon Fran Victor will be leading an hour of contemplative prayer in Immanuel's sanctuary (practicing social caring and wearing masks) the second and fourth Saturday mornings of each month; 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. The hour begins with Centering Prayer and then moving into Lectio Divina (using a verse of scripture as the basis for prayer). No experience is necessary in either prayer practice to participate. No reservations needed, just come and enjoy the hour of contemplation. If you would like to join this intimate group, but are new to this type of prayer, come at 8:15 a.m. for explanation. **“God’s first word is silence.” – Thomas Keating**

April Financial Summary & Year-to-Date Update

As we continue together in ministry and mission, we give thanks for God's faithful provision and for the continued generosity of our church family. Your prayers, offerings, and support make it possible for our congregation to worship, serve, and care for our community in meaningful ways.

For April 2026, total income was \$10,133.11, compared to \$13,815.18 in April 2025. In addition, we received a generous gift/donation of \$5,000, bringing total available income for the month to \$15,133.11.

Total expenses for April were \$12,100.87, slightly lower than last year's April expenses of \$12,638.72. Major expenses included pastor support, staff expenses, and building & grounds maintenance. After expenses, the church finished the month with a net operating loss of \$1,967.76, compared to a net operating profit of \$1,176.46 in April 2025.

Year-to-Date Financial Overview (Oct 2025 – April 2026)

Year-to-date income totals \$81,505.11, including \$72,773.00 in primary offerings and \$8,732.11 in other income. An additional \$50,000.00 gift/donation has brought total available year-to-date income to \$131,505.11.

Year-to-date expenses total \$87,584.73. The largest expense categories continue to be pastor expenses (\$33,389.10), staff expenses (\$23,376.29), and building & grounds (\$16,760.73). Additional ministry and operational expenses include worship, benevolence, fellowship supplies, faith formation, and administrative support for the life of the church.

At this point in the year, the church reflects a year-to-date operating loss of \$6,079.62. While expenses have exceeded regular income, the generous special gifts received this year and the church's strong reserve balances continue to provide stability and support for ongoing ministry.

The church's financial position remains strong overall. As of April 2026, total bank account balances stand at \$168,200.70, compared to \$139,107.07 at the same time last year. These resources help ensure that we can continue supporting ministry opportunities, caring for our facilities, and responding to the needs of our congregation and community.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness, generosity, and commitment to the work God has called us to do together. Every gift, prayer, and act of service helps strengthen the ministry of our church and supports the mission of sharing Christ's love in our community.

God Bless!

Michelle



On Sunday, May 26th, Grace, Ainsley, and Paige celebrated a milestone where they publicly claimed their faith, Affirmation of Baptism or Confirmation. A promise made for them as infants, rooted in grace, forgiveness, and community support. We welcome them to our Immanuel Church family.

They were celebrated with a cake reception following the worship service. (pictured below; Paige, Grace, and Ainsley)

April Six served as mentor to Grace Taylor. Taylor Bartholomew served as mentor to Ainsley Six. Tricia Kroll served as mentor to Paige Woline.

Congratulations to Paige, Grace, and Ainsley!!
As you confirmed your faith, may you always feel God's loving presence.



Thank you for donating to my Confirmation project. Thank you for supporting me. Thank you for the Confirmation wishes and cards. Once again, thank you.

- Grace Taylor

Thank you for the graduation gifts and well wishes. I appreciate the support you have given me over the years.

Sincerely,

Emma Taylor

Thank you

Immanuel Lutheran has 2 girls attending Camp EWALU this year. **Grace Taylor and Tegan Bartholomew** will be at camp June 7-12. We pray for these young ladies as they deepen their faith in a camping environment.



Enjoy the time girls!



Luther League ended the year with a pizza party and yard games!



Tegan Bartholomew and Axel Six were among the group of middle schoolers who helped with Immanuel's yard work on Friday, May 15th for Black and Orange day.

Thank you to this group, especially our very own, Tegan and Axel!!





Service Date	Acolyte	Communion	Greeters	Reader	Tech	Ushers
June 7	Evan Woline and Axel Six	Steve & Kathy Vetter	John & Peg Harris	Christina Woline	Steve Vetter	Ryan Woline, Gary Fischer, and Steve Vetter
June 14	Bentley Striegel and Kennedy Striegel	Naomi Erickson	Bev Crandall and Gene Booth	Peg Harris	Brayden Zywiec	Stephen Bay, Landon Coker, and Robert Coker
June 21	Tegan Bartholomew and Evan Woline	Bev Bailey	Michelle Bartholomew and Taylor Bartholomew	Taylor Bartholomew		Craig Bartholomew, Scott Bartholomew and Clayton Bartholomew
June 28	Bentley Striegel and Kennedy Striegel	Peg Harris	Linda Six and April Six	Linda Six	Brayden Zywiec	Aaron Six, Ajay Six, Avery Six, and Aden Six



PRAYER for *Fathers*

*May the LORD arm you
with strength upon strength
and make your way sinless.*

Psalm 18:32

*May the LORD favor you
with blessing upon blessing
and make your efforts successful.*

Psalm 90:17

*May the LORD anoint you
with wisdom upon wisdom
and make your years secure.*

Proverbs 2:6

In Jesus' name, amen!

Bro. Eddie
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