

April 2021



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The Mini Parish Voice

A NEWSLETTER OF HEART OF ILLINOIS LUTHERAN

Immanuel Lutheran Church
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Post Easter Mini Newsletter

Due to the busy-ness of Easter, this month's newsletter will be a "mini" version. We'll try to include all the info you need for the rest of April and then have a full newsletter for May.

Christ is Risen! – He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Worship

Worship videos will continue to be available on-line each Sunday. But in-person worship with communion will be offered according to the schedule on the right. It is limited to 50 people so we need you to call during the week to let us know you will be attending (815.539.6567). Masks are required.

The councils and worship team will be discussing whether this same manner will continue into June or there will be another transition as we work towards "fully opening" worship.

HOILP In-Person Worship

*April through May
9:30 a.m.*

April 11 – Immanuel
April 18 – First
April 25 – Immanuel
May 2 – First
May 9 – Immanuel
May 16 – First
May 23 – Immanuel
May 30 - First

Calendar

April

Sunday, April 11, 2021

In-Person Worship-9:30 am at Immanuel/Video

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Tea Time – 3 pm
Immanuel Council – 4:30 pm

Sunday, April 18, 2021

In-Person Worship-9:30 am at First/Video

Tuesday April 20, 2021

Tea Time – 3 pm

Sunday, April 25, 2021

In-Person Worship-9:30 am at Immanuel/Video

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

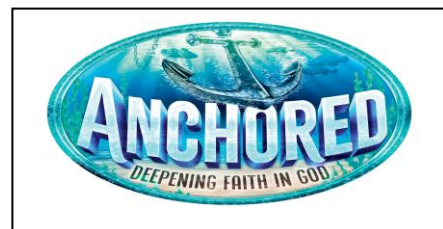
Tea Time – 3 pm

Vacation Bible Camp coming to Immanuel!

Sunday, June 13 – Wednesday, June 16

6:00-8:30 p.m. Dinner: 5:30 p.m.

(more information coming soon!)



WELCA

WELCA Events have been cancelled for this month. Please watch for updates.

JUSTICE (Mission Action) - Charlene Zimmerman

We are continuing to collect items for:

PERSONAL CARE KITS: light or medium weight, dark color bath towels, sturdy combs (no fine tooth combs or picks), 4-5 oz. size bars of bath soap in individual wrappers.

PADS: paper plates, napkins, coffee cups, brown lunch bags, sandwich bags, paper towels, toilet paper, plastic wrap, shampoo, conditioner, solid deodorant, toothpaste, combs, brushes, asst. socks & underwear, toilet cleaner, laundry soap, bleach, dish soap.

Anything you can donate is greatly appreciated. The totes for donations are in the room next to the office.

WELCA President's Desk – Sarah Pfeifer

We have nothing scheduled at the present time.

Joys and Concerns

April Birthdays

- 6 – Rebecca Bond
- 7 – Tom Eich, Stefanie Klauer
- 8 – Norman Rogers
- 9 – Trysta Foster, Alex Schlesinger
- 10 – Rylan Scott
- 12 – David Schlesinger, Pam Wohlrabe, James McCormick, Loren Rosenkrans, Raelynn Albers
- 13 – Craig Ganz, Tom Menzel, Dave Walzer, Jacob Johnson, Karina Ganz
- 14 – Donna Flowers
- 15 – Madison Walzer
- 16 – Dawn Myers
- 17 – Karen Sterchi, Bentley Milus
- 18 – Mary Jo Rosenkrans, Janet Muncy
- 19 – Becca Wackerlin, Dean Winterton
- 20 – Melissa Blum
- 23 – Danny Rosenkrans, Theresa Taylor
- 24 – Justin Sell
- 25 – Jennifer Schaefer, Cheryl Simpson
- 29 – Jacob Gladd
- 30 – Danny Menzel, Tony Schaefer, Andy Walzer

April Anniversaries

- 4 – Mark & Jill Ross
- 28 – Vernon & Sarah Pfeifer
Loren & Mary Jo Rosenkrans

Prayer Corner

Homebound – Joan Benner, Harold Schlesinger, Arlene Archer, Gene Williams, Marilyn Ward, Phyllis Larsen

Monthly Requests – Sharon Kellen, Whitley Clayton, Gary Holle, Ed & Joan Benner

Affirmed in Baptism - (November 22, 2020) Emily Lovett, Julie Lovett (*Reaffirmation*)

Marriage – Chad Albers & Susan Hager (August 8, 2020)

Mourning Families - Peter Poterek Family (6/12), Cliff Schlesinger Family (9/16), Ron Rebholz Family (9/20) Jessica Albert Family (1/23), Cindy Schlesinger Family (1/23), Nathan Eich Family (1/27), Dennis Weiler Family (2/2), Bud Archer Family (3/25)

Our Leaders - ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, NIS Bishop Jeffrey Clements, HOILP Pastor Jeff Schlesinger

Praying for One Another

You may have noticed that we don't name people when we do the prayers on the worship videos. Due to how public our videos are and the fact that many we pray for have sensitive health information we refrain from naming names in this format. But, we continue to lift each other up in our prayers. Please stay attuned to those requesting our prayers by reading the weekly email announcements and checking out the prayer corner in this newsletter. We also have an electronic prayer chain. If you'd like to be part of that, send your email to charlzimm@aol.com

This and That

N.I.C.E. Center Update

- Food/Miscellaneous Items Needed – N.I.C.E. is currently accepting donations of ketchup, mustard, BBQ sauce, and pickles.
- N.I.C.E. does NOT need plastic bags or egg cartons at this time. They appreciate the generous donations that have recently been received of these items and they currently have a good supply.

Congregation Contributions

Thank you for your continued support of the mission of our congregations. Your faithfulness of mailing or using electronic means to submit your offerings is very much appreciated.

Benevolence Offerings

Immanuel's benevolence offering for April is for World Mission. Please use the envelope found in the newsletter.

A New Way to Give at HOILP: **Venmo**

For those who desire a means of giving on the spot electronically via smart phones, Heart of Illinois now accepts donations via **Venmo**. We can be found at

First Lutheran @FirstLutheranLeell.

It is labeled this way as the money passes through First Lutherans treasury. When making a donation, please note how it is to be designated. Undesignated donations will be divided proportionally within the parish.

Those of you unfamiliar with Venmo need not worry about this. Your regular means of giving - whether it be mail, electronically by other means, or by delivering it in person – will remain in place. This is simply a convenient way for those who desire a cash-free, immediate opportunity to make an offering.

HOILP on the Internet

Websites & Facebook

First – www.flcinlee.com
www.facebook.com/firstlutheranchurchlee

Immanuel – www.ilccompton.org
www.facebook.com/ilccompton



www.youtube.com/channel/UCxhbzUMEeE1C2SIsP-YI65A

Immanuel Council Highlights

February 11, 2021

- General Treasury ending balance January 31, 2021 is \$11,916.42
- Worship Team recommendations for in-person services.
- Thank you letter received from Horizon House.
- Lent mid-week services starting Ash Wednesday, February 17 at 7:00 p.m. on Facebook.
- Devotion Series starting Thursday, February 18 at 7:00 p.m. on Facebook – Will continue on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays for five weeks.
- Discussion on use of green space across from Church.

March 11, 2021

- General Treasury ending balance February 28, 2021 is \$5,736.34
- Holy Week and Easter services including drive-up communion.
- Earth Day Sunday Worship video April 25 by Lutherans Restoring Creation.
- Discussion on use of green space across from Church for summer outdoor services.
- Vote to purchase electrical system needed for outdoor services.
- Discussion on Bible Camp in June.

Immanuel Church Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Church office: 815-539-6567

Debbie will be available from home in the afternoons. If you need anything, call or text: 815-866-6690 or email: immanuellutherancompton@live.com.

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Return Service Requested

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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9:30 (Immanuel)

April 18th – In-person worship/video
9:30 (First, Lee) *No communion*

April 25th – In-person worship/video
9:30 (Immanuel)

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