

## Announcements March 22nd, 2026

The First Sunday in Passiontide

### Immanuel Lutheran Church—Bristol, Connecticut

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O give thanks unto the Lord;  
call upon his name: make known  
his deeds among the people

Psalms 105:1

### **STEWARDSHIP BIBLE VERSE FOR MARCH 22, 2026**

**Hebrews 9:12 – “He entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.”** The only price that could redeem us was the very blood of the Christ. This is the only sacrifice of true worth. His sacrificial giving sets the pattern for our life, for how can we who are redeemed by the self-giving of God not also give of ourselves to His kingdom?

### ***SERVING YOU IN MARCH***

**Ushers:**

*Team 3*

*Darrin Bodley*

*Tyler Bodley*

*Ryan Bodley*

*Joshua Bodley*

*Team 4*

*Kevin Read*

*Sal Buonafede*

*Jack Lusia*

**Altar Guild: Beth Schroeder**

Dee Krampitz

### ***Last Week***

**SUNDAY ATTENDANCE**  
9:00 - 125    HC - 113

**MIDWEEK**  
10:45 - 44  
7:00 - 18

**CONTRIBUTIONS**  
\$10,256.00

Thank you for attending Immanuel Lutheran Church! Have a blessed and great rest of your week!

**SUNDAY 3/22**

- 9:00 Divine Service/Holy Communion/Live Streaming
- 10:15 Fellowship Coffee - OSB
- 10:30 Adult Bible Study – OSB
- 10:30 Youth Sunday School - OSB and Parish Center
- 1:00 New Member Class- Parish Center

**MONDAY 3/23**

- 1:00 Card Players - Parish Center

**TUESDAY 3/24**

- 9:30 Walk & Talk - Parish Center
- 11:30 NED Circuit #4 Meeting – Office Conference Room
- 6:00 BOCE - Teacher’s Lounge
- 7:00 Proverbs 31 Women’s Bible Study - Parish Center

**WEDNESDAY 3/25**

- 9:00 ILS K-8 Chapel – Chapel
- 10:45 Lenten Services
- 11:30 Lenten Luncheon - Parish Center
- 7:00 Lenten Services

**THURSDAY 3/26**

- 1:00 Sewing Group - Parish Center

**FRIDAY 3/27**

No church activities

**SATURDAY 3/28**

No church activities

**SUNDAY 3/29**

- 9:00 Divine Service/Holy Communion/Live Streaming
- 10:15 Fellowship Coffee – OSB
- 10:30 Adult Bible Study – OSB
- 10:30 Youth Sunday School - OSB & Parish Center
- 1:00 New Member Class- Parish Center

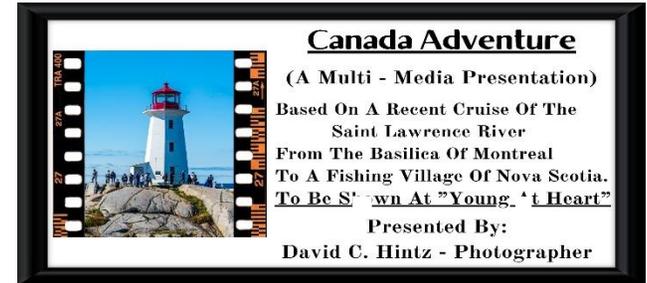


Our Family: To all the special Care Givers who work tirelessly each and every day

**YOUNG-AT-HEART - PIZZA LUNCH**

Our first lunch date is Thursday, April 2 and this is our annual Pizza Party where we will enjoy all kinds of Pizzas, salad, desserts and beverages for only \$5. Join us at 11:30 am in the Old School Basement for our “Over 50” members and friends.

This date also falls on Maundy Thursday, plan on attending our morning service at 10:45 then join us following the service. Our program is “Canada Adventure” based on a recent cruise of the Saint Lawrence River, by our talented photographer, David Hintz. Come and invite a friend to enjoy this program on April 2.



Coming your way soon! VBS July 6th - 10th 2026



## Winter Outreach: Helping Our Neighbors in Need

February is a time when we are reminded of the importance of love, kindness, and caring for our neighbors. As followers of Christ, we are called to serve those in need—not only during the holiday season, but throughout the year.

The winter months can be especially difficult for individuals experiencing homelessness. The frigid temperatures we've been experiencing have placed an added burden on those who directly care for the unhoused and underfed in our community. Local shelters and soup kitchens are not open around the clock, and access to a warm meal or hot drink can make a real difference on a cold day for someone in need.

From now until Easter, we will be collecting **\$5, \$10, \$15, and \$20 gift cards** to places such as **Dunkin', McDonald's, Subway, KFC, and Burger King** (or other establishments you may find appropriate in the area). These gift cards will be distributed through our local shelters, helping to fill gaps in care during this challenging season. If you would like to participate (and we encourage you to!), please place your purchased gift cards in the collection box on the table in the lobby just look for the red heart ❤️ on the box. Be sure to clearly mark the value of each card to assist with distribution. If you would prefer to donate with cash or a check, you may mail it in to the church office (attention: Heart Box) or place it in the heart collection box yourself, and a member of our team will purchase gift cards on your behalf with your donation.

Thank you for living out Christ's love through generosity and compassion. ~ *Boards of Christian Stewardship & Evangelism*

The next meeting of the Joint Board of Christian Stewardship & Board of Evangelism will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 in the Parish Center. All board members, please mark your calendars!

## Remember in Prayer:



### The Sick:

**Susan Revoir**

**Ana & Holly Warner**

**Kim Wilson**

**Lorayne Beinke**

**Jeanette Eschner**

**Sheila**

Friend of Lorayne Beinke

**Oskar Fernandez**

Friend of Foley's

**Judith Dojan**

**Danny Grekula**

Nephew of Rod Grekula

**Kelsey**

**Dianna**

**Marylin Stone**

**Bev Zahnke**

**John Carrara**

Brother of Mary Sylva

**Michael Behrendt**

Deployed to Kuwait

**Roberta Kuhr**

**Sue Rich**

**Carrol Lueck**

Relations to Norman & Marilyn Stone

**Roanne Buden**

**Marc Bowen**

**Joyce Marion**

**Deanna Lau**

Friend of Cordelia

**Erica Stone**

Daughter of Norman & Marilyn Stone

**Marylin Miller**

**Don Kalwat**

**Elizabeth & Ethan Hill**

**Ron Helming**

**Catherine Schilling**

**Maureen Finaldi**

Friend of Gladys Lagace

**Charissa Jankowski**

Cousin of Mackenzie Jankowski

**Marcia Massaro**

**Mary O'Brien**

Friend of Leslie Foley

**Susan Strobel**

Please let the office know if we can remove an individual's name from the prayer list.

## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

*Today's 9:00 am Service will be live on Facebook.*

Our Sunday service is broadcast each Sunday at 1:00 P.M. on WNTY AM 990, FM 96.1, and online at KoolOldiesRadio.net

**Our 9 am Services are on TV Sundays 3:30 am, 3:30 pm, and Wednesdays 8 am**

XFINITY Customers Channel 5 on 1070, 95 on 1090, or 96 on 1084.....Frontier Customers Channel 6060, 6061, or 6062

Online at - [www.nutmegtv.com](http://www.nutmegtv.com) .....Please note these services are recorded and are from the previous week.



**Announcements Deadline for Sunday Bulletin are Wednesday's at noon. Please send articles and updates to Cassandra at [cplaza@ilcs.org](mailto:cplaza@ilcs.org).**



Today's altar flowers were donated by the Altar Guild through the generous donations to the flower fund

## MEMORIALS and THANK OFFERINGS

Given in loving memory of Roald Erling  
From Dawn, Ralph, Nathan & Taylor Milano  
For Immanuel Lutheran Church



We will have Lenten Soup Lunches on Wednesdays during Lent after the 10:45 am Mid-Week Lenten Service. If any group or individual would like to volunteer to prepare a crockpot full of soup for one Wednesday during Lent, there is a sign up sheet in the office for all the lent Wednesday dates listed. This is another wonderful opportunity for fellowship.  
Thank you for volunteering!



Please join us *after the service* for Coffee, Tea, Juice, Cake and Fellowship in the (OSB) Original School  
***Today's coffee hour donations will be for the Board of Evangelism.***

## Women of Immanuel

We will be holding a planning meeting on Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 am in the OSB. We will be hosting the Spring Zone Rally here at Immanuel in May. Please plan on joining us for this important meeting, with light refreshments. All women of Immanuel are invited to join us.

— Claudia Bishop

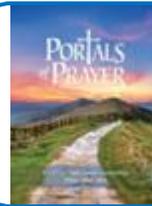


Immanuel Lutheran Church  
MEMBERSHIP CLASS

**New Member Classes**  
Today  
Date: March 22, 2026  
Time: 1pm  
Where: Parish Center



Our Toddler program is growing! We are seeking an early childhood lead teacher. Please inquire with: Early Childhood Director Susan Schneider at [sschneider@ilcs.org](mailto:sschneider@ilcs.org) or Principal, Debbie Krueger at [dkrueger@ilcs.org](mailto:dkrueger@ilcs.org)



New **Portals of Prayer** for April - June 2026 are now available. Pick up your copy today!



**Bristol Brass & Wind Ensemble**  
**FREE CONCERT**  
 When: Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
 Time: 3pm  
 Where: Bristol Eastern High School  
 632 King Street  
 Bristol, CT 06010



Join us for **SUNDAY SCHOOL** 10:30-11:30 AM. K-5 will have Preschool Play and Learning Time in the Art room of the Old School Building. 5 & up will meet in the Parish Center. Activities will include Bible Stories, games and crafts. Parents are welcome to join the Adult Bible Study in the Old School Building during that time. Please contact Diane Ruffino (860-685-0626) or [wdruffino@att.net](mailto:wdruffino@att.net) if you have any questions.



**Our next Bible study**  
 Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
 7PM in the Parish Center.  
 Bring a Snack to share!



**Christian Mart – Spring Fudge Sale!**  
 Beginning on Palm Sunday, the Christian Mart will officially reopen for the Spring and Summer season! To celebrate, we will kick things off with a special Spring fudge sale, along with a variety of other personal and gift items. The Christian Mart offers a wonderful selection of affordable, tax-free products, including jewelry and fidget rings, t-shirts, books, and other home items—all faith-centered. There's something for everyone! We invite you stop by, say hello and browse to find something meaningful for yourself or someone special.

# Immanuel Lutheran's School Week



Check out what we got to do this week!

