

Announcements May 17th, 2026
The Sunday within the Octave of the Ascension

Immanuel Lutheran Church—Bristol, Connecticut

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STEWARDSHIP BIBLE VERSE FOR MAY 17th, 2026

1 Peter 4:10 – “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

God’s grace is His undeserved mercy toward us. What do we have that is not a gift flowing from God’s grace? He means for us to use all these gifts in service of our neighbor. The chief way we serve one another is by supporting the church’s work: bringing more of God’s grace to more of God’s people. That’s what it means to be a steward!

SERVING YOU IN MAY

Ushers: Team 5

*Michael Krampitz
Jon Heidorn
Wayne Ruffino
Dominick Ruffino*

Team 6

*Bill Wentland, Jr.
David Hintz
Jason Krueger
Cole Krueger
Jared Krueger*

Team B (Wednesday)

*Bill Wentland, Jr.
Andrew Helming*

Altar Guild: **Cassandra Plaza**

Peg Higgins

Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.

1 Peter 4:8

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

Last Week

ASCENSION DAY ATTENDANCE

10:45 – 30 HC - 26
7:00- 26 HC- 23

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

9:00 - 141 HC - 116

CONTRIBUTIONS

\$8,528.25

SUNDAY 5/17

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

MONDAY 5/18

1:00 Immanuel Card Players - Parish Center

TUESDAY 5/19

9:30 Feed the Need Walk & Talk - Parish Center
12:00 Women's Bible Study – Parish Center
7:00 Foundation Meeting – Church Conference Room

WEDNESDAY 5/20

9:00 ILS K-8 Chapel - Chapel
10:45 Divine Service/Holy Communion

THURSDAY 5/21

1:00 Quilting Group - Parish Center
7:00 Church Council Meeting – Parish Center

FRIDAY 5/22

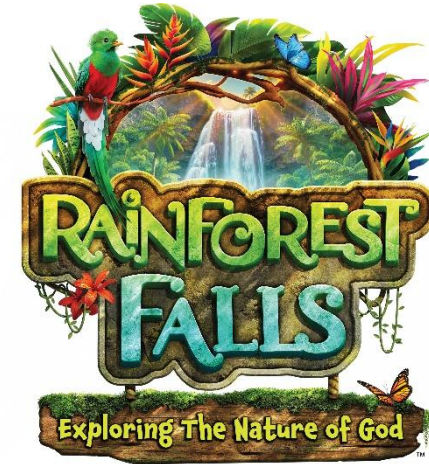
No Church Activities

SATURDAY 5/23

No Church Activities

SUNDAY 5/24

9:00 Confirmation
9:00 Divine Service/Holy Communion/Live Streaming
10:15 Fellowship Coffee
10:30 Adult Bible Study
10:30 Youth Sunday School - OSB/Parish Center



🌸 Coming Your Way Soon! 🌸

Join us for Vacation Bible School (VBS)

📅 July 6th–10th, 2026

🌟 Completely FREE!

👶👶 Ages: Pre-K (potty trained) through 6th Grade

🙋 We welcome donations and are currently looking for volunteers!

Please keep VBS in your prayers as we help kids grow in a deeper, more meaningful relationship with Jesus.

📌 Registration Contacts:

Beth Mazzaccaro & Michele Tavernier

🎵 Music: Dave Kisser & George Tavernier

🎨 Arts & Crafts: Christy Hislop & Laura B. with helper Mikaela Bennett

📖 Imagination Station: Lorene Berrien & Kylie Berrien

🏃 Games: Will Jabs & Ben Jabs

Treats: Pam Prindle (Tue, Wed, Thurs)

Cordie Behrendt (Mon, Tue, Fri)

🙋 Volunteer Openings:

- Treats
- Bible Adventures
- Crew Leaders

We can't wait to see you there

German Festival Committee Meeting

Our next German Fest Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center. If you're not currently on the committee, or just want to learn more, this is a great opportunity to get involved. We're always glad to welcome new ideas and helping hands as we plan this year's festival.

Help Our School Community Grow!

We are so excited to begin preparing for the upcoming school year! If you live on a **busy street** or in a high-traffic area, we would love your help in spreading the word about our school enrollment.

Yard signs are now available for you to pick up and display at your home. You can find them conveniently located in the **Church lobby**. Taking a sign home is a simple yet wonderful way to support our students and welcome new families into our community. Thank you for your continued kindness and for helping us grow!



Our performances of Immanuel Lutheran School's production of Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr. will be held on May 29th at 6pm, with Beau Bergeron in the role of Tom, and May 30th at 2pm, with Paul Tessier in the role of Tom. Tickets are \$6.50 each and can be purchased via Cur8.com. To find our event, go to <https://cur8.com/>, click on the "Buy Tickets" button

in the top right-hand corner, and type in Immanuel Lutheran. Tickets can also be purchased via the following Cur8.com link: <https://cur8.com/41057/project/139442>. Concessions and StarGrams will be available for purchase, and Silent Auction baskets will be available for bid. All proceeds will go to the Drama Club to support future productions. We thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Ticket Sales Open: School House Rock Live! Jr.

Don't miss our upcoming performances! Catch the show on either of these dates:

- **Friday, May 29th at 6:00 PM**
- **Saturday, May 30th at 2:00 PM**

Ticket Price: \$6.50 each

How to Purchase: Please see Christina Curry to secure your tickets.

Remember in Prayer:



The Sick:

Susan Revoir
Ana & Holly Warner
Kim Wilson
Lorayne Beinke
Joyce Marion
Sheila
Friend of Lorayne Beinke
Oskar Fernandez
Friend of Foley's
Judith Dojan
Danny Grekula
Nephew of Rod Grekula
Kelsey
Dianna
Bev Zahnke
John Carrara
Brother of Mary Syliva
Marcia Massaro
Mary O'Brien
Friend of Leslie Foley
Carloine Jankowski

Roanne Buden
Marc Bowen
Deanna Lau
Friend of Cordelia
Erica Stone
Daught of Norman & Marilyn Stone
Marilyn Miller
Don Kalwat
Elizabeth & Ethan Hill
Ron Helming
Catherine Schilling
Maureen Finaldi
Friend of Gladys Lagace
Charissa Jankowski
Cousin of Mackenzie Jankowski
Roberta Kuhr
Susan Strobel
Bruce Johnston
Brother-in-law of Becky Runk
the Lange Family
the Palmisano Family

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.comPlease note these services are recorded and are from the previous week.



Announcement's Deadline for Sunday Bulletin is Wednesday at noon. Please send articles and updates to Cassandra at cplaza@ilcs.org.

MEMORIALS and THANK OFFERINGS

Given in loving memory of **Jeanette Eschner**
 From Jett LaFlamme
 For Little Lambs
 From Scott, Lori, & Alison Eschner
 For Immanuel Lutheran Church & School
 From Janet Bailey
 For Immanuel Lutheran Church
 From Robert & Diane Eschner
 For Immanuel Lutheran Church

Given in loving memory of **Evie Palmisano**
 From Dawn & Ralph Milano
 For Immanuel Lutheran Church

Milestone Birthdays in our Congregation in May

Hedwig Maretzki	5/03	Carol Young	5/17
Sue Lutz	5/04	Roberta Kuhr	5/19
Thomas Huntley	5/09	Nancy Mitchell	5/20
Rudy Finger	5/10	John Bohn	5/21
Elaine Blank	5/13	Oscar Jobs	5/31



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 Youth Group.



We welcome to our Immanuel Family
Charlie & Cole Lockshire, through the Rite of Holy Baptism. Daughter of Eric and Megan Lockshire.



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



Our Infant program is growing! We are seeking an Infant lead teacher. Please inquire with: Early Childhood Director Susan Schneider at sschneider@ilcs.org or Principal, Debbie Krueger at dkrueger@ilcs.org



The Visual Arts department will be having an Art Show on June 4th, 2026, at 6pm. Student work created by students in kindergarten through eighth grade will be displayed. Students in third through eighth grade participating in Art Society will have their own portfolio displays available to view. Concessions will be available for purchase to support the Visual Arts department. We thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you soon!

This past **Mother's Day**, we launched our annual **Baby Bottle project!** Bottles are available now while supplies last—you can pick one up in the church office or the lobby. Every gift, whether loose change, bills, or a check, provides vital hope and support to local families. Please return your filled bottles before **Father's Day**.

Your Impact is Doubled: Our **Lutherans for Life** group is honored to donate all proceeds to the **ABC Women's Center**. To wrap even more families in support, the group will fully match your donations to benefit both **Hope Pregnancy Center** and **Caring Families**. Thank you for sharing your blessings with our community!

YOUNG-AT-HEART – JUNE PICNIC LUNCH

SAVE THE DATE, on Thursday, June 4 we will be having a picnic lunch menu with Deutschmacher hot dogs. All age 50+ members and guests are welcome to join us at 11:30 in the OSB. "Come join us for a session on the Mediterranean Diet & Heart Healthy Eating! Isabella Pratt, Registered Dietitian at Bristol Health, will go over the key features of the Mediterranean diet. Healthy Fats, High Fiber, and Daily Movement for Longevity. We will also discuss tips for Heart Healthy Eating including what to look for at the grocery store and on a nutrition label, as well as cooking tips for one person and easy simple recipes. Handouts & recipes will be provided!"



Join us for
SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:30-11:30 AM.

K-5 now meets in the Art room of the Old School Building. Grades 5 & up will meet in the Parish Center. Activities will include Bible Stories, games and crafts. Please contact Diane Ruffino (860-685-0626) or wdruffino@att.net if you have any questions.



Women's Bible Study
Tuesday, March 3rd at noon.
Bring a lunch, and join us for a Bible Study in the Parish Center.



Council Meeting is Thursday May 21st, 2026, in the Parish Center at 7pm.



When returning hymnals to the pew racks, please place them with the binding down. When the books are placed binding up, it puts a strain on the binding and shortens the life of the book. Thank you

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BENEFIT CAR SHOW

20 NORTH STREET ENFIELD CT

50/50 DRAWING
TROPHIES
FOOD

MUSIC
PRIZE DRAWINGS
DRINKS

**\$10 REGISTRATION FEE FOR SHOW CARS!
SPECTATORS ARE FREE!**



SATURDAY JUNE 27TH

AT 10 AM – 3 PM

**BRING A NON-PARISHABLE FOOD ITEM FOR THE ENFIELD
FOOD SHELF!**

THE CHURCH IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGE, THEFT, VANDALISM OR INJURIES



VBS 2026

- WHEN: July 6th – July 10
- WHERE: Faith Lutheran Church
1125 Stafford Avenue
Bristol, CT 06010
- GRADES: Pre-K* through 6th
- REGISTER: <https://faithbristolct.org>
Starting May 1, 2026
- TIME: 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm
(zero cost & dinner provided)
- *Pre-K – must be potty trained

The Board of Trustees is asking our Members to make us aware of any maintenance issues you notice. Please fill out this form and leave it in the Board of Trustees mailbox in the office.

Thank you.

MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR REQUEST

DATE: _____

LOCATION & BRIEF DESCRIPTION: _____

REQUESTED BY: _____