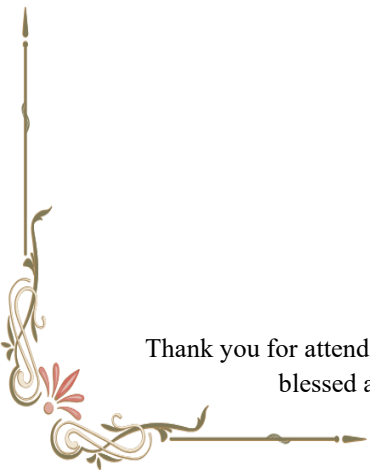




Therefore let anyone who
thinks that he stands take
heed lest he fall.

1 Corinthians 10:12



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

Announcements Aug 2nd, 2026

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Immanuel Lutheran Church & School—Bristol, Connecticut

Rev. Benjamin Akers, Senior Pastor

Rev. Robert Beinke, Associate Pastor

Oyeniran Oyedeji, Kantor

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STEWARDSHIP BIBLE VERSE FOR AUG 2ND, 2026

Luke 16:8 – “For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.”

Money is a tool that can be used for good or wicked purposes. Oftentimes unbelievers show more shrewdness in this than us Christians. If we really believe all that stuff we say in the Creed every Sunday...won't that affect how we use our money?

SERVING YOU IN AUGUST

Ushers: Team 1

Darrin Bodley

Tyler Bodley

Ryan Bodley

Joshua Bodley

Team 2

Kevin Read

Sal Buonafede

Jack Lusic

Team D (Wednesday)

Altar Guild: Pat Bohn Cordelia Behrendt John Bohn

Last Week

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE **WEDNESDAY ATTENDANCE**
9:00 – 141 HC – 103 10:45 – n/a HC – n/a

Weekly Contribution information for 7/26/2026

Budgeted Amount	Actual Contribution Amount	Weekly Difference
11,925.00	7,210.00	(4,715.00)

YTD Contribution information As Of 6/30/2026

YTD Budgeted Amount	YTD Contribution Amount	YTD Budget Difference
493,692.00	458,782.69	(34,909.31)

Milestone Birthdays in our Congregation in August

Joyce Marion 8/16

MEMORIALS and THANK OFFERINGS

Given in loving memory of Kathleen Follo
From Gladys Lagace
For Immanuel Lutheran Church

Help Fund This Year’s German Festival! — September 18-19, 2026

With our annual German Festival just around the corner, our entire Immanuel Lutheran community is coming together to bring this wonderful event to life. If you are willing and able, we would love for you to join us in supporting this year's festivities. Here’s how you can help...

Pitch In for Specific Festival Needs: Next week, we will share a specific list of needed items alongside their approximate costs. The list ranges from small dollar amounts to our larger expenses, so you can pick a practical item to cover directly. You can also simply offer a general donation toward the event.

To give you an idea of what it takes to run the festival, our needs include large-scale expenses like the tent installation (which is over \$2,000), festival insurance, bier trailer rental and performers, alongside essential supplies such as food ingredients, paper products, and decor. Oh, and of course there’s the imported German bier!

Ticket sales help offset these costs, but any income and donations from you, our sponsors, and our vendors contribute to our festival profits. Ultimately, the more we can take in before and during the festival, the more we can give back to the church and to the school tuition assistance each year!

Turn \$20 into \$250 with a Thrivent Action Team!: Maybe you don't have a large amount to spare right now, but you can afford \$20. You can turn a \$19.95 associate membership at Thrivent Financial into a \$250 Action Team card. That card can then be given to our festival planners to buy essential supplies like food ingredients, plates, and utensils, etc.

If you want to go the Thrivent route, it is best to jump on it right away so you can get your Thrivent Action Team Card in advance of the festival. After joining Thrivent online at thrivent.com/about-us/membership, you can apply for a card for a specific “Action Team” project, which we will help you define. The process is very quick.

Keep in mind that becoming a member of Thrivent can benefit our church and school community long after the festival is over, as these Thrivent Action Team cards can be used throughout the year to support other church and school initiatives. And, if you are an existing Thrivent product holder or account owner, you already qualify for 1 to 2 free Action Team cards per year! Please reach out to Rhoda Lange or Jason Krueger and they will walk you through the process and answer any questions you may regarding Thrivent or any donation you opt to make.

Thank you all for your continued support, prayers, and fellowship as we prepare for the 2026 German Festival.



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



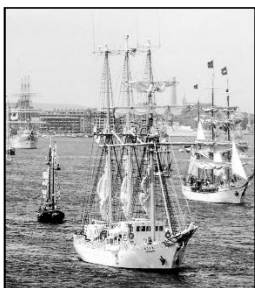
Record of Fellowship

As we gather for worship, please take a moment to fill out the Record of Fellowship located next to the *Lutheran Service Book*. These records assist us in monitoring attendance and caring for the members of our congregation.



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

YOUNG-AT-HEART – COOL SUMMER LUNCH



We are planning a wonderful **COOL SUMMER LUNCH** for you on **Thursday, August 6 at 11:30** in the **Old School Basement**. Like last year, it will be a **COLD LUNCH** and everyone should bring a **COLD** item for our buffet tables and donate \$2 at the door. We will only be eating what **YOU** bring at 11:30, so this will be an interesting and exciting lunch for us all.

Suggestions are: Fruits, Sandwiches, Salads of all kinds, Jello, Vegetables, Tuna, Cheeses, Bread, and cool beverages (nothing hot).

Eric Larson and Bill Wentland will share photos of their trip to the Tall Ships in Boston, part of America 2026 celebration.

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SUNDAY 8/2

9:00 Divine Service/Holy Communion/Live Streaming
10:15 Fellowship Coffee Hour – OSB
10:30 Adult Bible Study – OSB

MONDAY 8/3

1:00 Immanuel Card Players – Parish Center
7:00 Proverbs 31 Women's Bible Study – Parish Center

TUESDAY 8/4

9:30 Walk and Talk – Parish Center
12:00 Women's Bible Study – Parish Center
1:00 Board of Elders Meeting – Office Conference Room

WEDNESDAY 8/5

10:45 Divine Service/Holy Communion

THURSDAY 8/6

11:30 Young at Heart – Kitchen/OSB
1:00 Quilting Group – Parish Center

FRIDAY 8/7

No Church Activities

SATURDAY 8/8

No Church Activities

SUNDAY 8/9

9:00 Divine Service/Holy Communion/Live Streaming
10:15 Fellowship Coffee – OSB
10:30 Adult Bible Study – OSB



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 given to Immanuel Lutheran School's PTO.



Today's altar flowers were donated by Laurie Grekula celebrating her 70th birthday and in honor and loving memory of her twin.



To all the special **Care Givers** who work tirelessly each and every day.

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

John Dell'Aera

Barbara Keyes

Mother of Trina Theriault

Rodney Grekula

Jim Schaffrick

Melanie Ellsworth

Marc Bowen

Deanna Lau

Friend of Cordelia

Erica Stone

Daughter of Norman & Marilyn Stone

Marilyn Miller

Don Kalwat

Elizabeth & Ethan Hill

Ron Helming

Catherine Schilling

Maureen Finaldi

Friend of Gladys Lagace

Roberta Kuhr

Bruce Johnston

Brother-in-law of Becky Runk

Mary O'Brien

Friend of Leslie Foley

Howard Schmelder

Sue Lutz

Dan Bielent

Friend of Andy Helming

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

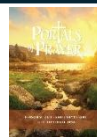
Our 9 am Services are on TV Sundays 3:30 am, 3:30 pm, and Wednesdays 8 am

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.



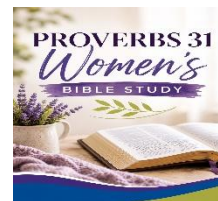
Our Infant program is growing! We are seeking an Infant lead teacher. Please inquire with: Early Childhood Director Susan Schneider at sschneider@ilcs.org or Principal, Debbie Krueger at dkrueger@ilcs.org



Portals of Prayer

Now available for July – September

Thank you to all who donated to the Baby Bottle fundraiser to benefit the ABC Women's Center. The total amount donated by Immanuel was \$1,109.00.



JOIN US AUGUST 3, 2026, FOR WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY. WE WILL BE LOCATED IN THE PARISH CENTER. BIBLE STUDY WILL START AT 7PM. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



Women's Bible Study Tuesday, Aug 4th at noon.
Location: Parish Center

A Note from Your Musician

As we look towards fall, your new Kantor wants to get you involved in the music ministry at Immanuel. In this, I have a few requests:

- 1) If you play an instrument or can sing as a soloist OR
 - 2) If you are interested in singing in the choir or playing handbells
- Please send an email to (ooyedeji@ilcs.org).

The goal is to be able to begin weekly handbell and choir rehearsals at the end of August with the beginning of school.