



Rev. Thomas Baker is our interim pastor. If you need to talk to Pastor Baker in St. Louis, please call 314-395-5050 or the following toll free long distance number: 1-877-267-1962. If there is no answer, leave your name, phone number and the reason for the call and Pastor Baker will return your call ASAP.

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THE LORD WILLING, THIS WEEK THROUGH IMMANUEL ... IN THE NAME OF JESUS

Sunday, November 8	Student Dinner (SC) Host: Docherty	6:30 PM	
Worship Service (C)	8:30 AM	Student Bible Study (SC)	7:30 PM
Christian Education (C)	9:45 AM	Thursday, November 12	
Worship Service (SC) Communion	11:00 AM	Office hours (SC)	1-3 PM
Elder: M. Standard		Sunday, November 15	
Pastor Baker's office hours (SC)	1:00 PM	Worship Service (C) Communion	8:30 AM
Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM)	1:00 PM	Elders: Quick & Strode	
Monday, November 9		Christian Education (C)	9:45 AM
Office hours (SC)	7:45-11:45 AM	Worship Service (SC)	11:00 AM
Tuesday, November 10		Pastor Baker's office hours (SC)	1:00 PM
Church Council (SC)	6:00 PM	Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM)	1:00 PM
Wednesday, November 11		SC=Student Center (303 N Clay) C=Church (906 E Grant)	
Office hours (SC)	7:45-11:45 AM and 1-4 PM		

Last service at the Student Center will be November 15. No services at the Student Center from November 22, 2020 – January 10, 2021. First service at Student Center when WIU students are back for Spring semester will be January 17, 2021.

Listen to **"The Lutheran Hour"** at 1:00PM Sundays on WGNX 96.7 **November 8 "Tied into the Same Lifeline"** Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Humble pie is on the menu at an ill-fated feast.(Daniel 5)
November 15 "BIGGER" Guest Speaker: Pastor Gerard Bolling Big problems call for faith in an even bigger God. Pastor Gerard Bolling tells how the God Who is bigger than our problems works through us to bring bigger blessings to the people around us.(Daniel 6) (You can also listen to TLH at 7:00AM on Sundays at 92.5FM out of Beardstown.)

Weekly green sheet can be viewed at ImmanuelMacomb.com by scrolling down on the Home Page.

Please send any information to be included in the weekly green sheet by Thursday at noon.
Please send any prayer requests to Cindy at Secretary@ImmanuelMacomb.com.

Our servant-leaders on the Church Council and Council of Elders for 2020-21 are:

- President -- *Tom Burtch*
- Vice-President --
- Recording Secretary -- *Mary Jane Bruketta*
- Financial Secretary -- *Diny Burnell*
- Treasurer -- *Hans Moll*
- Board of Christian Education Chair --
- Board of Outreach & Fellowship -- *Mary Strode*
- Board of Trustees Chair -- *Mike Powell*
- Council member At-Large – *Michelle Wemndt*
- Council of Elders – *Mitch Standard, Lynn Wolfmeyer, Tom Quick, Curt Strode, Terry Standard*

Good Afternoon All! We are excited to share with you that the CID Facebook page has officially launched! Please "like" the page if you are on Facebook. https://www.facebook.com/cidlcms/?modal=admin_todo_tour

ALTAR FLOWERS.

It's time to sign up for altar flowers to enhance our worship at Immanuel for 2021. The cost is \$25.00 to provide flowers for two Sundays. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board at Immanuel. If you have questions, contact Miriam Satern at 837-2808 or MN-Satern@wiu.edu.

2021 Lutheran Annual

If you would like a copy of the 2021 Lutheran Annual, the cost is \$25.19. Call Cindy at 309/833-5483 and we will order copies.

Matthew 25:4 – "... but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps." Why did they take flasks of oil with them? Because they listened to the bridegroom's words and believed what He told them. Our actions always start with and flow from our beliefs. What do your actions in the realm of financial stewardship say about what you believe?

"Maybe you enjoy showing hospitality to others, whether at home or as part of a joint effort at church. Perhaps you invite people who are lonely or people who are hungry or homeless or far away from home. Perhaps you are reaching out to refugees or to international students. Perhaps you take a casserole to a family with a new baby or buy toothpaste and toilet paper for the local homeless shelter. If so, you are showing hospitality to Jesus. What an honor to be able to do so!" *Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

*****Communion Notes*****

If anyone would prefer a gluten-free wafer or a non alcoholic cup at communion, please see an usher or Elder before service begins so arrangements can be made to accommodate your request.

As a reminder during communion, please take a small plastic tray from the Elder before receiving the wafer and cup. Pastor will place the wafer in your tray and the Elder will then set a cup in your tray. Please do not reach for either the wafer or cup by hand. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated to minimize any potential contamination.

Thank you.
Tom Quick, Head Elder

Update on Endowment for "Keeping Christ on Campus"

Each campus has over \$2,000 towards their individual goal of \$10,000. Please consider sending a contribution to help reach the goal. Additional contribution forms are on the table in the front entrance. Thank you.

TREASURER'S GREEN SHEET REPORT: October 2020

Income		Year to Date
Offering	\$ 11,307.98	\$ 110,555.65
Other Income	<u>2,380.60</u>	<u>21,417.87</u>
Total Income	\$ 13,688.58	\$ 131,973.52
Budget	\$ 16,350.83	\$ 163,508.30
Actual Spending	<u>(10,477.72)</u>	<u>(83,636.44)</u>
Difference	\$ 5,873.11	\$ 79,871.86
Total Income	\$ 13,688.58	\$ 131,973.52
Actual Spending	<u>(10,477.72)</u>	<u>(83,636.44)</u>
Difference	\$ (3,210.86)	\$ 48,337.08

Happy Thanksgiving: A Hymn Story

You might say that he showed up at just the wrong time...He came back to his home town in 1617 at the age of 31 to serve as a leader in his church just as a devastating war broke out in the region, lasted three decades and claimed over eight million lives – almost 20% of the German population!

Young Pastor Martin Rinkart faithfully did his work the best he could, even while armies of the great nations all around his province of Saxony ravaged the land, leaving farms and shops depleted and destroyed. What's more, the pastor found himself not only forced to deal with soldiers who were quartered in his house, quickly diminishing his own supplies, but with hordes of refugees who poured into his walled city for protection until Eilenburg – which Martin Luther had once called a "blessed lard pit" – too was overflowing with human needs.

And then it struck – a disease so severe that even the invasion of the Swedes paled beside it. For the combination of overcrowding, ruined crops, and a crippled infrastructure produced a famine so extreme that it is said that thirty or forty people fought in the streets to claim not toilet paper but a dead cat or crow. And the plague that followed in 1637 quickly spread throughout the town, claiming more than eight thousand persons in a single year there.

Of the remaining five clergy in town, four quickly died from the plague, leaving only young Martin to carry on. He often read the funeral service to some 40-50 persons a day, in fact, and in all, he buried some 4,480 individuals that year, including his first wife.

Still, Pastor Rinkart labored on with an almost inexplicable trust in God and a readiness to give thanks, leaving behind an incredible testimony to that faith in his incredible hymn, written just as the plague began to hit his hometown, "Nun Danket Alle Gott."

Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices;
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way,
With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.

Then just in case it was not plain, the second verse spelled it out further:

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us;
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next!

Those words of Martin Rinkart are worth remembering especially today. The task of the church is not to run away from those who are ill, but to minister to all whatever it may take. To quote the former prime minister of England, Margaret Thatcher, this is indeed "no time to go wobbly." May those of us in the church demonstrate not only the compassion of Martin Rinkart, but his courage as well.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

-Becky S. Hohnstadt, Music Director, St. John's, Adrian, MI