

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, May 23**

Worship Service (C) 8:30 AM  
Christian Education (C) 9:45 AM  
Pastor Baker's office hours (C) 10:30 AM  
Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM) 1:00 PM

**Monday, May 24**

Elders (C) 7:00 PM

**Wednesday, May 26**

Office hours (SC) 8-12 & 1-5 PM  
Quilter's Guild (C) 9-11 AM

**Thursday, May 27**

Office hours (SC) 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**Sunday, May 30**

Worship Service (C) Communion 8:30 AM  
Elders: Mitch Standard & Curt Strode  
Christian Education (C) 9:45 AM  
Pastor Baker's office hours (C) 10:30 AM  
Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM) 1:00 PM

SC=Student Center (303 N Clay) C=Church (906 E Grant)

Listen to **"The Lutheran Hour"** at 1:00PM Sundays on WGNX 96

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Does someone need to hear words of rebuke-or redemption? A message about harsh words, gentle answers, and the wisdom of God.(Proverbs 15:1)

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler The person who excels in their work will be noticed by kings. Dr. Michael Zeigler talks about the King who took note of us before we did any work. (Proverbs 22:29) (*You can also listen to TLH at 7:00AM on Sundays at 92.5FM out of Beardstown.*)

May 23 **"Wisdom Knows When"**

May 30 **"Before Kings"**

**Weekly green sheet can be viewed at [ImmanuelMacomb.com](http://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 [Secretary@ImmanuelMacomb.com](mailto:Secretary@ImmanuelMacomb.com).

**Our Servant Leaders**

**Church Council**

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 Wenndt*

**Council of Elders**

Tom Quick, Head Elder, Mitch Standard,  
Terry Standard, Curt Strode, Lynn  
Wolfmeyer

**Lutheran Student Fellowship Officers**

President – Sam Spaletto  
Vice President – Luke Jesgarz  
Secretary/Treasurer – Ben Efnor  
Outreach/Activities – Dylan Smith

**Congratulations to our 2021 Graduates:**

Landon and Noah France – 8<sup>th</sup> grade VIT

Ellie Polley – Macomb Senior High School

**Notice:** Starting with the June 2021 monthly calendar we will include member birthdays (without the year) and wedding anniversaries (with the year). If you do **NOT** want your name published call the church office 309/833-5483 and leave a message or send an email to [secretary@immanuelmacomb.com](mailto:secretary@immanuelmacomb.com).

"My Devotions" and "Happy Times" are now available on the ushers bench at the church.

**1 John 5:12 – "Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life."** Jesus is the foundation, the bedrock, the beginning, and the end. To have Him is to have it all. In Him we have life. We are called to live in Him, to live this new life He has given us, and to grow up into His image. This is a struggle in this sinful world! But His grace is sufficient as He refreshes us through Word and Sacrament.

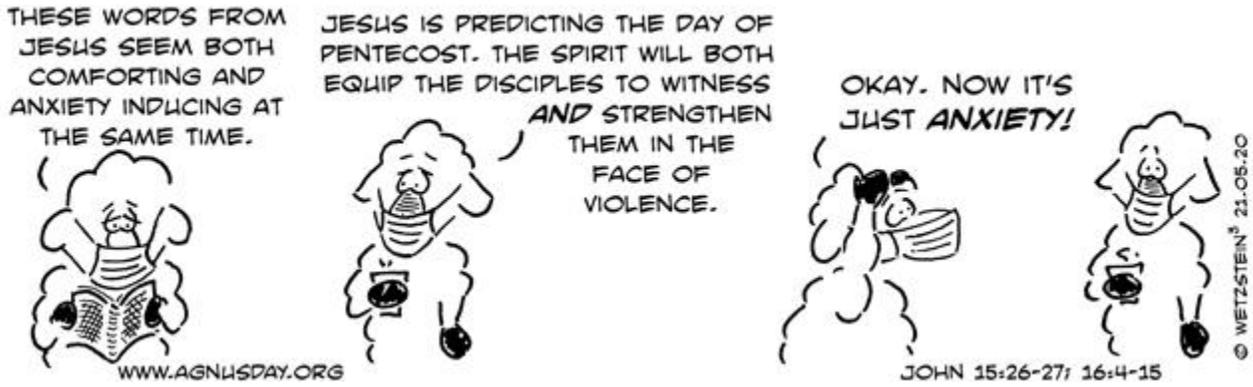
"William Shakespeare once reasoned, 'Love sought is good, but given unsought is better.' How do you know that God loves you? While you and I were yet wandering, Christ was wandering after us, pursuing us, even by way of the cross: love seeking the lost in human flesh. It is this sacrifice that stands as the greatest marker in all time." *Ravi Zacharias, evangelist – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://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



**The Elders** are updating the church's membership list. If your phone number, address, or email address has changed, please let one the Elders know. This includes any family member also. Thank you for your assistance!

TREASURER'S GREEN SHEET REPORT: April 2021

Income		Year to Date
Offering	\$ 10,544.80	\$ 46,806.86
Other Income	<u>2,413.13</u>	<u>11,277.84</u>
Total Income	\$ 12,957.93	\$ 58,084.70
<u>Expenses</u>		
Budget	\$ 13,770.42	\$ 55,081.68
Actual Spending	<u>(9,825.45)</u>	<u>(37,454.46)</u>
Difference	\$ 3,944.97	\$ 17,627.22
Total Income	\$ 12,957.93	\$ 58,084.70
Actual Spending	<u>(9,825.45)</u>	<u>(37,454.46)</u>
Difference	\$ (3,132.48)	\$ 20,630.24

**THE BUZZARD:**

If you put a buzzard in a pen that is 6 feet by 8 feet and is entirely open at the top, the bird, in spite of its ability to fly, will be an absolute prisoner. The reason is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a run of 10 to 12 feet. Without space to run, as is its habit, it will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jar with no top.

**THE BAT:**

The ordinary bat that flies around at night, a remarkable nimble creature in the air, cannot take off from a level place. If it is placed on the floor or flat ground, all it can do is shuffle about helplessly and, no doubt, painfully, until it reaches some slight elevation from which it can throw itself into the air. Then, at once, it takes off like a flash.

**THE BUMBLEBEE:**

A bumblebee, if dropped into a tumbler, will be there until it dies, unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

**PEOPLE:**

In many ways, we are like the buzzard, the bat, and the bumblebee. We struggle about with all our problems and frustrations, never realizing that all we need to do is look up! That's the answer, the escape route, and the solution to any problem! Just look up.

Sorry looks back, Worry looks around, But Faith looks up!

Live simple, love generously, care deeply, speak kindly and trust in our Creator who loves us.