

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, September 19	Bible Study (SC)	7:30 PM
Worship Service (C) Communion	8:30 AM	
Elders: Curt & Mike		
Christian Education (C)	9:45 AM	
Worship Service (SC)	11:00 AM	
Pastor Baker's office hours (C)	12:00 PM	
Lutheran Hour (96.7 FM)	1:00 PM	
Wednesday, September 22		
Office hours (SC)	7:45-11:45 AM	
Quilter's Guild (C)	9:00-11:00 AM	
Student Dinner (SC)	6:30 PM	
	Thursday, September 23	
	Office hours (SC)	7:45-11:45 AM, 1:00-3:30 PM
	Sunday, September 26	
	Worship Service (C)	8:30 AM
	Christian Education (C)	9:45 AM
	Worship Service (SC) Communion	11:00 AM
	Elder: Terry	
	Pastor Baker's office hours (C)	12:00 PM
	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 September 19 **"Scrapped Gifts"**
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler God saves our scraps and regifts them with Easter possibility.(James 1)
September 26 **"Seek the Welfare of the Neighborhood"** Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge
We can start to make the world a better place by seeking the welfare of the neighborhoods into which God has placed us.(Jeremiah 29) (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 Secretary@ImmanuelMacomb.com.

Our Servant Leaders

Church Council

President – *Doug LaFountain*
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Curt Strode, Mike Eckardt

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Mark 9:32 – **“But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.”** The disciples really do hold up a mirror to our faces and force us to see ourselves. We are misunderstanding, afraid, confused. But the Word of God is clear if only we will listen with open ears. What was blocking the disciples' ears? The Gospels tell us time and again. The disciples did not expect a suffering Christ. So when Jesus spoke of suffering, they plugged their ears and didn't listen, and they ended up confused and scared. What about us? What's in the Word of God that we find hard to hear and contrary to our desires and expectations? That might just be exactly what we need to hear!

“God has put us in our roles as life-affirming Lutherans in this place at this time. We must continue despite the world's resistance. We must lean on God because He will support us. We must remember He has the words of eternal life!”
Virginia Flo, Regional Director of Minnesota and National Conference Director, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

There is a Sign-Up Sheet for hosting the Fall Semester Student Dinners in the Immanuel Narthex. We will be following the usual protocol. The dinners are Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm in the Student Center Fellowship Hall. (Hard to believe it is time for the WIU students return!!). If you have any questions, please contact Marcia Moll 309-255-8358.

The October-December Portals of Prayer are now available in church narthex, our free library, and Student Center library. There are 3 copies in large print.

THE CILCA Catechetical Retreat will be held Friday & Saturday, October 1-2. Anyone in grades 5-12 is welcome to enjoy this weekend of worship, study, games, campfires, and good friends. Cost is \$40 per camper. Sign up today at <http://www.cilca.org/catechetical-retreat.html>.

In Christ, **Joshua Theilen**, Director, Camp C-I-L-C-A

I KNOW *ONE*
THING FOR
SURE!



WWW.AGNUSDAY.ORG

YEAH?
WHAT'S THAT?



JAMES DOESN'T
UNDERSTAND
MARKETING.



OH I THINK HE
UNDERSTANDS IT
JUST FINE.



JAMES 3:13-4:10

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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

A sign-up sheet for **2021 Ushers** is on the bulletin board at church. Please consider signing up for a week or two or a whole month.

Kits for Lutheran World Relief (LWR)

LWML is collecting items for Personal Care (Health) Kits and School Kits to send to LWR at the end of October. Please help us collect items for each type of kit by purchasing all the items for each type of kit. After purchasing the items, put all the items for one kit in a plastic bag and deposit the bag in the plastic tub in the room off the main entrance to the Church. Thanks for your help in helping us fulfill this important mission project.

PERSONAL CARE KIT

- 1 light weight bath size towel (between 20"x40" and 52"x27"), dark color recommended
- 2-3 bath size bars of soap (8-9 oz each) any brand in original wrapping
- 1 adult size toothbrush in original packaging
- 1 sturdy comb
- 1 metal nail clipper

SCHOOL KIT

- 4 70-sheet notebooks, wide or college ruled paper (NOTE: no loose leaf paper))
- 1 30-cm ruler or a ruler with cm on one side and inches on the other
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades)
- 5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- 5 black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)
- 1 box of 16 or 24 crayons
- 1 2.5 inch eraser

To my Brothers & Sisters at Immanuel Lutheran Church – Macomb,

Normally, I would be writing to relay happy news or the goings on of the Seminary. While there certainly have been goings on at the Seminary, it has not been happy news or even neutral news. While I am glad to report that I passed Summer Hebrew, that is the end of the good news. It is with a heavy heart that I say that as of August 30th, 2021, I am no longer a student of Concordia Seminary – St. Louis.

This probably comes as a shock to most of you. It certainly was to me. Two weeks earlier, I was informed by the head of the Master of Divinity Program – my program – that the Ministerial Formation & Selection Committee had recommended that I withdraw or be dismissed from the program. Ultimately, I chose to be dismissed, because, ultimately, this was not my intended course and I disagree with the Seminary's decision. However, Scripture does command that we are not to quarrel amongst ourselves as Believers. I will attempt to uphold that Divine mandate. So while I am frustrated and even angry at the decision, I hope these will pass into forgiveness. And if not forgiveness, then peace is also acceptable.

My future plans are still in formation, but I do want to say that I am so grateful and thankful that you all have been along for the ride on this crazy journey. All I ask is that you continue to pray for me and to wish me well in my future. Just so I am completely clear, this will not include the Seminary going forward.

In God's Peace and Love,
Wade D. Waterstreet