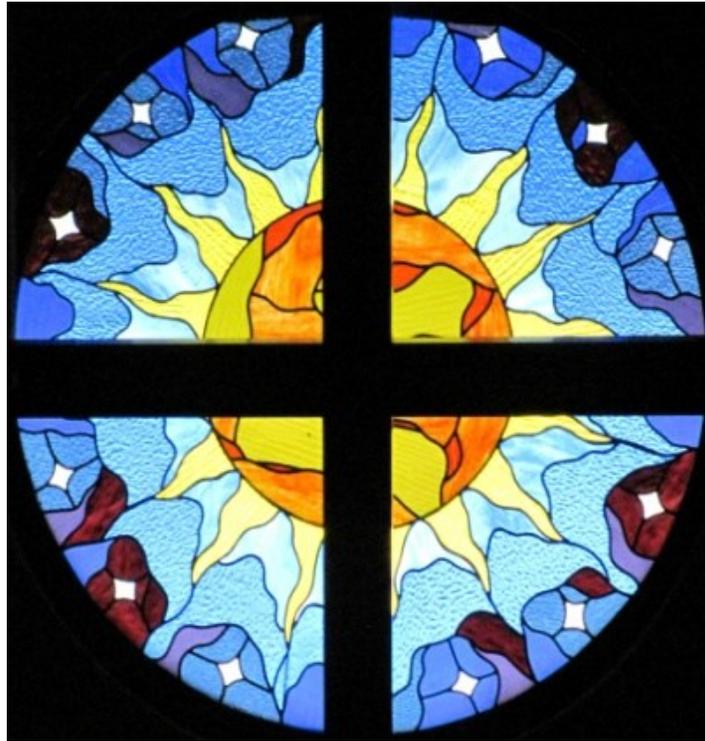


Immanuel Lutheran Church

Share Christ's Love.

April 2026 Newsletter



Worship and Communion
Sunday services ~ 9:00 a.m.
Live Streaming

Faith Formation
Faith Formation ~ 10:00 a.m.

Office Hours
Kelly in office
Tuesdays and Thursdays
9 am - 1 pm

Find us on Facebook at Immanuel Lutheran Washington Iowa and online at luthwash.org

YouTube- [luthwash](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) * Email us at luthwash@hotmail.com

Come visit us at 1226 East Washington Street, Washington, Iowa 52353

Church ~ 319.653.3950

Attendance & Offering

Wednesday, February 25

6:15 p.m. ~ 18 Offering ~ \$79

Sunday, March 1

9:00 am ~ 65 Offering ~ \$2267

Wednesday, March 4

6:15 p.m. ~ 39 Offering ~

Sunday, March 8

9:00 a.m. ~ 63 Offering ~ \$2455

Wednesday, March 11

6:15 p.m. ~ 28 Offering ~ \$100

Sunday, March 15

9:00 a.m. ~ 44 Offering ~ \$2245

Wednesday, March 18

6:15 p.m. ~ 29 Offering ~ \$130

Sunday, March 22

9:00 a.m. ~ 51 Offering ~ \$1,769

Noisy offering

Confirmation student projects

Birthdays For April

2- Marcus Gutierrez
7- Bentley Striegel
8- Bonnie Taylor
12- Debbie Jewell
12- Lillian Runaas
21- Larry Bartlett
22- April Six
25- Stan Kroll
26- Grace Taylor
29- Gary Fischer



Your dollar buys more when HACAP orders food,
consider sending a few dollars to:

HACAP
2175 Lexington Blvd # 1
Washington, Iowa 52353

Help your local families during
this difficult time.
Thank you, DeAnn



Anniversaries for April

4- Randy Poos & Nancy Baker
22- Marty & Joyce Westen



The devotional booklets,
"Christ in Our Home"
are now available in the Hallway.
Please take one for yourself and
one to pass along to someone else.



ENCORE EXPRESS



Encore at Immanuel meals this month:

Thursday, April 12

and

Thursday, April 26

Serving at 11:30 a.m.

Check Facebook for the menus.

RSVPs are required. *See you there!!*



Centering Prayer:

Saturday, April 14 and Saturday, April 28

8:30 a.m.—9:30 a.m.

Deacon Fran Victor will be leading an hour of contemplative prayer in Immanuel's sanctuary (practicing social caring and wearing masks) the second and fourth Saturday mornings of each month; 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. The hour begins with Centering Prayer and then moving into Lectio Divina (using a verse of scripture as the basis for prayer). No experience is necessary in either prayer practice to participate. No reservations needed, just come and enjoy the hour of contemplation. If you would like to join this intimate group, but are new to this type of prayer, come at 8:15 a.m. for explanation. **“God’s first word is silence.” – Thomas Keating**

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Thank you to the person who left the Bible Verse Jar for us in our classroom. Our family is enjoying it.

With Gratitude,

The Taylor Family

Thank you to everyone for remembering me on my birthday!

Evelyn Brown



Luther League met in February to try their luck at the bowling alley. Laughs were had, pins fell down, and a few bumpers were used!

The next LL event will be held on April 12th from 11am~1pm.

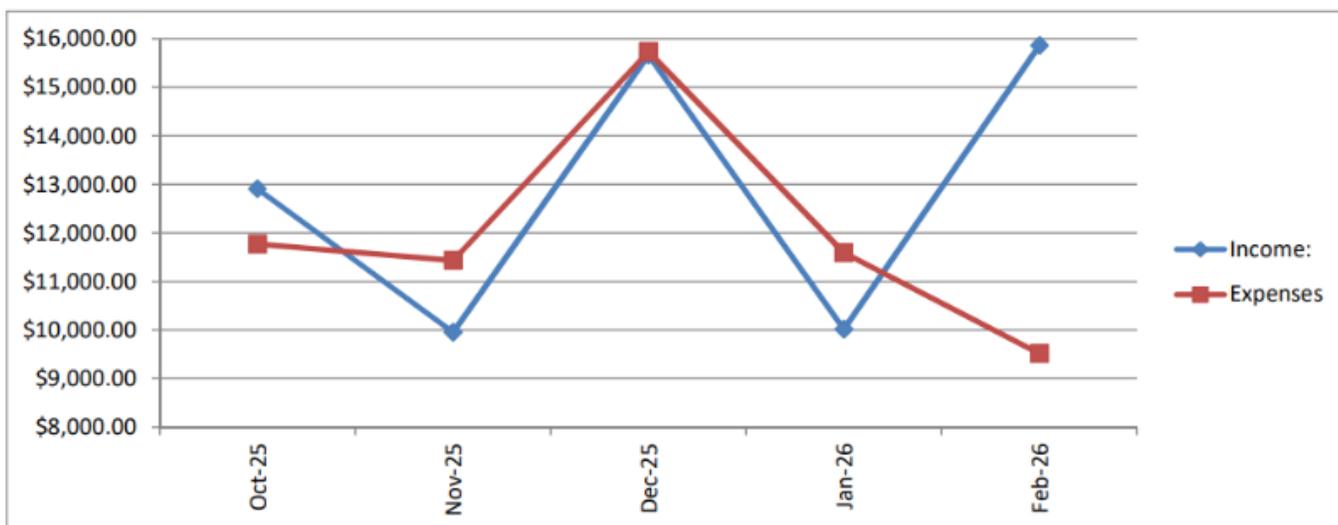
	February 2026	February 2025
Income:		
Primary Offering	\$9,780.00	\$8,975.00
Other Income	\$6,080.50	\$1,009.05
Total Income:	\$15,860.50	\$9,984.05

Gift / Donation

Pastor Expense (6100)	\$4,451.88	\$4,451.88
Staff Expenses (6100)	\$2,690.40	\$2,886.99
Building & Grounds (6200)	\$245.35	\$3,780.08
Fellowship / Supplies (6300)	\$10.68	
Faith Formation (6400)	\$233.79	\$136.25
Worship Expense (6500)	\$110.58	\$212.28
Benevolence Expense (6600)	\$260.21	\$600.00
Administrative Expense (6800)	\$1,518.72	\$463.07
Total Expenses:	\$9,521.61	\$12,530.55

	2026 February	2025 February
Operating Accounts	\$117,826.91	\$33,508.18
Other Accounts	\$51,532.56	\$37,473.57
Total Bank Accounts	\$169,359.47	\$70,981.75

Net Operating Income / Loss	\$6,338.89	\$2,546.50
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We thank God for His continued faithfulness and for the generosity of our church family. In February 2026, the Lord provided \$15,860.50 in total income, compared with \$9,984.05 in February of last year. This income included a generous \$5,000 donation from Warner Fick. We give thanks for this special gift and for the many ways God provides for the needs of our church. Expenses for the month totaled \$9,521.61, which is lower than the \$12,530.55 spent in February 2025. Through careful stewardship of resources, the church was able to meet its ministry needs while spending less overall than the same month last year. As a result, we finished the month with a net operating surplus of \$6,338.89, compared with a \$2,546.50 loss in February of 2025. We are thankful for how the Lord continues to provide for the work of the church. At the end of February, the church's total bank balances stood at \$169,359.47, including \$117,826.91 in operating accounts and \$51,532.56 in other accounts, compared with \$70,981.75 at the same time last year.

As we look ahead to the coming of spring, we are reminded of the new life and renewal God brings to His creation. Just as the earth awakens after winter, we pray that this season will also be one of spiritual renewal and growth in our church community. We praise God for His provision and thank our church family for their faithful giving and commitment to the ministry. – God Bless! Financial Chair, Michelle



Dates to remember for April and May

Share your flowering plants for our Easter morning altar.
Bring your flowers and plants to the church by **Saturday, April 4th**.
Bev Bailey and Naomi Erickson will be here from
10 am-12 pm to collect them.

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Everyone is invited to greet and celebrate this year's confirmands at a
cake reception after worship on **Sunday, April 26th**.

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You are invited to congratulate our high school graduates with a cake
reception after worship on **Sunday, May 3rd**.

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Congratulations, Emma Taylor and Brayden Zywiec!!
There will be a special coffee fellowship following worship on
Sunday, May 31st. In honor and to celebrate
Steve & Kathy Vetter's 50th Anniversary.

Women in Action Bible Study



Come join the Women in Action Bible Study on **Tuesday, April 14th at 1:30 p.m.** in the fellowship hall. We will be studying lesson 3 from the magazine *The Gathering*, September, October, and November edition. The article is on money, stewardship, and generosity. Deb Simmering will lead the lesson and Naomi Erickson will provide refreshments.



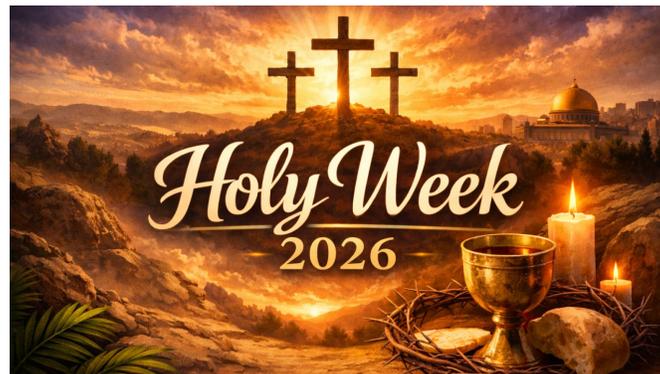
Lenten Soup Supper

On March 18th, the Church Council hosted the Lenten Soup Supper. They served creamy chicken soup, sauerkraut soup, and chili soup with an extended dessert bar that included: pies, cakes, cookies, and brownies. The Goodwill offering was designated to the sew ladies and H.O.P.E., who are excited and very appreciative for the amount of \$137.00.

Thank you very, very much!!



Service Date	Acolyte	Communion	Greeters	Reader	Tech	Ushers
April 5	Tegan Bartholomew	Tricia Kroll	The Kroll Family	Tricia Kroll	Steve Vetter	Brad Kroll, Craig Bartholomew, and Robert Coker
April 12	Paige Woline and Evan Woline	Christina Woline	The Woline Family	Christina Woline	Brayden Zywiec	Ryan Woline, Gary Fischer, and Stephen Bay
April 19	Grace Taylor	Naomi Erickson	The Taylor Family	Angela Taylor	Brayden Zywiec	Rob Taylor, Jason Taylor, and Steve Vetter
April 26	Bentley Striegel and Kennedy Striegel	Beverly Bailey	Aaron & April Six	Linda Six	Brayden Zywiec	Scott Bartholomew, Landon Coker, and Clayton Bartholomew



Maundy Thursday- Thursday, April 2nd Worship 6:15 p.m.

Easter- Sunday, April 5, Worship 9 a.m.