

A big 'thank you!' to our weekly worship service volunteers!

Servers for April 5: Easter Sunday

Lector: 9:00 Mary Kay Johnson
Acolyte: 9:00 Evan Stephenson
Communion: 9:00 Doug & Ann Peterschmidt, Linda Kress
Altar Care: Betty Giddings & Pat Gates
Ushers: 9:00 Bill Sanderson & Craig Reichmann
AV/Tech: 9:00 Aaron Losey

Servers for April 12:

Lector: 9:00 Bonnie Nelson
Acolyte: 9:00 Parker West
Communion: 9:00 Tom Johnson, Nikki Schroeder, Jen Sweeney
Altar Care: Sue Gipper & Sheri Foster
Ushers: 9:00 John & Kathy Tegler
AV/Tech: 9:00 Mike Schroeder

Prayers for: Billie Jo Tonn, Wayde Rasmussen, Loretta Rasmussen, Kathy Olsen, Ron Tonn, Cassidy Thein, Harold & Sandy Schneider, Kay Bisinger, Luann Gates, & Carrie Erickson.

Sympathies to: Sherry McCollough on the death of her husband, David McCollough, 65 years old, who passed away on Wednesday, March 25, 2026. A private Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Military: SSG Ashley Clark & SFC David Clark (daughter and son-in-law of John & Kathy Tegler), 3071 Mondavi Crest, Schertz, TX 78154.

First Communion

Congratulations to Easton Lorenzen and Zariah Hack, who received the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time during the Maundy Thursday service on April 5, 2026, with Rev. Brian Moeller.

INSTALLATION ANNOUNCEMENT

With great anticipation and gratitude to God, Immanuel announces the installation service of our new pastor, The Rev. Brian S. Moeller. ***The installation, conducted by Bishop Kevin T. Jones, will take place on Sunday, April 19, 2026, at the 9:00 am service, with brunch to follow.***

Come, let us rejoice and pray over Pastor Brian as he leads us forward!

Youth Schedules

SWAG (5th/6th Grade)

- ◆ Wed, Apr 8, 3:30-5 pm, at church
- ◆ Wed, Apr 15, 3:30-5 pm, at church

BLAST (7th/8th Grade)

- ◆ Wed, Apr 8, 7-8:30 pm, at church
- ◆ Wed, Apr 15, 7-8:30 pm, at church

CONFIRMATION (8th/ 9th Grade)

- ◆ Wed, Apr 8, 6:45-8 pm, field trip & class
- ◆ Wed, Apr 15, 7-8 pm, class at church
- ◆ ***SUN, APR 19, PROJECT DUE DATE***

FORCE (High School)

- ◆ Sun, Apr 5 & 12, NO FORCE

SAVE THE DATES!
RAINFOREST FALLS
VBS: JULY 12-16!



Rainforest Falls VBS Planning Team

If planning, organizing, being creative, or sharing ideas, are right up your alley, we would love to have your help as we plan and prepare for our 2026 VBS. For VBS to run smoothly and be a success, we need the skills and abilities of MANY as we plan! If you would like to join the team to help plan, we will have a meeting on Tuesday, April 14, at 3:00 pm.

Summer Stretch 2026

Registration for Summer Stretch is open! Students who have completed grades 4th-8th are invited to attend. Please complete this form <https://forms.gle/NMTuy4ZvUcLoHyRVA> (scanning the QR code will take you to the form) to get signed up! This year's dates are June 10, July 1, & August 5. The cost is \$10/day and as in the past, each day we will complete a service project together in the morning, enjoy lunch together, and then spend the afternoon in fellowship and having a bit of fun! Friends are welcome to join us, but please have them sign up too! The deadline to sign up is May 4. Depending on how many sign up, we may have to split into 2 days a month. A T-shirt, to be worn during service work, the fun activity, and lunch are included in the per day fee. Contact Ashlee Wilgenbusch with any questions.



After Post Prom Breakfast

All students attending ICSD prom and/or post prom are invited to Immanuel for a FREE, made-to-order breakfast on Sunday, April 19, at 4am. Breakfast



will start as soon as the prize time at post prom is complete. Please be sure to sign up by scanning the QR code or going to <https://forms.gle/PQgruNph3KTGT9676> if you plan to attend so we have enough food. If you are interested in helping serve or donating to this breakfast, please contact Ashlee Wilgenbusch. Thank you for helping provide a safe, fun way to end the prom celebrations!

CONFIRMATION REMINDERS

First-year students: please be sure to mark your calendars! We will be meeting early for class on April 8th for our field trip. Be sure you are here and ready to leave **no later than 6:45 pm.**

Second-year students: the due date for your confirmation projects is quickly approaching! Please be sure that they are turned into Shelly **no later than April 19th.** In addition, if you still need to pay your \$25 fee, you can turn it into the office or pay online at our website. Thanks!

RAGBRAI 2026

Independence will host RAGBRAI overnight on **Thursday, July 23, 2026.** Immanuel is planning to provide a meal that evening and **MANY volunteers will be needed.** If you have any questions or are interested in helping with the meal, please contact the church office, Wanda Haverkamp (319-269-9130), or Ed Gipper (563-608-2173) for more info. There are two signups on the office door if you would like to help or provide pies for the meal!

Mini-Retreat for Women

Join the women of Immanuel for a mini-retreat on Saturday, April 25, from 5-7:30 pm! Relax and learn spiritual practices to use in your daily life to feel more connected. Please RSVP to Janny Budzine by April 19: jbudzine@gmail.com or 563-920-2541.

Week of April 5, 2026

Sun 5:

Easter Sunday

9:00 am Worship
NO FELLOWSHIP or SUNDAY SCHOOL
NO FORCE

Mon 6:

Tues 7: 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study

Wed 8: 7:00 am Coffee & Conversation at Em's (Men)
9:00 am Coffee & Conversation at Em's (Women)
1:00 pm IWELCA
3:30 pm SWAG
5:00 pm Meal
6:15 pm Worship
6:45 pm Confirmation Class Field Trip
7:00 pm BLAST

Thurs 9: 7:00 pm Calico Cut Ups

Fri 10: 9:00 am Bible Study
12:00 pm BCHC Auxiliary Luncheon

Sat 11:

Sun 12: 9:00 am Worship
10:15 Fellowship/Sunday School
NO FORCE
4:00 pm Fellowship Hall in use

Giving Options

In Person: Place cash/check in the offering plate

Online: www.immanuelindee.com/giving or scan the QR code

Vanco Mobile App: get the free app & search for ILC of Independence

By Mail: 512 5th Street NE, Independence, IA 50644

Stewardship Statement

Yearly Offering Needed (7/1/25-6/30/26): \$326,790

YTD Needed (7/1/24-3/28/26): **\$245,092.38**

YTD Received (7/1/24-3/28/26): **\$235,108.60**

