



May 17, 2026

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



Immanuel's
website

Welcome Guests! Thank you for spending your time in worship with us! Please take some time to share your contact information by signing the guest book in the narthex.

Rev. Dr. Douglas A. Krengel, Sole Pastor

Please contact Pastor Krengel for any Pastoral needs. If you need to make an appointment with Pastor Krengel - You are invited to call him on his cell phone or send him an email.

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Confirmation Sunday Unity Service Today

Worship Services are Streamed Live on Facebook - Immanuel Lutheran Church Bridgman

NO Sunday Adult Bible Study & "The Rock" Sunday School this morning.

Immanuel's Mission Statement

Immanuel exists to connect all people to Jesus Christ, who embraces all people in His grace, so that we can serve all people in love and discover a hope that heals.

**Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026**

Seventh Sunday of Easter – As we come to the end of the season of Easter, and as we come to the end of the *Two Men and a Tomb* theme, we rejoice as the Good News is bringing another generation into the church. While this morning is an ending in some ways, it is also a beginning in some ways. While it is the end of Grace's Junior Confirmation Classes, it is the beginning of her life as a communicant member of the church. Perhaps you find yourselves in the beginning or the ending of a new stage in your life. Whether you find yourself at the start, in the middle, or at the end of something, the Holy Spirit calls us to relax and rejoice in the knowledge that God cares for us all.

Today's Hymns: LSB 493 vs. 1&6, LSB 947 vs. 1&4, LSB 195, LSB 652

Today's Scriptures: Acts 1: 12-26, 1 Peter 4:12-19, 5: 6-11, Romans 6:9, John 14:18

Prayers of the Church for Today

Dorothy Ott

Healing Needs for the Month – Please update the office with any changes.

Barb Ackerman, Pastor Carl Bassett, Harriet Fester, Darrell Gast, Dick Gorske, Paul Graves, Terry Graves, Sharon Korcek, Denny Lawrenz, Norma Linn, Pastor Greg Lorenz, Debbie Miller, Vern Nitz Jr., Irwin & Margaret Poschke, Jeff Rodewald, Char Schram, Dolly Schmaltz, Tom Ulmer, Beth Vigansky

CHURCH NEWS

The flowers on the altar today are in honor of our confirmand Grace Habel.

VBS 2026 – Theme Emerald Crossing – July 13-16 We are looking for volunteers! There will be a meeting **TODAY after the Confirmation Reception for anyone** who would like to volunteer. There are also sign-up sheets in the back of the church if you cannot attend the meeting. **ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

CHURCH NEWS Continued

ALTAR Guild Meeting – May 18, 2026 at 6:00 pm

Operation Christmas Child UPDATE –During the month of May, please take a moment to write a short note to include in a shoebox. A simple note makes the gift more personal for the child receiving the shoebox. There are cards to use by the decorated OCC box in the back of the church, or you can use your own cards. Just return any completed cards (no envelopes needed) to the OCC box. Thank you!

Sewing for Missions will meet Friday, May 29 at 9:00 am in the Life Center. You are very welcome to stop by and see how we assemble our LWR quilts for completion. We can always use another pair of hands to pin and tie - many hands truly make for light work!

EVA TOAST FUNDRAISER – June 6, 2026, 7:00 – 11:00 am at Baroda Township Hess Lake Park \$8/pp Enjoy French toast, sausage links, coffee or juice.

Stand for Life Walk – We will be holding our Walk this **June 20, 2026, from 11:00 – 2:00 pm**, with a Luncheon & Fellowship afterward.

Free for ALL in the Gym June 26 & 27 from 8:00 – 2:00 pm.

"Psalms for the Summer" at the River Valley Sr Center at 13321 Red Arrow Hwy (1 mile south of Sawyer Rd), Harbert, MI 4911 on **Tuesdays, 1:00 PM – 1:50 PM from June 2- August 25**. Led by Pastor Tom Fischer, the sessions are free and open to everyone. Each session will focus on one primary Psalm, and participants will be encouraged to read one Psalm each day throughout the summer. Walk-ins are always welcome. Participants are encouraged to bring their own Bibles, though copies of the Psalms will be provided at each session. For further information, please contact Pastor Fischer at pastorgolf@gmail.com or 248.495.3723.

New Opportunity – **"Summer Bells"** practice will be held on Mondays 6:30-7:30 pm beginning Monday, May 25. We will be doing simpler music; beginners & families are especially welcome! Please contact Pastor Fischer for more information.

Outreach is looking for an individual who has a vintage car/truck to drive in the Bridgman Day Parade on July 11, the parade starts at 2:00 pm (line-up will be earlier) we are looking to have a banner or poster to advertise Immanuel's upcoming VBS the following week. If you are interested, please talk to Sue Ellen Klein, Betty Korcek, Liz Hettig or Amie Smith!!

The Sunday School Bridge Program "From Sunday School to Our Seniors," will be placing an order for t-shirts. If you are interested in one for yourself or a loved one - please see the office to sign up! The shirts are \$12/each and they are a 50/50 blend. They are available in the following sizes: Youth XS-XL to Adult S-5XL.

Please Note: that any Spiritual/Business/Voter's Meeting Board reports should be sent to Kim Schmitz at pooters-schmitz@hotmail.com as well as ilc@immanuelbridgman.org for filing purposes.

We are looking for volunteers to begin a Tween/Teen (11-18 yrs) Bible Study in the Upper Room on Sundays at 9:30 am. We have a curriculum ready and available. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

Last Sunday's Attendance: 90 - 8:30 am; 65 - 10:45am

Sunday Bible Study – 22

Monday Bible Study – (on hiatus until the Fall)

Wednesday Bible Study – 5 (will be on hiatus June thru August)

Thursday Bible Study – 7



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Finance News

May 10, 2026, offerings and donations:
Offering Envelopes: \$ 10,668.00 Year to date: \$129,506.00

OUR CONFIRMAND



Grace Louise Habel lives with her mother, Amanda, her stepfather, Steve Brown, and her brother, Ben. She also spends time with her father, Matthew Habel, her stepmother, Abby and her sisters, Avery and Zoe. Grace is equally loved by her proud grandparents, Ellen and Walter Yeske, Ellen and Tom Brown and her great-grandmother, Dorothy Ott.

Grace chose to show her faith and help those in need by packing shelf stable meals for families who might not have access to food. Her goal is to make something simple, affordable, and easy to store that can really help someone when they need it. She feels this is a small thing that can make a significant difference. She has already packed and delivered to the Bridgman Elementary School Food Pantry, the Harbor Country Food Pantry, and our own Immanuel Lutheran Daycare Center. As Christians we should feel called to love and serve others.

Grace is currently attending F. C. Reed Middle School and enjoys Spanish and Science classes. She also enjoys playing volleyball and soccer and plans to go to college for a degree in the medical/health field.

Her Confirmation Verse: Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with, Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.