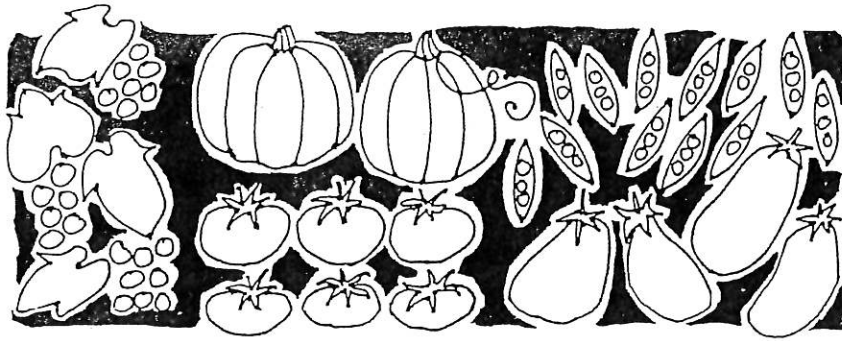


SEASON OF



Pentecost

8th Sunday After Pentecost



Sermon: "More Blessed to Give" Acts 20:17-21,32-37 (Saturday)

"Blessed In Him" Ephesians 1:1-14 (Sunday)

Saturday, July 13 & Sunday, July 14, 2024

Immanuel Lutheran Church & School

Okawville, Illinois 62271

*The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod*

## WELCOME TO IMMANUEL

*We gather on the Lord's Day knowing that "Christ being raised from the dead will never die again" (Romans 6:9). Welcome, visitors who have joined us today. If we can help in any way, please call: Church 618-243-6216 or School 618-243-6142.*

Pastor Eric Wood

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Immanuel Web Site: [immanuelokawville.org](http://immanuelokawville.org)

Saturday: 27 Communed: 25 Sunday: 58 Communed: 44

Bible Class: 8

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

*Prayer concerns to be included in our public prayers may be shared with Pastor Wood and/or the church office. Prayers may be for particular individuals or concerning wider issues. Let us pray!*

- All members of Immanuel including:
  - At home -Jackie Bening, Bill Durham, Gloria Eggemann, Kellee Helbig, Leonard Hemminghaus, Linda Schuetz, Crystal Strasburg, Mike Strasburg, Nancy Weeke
  - At Brightly in Mascoutah - Bernice Hemminghaus
  - At Friendship Manor in Nashville - Lois Rabenort
  - At Freeburg Care Center - Loraine Schneider
  - At Bethesda Gardens in Loveland, Colorado - Carol Wennemann
- Non-members with health concerns: Crystal Hasheider, wife of Matt Hasheider; ILS Kindergarten teacher, Jody Liszewski; Tim Schnitker, son-in-law of Sharon Storck; Evelyn Yuengel, neighbor of the Helbig family.
- That the Lord would continue to provide for his work in this place through generous giving, willing workers, and wise stewardship
- The staff, faculty, and students of Immanuel Lutheran School
- The educational mission of Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School
- All who work or study in West Washington County Schools
- Jamielynn (Tinkey) Flores, LCMS missionary in the Dominican Republic
- Rev. Hans Trinklein, visiting professor at Concordia University, Nebraska
- The mission work of the Southern Illinois District, including...

...all congregations, schools, and district leaders

...urban ministry in East St. Louis

...campus ministry at SIU-C and SIU-E

...prison and jail ministry in many locations

...partnership with Seminario Concordia El Reformador, Dominican Republic

# THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## Order of Service - Prayer and Preaching

913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In (Sunday)

*Stand*

### Opening Versicles

**L** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

**C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

**L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

**C** Teach me Your paths.

**L** Sanctify us in Your truth.

**C** Your Word is truth.

**L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

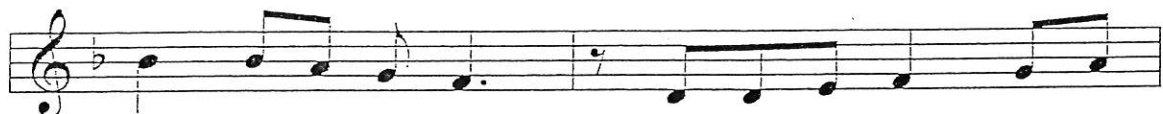
**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### Old Testament Canticle

*Refrain*




**C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the



wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,




make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -



claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."

*Refrain*



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



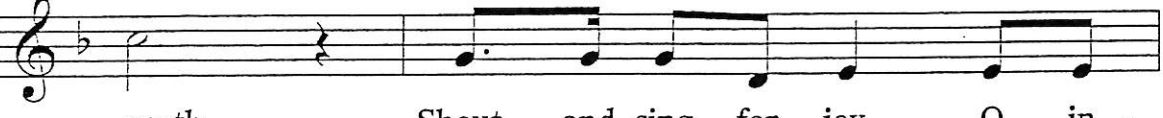
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.




Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done




glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the



earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -



hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the



Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.



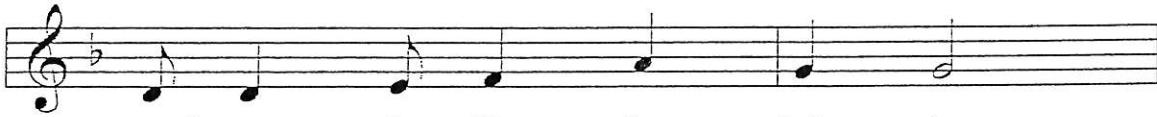
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son



and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will



be for - ev - er. A - men.



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

### Psalm 85 (spoken in unison)

<sup>8</sup>Let me hear what God the | LORD will speak,\*  
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;  
but let them not turn back to | folly.

<sup>9</sup>Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,\*  
that glory may dwell | in our land.

<sup>10</sup>Steadfast love and faith- | fulness meet;\*  
righteousness and peace kiss each | other.

<sup>11</sup>Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,\*

and righteousness looks down | from the sky.  
<sup>12</sup>Yes, the LORD will give | what is good,\*  
and our land will yield its | increase.  
<sup>13</sup>Righteousness will go be- | fore him\*  
and make his foot- | steps a way.

*Sit*

## Readings From Holy Scripture

Old Testament

Amos 7:7–15

<sup>7</sup>This is what [the Lord God] showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said,

“Behold, I am setting a plumb line  
in the midst of my people Israel;  
I will never again pass by them;  
<sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,  
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,  
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

<sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said,

““Jeroboam shall die by the sword,  
and Israel must go into exile  
away from his land.””

<sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

<sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, “I was no prophet, nor a prophet’s son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. <sup>15</sup>But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

Ephesians 1:3–14

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup>which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

<sup>11</sup>In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, <sup>12</sup>so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**E** Thanks be to God.

## Stand

## Gospel

Mark 6:14–29

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." <sup>15</sup>But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." <sup>17</sup>For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

<sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." <sup>23</sup>And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup>And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." <sup>25</sup>And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I

want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.”<sup>26</sup> And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her.<sup>27</sup> And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John’s head. He went and beheaded him in the prison<sup>28</sup> and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother.<sup>29</sup> When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Responsory

**L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

**L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

### Catechism Review (Commandments 4 - 10 & Close)

*LSB p.321-322*

### Apostles’ Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,



the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

Children's Message (Sunday)

Sermon "More Blessed to Give" (Saturday)  
"Blessed In Him" (Sunday)

Acts 20:17-21,32-37  
Ephesians 1:1-14

781 We Give Thee But Thine Own (Saturday)  
743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure (Sunday)

Offering

Blessing/Sending of Morgan Kampwerth for youth leadership training (Sunday)

*Stand*

Prayer

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- G** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- G** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- G** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- G** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- G** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- G** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- G** Lord, have mercy.

- L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:  
**C** Lord, have mercy.  
**L** For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . let us pray to the Lord:  
**C** Lord, have mercy.  
**L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:  
**C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

### Lord's Prayer

- C** Our Father who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be Thy name,  
 Thy kingdom come,  
 Thy will be done on earth  
 as it is in heaven;  
 give us this day our daily bread;  
 and forgive us our trespasses  
 as we forgive those  
 who trespass against us;  
 and lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For Thine is the kingdom  
 and the power and the glory  
 forever and ever. Amen.

### Collect of the Day

- L** O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

### Evening Prayer (Saturday)

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### Morning Prayer (Sunday)

- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You

would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

## New Testament Canticale

*Refrain*



**C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.



Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.



Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

*Refrain*



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He



lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a-live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

*Refrain*  
Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia.

**Blessing**

- L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

- L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ~~†~~ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C** Amen.

**810 O God of God, O Light of Light (Sunday)**

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Pastor (Saturday)  
 (Sunday)  
 Organists (Saturday)  
 (Sunday)  
 Acolytes (Saturday)  
 (Sunday)  
 Readers (Saturday)  
 (Sunday)

Darwin Schrader  
 Timothy Scharr  
 Barbara Croessman  
 Sharon Krueger  
 Rex Obermeier  
 Dylan Seaton  
 Jeff Obermeier  
 Carolyn Rennegarbe

Birthdays: 15<sup>th</sup> Madisyn Wienstroer, Caleigh Friedrich, 16<sup>th</sup> Brooke Langenhorst, 17<sup>th</sup> David Blumhorst, Breck Kramper, Gene Rennegarbe 18<sup>th</sup> Kyle Martens, 19<sup>th</sup> Jeff Obermeier, Kristen Segelhorst

July Ushers – Saturday – Steve Brammeier, Sunday – Ken and Tyler Storck

Saturday service at 5:30 p.m. – guest preacher – Rev. Art Eichhorn

Sunday Service at 9:00 a.m. – guest preacher – Rev. Mark Rabe

Bible Class at 10:15 a.m. – Rev. Mark Rabe

Church Service Scripture Readings: If anyone is interested in reading during Saturday or Sunday church service, please call the church office. Confirmed youth are welcome and are encouraged to serve in this way.

Church Directory Update: Our scheduling process has begun. Every Saturday and Sunday through Aug 18, you can schedule your family for their portrait time. We will have volunteers eager to help you before and after church service. Remember this terrific opportunity for a professional portrait in the comfort of our own church. Schedule your family soon! Online scheduling is also available @ [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com), click on appointment scheduling on the right side, enter il367 in the Church Code field and enter photos in the church password field. If you have 6 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive slots. Church pictorial directory pictures will be taken on August 22-24. See insert for additional details.

## SCHOOL NEWS

Immanuel Lutheran School is searching for an afternoon part time pre-school aide this next school year. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Mr. Bower at 618-243-6142.

Immanuel Wee Care is in search of a custodian for a couple hours each day after 5:30 p.m. If you are interested or would like additional information, please call Cheri Kurtz at 618-243-6161.

ILS gym floor replacement is underway. The new floor should be completed by July 15. The installers have guaranteed the heating in the floor should work properly.

Board of Parochial Ed. will meet Thursday, July 18 at 6:30 p.m.

ILS floor west side cleaning and waxing is scheduled Saturday, July 20. If you are able to help move desk, chairs, tables, etc. out of the way for those dates please come over to the school after church services on Sunday, July 14 to help prepare for the task. Doulos Floor Finishing said they will finish with the West side classrooms, hall, and offices on this scheduled date.

ILS Registration for the 2024/2025 school year will be held on Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. and Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

**Teacher Installation** is Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup> beginning during worship at 9:00 a.m. followed by open house at 11:00 a.m. and ending with a school family picnic at noon.

**First Day of student attendance for pre-k through 8<sup>th</sup>** is Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

You can help the school financially by doing the following: Shop With Raiseright – For complete information visit [www.shopwithraiseright.com](http://www.shopwithraiseright.com) or contact Deann Muehlhauser at [deann85@gmail.com](mailto:deann85@gmail.com) Checks payable to ILS PTL. Go to [smile.amazon.com/ch37-0916756](http://smile.amazon.com/ch37-0916756) and Amazon donates to Immanuel Lutheran

Church and School Okawville. Participate in the Kroger Community Rewards program. Join Casey's Rewards today and donate to our school. This is for instore, online or at the pump purchases.

## COMMUNITY NOTES

The Southern Illinois District is currently seeking an Administrative Assistant to support the District President. This full-time position, Monday to Friday, includes comprehensive health care and retirement benefits. The ideal candidate should possess strong verbal, writing, and interpersonal skills. The role involves various tasks such as computer work, email correspondence, phone calls, texting, form completion, filing, and office organization. Knowledge of Filemaker Pro is an advantage. Interested individuals are encouraged to reach out to President Timothy Scharr at [sidlcmspres@gmail.com](mailto:sidlcmspres@gmail.com) by submitting their resume and inquires.

Washington County Senior Services, along with the Addieville/Irvington UCC Food Pantry, are seeking a partnership with the St. Louis Area Food Bank to bring once a month food boxes to seniors in need. We must have 25 qualified applicants to bring the program to our county.

We are hosting information/sign ups at three locations to further this process. Interested participants can call the Washington County Senior Center office at 618-243-6533. Please see insert for details.

## GENERAL NOTES

**Life Thoughts in the Church Year:** Choice does matter when it comes to surprise pregnancies and terminal diagnoses. But it is the Heavenly Father's choice that makes the difference (Ephesians 1:4-5). He summoned every life even before our circumstances, and He sustains each one even when we don't find the circumstances ideal. Likewise, the Lord God's delight for adoption invites us to advocate and engage in welcoming orphans.

**Life Quotes:** "We are each created in God's image regardless of our abilities. He has called us to be His witnesses in the world. We are blessed for life—that we might be a BLESSING—glorifying Him in all we do. Because He has redeemed ME, my response to His everlasting love is to seek to do His will in all things and seek to serve. All His children, regardless of age (pre-born to wise with age), could seek to share God's love with each and every soul God has created." *Lori Solyom, Director of Development, Voice of Care*

**Stewardship:** Romans 6:22 – "But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life." The fruits of faith in Christ are the good works of a faithful Christian life. We have received grace upon grace in the free forgiveness of our sins, and so we are now free to go forth and bear fruit in serving our neighbor in the home, the church and society.

Lutheran programs on Radio & TV on Sundays – 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. 850 AM Radio KFUE Lutheran Worship from a Lutheran church; 9:00 a.m. 104.7 FM Rev. Mueller, New Minden Bible Study; 10:30 a.m. TV Station “TCT” “Lutheran Worship.” These are not a replacement for being in church and Bible class. These are for times when we are unable to attend in person.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

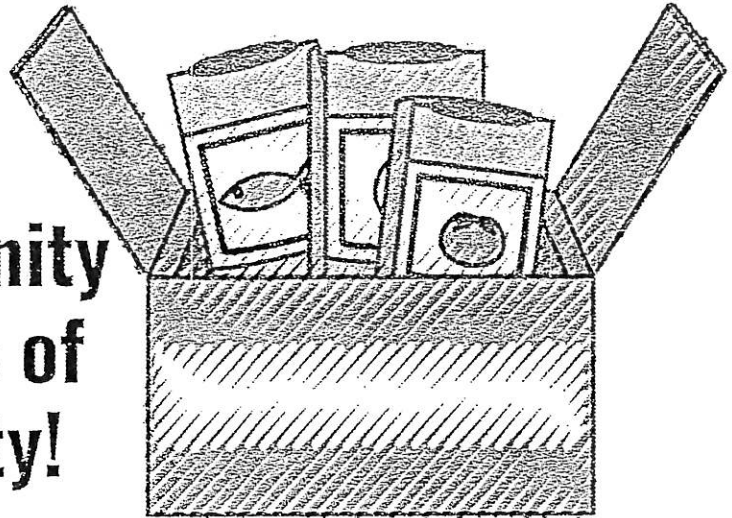
The offerings for Saturday, July 6 and Sunday, July 7 were not counted.

Expenses for the week \$519.87 Loan balance (borrowed on 06/12/24)  
\$15,000.00

Reminder: Bunker's Restaurant (Golf Course) will give 10% to Immanuel Lutheran Church if you show your bulletin from church when eating on Sundays. Thank you for your support!! RBM Golf Course



# Important Opportunity for Senior Citizens of Washington County!



Washington County Senior Services and Addieville/Irvington UCC Food Pantry look to partner with the St. Louis Area Food Bank to offer the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) to senior citizens age 60 and above.

This program would provide a once-a-month food box to low-income seniors to help meet their nutritional needs.

WCSS will be holding sign ups and information tables at various locations throughout Washington County.

Please bring a valid photo ID to complete your application.  
Call WCSS at 618-243-6533 with questions.

DuBois KC Hall-130 S. Eighth Street: Wednesday July 10; 10-2pm  
Okawville Senior Center; 305 N. Nashville St: Thursday, July 18; 10-2pm  
Nashville Village Apartments; 454 N. Hoffman St:  
Thursday, July 25; 10-2pm



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