

Immanuel Lutheran Church Wentzville, Missouri

Alcohol Policy

PURPOSE:

Immanuel Lutheran Church allows the use of beer and wine at certain events. If the organizers of the event wish to serve beer and/or wine, they should consider the effect of its presence on those in attendance and adhere to the following policy.

POLICY:

All applicable federal, state and local laws are to be obeyed.

No selling of alcohol will be allowed without approval from the Board of Directors. If approved, the group will be responsible for obtaining all licenses and permits required by state and local agencies.

Groups not associated with Immanuel Lutheran Church will only be allowed to serve alcohol with the approval of the Board of Directors. If permission is granted, a person responsible for the group will be required to read and sign a copy of this policy, agreeing to abide by it, in addition to signing the facility usage hold harmless agreement.

The only alcoholic beverages allowed to be served will be beer and/or wine.

Any activity that requests alcohol besides beer and wine to be allowed on church property must be approved by the Board of Directors a minimum of two weeks before the activity date. Each approval will be for a one time only event and must be resubmitted for any future events.

Any beverage containing alcohol must be clearly labeled.

Under no circumstances can persons under the age of twenty-one consume alcohol, even when accompanied by a parent.

Uniting families in Christ to reach new generations for Christ.

Alcoholic beverages must be served by an adult twenty-one years of age or older. Those serving alcohol must be in attendance at the bar the entire time and be willing to refuse service to those who appear intoxicated.

Whenever alcohol is served, a non-alcoholic alternative must be provided, with equal attractiveness, accessibility and quantity.

Alcoholic beverages are not to be stored on church property unless adequately secured so that they are not accessible to minors.

Serving and consuming alcohol will only be allowed in the Multipurpose Building or other designated areas as approved by the Board of Directors. Consuming alcohol in any other parts of the building is prohibited.

Reviewed and approved by the Board of Dire	ectors on $5 - 3 - 2018$
Kris Schuldt Chair, Board of Directors	Rev. Jason Auringer Senior Pastor

Signature of group not associated with Immanuel:
Name of Group:
Date:
Printed name of person responsible for group:
Signature of person responsible for group:
Phone number of person responsible for group:

STATEMENT OF BELIEF

In addition, ILCW is part of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) which is a mission-oriented and Bible-based denomination that confesses the historic, orthodox Christian faith in the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, a faith built on "the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone" (Eph. 2:20). With the universal Christian Church, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod teaches and responds to the love of the Triune God, who created all that exists; became man to suffer, die, and rise again for the world's redemption; and brings people to faith and new life through His Word and Sacraments. The three persons of the Trinity — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit — are coequal and coeternal, one God.

Therefore, we believe without reservation that the Scriptures of the Old and the New Testament are the written Word of God and the only rule and norm of faith and of practice. In addition, this congregation accepts without reservation the writings contained in the Book of Concord: (The Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church) and agrees to conform all our teaching and practice to the Scriptures and the Confessions.

In order to conform to the Scriptures and the Confessions, we issue the following statements of belief.

Statement of Belief on Marriage, Gender, and Sexuality

We believe God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God (Gen. 1:26-27). Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of the image of God within that person.

We believe the term marriage has only one meaning: the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union, as delineated in Scripture (Gen. 2:18-25). We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married to each other (1 Cor. 6:18; 7:2-5; Heb. 13:4). We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman.

We believe any form of sexual immorality (including adultery, fornication, homosexual behavior, bisexual conduct, bestiality, incest, and use of pornography) is sinful and offensive to God (Matt. 15:18-20; 1 Cor. 6:9-10).

However, we also believe God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, seeking His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ (Acts 3:19-21; Rom. 10:9-10; 1 Cor. 6:9-11).

We believe every person must be afforded compassion, love, kindness, respect, and dignity (Mark 12:28-31; Luke 6:31). Hateful and harassing behavior or attitudes directed toward any individual are to be repudiated and are not in accord with Scripture nor the doctrines of ILCW.

Statement of Belief on the Sanctity of Human Life

We also believe all human life is sacred and created by God in His image. Human life is of inestimable worth in all its dimensions, including pre-born babies, the aged, the physically and/or intellectually disabled, and every other stage or condition from conception through natural death. We are therefore called to defend, protect, and value all human life (Ps. 139).