

Immanuel's News and Notes ~ April 6 & 7, 2024

Welcome! We continue to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior on this Second Sunday of Easter! "Risen Lord, we thank You for graciously coming to us through Your Word and Sacrament to comfort and strengthen us, also in our times of doubt and questioning. Lead us always into a growing faith in You, our Lord and our God! Amen" We welcome our visitors and ask you to please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us again!

Please Remember in Your Prayers: Jim Aldag, Maxine Thies, Joann Riessen, Kandi Teut, Carolyn Schroeder, Guenter Detlefsen, Duane Jacoby, Oliver Nahnsen, Janet Roecker, Roger Chisholm and Lauri Ricke. *If you have a concern for which you would like us to pray, please call the Church Office, 712-676-2235, or send an email to: immansch@iowatelecom.net.*

We Pray for God's Comfort for the family of Leslie Rauch, Sr. (father of Theresa Beeck) who died Saturday, March 30. His funeral was held April 3 in Denison.

We Thank God with Cody and Brittany Bremser for the birth of their son Weston Colt, who was born this past Tuesday, April 2.

The Bible and Gender Dysphoria: Today in Bible Class we will be reviewing an article and accompanying Bible passages to learn what the Bible has to say about LGBTQ+ ideology. Please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall to see how God's Word addresses this topic!

Skate Night: The 6th-12th grade youth of Immanuel are invited to join youth from other area Lutheran congregations at the Skate Palace in Ida Grove from 4:30-6:30pm on Sunday, April 7th for "Mighty Fortress Skate Night". There is no cost to individuals who are skating, but youth are encouraged to bring money for the concessions.

The Quilters will meet on Thursday, April 11 at 9 a.m. Anyone is welcome to help.

NEW Thursday Evening Study: You are invited to join our Thursday evening study group as we begin a new study, reading and reviewing the book "Martin Luther on Mental Health." Our review/study of this book will begin this coming Thursday, April 11. We meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in our Fireside Room. This book will help those who struggle with mental health or have loved ones who do. Our time together is the ultimate low threat event—no one is asked to read or respond; although, those who do wish to ask questions or offer insights are welcomed. If you are unable to join us but would like a copy of this book, please contact Pastor Mahnken.

Readings for next Sunday: Acts 3:11-21; Psalm 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36-49.

Church Council Meeting will be Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone Is Invited to the Crawford County For Life's *Rally for Life* which will be held on Sunday, April 14 from 2-5 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Denison. Featured speakers include author and national speaker Kristan Gray and Pastor Jonathan Conner of Zion Lutheran Church in Manning. Local High School musicians will be joining Aaron Larson to provide music. Free pizza and drinks will be served. The entire event is FREE! Please call Noel at 712-269-5579 if you would like more information.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, April 8-13, Pastor Wrede is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Torreson will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

Just a reminder: When you do your "spring" house cleaning, please remember to donate any unwanted or unused "treasures" to our annual Church Garage Sale which is scheduled for May 30-June 1. Please don't bring the items until later in May but we will be grateful for your support. Thank you! ~ The Mission Board

The Lutheran Hour: "Raise the Flag" by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Learn how the followers of Christ are raising God's flag in the world. (Acts 1:1-11) Listen to *The Lutheran Hour* every Sunday morning on Denison's KDSN 1104.9 FM at 6:30 a.m. and KDSN 1530 AM at 10:30 a.m., and anytime at www.lhm.org.

"In the resurrection we find solace in our mourning, in our uncertainty, and in our troubles. Our longing for escape finds its hope in the resurrection of Christ. It is God's approval upon the redemptive work of His Son. It is the assurance that as He was raised from the dead, so shall we, and all who have 'fallen asleep in Him' shall be raised to life eternal." *Pastor Robert Fleischmann, Christian Life Resources—A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life.*

Eventide Volunteer Tea Thursday, April 25 at 2:00 p.m. Please RSVP by Wed., April 17th to 263-3114, ext. 239.

Building Healthy Families: *Husbands, listen up!* Did you know that 90% of effective communication is listening, not talking? When your wife is talking to you, stop what you are doing, turn toward her, and look at her face. Communicate the message that you are interested in and care about what she is saying. This is respectful, courteous, and is one way to build a great relationship. Give it a try this week! **Lutheran Family Service.** www.LutheranFamilyService.org

Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians: LUTHERAN WORSHIP SERIES...The Kyrie, The Sanctus, The Pax Domini, The Agnus Dei, The Nunc Dimittis...Why do Lutherans worship the way they do? Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, recently completed a series on "Classical Christian Worship" with Dr. Arthur Just, author of "Heaven on Earth: The Gifts of Christ in the Divine Service." You can listen to this six-part series at issuesetc.org/classicalworship.

CONFIRMATION

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

Charlie Beeck, Karsen Bruhn, Bryli Bubke, Ezden Hargens,
Kara Korner, Brody Morgan, Draton Palmer and Beckham Walker.
Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m. Questioning with Reception to follow.

A life goal for every Christian should be to read the entire Holy Bible.
We are providing a reading plan to guide you through the entire Bible in two years.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> TUESDAY: Deuteronomy 8:1-20 | <input type="checkbox"/> FRIDAY: Deuteronomy 13:1-18 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WEDNESDAY: Deut. 9:1—10:22 | <input type="checkbox"/> SATURDAY: Deuteronomy 14:1—15:23 |

Gifts:
 Maundy Thursday: \$ 893.00
 Good Friday: \$ 787.00
 Easter: \$ 5,783.00
 Sunday School: \$ 11.00
 Adult Bible Class: \$ ~~~

Attendance:
 Maundy Thursday 7 p.m.: 97
 Good Friday 7 p.m.: 104
 Easter sunrise 6:30 a.m.: 127
 Easter Worship 9:30 a.m.: 136
 263

Acolytes today:
 Karsen Bruhn and Ezden Hargens

Sunday School: 29
 Adult Bible Class: 22

Librarian today:
 Chris Mahnken

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~
April 7-14, 2024

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC
April 7 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
 1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Torreson
 1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship
 2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship

Monday: 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

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 8:00 a.m. Pastors' Conference @ Amigos, Denison

Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Bible Study
 11:45 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
 3:30—5:15 p.m. 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
 6:00 p.m. Confirmation pictures in the church
 7:00 p.m. Questioning of Confirmands (reception to follow)

Thursday: 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
 9:00 a.m. Quilting
 6:30 p.m. *Martin Luther on Mental Health* Study Group

Friday: ~

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Worship with the Rite of Confirmation
April 14 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

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Worship:
 Saturday ~ 5 p.m.
 Sunday ~ 9 a.m.

Communion:
 Every Saturday and
 First & Third Sundays
 Sunday School &
 Bible Classes~10:15 a.m.

Worship Services are
 streamed live,
 recorded, and can be
 accessed at any time by
 clicking on Facebook,
 YouTube or our website.

***“Together in
 Christ, we grow
 through the Word
 and Sacraments,
 serving our Lord
 and sharing
 His saving grace
 with all people.”***



About the Cover: Great power characterized the apostles' preaching of Jesus' resurrection. The source of that great power did not come from them but from the One who sent them to speak with His authority. For this great power flows from the great grace of Jesus that was upon them all. Likewise, we today can do nothing apart from the grace of Jesus, who was crucified and raised for us.