

Immanuel's News and Notes ~ January 12, 2025

Welcome! We pray you will receive the love of Jesus in the midst of this congregation. "In baptism You called Jesus—and You call us—'beloved.' May we grow in Your love, God, and share it with others. 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: Laura Ernst, Christi Fredericks, Bonnie Teut, Glenda Bryson, Bonard Christiansen, Tayten Kline, Laurie Ricke and Susan Kaiser. *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 Give Thanks to God for the healing He has given to Lila Bubke and Bruce Namanny following their recent surgeries.

We Thank God with Dane and Payton Treiber for the birth of their daughter Halle Kristin, who was born Friday, January 3.

We Pray God's Blessings for Kristin Hennings and Andrew Palmersheim who were married here this past Saturday, January 11.

Poinsettias may be taken home following our services this weekend. We thank you for helping to add to the beauty of our Poinsettia Tree for our Christmas worship.

Thank you for your prayers during my recovery. God is good! ~ Lila Bubke

Thank you for your prayers following my recent surgery and recovery. ~ Bruce Namanny

Installation of our Church Officers and Board Members will be at our 9:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, January 12.

The LWML Mite Box is in the Narthex today for your donations.

Voters' Meetings will be Sunday, January 12 at 10:15 a.m.

Help wanted: We will be taking down the Christmas trees and décor on Sunday, January 12 AFTER the Voter's Meeting. If anyone would like to help, please join us!

Don't Sing Songs to a Heavy Heart—How to Relate to Those who are Suffering is the title of the book for our Thursday evening group, which meets from 6:30-7:30 p.m. It will guide you in bringing Christ's loving care to hurting people when they need it most. We meet in our Fireside Room. Please contact Pastor Mahnken if you would like a copy of this book.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, Jan. 13-18, Pastor Peitsch is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Trunkhill will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

Readings for next Sunday: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 128; 1 Cor. 12:1-11; John 2:1-11.

Record Updates: A current membership list will be printed soon for our Annual Report. If you or a family member has a change of address or phone number, or would like to receive the monthly *Immanuel Messenger* by e-mail rather than hard-copy USPS, please let the church office know. Year-end reports for your group or board should be turned in also.

The Lutheran Hour: "What's This Neighborhood Coming To?" by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. When you're not limited by the size of your table, you can invite everyone. (John 1:14) Listen to *The Lutheran Hour* every Sunday morning on Denison's KDSN 104.9 FM at 6:30 a.m. and KDSN 1530 AM at 10:30 a.m., and anytime at www.lhm.org.

Missing! Could everyone please check your cupboards for (2) missing glass Pyrex pans. These have been missing since the church Harvest Dinner. If you took these home by accident, please return to the Church Office. Thank you!

Immanuel Lutheran Preschool is now accepting registrations for the 2025-26 school year. If you know of anyone interested in enrolling their child, please have them email Mrs. Gustafson at lesliegustafson@schleswig.k12.ia.us or call the Church Office 712-676-2235.

"From the moment you were being knitted together in your mother's womb (Psalm 139:13), God's began His careful construction of His chosen jewel of redemption." *Rev. Adam Osier, Dean, Free Lutheran Bible College, Plymouth, Minnesota—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians: Issues, Etc. is a podcast and radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Bible & Other Religious Writings; The Small-Town Lutheran Church & Pastor; Church Discipline; Roman Catholic Indulgences and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

Building Healthy Families: Parents, grandparents and pew buddies! Our church families are made up of many people with different roles and gifts. With your child(ren), take note of and count the many ways individuals and families are serving. Maybe you observe ushers welcoming people and handing out bulletins, musicians playing and leading our singing, acolytes and crucifers lighting candles and carrying the cross in a procession, or members of the altar guild setting up for the Lord's Supper and caring for the altar area. And don't forget those who clean and tend to the buildings, so we have a nice space to gather for worship! As a family, consider how you might serve together and ask your pastor or other church leaders how to get involved! **Lutheran Family Service**

Weekend to Remember. Immanuel's couples are invited to consider attending *Weekend to Remember*; a marriage enrichment opportunity for all couples—no matter how many years you have been married. *Weekend to Remember* provides encouragement, hope, and practical tools to build and grow your relationship—that's why it's called a Weekend to Remember! Our congregation will pay the registration costs of any member couple attending a *Weekend to Remember* (those attending are responsible for their room and all other expenses). Local weekends coming up include: Omaha, NE: 3/14-16, \$151/night; Des Moines: 4/4-6, \$132/night; Lincoln, NE: 5/30-6/1, \$124/night. Weekends are also available in Minneapolis and Branson. For more information and locations and to register visit <https://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember#where>. **Registration costs are discounted 50% until January 20.** A better marriage is within reach. Several Immanuel couples have attended in the past. If you would like to visit with them about the experience, or if you have any questions, please call Pastor Mahnken.

Gifts:
 Church Plate: \$ 5,264.00
 Sunday School: \$ 15.01
 Adult Bible Class: \$ 18.00
 New Year's Eve: \$ 567.00

Attendance:
 Sat., Jan 4 4 p.m.: 38
 Sun., Jan 5 9 a.m.: 91
 129

Acolytes today:
 Logan & Weston Stoppel

New Year's Eve: 36
 Sunday School: 18
 Adult Bible Class: 21

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~
January 12-19, 2025

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship
January 12 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Voters' Meeting
 1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Trunkhill
 1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship
 2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship

Monday: 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
 8:00 a.m. Pastors' Conference @ Immanuel

Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Bible Study
 11:45 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
 3:30—5:00 p.m. 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
 6:30—8:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

Thursday: 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Friday: ~

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Saturday Worship

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC
January 19 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

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Worship:
 Saturday ~ 4 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: The Lord looks upon His chosen people as precious because of His love. Christ, who has always been the eternal and beloved Son of the Father, willingly passed through the waters of a Baptism of repentance that He did not need. He brings blessing through the sacred waters of our Baptism as we are joined to Him, the only Son of the Father. When the Father looks upon us, He sees Christ. Because of this, we are precious and loved in His eyes as His dear children.

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.

- MONDAY: Isaiah 26:1—27:13
- TUESDAY: Isaiah 28:1—29:24
- WEDNESDAY: Isaiah 30:1—31:9
- THURSDAY: Isaiah 32:1-20
- FRIDAY: Isaiah 33:1—35:10
- SATURDAY: Isaiah 36:1—39:8