

Immanuel's News and Notes ~ July 27 & 28, 2024

Welcome to worship! On one day Jesus fed a crowd with a few loaves and fish, then calmed both a storm and His disciples (John 6:1-21). He is also with you always—whatever your needs and cares. “Spirit of life, draw each of us into Your love, that we may welcome it for ourselves and eagerly 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: Marlene Hight, Jordan Richardson, Gloria Schmidt, Kandi Teut, Carolyn Schroeder and Laurie 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 and loved ones of Lloyd “Bruce” Meyer, who died Tuesday, July 23. Bruce was the step-father of Tim Stoppel. The funeral service for Bruce was held Saturday, July 27 at 10:00 am in Lincoln, NE.

A Door Offering will be received this weekend to benefit flooding and tornado victims in our Iowa District West. We will be sending our gifts to our Iowa District Office to be joined with the gifts of many other congregations and individuals to benefit those who have suffered loss because of the natural disasters of the past two months. Checks can be written to Immanuel Lutheran Church. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to show the love of God. Thank you.

Thank you to my church family for the many months of prayers, cards, and kindness given to me during my hospital stay and continued recovery. What a comfort we all can have in knowing that our Heavenly Father is in control and that He will never leave us. ~ Carolyn Schroeder

We pray for God's Blessings for Kara Harm and Ryan Ferguson, who will be married in St. Paul, MN, Friday, August 2.

The LWML will meet on Thursday, August 1 at 1:30 p.m.

Readings for next Sunday: Exodus 16:2-15; Psalm 145:10-21; Eph. 4:1-16; John 6:22-35.

Board of Ed Meeting will be Sunday, August 4 at 11:30 a.m.

“Thy Strong Word” every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, July 29-Aug 3, Pastor Peitsch is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Trunkhill will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

Please pray for our Sunday School as we will be needing at least three new Sunday School teachers this fall. Please also prayerfully consider if Jesus wants you to be part of this loving task as we join in fulfilling His commission to be making disciples (Matthew 28:19).

The Lutheran Hour: “Thus and So Spoke the Girl from Israel” by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus is making His people into a light for a world that's crying for help. He came to make God's light shine on us so that all people might see the face of God. (2 Kings 5:4) 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.

Do Summer Plans keep you away from worship on Sunday? Remember our Saturday evening worship at 5:00 p.m.

“Let's get back to the basics and drown out the ugly message that death is the solution to life issues. God loves life and His creation. He has no desire for any of us to take our own life or the life of someone else. Our days are in His hands, not our own. May your For Life work be blessed, and may you be filled with the joy that comes with doing the Lord's work as a faithful servant.” *Virginia Flo, Lutherans For Life—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

Building Healthy Families: “If you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change.” During the coming week you will have the opportunity to choose how to think about and respond to at least one challenging situation. When you do, remember that you have a choice about both. Discern and respond wisely and remember your source of wisdom: “But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity.” James 3:17 **Lutheran Family Service**

Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians: UNANSWERED BIBLE QUESTIONS... Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio, will have Pastors Bryan Wolfmueller and Brian Kachelmeier will respond to your unanswered Bible questions. You can submit your question via email: talkback@issuesetc.org, or the Issues, Etc. Comment Line: (618) 223-8382. You can listen to the interview at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

LCMS Family Ministry provides a family devotions calendar to support and encourage you as you pass down the faith to the next generation. Whatever the age or stage of your family may be, spending time together in the Word and in prayer will keep your family firmly rooted and grounded in the One who never changes (Heb. 13:8). <https://resources.lcms.org/general/family-devotions-calendar> Each day of the week has its own particular focus; for example, on Mondays, pray the Lord's Prayer and learn the creeds, on Tuesday practice reciting the Ten Commandments, and so on. The prayers can be led by the head of the household, or each family member can take turns praying out loud. This is a great opportunity for children to learn the model for prayer and the importance of prayer.

Word of Hope: *Lutherans for Life offers help, healing, and forgiveness for anyone who bears the burden of overwhelming guilt through our 24-hour Word of Hope hotline (888-217-8679). This free service is available to men, women, and youth for information, referrals, and Scripture-based spiritual care to address life issues such as surprise pregnancy, abortion recovery, suicide, doubting salvation, and physician-assisted suicide. word-of-hope.org*

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. You can start at any time. The entire reading plan is available in the Church Office.

MONDAY: 1 Kings 19:1-21

THURSDAY: 2 Kings 1:1—2:25

TUESDAY: 1 Kings 20:1-43

FRIDAY: 2 Kings 3:1—4:44

WEDNESDAY: 1 Kings 21:1—22:53

SATURDAY: 2 Kings 5:1-27

	Gifts:		Attendance:	
Church Plate:	\$ 5,610.00	Sat., July 20	5 p.m.:	28
Sunday School:	\$ 4.00	Sun., July 21	9 a.m.:	93
Adult Bible Class:	\$ 17.00			<u>121</u>

Acolyte today: Gavin Schneider Sunday School: 4
 Adult Bible Class: 22

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~	
July 28-August 4, 2024	
Sunday:	9:00 a.m. Worship
<i>July 28</i>	10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Trunkhill
	1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship
	2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship
Monday:	~
Tuesday:	~
Wednesday:	6:30 a.m. Bible Study
Thursday:	1:30 p.m. LWML Meeting
	6:30 p.m. No Bible Study this week
Friday:	~
Saturday:	5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC
Sunday:	9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC
<i>August 4</i>	10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	11:30 a.m. Board of Education Meeting

10th Sunday after Pentecost (John 6:1-15): Your gifts to the church can be multiplied in service to the Lord. Often this takes the form of “matching funds.” A donor, a foundation or an insurance company may step forward and challenge congregation members to support a cause with their gifts, and then matching funds are used to increase the final total. But look what happens when Jesus gets involved: the gifts are multiplied beyond anyone’s expectation. A boy’s lunch feeds thousands. How can this be? It’s God’s math. We like to subtract and divide. We seem to look at only what is left. Or how it is going to be divided to support so many needs. But God likes to add and multiply. He takes meager resources, and in His miraculous way, adds His blessing and multiplies their effect. You are a Christian today perhaps because a former in 1654 offered some potatoes in the Lord’s service. What your gift may accomplish is in the hands of the Lord. The boy on the hill offered a box lunch. Look what happened when our Lord put it to work!

About the Cover: The waters of judgment covered the whole world. However, the Lord in His mercy saved those on the ark. The Lord set the rainbow in the sky for the world and Him to see as a sign of His covenant of mercy. The Lord continues to give us the signs of His mercy in His Word and Sacraments. The waters of Holy Baptism are life-giving and a sign of His promise to us that we are saved by the washing of regeneration that unites us to Christ.

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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.”***

