## Immanuel's News and Notes ~ June 29 & 30, 2024

<u>Welcome!</u> "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies ... are new every morning" (Lam. 3:22-23). Let us worship our ever-faithful God. "Jesus, I come to worship with concerns and distractions. Help me to fix my mind and heart on You and fill me with Your peace (Philippians 4:8-9). Amen" We welcome our visitors and ask you to please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us again!

<u>Please Remember in Your Prayers</u>: Marlene Hight, 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 Give Thanks to God for the healing He has given to Dennis Gierstorf.

<u>VBS</u>: The contribution envelope marked "VBS," included in your bulletin, is provided asking you to consider a gift to help defray the costs of our Vacation Bible School. You can return it in the collection plate in the next couple weeks or you can drop it by the Church Office.

**Schleswig Community Blood Drive** at the Community Building, Monday, July 1 from 1:00 to 4:30. Appointments are required, please call 800-287-4903.

**Summer Bible Study!** Please join us here at Immanuel on Monday, July 1 at 6:30 p.m. for our next session with Pastor Steve Schulz. He is leading a Bible Study on the first Monday of each month this summer. Each session is a different topic so you can attend as many as will fit into your summer schedule. This week's topic is "Jesus and the Bronze Serpent" (Numbers 21:4-9 and John 3:13-18). The third Summer study is coming August 5. Please join us!

**The Church Office** will be closed Thursday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

**LWML**: There will be no LWML meeting for the month of July. Our next meeting will be Thursday, August 1 at 1:30 p.m.

<u>Thursday Evening Study</u>: There will be no class this week due to the 4th of July holiday.

Readings for next Sunday: Ezekiel 2:1-5; Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Mark 6:1-13.

**<u>Do summer plans</u>** keep you away from worship on Sunday? Remember our Saturday evening worship at 5:00 p.m.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, July 1-6, Pastor Trunkhill is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Torreson will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

<u>The Lutheran Hour</u>: "An Eager Conversationalist!" by Guest Speaker Rev. Keith Haberstock. The Holy Spirit empowers us to open our mouths and share Jesus, so that all might have what none of us deserve. (Acts 17:16-31) 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.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who supported us on the District LWML Mission Walk. With your gifts we were able to contribute \$500 towards the 2024-2026 goal. The Mission Walk collected \$3,176 towards the new \$222,853.68 District goal. This goal will support the 10 grants that were selected by the convention. Thanks again and to God be the glory! ~ Pastor and Chris



VBS at Immanuel is scheduled for July 7-11. Supper will be served at 5:00 pm Monday-Thursday and VBS classes will begin at 5:30 pm each night Sunday-Thursday. You can register your child(ren) at <a href="https://vbsmate.com/events/lmmanuelLutheranSchleswig/29310">https://vbsmate.com/events/lmmanuelLutheranSchleswig/29310</a>. There is a signup sheet posted in the Narthex for food items needed for the nightly meals. Please keep VBS in your hearts and prayers again this year!! If you have any questions, please contact Nan Bornhoft at 712-269-1786.

<u>Doc Schmidt</u> will celebrate his 101st birthday on July 9. You are invited to send a card of greeting to Doc. Please send your card to Doc at Gracewell 114 S. 20th St., Denison 51442.

<u>You Can Support</u> our Savior's mission by becoming member of Unity Ridge Lutheran School in Denison. To join for the '24-'25 academic year, a Unity Ridge membership form is on the table in the Narthex. The membership fee is \$100. The Unity Ridge Annual Meeting will be Wednesday, July 10, 6:30 p.m. at Boulders in Denison. You can also leave your form and membership fee at our Church Office and Pastor Mahnken will take it to the meeting.

<u>Plant Sale!</u> Perennials are still available: purple verbena, white daisies, gold daylilies, red daylilies, surprise lilies and geraniums. Feel free to stop by 114 Valley View Drive or call Rachel Mentink 712-221-1286.

Missionary Tom Park will be preaching at our services the weekend of August 3-4 and presenting at our Bible Class. He will be also be presenting at Mission Central on August 3 at 1:30 p.m. You can help support our Lord's mission and Tom in his work in it by hosting him overnight, Saturday, Aug. 3. Please contact Pastor Mahnken if you would like to host Tom.

"History, science, and Holy Scripture affirm: No matter what age, every human life has irreducible worth. No matter what appearance, every human life has inestimable purpose. No matter what abilities, every genetic member of this one race and species of ours has incomparable and irreplaceable sanctity—the cute little babies and the dear old ladies, yes; but also those who in pride promote, those who in anger permit, those who in fear participate in the devil's deception that death supplies a suitable solution to difficulty—none so helpless, dependent, and underserving as we ourselves." Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans for Life

**Building Healthy Families:** Many years ago, our Lutheran ancestors left behind the familiar and came to America seeking religious freedom in a new land. We celebrate that freedom today, even as we recognize the growing challenges to religious liberty. Join us in prayer for our leaders this week, both in government and in our church. Pray that God will strengthen our leaders to speak and act in ways that secure our freedom not just to have faith, but to live out that faith in the public square. Your prayers for the staff and leadership of Lutheran Family Service as they boldly proclaim God's good plan for life, marriage and family are also appreciated. **Lutheran Family Service** 

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: 2 Samuel 1:1—2:32	☐ THURSDAY: 2 Samuel 6:1-23
☐ TUESDAY: 2 Samuel 3:1—4:12	☐ FRIDAY: 2 Samuel 7:1-29
□ WEDNESDAY: 2 Samuel 5:1-25	☐ SATURDAY: 2 Samuel 8:1—10:19

Gifts: Attendance:

 Church Plate:
 \$ 6,561.00
 Sat., June 22
 5 p.m.:
 37

 Sunday School:
 \$ 3.00
 Sun., June 23
 9 a.m.:
 91

 Adult Bible Class:
 \$ 20.00
 128

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# ~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~ June 30-July 7, 2024

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. Worship

June 30 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

12:00 p.m. Riessen reunion

1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Torreson

1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship 2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship

**Monday:** 1:00-4:30 p.m. Bloodmobile @ Community Building

6:30 p.m. Bible Study with Pastor Schulz @ Immanuel

Tuesday:

Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Bible Study
Thursday: Church Office Closed
Happy Independence Day

Friday:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC

July 7 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

5:30 p.m. VBS

Our Epistle reading for today: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-14. What does it mean to be rich? Today's reading is a classic scripture on giving. But before we can be about the business of giving, we have to be good at receiving, and we don't do that very well. The Macedonians, held up as an example by Paul, understood the depth of God's love for them. They recognized their riches through Christ. Now he reminds the Corinthians, "...Christ...for your sakes became poor, so that you, through His poverty, might become rich." When we consider what Christ gave up to come to earth, and what He suffered for us on the cross, God's love becomes evident. In receiving this love, we become rich beyond measure, for there is no price we can put on the gift of eternal life. In response to such giving, we also learn to give, from a position of uncommon wealth as a result of God's grace.

<u>About the Cover</u>: Those seeking to stop Jesus thought they were saving Him the trouble—Jairus's daughter had already died. However, Jesus raised her from the dead that they might believe in Him. Jesus, with His Word, comes to us in the midst of our troubles so we will trust that He is faithful to His promises of eternal life in Him. He has taken our sin and death upon Himself on the cross and has overcome it. Jesus does not want us to save Him the trouble, for He has come to save us.

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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."

