

## Immanuel's News and Notes ~ May 4 & 5, 2024

**Welcome!** Jesus says, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Abide in My love" (John 15:9, ESV). One way we do that is to gather in Christian community. Welcome, beloved ones! "Heavenly Father, You have perfectly loved us in Jesus our Savior. Strengthen us through this time of worship that we may grow in loving You and all 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, Kandi Teut, Carolyn Schroeder, Duane Jacoby, Lila Bubke, Tammy Hill (knee replacement), Janet Roecker 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@jowatelecom.net](mailto:immansch@jowatelecom.net).*

**We Pray for God's Comfort** for the family of Guenter Detlefsen who died Wednesday, May 1, 2024. Guenter's funeral will be Monday, May 6 at 10:30 a.m. here at Immanuel. Visitation will be here at Immanuel on Sunday, May 5 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

**We Thank God** with Alex and Tammie Harm for the birth of their daughter Hunter Hale, who was born this past Tuesday, April 30.

**Scholarship presentation:** At the conclusion of today's service a member of the Board of Ed will be presenting one of Immanuel's graduates with the Linda Weifenbach-Russell Memorial Scholarship.

**A High School Graduate Reception** will be held in the Fellowship Hall following our Sunday worship. We honor this year's graduates from Immanuel: Elli Heiden and Calli Korner. Please join us to hear of their future plans. The Adult Bible Class will follow the reception.

**Schleswig Sharks 4-H** will meet in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, May 5 at 1:00 p.m.

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

**Special Ascension Service.** A Special Ascension Service will be held Thursday, May 9, 2024 at Mission Central. The meal will begin at 5:00 p.m. Rev. Chris Tiews will be the guest speaker for the Ascension Worship Service that begins at 6:30 p.m. Rev. Tiews will have a very, very special message for everyone, sharing the exciting work that our Lord Jesus is doing in the mission fields of Germany.

**No Thursday Evening Study:** We will not be having our Thursday evening group study due to the Ascension service at Mission Central. Please join us there!

**"Gridshock:** A film about sex trafficking in Iowa," sponsored by Grace E-Free Church in Denison will be shown Thursday, May 9 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Denison High School and is free to the public. Stacy Besch, Team Iowa, will be presenting.

**Readings for next Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53.

**"Thy Strong Word"** every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, May 6-11, Pastor Peitsch is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Torreson will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

**Early Deadline:** We will have an early deadline for the June/July joint issue of the *Immanuel Messenger*. All articles will be due to the Church Office by Tuesday, May 14 so that we can assemble before the Memorial Day weekend. Thank you!

**The Lutheran Hour:** "Rejoicing on the Way" by Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. John Nunes. God empowers His people to share the Gospel with those they meet along the way. (Acts 8:28-39) 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](http://www.lhm.org).

**"The Ascension assures us** that Jesus has finished His work of salvation and now rules ALL things in this world for the good of His Kingdom and His Church: that is, you and me! What is Christ's goal that the song highlights? Jesus wants His Body, us, to be with Him where He is in paradise, in heaven." *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota—A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life.*

**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 after May 20th but we will be grateful for your support. Thank you! ~ The Mission Board

**Fundraiser for Former Zion Pastor and family:** Pastor David and Nancy Sewing, their son, Mark, and grandson, James, lost all of their belongings in a house fire. Pastor and Nancy served the Zion, Denison congregation as pastor and teacher for several years. Donations can be dropped off in the Zion Church Office the week of May 5-12th. Checks can be made payable to Zion Lutheran Church, write "Sewing Door Offering" in the memo line. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

**Support Groups offered by Lutheran Family Service:** 1) "Caring for Parents of Transgender Children." This online group is presented by Cassie Beltz, LMHC and offers continuous online support for parents with a child struggling with gender identity confusion or identifies as transgender. For more information go to the following link: <https://lutheranfamilyservice.org/supportgroups/>. 2) "Male and Female He Created Them: Creation and Identity." This webinar is presented by Rev. Jonathan Conner and Cassie Beltz, LMHC. It will be held on Thursdays (May 9, May 16, May 23, May 30 and June 6) at 7:00 p.m. by using the link <https://lutheranfamilyservice.org/webinars/>.

**Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians:** QUALITY, QUANTITY, QUALIFIED... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Movie "Civil War," Brokenness Theology, Pascal's Wager, The Hymn "O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth" and more. You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod or your favorite podcast provider.

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"/> MONDAY: Joshua 8:1—9:27      | <input type="checkbox"/> THURSDAY: Joshua 13:1—15:63 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> WEDNESDAY: Joshua 11:1—12:24 | <input type="checkbox"/> SATURDAY: Joshua 18:1—19:51 |

**Gifts:**  
 Church Plate: \$ 2,791.00  
 Sunday School: \$ 26.00  
 Adult Bible Class: \$ 26.00

**Attendance:**  
 Sat., April 27 5 p.m.: 25  
 Sun., April 28 9 a.m.: 125  
 150

**Acolytes today:**  
 Reed Meseck and Gavin Schneider

Sunday School: 19  
 Adult Bible Class: 35

**Librarian today:**  
 Denice Schultz

**~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~**  
**May 5-12, 2024**

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC  
*May 5* 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class  
 10:15 a.m. Immanuel's High School Graduate Reception  
 1:00 p.m. Schleswig Sharks 4-H  
 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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**Wednesday:** 6:30 a.m. Bible Study  
 11:45 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

**Thursday:** 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool  
 9:00 a.m. Quilting  
 5:00 p.m. Meal at Mission Central  
 6:30 p.m. Ascension Worship at Mission Central

**Friday:** ~

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

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. Worship  
*May 12* 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.



**About the Cover:** Jesus does not treat us as servants but as friends. He does not withhold from us what the Father is doing but openly shares His loving intention. The Father's love is this: "That He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16). That love spills over into doing what Jesus has commanded and loving one another, especially all fellow friends of Jesus.

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