

Immanuel's News and Notes ~ August 1 & 2, 2026

Welcome! Through His prophet Isaiah today God speaks of the “rich food” He provides that our souls may live. We listen diligently to God’s Word and so receive God’s steadfast love that enlivens and strengthens a steadfast faith that will endure until we are welcomed to the great and promised heavenly feast of eternal life. “We are spiritually famished, O Lord. Feed us again today through Your Word which gives us Jesus, the Bread of Life. Amen.” A special welcome to our visitors, please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us again!

Prayer Requests: Lori Bumann, Julie Teut, Timothy Riessen, Jan Schultz, Matt Wunschel, Travis Aldag, Melissa Schmidt, Margaret Hall (grandmother of Laura Ernst), Carol Korwes, and Tom Groth. *If you have a concern for which you would like us to pray, please call the Church Office or send an email to: immansch@iowatelecom.net.*

We Thank God for the healing He has mercifully given to Sue Boland and Adam Nahnsen.

The LWML will meet on Thursday, August 6 at 1:30 p.m.

Readings for next Sunday: Job 38:4-18; Psalm 18:1-6 (7-16); Rom. 10:5-17; Matt.14:22-33.

“Thy Strong Word” every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, August 3-8, Pastor Trunkhill is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Torreson will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

The Lutheran Hour: “Why Jesus Told Parables” by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Archives August—Effective communicators tell stories to make a point. Hear how Jesus’ parables point us to Himself. (Mark 4) You can listen to *The Lutheran Hour* every Sunday morning on Denison’s KDSN 104.9 FM at 6:30 am and KDSN 15:30 AM at 10:30 am, and anytime at www.lhm.org.

The Church Library has a computer desk and an older model computer (no longer supported by Windows) available. If anyone has a use for these items please pick up ASAP as we are making room for a new desk and shelf.

Rev. Virgil Ewoldt’s 40th Ordination anniversary will be on August 3, 2026. We would like to honor Rev. Ewoldt with a card shower. Cards can be mailed here to First English Lutheran Church at 1311 E. 18th Street, Spencer, IA 51301.

Name your Own Price Garage Sale at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Kiron (17 S. Orchard) on Saturday, August 15 from 8:30 am—4:00 pm. All proceeds go to Missions. Serving smiles, coffee, cinnamon rolls, loose meat on a bun, chips and beverages. Donations can be brought anytime; just leave on the deck on the south side of the church. Thank you!

Please pray for our Sunday School as we will be needing a few 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).

Immanuel Lutheran Preschool is now accepting applications for the 2026-27 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.

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

Unity Ridge Lutheran School is hiring! We are looking for faithful followers of Jesus who have a love for mission and children. Positions available: Infant/Toddler room provider, Food Service management, and substitutes. Please email megan.torreson@unityridge.org with questions and resumes.

“And so, our life finds its meaning in Him. Our path is directed by Him. Our future is secure in Him. Though life may take a very unexpected turn, whether with a pregnancy, an illness, depression, or sudden loss, there is hope, there is peace, and there is comfort in the compassion and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, who loved us and gave Himself for us.” Rev. Paul Clark, *Lutherans For Life of Michigan—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians: Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. The program features expert guests, expansive topics, while extolling Christ. Learn more at www.issuesetc.org.

Building Healthy Families: August 3 begins *Simplify Your Life Week*, a reminder to clear away clutter, reduce stress, focus on what truly matters, and find peace. Clean out a closet or pantry and donate what you no longer need. Simplify your schedule to make room for meaningful time with those you love. But most importantly, take time to read John 14:27 and John 16:33 and consider this question: where are you looking for your identity, security, and peace? If it’s your accumulating possessions, bank account, golf game, physical fitness level, number of acres, or your place on the corporate ladder, you’ll surely be disappointed. Carve out time this week to spend with your Father, tune your ear to hear His voice, look for and see the many ways He is already providing for you, in this life and the one to come. Find your peace in the One who came to bring you peace and be assured that true peace is found only in Him. www.LutheranFamilyService.org Lutheran Family Service

Christ Jesus, the Living Bread from Heaven, Feeds the Children of God

By the Gospel of “the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever” (Rom. 9:5), we are “the children of God” (Rom. 9:8), “not because of works but because of Him who calls” (Rom. 9:11). Therefore, “listen diligently” and “hear, that your soul may live.” By His sacrificial death in His flesh and blood, He has made “an everlasting covenant” for us. Since He now calls us to Himself, we come to Him “and eat what is good, and delight ... in rich food” (Is. 55:2–3). He has come with divine compassion to save us from sin and death and to feed us with Himself. As our Lord Jesus took bread, “said a blessing,” broke the loaves, “and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds” (Matt. 14:18–19), He also now takes bread, blesses it by His Word to be His very body, and distributes it to His Church by the hand of His called and ordained servants. Just as “they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces,” there is more than enough for His whole Church to eat and to be satisfied (Matt. 14:20).

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

<u>Gifts:</u>		<u>Attendance:</u>	
Church Plate:	\$ 2,577.00	Sat., July 25 5:00 p.m.:	13
Sunday School:	\$ 2.00	Sun., July 26 9:00 a.m.:	<u>76</u>
Adult Bible Class:	\$ 32.00		89

Acolyte Sunday:
Cameron and Hailey Brown

Sunday School: 4
Adult Bible Class: 26

Librarian today:
Julie Teut

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~		
<u>August 2-9, 2026</u>		
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	Worship w/HC
<i>August 2</i>	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
	1:00 p.m.	Denison Care Worship—Torreson
	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
Friday:	~	
Saturday:	5:00 p.m.	Worship w/HC
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	Worship
<i>August 9</i>	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

About the Cover: The food that God gives us is priceless. It is worth far more than we could ever afford. Our money is no good to Him, so He gives us His food for free. We could never earn or pay for salvation with anything we have. So Christ has redeemed us not with silver or gold, but with His precious blood poured out for us on the cross (1 Peter 1:18-19). He gives us holy food and drink for free, most especially at the Lord’s Supper, where He gives us His very body and blood.

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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.”***

