Immanuel's News and Notes ~ August 23 & 24, 2025

<u>Welcome!</u> We worship in the name of God, creator and protector of all; and of Jesus, our Savior and friend; and of the Holy Spirit, our comforter and guide. "Gracious God, You come to us through the Word. Keep us from all that distracts us from You, and by Your Spirit, open our heart and minds to pay attention to You, whom we need more than anything else in the world. Amen." We welcome our visitors and ask you to please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us again!

<u>Prayer Requests</u>: If you have a concern for which you would like us to include in our prayers in worship, please call the Church Office 712-676-2235 or send an email to: immansch@iowatelecom.net.

We Pray for God's Continued comfort for the family and loved ones of Ruby Friedrichsen who died Friday, August 8. Ruby's funeral was held here at Immanuel, August 18.

<u>Birthday Blessings to Gerald Pedersen</u> who will celebrate his 100th birthday on Sept. 2. You are invited to send a card of greeting to Gerald at Silveridge, 222 S. 20th St., Denison 51442. (When mailing, remember that Labor Day is September 1 so send early!)

Sunday School Teachers meeting Sunday, August 24 at 11:15 am.

Elders' Meeting will be Sunday, August 24 at 11:30 a.m.

<u>Come have breakfast with the IKE's</u> Sunday, August 24 from 8:00 a.m.—noon at Bartlett's Park (Hwy 39 between Kiron & Deloit). Serving pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice. Free-will donation with proceeds used to promote Izaak Walton League programs.

The lowa West Branch of Orphan Grain Train will be loading a container on Tuesday, August 26 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Any volunteers will be greatly appreciated. We are normally done loading before noon. This shipment will be going to a missionary in Ukraine. Any questions, please call Sharon Irwin at 712-660-1380.

Preschool Open House will be held Tuesday, August 26 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

<u>The Immanuel Messenger</u> will be assembled on Wednesday, August 27 at 8:45 a.m. All help will be appreciated.

<u>Preschool begins</u> this week. The afternoon class will begin on Wednesday, August 20 and the morning class will begin on Thursday, August 21.

Confirmation classes begin this week for grades 5th-8th.

The Quilters will meet on Thursday, August 28 at 9 a.m. Anyone is welcome to help.

Readings for next Sunday: Prov. 25:2-10; Psalm 131; Hebrews 13:1-17; Luke 14:1-14.

<u>Calf Show Dinner</u> Saturday, September 13 following the parade. The sign-up sheets for both food donations and workers are on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please consider serving our congregation and our community for this event! Thanks! ~ Calf Show Committee

<u>Library Items</u>: Parents–please look around your homes and vehicles for books and DVD's from our children's library. We have quite a few items that have not been returned. Letters will be sent home in a couple weeks if they are not returned.

Former members of Trinity Lutheran Church—Grant Township: In an effort to preserve the history of Trinity, a group of former members is seeking information/pictures about the church. The information will be cataloged and kept in a file at Immanuel in Schleswig. For more information, contact Immanuel at 676-2235 or these former members: Sandra (Aldag) Voss, Janice (Grell) Jepsen, Jerry Ernst or Larry Abbe. Thank you for helping us preserve this precious history of Trinity, Grant Township.

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, September 7 at 2:00 the Schleswig Library will be hosting its first ever cemetery walk at the Morgan Cemetery. Presenters will be telling the story of seven of Schleswig's early founders at their graves in the south section of the cemetery: "Hap" Peters, Fred Jepsen and Dora Hahn to name a few. Golf carts and chairs will be available for our patrons. Refreshments will be provided after the walk. Please plan to attend—the library board and the presenters are eager to see a good outcome

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, Aug. 25-30, Pastor Wade is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Merrill will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

<u>The Lutheran Hour</u>: "Gideon, the Farmer General" by Guest Speaker Dr. Oswald Hoffmann. Archives August—Dr. Oswald Hoffmann recounts the story of Gideon, an unlikely military leader. (Judges 6:1—8:27) 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.

"<u>We stand together</u>, one in mind and heart, and with one voice, in defense of the lives of our unborn children—God's precious little ones. Yet, what we stand for is not only the lives of these precious unborn children but also the moms, the dads, the grandmas and grandpas, the young and the old, the healthy and the sick and dying. What we stand for is the very value—the very gift—of life itself." Pastor Paul Clark, LFL of Michigan—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life

<u>Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians</u>: Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to a series of interviews with Dr. Reed Lessing, author of the new book "Hope in the Wilderness: Practical Insights from the Book of Numbers," at issuesetc.org/bookofnumbers.

Building Healthy Families: Trauma, emotional distress, or mental illness negatively impact many people, including those within our church fellowship today. When it does, we are often left searching for answers without knowing where to find help, especially help that will share and incorporate the important tenants of our Lutheran Christian faith, Lutheran Family Service offers professional mental health counseling with master's prepared and licensed therapists who share your faith and world view now available to all regardless of location through telehealth. Call us...it's why we're here! **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: Romans 7:1-25	☐ THURSDAY: Romans 12:1-21
☐ TUESDAY: Romans 8:1-39	☐ FRIDAY: Romans 13:1—14:23
☐ WEDNESDAY: Romans 9:1—11:36	☐ SATURDAY: Romans 15:1—16:27

Attendance: Gifts:

Sat., August 16 5 p.m.: Church Plate: \$ 2.595.00 20 Sunday School: Sun.. August 17 9 a.m.: 63 4.00 Adult Bible Class: 41.00

Acolyte today: Sunday School: Ty Jacobson Adult Bible Class: 21

Librarian today:

Julie Teut

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~ August 24-31, 2025

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship

10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class August 24

11:15 a.m. Sunday School Teacher Meeting

11:30 a.m. Elders Meeting

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

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

Monday: First Day of Public School

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. Container loading at OGT, Ida Grove

4:00-6:00 p.m. Preschool Open House

Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Bible Study

8:45 a.m. *Immanuel Messenger* assemblage

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

8:00 a.m. Morning Preschool begins Thursday:

8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

9:00 a.m. Quilting

Friday:

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

9:00 a.m. Worship Sunday:

10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class August 31

About the Cover: Our crucified and risen Lord has ascended to the right hand of the Father and is "the mediator of a new covenant." His intercession is perfect because He is the perfect Son of the Father. He intercedes for us on the basis of the blood that He shed once for all on the cross (Hebrews 10:10). Because of Him and Him alone, we have confidence that we stand righteous before God today and forever.

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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."

