Immanuel's News and Notes ~ July 12 & 13, 2025

Welcome! Scripture urges us: "Turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul" (Deuteronomy 30:10). Let us indeed turn to God, in love and worship, petition and trust. "Everyone who gathers here today brings their own joys and concerns. Dear Jesus, wrap Your loving arms around us, providing the unique care we each need. 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>: Michael Mentink (brother of Rachel Mentink) as he recovers from injuries sustained in a car accident. 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 Hayley Meseck.

<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.

The LWML Mite Box is in the Narthex today for your donations.

Contribution Statements are in your church boxes.

Quarterly Voters' Meeting will be Sunday, July 13 at 10:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Immanuel Messenger articles for the August issue are due on Tuesday, July 15. Thanks!

<u>Thursday Evening Study</u>: There will be no class throughout the remainder of summer.

<u>Readings for next Sunday</u>: Gen. 18:1-10a (10b-14); Psalm 27:(1-6) 7-14; Col. 1:21-29; Luke 10:38-42.

"<u>Thy Strong Word</u>" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, July 14-19, Pastor Wade is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Merrill will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

The Lutheran Hour: "Fearless and Endless Growing" by Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola. God's Word grows like a perfect garden, bearing fruit in every season. (Col. 1:1-14) 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.

"Take heart and have hope, God's people! Even though it appears as though we have been abandoned, that our existence here seems innocuous, not making a difference to our communities, we are not those things. God is not done with us yet. He only asks that we remain faithful because He is ALWAYS faithful." *Deaconess Janet Nicol, Word of Hope—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

THANK YOU to everyone who supported us on the National LWML Mission Walk. With your gifts we were able to contribute \$500 towards the 2025-2027 goal. This year's Mission Walk had approximately 1,700 walkers and has so far collected \$75,000 towards the new \$2,622,270 National goal. This goal will support the 33 grants that were selected by the convention. Thanks again and to God be the glory! ~ Pastor and Chris

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

Schleswig Community School will be offering FREE pick-up meals for anyone 18 years old or younger every Monday-Thursday 11:00 am-12:00 pm at the main entrance of the School from June 2-July 24. The meal will consist of one lunch, as well as breakfast for the next day.

Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians: WHERE CHRISTIANITY MEETS CULTURE... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: Seeking Truth & Speaking Truth, The Worsening Pandemic of Gambling, A New Study on Christian Faith & Marriage, Eastern Mysticism in Public Schools, A Supreme Court Ruling on Children & Pornography and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

Building Healthy Families: Maybe you are experiencing some of the greatest joys of your life right now, or perhaps you feel you are in the lowest of valleys. God knows what you're experiencing. In fact, He has known of your highs and lows all along. Take a moment to recall one of the best times in your life and one of the most difficult. God was there. Both times. He promises to always be with you, and He keeps every one of His promises. Your circumstances will change, as will your emotional responses. But the one constant in your life on which you can depend? His faithfulness. "I will never leave you nor forsake you...Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." Hebrews 13:5,8 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. You can start at any time. The entire reading plan is available in the Church Office.

□ MONDAY: Luke 17:1—18:43	□ THURSDAY: Luke 23:1—24:53
□ TUESDAY: Luke 19:1—20:47	□ FRIDAY: John 1:1—2:25
□ WEDNESDAY: Luke 21:1—22:71	SATURDAY: John 3:1-36



Vacation Bible School Epic Australian Adventure

July 13th—17th, 2025 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm Light supper will be served at 5:00 pm except for the first night. VBS starting at 5:30 pm

For more information or to register your child(ren): Call 676-2235 (Church Office), 269-1786 (Nan Bornhoft) or (913) 424-8851 (Laura Ernst) Email <u>immansch@iowatelecom.net</u> or <u>nanette1964@gmail.com</u> Register online <u>https://vbsmate.com/events/ImmanuelLutheranSchleswig/31131.</u>

> Please keep VBS in your hearts and prayers again this year!! We are looking forward to another GREAT VBS!!!

Gifts:		Attendance:			
Church Plate:	\$	5,990.00	Sat., July 5	5 p.m.:	38
Sunday School:	\$	3.00	Sun., July 6	9 a.m.:	<u>76</u>
Adult Bible Class:	\$	30.00	-		114
<u>Acolytes today</u> : Elders			Sunday School Adult Bible Cla		

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~ July 13-20, 2025		
Sunday:	9:00 a.m. Worship	
July 13	10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Voters' Meeting	
	1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Merrill	
	1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship	
	2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship	
	5:30 p.m. VBS Begins	
Monday:	5:00 p.m8:00 p.m. VBS (supper 5-5:30; classes 5:30-8)	
Tuesday:	Immanuel Messenger deadline for August	
	5:00 p.m8:00 p.m. VBS (supper 5-5:30; classes 5:30-8)	
Wednesday:	6:30 a.m. Bible Study	
	5:00 p.m8:00 p.m. VBS (supper 5-5:30; classes 5:30-8)	
Thursday:	12:30 p.m. New Member Class	
	5:00 p.m8:00 p.m. VBS (supper 5-5:30; classes 5:30-8)	
	8:00 p.m. VBS Closing Program	
Friday:	~	
Saturday:	5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC	
Sunday:	9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC	
July 20	10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class	

About the Cover: Neither the priest nor the Levite was willing to jeopardize his ritual purity by aiding the man who fell among the robbers. But the Samaritan, whom they already viewed as unclean, compassionately placed the man upon his own animal and cleaned his wounds. Jesus willingly became unclean and went to the cross for us, even though He was without sin. He did so in order to bind up our wounds and make us clean before God.

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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."

