

Immanuel’s News and Notes ~ July 19 & 20, 2025

Welcome to worship! Here may you find rest for your souls, challenge and comfort alike, and inspiration to share Christ’s love as you go forth in faith. “Dear Jesus, whether I’m quietly listening or busily serving, remind me that You are the ‘one thing’ I need and to always be gracious and kind to 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: Michael Mentink (brother of Rachel Mentink). 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.

The Quilters will meet on Thursday, July 24 at 9 a.m. Anyone is welcome to help.

Thursday Evening Study: There will be no class throughout the remainder of summer.

Readings for next Sunday: Genesis 18:(17-19) 20-33; Psalm 138; Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19); and, Luke 11:1-13.

“Thy Strong Word” every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, July 21-26, Pastor Mahnken is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Trunkhill will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

The Lutheran Hour: “God’s Plan = Jesus” by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God’s plans for us are not me-centered; they are Christ-centered. Dr. Zeigler talks with “Soul Surfer” author, Bethany Hamilton. (John 16:33) 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.

“Sometimes the answer to a problem is as simple as asking for help. Let’s not hesitate to bring all our questions, troubles, and needs to the Lord. Thank Him for the people He provides for our help. Pray that He will give you the opportunity today to be His help to others.” *Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

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

Unity Ridge Golf Tournament: Saturday, August 9 in Schleswig beginning at 9:00 am. Sign up online or contact Brian Kempfert at brian.kempfert@unityridge.org. Brochures are available on the table in the Narthex. \$200 for a team of 4 before August 1, \$240 per team of 4 after deadline. Carts are extra and paid to the golf course. www.unityridge.org

Building Healthy Families: It’s been said that children may not always be good at listening to adults, but they never fail to imitate them. Consider this: the words you speak are less important than the everyday life you lead. Your children (and grandchildren) are constantly learning about life by watching you. What an immense responsibility. What an incredible privilege! Pray that God will help you to be the kind of adult you want your child (or grandchild) to become. Find inspiration from the One whose love, humility, obedience, honesty, and faithfulness we’re encouraged to imitate. (Ephesians 5:1-2; Philippians 2:5-11; and 1 John 2:6)

Lutheran Family Service

Volunteer opportunity at the Iowa State Fair! Spend a 3-hour shift at the Lutheran Hour Booth and get free fair admittance for the day. Dates available: August 8,10,12,14,16,17 and shifts begin at 9:00 am. Contact John Tews at 641-740-0126 or valleyinsjt@gmail.com.

Gifts:		Attendance:	
Church Plate:	\$ 5,477.00	Sat., July 12	5 p.m.: 29
Sunday School:	\$ 5.00	Sun., July 13	9 a.m.: 112
Voters’ Meeting:	\$ 45.00		141
VBS:	\$ 282.00		
Acolytes today:		Sunday School:	7
Reed & Isla Meseck		Voters’ Meeting:	41
Librarian today:			
Denice Schultz			

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~		
July 20-27, 2025		
Sunday: July 20	9:00 a.m.	Worship w/HC
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
	1:00 p.m.	Denison Care Worship—Pastor Trunkhill
	1:40 p.m.	Silveridge Worship
	2:15 p.m.	Gracewell Worship
Monday:	~	
Tuesday:	~	
Wednesday:	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.	Quilting
Friday:	~	
Saturday:	5:00 p.m.	Worship w/HC
Sunday: July 27	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

About the Cover: Abraham welcomed the Lord and two angels with his best meal. May we also welcome the Lord into our lives when He visits us with His Word and Sacrament. Jesus first welcomed us into His kingdom by restoring our relationship with God the Father by dying on the cross and rising again. He continues to welcome us to His Table and feed us with His very best: His very body and blood, given and shed for us.

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.	
<input type="checkbox"/> MONDAY: John 4:1-54	<input type="checkbox"/> THURSDAY: John 9:1—10:42
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2025 “Epic Australian Adventure” VBS Staff

Preschool: Teachers: Caitlyn Andresen, Jacee Jepsen & Josie Jepsen

Kindergarten — 1st Grade: Teachers: Kaitlyn Bruhn, Angie Ellis, Rachel Jacobson
Kasey Lee & Izzi Miller

2nd — 3rd Grades: Teachers: Amanda Ashbrook & Laura Ernst

4th — 6th Grades: Teacher: Jerry Ernst, Barb Ernst, Ryan Ernst & Leroy Hight

Opening and Closing Devotions: Tayten Kline & Megan Reetz

Experiment/Exploration: Teachers: Morgan Wood, Ty Jacobson & Gavin Schneider

Music: Megan Reetz & Tayten Kline

Food: Coordinator: Lila Bubke
Helpers: Tracy Beeck, Amanda Bruhn, Chris Mahnken, Julie Petersen, Diana Schultz

Recreation: Maria Valdez & Karsen Bruhn

Decorations: Combined Effort

Video/Technical: Pastor Mahnken

Directors: Nan Bornhoft, Laura Ernst & Kasey Lee



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A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped in any way with our Vacation Bible School week. However you helped, whether in gifts of your time, talents, money, donations of snacks or crafts, and especially your prayers, we appreciate and thank you. Special thanks to Dairy Queen for donating ice cream, spoons and straws, KCK’s, and Pizza Ranch. We are also thankful for the use of a Thrivent Action Team Card used in support of our Vacation Bible School this year.

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Root beer floats were served following the closing program.
We thank the members of our Board of Education who helped serve this treat!

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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.”**

