

Immanuel's News and Notes ~ June 22 & 23, 2024

Welcome! The Lord grant us faith to receive His blessings today, for surely, "Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever" (Psalm 146:5-6 ESV). "O Holy Spirit strengthen us to a more faithful dependence upon the riches of grace that are ours through Jesus our Savior! Amen" A special 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, Gloria Schmidt, Dennis Gierstorf, Kandi Teut, Carolyn Schroeder 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@iowatelecom.net.*

Library Potluck Supper: Tuesday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone is welcome!

Get your donuts! Crossroads of Crawford County is hosting a Krispy Kreme donut fundraiser at their new location, 139 N. 7th Street, Denison, on Wednesday, June 26 from 2:30-6:30 p.m. Donuts are first come, first served \$15 per dozen original glazed or \$17 per dozen chocolate iced. Proceeds go towards renovations of their new location. During this time they will also have children's clothing (sizes infant-2T) and some infant toys available for freewill donation.

The Quilters will meet on Thursday, June 27 at 9 a.m. Anyone is welcome to help.

Thursday Evening Study: You are invited to join our Thursday evening study group as we read and review the book "Martin Luther on Mental Health." We meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in our Fireside Room. This book will help those who struggle with mental health or have loved ones who do. If you would like a copy of this book, please contact Pastor Mahnken.

Readings for next Sunday: Lam. 3:22-33; Psalm 30; 2 Cor. 8:1-9, 13-15; Mark 5:21-43.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, June 24-29, Pastor Torreson is scheduled for the daily message.

The Lutheran Hour: "You're Really into This, Aren't You?" by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. People can be passionate about sports, gardening, video games, or family. All those things can be good, but none of them can save you. (Acts 16:30) 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.

"The state of marriage is under full assault from the devil. He will use whatever means necessary to destroy what God has created. Pray also for all God's children. Pray that love may abound in all homes. Pray that forgiveness may be the first word spoken between husbands and wives, parents and children. Pray that you and all people receive an increase of the Holy Spirit, for it is only through Him that we may repent of our sinful lives, amend our ways, and live joyfully in the comfort of God's grace." *Rev. Matthew Wietfeldt, Concordia Theological Seminary—A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life*

VBS at Immanuel is scheduled for July 7-11. Supper will be served at 5:00 pm Monday-Thursday and VBS classes will begin at 5:30 pm each night Sunday-Thursday. You can register your child(ren) at <https://vbsmate.com/events/ImmanuelLutheranSchleswig/29310>. There is a signup sheet posted in the Narthex for food items needed for the nightly meals. Please keep VBS in your hearts and prayers again this year!! If you have any questions, please contact Nan Bornhoft at 712-269-1786.

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

A Great Big Thank You to the people who helped in any way with our annual Mission Board Garage Sale to support our mission projects. From putting up tables, arranging the items, sitting with us at the sales, donating "treasures," packing up, and, of course, making our own purchases with your donations, we thank you all from the bottom of our hearts and truly appreciate your support. We will begin planning for next year's event, so save your unwanted items for us. Thank you all again ~ Immanuel's Mission Board

Unity Ridge Golf Tournament UPDATE: The Unity Ridge Golf Tournament originally scheduled for June 29 has been postponed until this fall. A new date has not been decided.

For Just \$100 you can both support the Christian education mission of Unity Ridge Lutheran School in Denison and become a Unity Ridge member. To join for the '24-'25 academic year, a Unity Ridge membership form is on the table in the Narthex. You have an option this year of giving a monthly donation as your membership fee. You may also pay the \$100 membership fee as a lump sum. '23-'24 members will need to rejoin for the upcoming year. You can join all the way up to the start of the July 10 meeting. As a member you have the right to vote for the directors. If you desire to be really involved with our educational ministry you may want to run for the Board of Directors. Criteria to be on the board and an application forms are available on the table in the Narthex. The deadline to apply to be on the ballot is June 26; two weeks before the annual meeting.

Camp Firelight Vacation Bible School at Schleswig UCC: Sun., June 23-Wed. 26 from 5:30 to 8 pm. A meal will be served at 5:30 each night with storytelling, games, crafts and music to follow. For ages 3 years old to 6th grade. Everyone welcome!

Building Healthy Families: "Attention parents, grandparents and pew buddies—when involving little ones in the worship service, take baby steps! It's tempting to have an all or nothing mentality. That, however, can easily become discouraging. Saying "Amen" is a great place to start, as it comes up numerous times throughout a given service. Try having your child repeat the name of the book of the Bible where we find the weekly Scripture reading(s). Responses like "Thanks be to God!" following "This is the Word of the Lord." or "Let us bless the Lord!" are also very accessible to younger worshippers. With continued exposure, encouragement and, ultimately, the work of the Holy Spirit, children will know that God's house and being in worship is for them, too! **Lutheran Family Service**

Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians: You can check program archives for whatever may interest you. This past Thursday included the segment "Stories of Escaping the Gender Ideology Cult" by Mary Margaret Olohan, and "Predestination" by Dr. Jordan Cooper. You can listen at lutheranpublicradio.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn and on the LPR mobile app.

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: 1 Samuel 24:1-22 | <input type="checkbox"/> THURSDAY: 1 Samuel 27:1—29:11 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TUESDAY: 1 Samuel 25:1-44 | <input type="checkbox"/> FRIDAY: 1 Samuel 30:1-31 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WEDNESDAY: 1 Samuel 26:1-25 | <input type="checkbox"/> SATURDAY: 1 Samuel 31:1-13 |

Gifts:
 Church Plate: \$ 4,121.00
 Sunday School: \$ 11.00
 Adult Bible Class: \$ 31.00

Attendance:
 Sat., June 15 5 p.m.: 37
 Sun., June 16 9 a.m.: 101
 138

Acolyte today:
 Ty Jacobson

Sunday School: 12
 Adult Bible Class: 23

Librarian today:
 Denice Schultz

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~
June 23-30, 2024

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship
June 23 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
 1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship
 1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship
 2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship

Monday: ~

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Library Potluck

Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Bible Study
 2:30-6:30 p.m. Donut fundraiser @ Crossroads of Crawford Co.

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. Quilting
 6:30 p.m. *Martin Luther on Mental Health* Study Group

Friday: ~

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

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship
June 30 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
 12:00 p.m. Riessen Reunion

About the Cover: The majestic creative beauty of the mountains and seas, clouds and trees, is without question. God's questions to Job highlight this all the more. There is one clear answer: the Lord alone is the Creator of all. What comfort it brings in the midst of things that are uncertain to know that all things have been created through Christ, our Savior, who died and rose for us (John 1:3). All things, including our very lives, are in His hands.

Today's Gospel reading Mark 4:35-41: How does a hurricane praise God? Certainly those who are caught up in one don't think about a questions such as this. Not many years ago extreme drought in the northwest during one summer was alleviated by the restoring, if heavy, rains of one hurricane remnant after another marching up the east coast. As creator and preserver of the world, God, by His rules established for weather, saw His rules work to balance things out. Those interviewed during the storms often said, "It's all in God's hands." Whether or not they believed it, they were right. As Lord of all creation, God can control even the weather. It's a reminder of His power. It's a reminder of His care. As stewards of God's world, we can't do much about the weather, but we can manage the results and, in awe, praise the God whom even the winds and waves obey.

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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."***

