

Immanuel's News and Notes ~ June 4 & 5, 2022

Welcome to worship this Pentecost Sunday! At Pentecost we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and His gifts at work in us! “Lord Jesus, send Your blessing upon the Word which we receive today, and by Your Holy Spirit increase our saving knowledge of You, that day by day we may be strengthened in Your truth and grow in joyful living for Your glory. Amen.” A special welcome to our visitors, please sign our guest book in the Narthex, and come again!

As We Gather: Come, Holy Spirit! Today we remember the coming of the Spirit in power on the disciples. The color of the day is red, the color of fire, as we recall the tongues of flame that rested on Jesus' disciples. The Holy Spirit empowered the believers to witness to God's saving Good News in Jesus our Savior. As we celebrate Pentecost we celebrate the Holy Spirit's working in us and pray for His continued life in us that we may respond to God's call and direction to work diligently in His harvest field until the harvest of souls is complete.

Please Remember in Your Prayers: Larry Clausen, Jan and Curt Schultz, Becky Sieper, Sam Lee, Pastor Andrew Johnson and Adam Burns. *If you have a concern for which you would like us to pray, please call the office, 712-676-2235, or send an email to: immansch@iowatelecom.net.*

We Pray God's comfort for the family and loved ones of Pastor Don Winterrowd who died this past Thursday evening. Arrangements are still pending at the time of this printing.

We Thank God for the gift of healing He has given to Kyle Andresen.

Elders' Meeting will be Sunday, June 5 at 11:30 a.m.

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

“When Your Struggle Doesn't Go Away” will be this week's theme as we gather for our *Hope When Your Heart Breaks* study group. We meet in the Fireside Room on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. with one of our pastors. God's Word provides what we need the most in the midst of grief and loss—hope.

Board of Ed will meet next Sunday, June 12 at 11:30 a.m.

“Thy Strong Word” every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week—June 6-11, Pastor Mahnken is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Kaiser will lead worship at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell today.

The Lutheran Hour: “A Place in the Choir” by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God's world is like a big, beautiful choir in which everyone has a place and a part to sing. (Colossians 1:15-20) 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.

“The Lord God loves your neighbors—even the ones that annoy you. He cares so much for them that He sent His Son to die and rise again for them—for all of them. For the thief, the bigot, the liberal, the conservative, the one with the manicured lawn who judges your overgrown lawn, and the one who has let their property become overgrown and run down. He cares for all of them. He cares so much that He called you and He placed you in that neighborhood to seek it's welfare.” *Rev. Dr. Jason Broge, guest speaker on The Lutheran Hour – A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life.*

In Our Opening Hymn today we sing “Giver of grace, descend from high; Your sev'nfold gifts to us supply.” The Bible actually speaks of these seven gifts of the Spirit in only one place: Isaiah 11:1–2. This passage clearly refers to the seven-fold Spirit being poured out, not on us, but on the coming Messiah. The gifts include the Spirit Himself: 1) “The Spirit of the Lord” (this phrase is a clear reference to none other than the third Person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit); 2 and 3) “The Spirit of wisdom and of understanding;” 4 and 5) “The Spirit of counsel and of power;” and, 6 and 7) “The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.” This fullness of the Holy Spirit, poured out on Jesus the Messiah, led Christ to willingly humble Himself and become obedient even to the death of the cross so that by His wounds we might be truly and completely healed! Through the waters of Baptism, this same Holy Spirit has been poured out on us, along with His gifts. The Spirit desires that, by His grace, we might know “perfect peace” (see Isaiah 26:3) in trusting in this Spirit-blessed Messiah, our Savior and our Lord. It is also the Spirit's desire that we might live in His power and blessing each day. As Paul wrote to Timothy, “For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.” (2 Timothy 1:7) On that first day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was the Father's and the Son's great Gift to His people and has been Their Gift to His people through the Means of Grace ever since. And all to His glory and our great blessing!

Readings for Next Sunday: Prov. 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; John 8:48-59.

“5 Minutes with a Missionary” is the podcast of LCMS International Mission. It's a window into missionary life. As our missionaries talk about their experiences, savor the uniqueness of the places in which God has called them to serve — while finding common ground with your own role and service. Each episode features an unfiltered take on life abroad for the sake of the Gospel in the time it takes to pick up your drive-thru order or empty the dishwasher. It's fun. It's personal. It's real. And it's always an adventure.

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Building Healthy Families: In her book, “The Power of the Positive Mom,” Karol Ladd notes the importance of intentionally planning for summer activities with your children. She suggests making a large poster with “The Summer of 2022” written across the top. Invite your kids to join you in making a list of fun activities you want to do over the next two months. Also include some summer rules, like how much television and screen time will be allowed, what chores will be required and how late is too late to sleep in. A little planning will help you enjoy these months off and avoid that regretful September statement, “*Where did the summer go?*” www.LutheranFamilyService.org

About the Cover: The great sound, divided tongues as of fire, and variety of languages signify something greater than the signs themselves. Though some people who were present for this Pentecost misinterpreted the event, Peter clarified that these men were—in fact—filled with the Holy Spirit. This is no mere display of power. The Holy Spirit works through the Word—then and now— to bring people to faith in Jesus.

Gifts:
 Church Plate: **\$3,289.00**
 Sunday School: **\$ 10.10**
 Adult Bible Class: **\$ 12.00**

Attendance:
 Sat., May 28 5 p.m.: **21**
 Sun., May 29 9 a.m.: **100**
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Acolytes today:
 Kara Korner

Sunday School: **17**
 Adult Bible Class: **13**

Librarian today:
 Elaine Teut

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~
June 5-12, 2022

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC
June 5 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
 11:30 a.m. Elders' Meeting
 1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Kaiser
 1:30 p.m. Silveridge Worship
 2:20 p.m. Gracewell Worship
Monday: ~
Tuesday: Primary Election Voting in Fellowship Hall
Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Bible Study
Thursday: 9:00 a.m. Quilting
 6:30 p.m. Hope When Your Heart Breaks
Friday: ~
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship
June 12 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
 11:30 a.m. Board of Ed Meeting
 12:30 p.m. Schleswig Sharks 4-H Meeting

On Pentecost, we remember when the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus' disciples. As they gathered in Jerusalem 10 days after Jesus' ascension, they saw tongues of fire, heard rushing wind and began speaking in many languages. Because the disciples could then share the good news with all the pilgrims assembled for the Pentecost festival, the occasion marks the birthday of the Christian church. That day alone, about 3,000 people received the gift of saving faith by the working of the Holy Spirit through the Word and Holy Baptism. Through the gracious means of the Word and Baptism the Holy Spirit continues to work faith and strengthen and guide us in faithful Christian living. We thank God for His work in us by the Holy Spirit and ask His continued enlightening and guidance: "Holy Spirit, I give You thanks that You have called me to saving faith in my Lord Jesus Christ through His Gospel, for without You I could never come to Him. By Your words, which are spirit and life, keep me united with my Savior in true faith, always enlightening me with Your gifts, and sanctifying me in body and soul to live for Jesus alone. In His name I pray. Amen."



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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."***

