

Immanuel’s News and Notes ~ May 17 & 18, 2025

Welcome! The Lord has drawn us to Himself today in worship, and we hear Him declare, “Behold, I am making all things new!” We thank God for His gracious promise of the new heavens and the new earth. To always be ready for our Savior’s return to bring us to our heavenly home, we pray with David, in the words of Psalm 51, “Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit with me!” 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: Roger Walde and Hayley Meseck (wife of Colby Meseck) who is hospitalized because of Guillain-Barre syndrome. 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.

Baptized on Saturday: Ezra Rey Khan and Willow Jean Khan, children of Sophia Khan. Their sponsors are Angelica Kahn, Jamal Khan, Samantha Ebelhare and Kevin Baquiero. Maria Valdez will serve as a witness as these two children are welcomed to Immanuel!

Immanuel Messenger articles for the June/July issue are due on Tuesday, May 20. Thanks!

Library Potluck Supper: Tuesday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone is welcome!

The Quilters will meet on Thursday, May 22 at 9 a.m. Anyone is welcome to help.

Getting Through Grief: Eight Biblical Gifts for Living with Loss is our Thursday evening study. We meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in our Fireside Room. For more information, or if you would like to have a book for yourself, please contact Pastor Mahnken.

Readings for next Sunday: Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Rev. 21:9-14, 21-27; John 16:23-33.

Door Offering Next 2 Weeks: After worship, the weekends of May 24-25 and May 31-June 1, we will receive a special door offering to be given at our District Convention, June 8. This offering will support restorations at Camp Okoboji as a result of the floods of 2024 and recent storms, and to honor the partnership between Camp Okoboji and the congregations of Iowa District West.

“Thy Strong Word” every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, May 19-24, Pastor Peitsch is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Mahnken will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

The Lutheran Hour: “Truth That Takes Us In” by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus is the Truth Who will take you in to live like He lives, planted in God His Father’s love. (John 15:9) 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.

New Membership Class: Pastor Mahnken will be starting an adult confirmation class, beginning sometime in May. The class consists of 11 sessions. The length of each session is 90 minutes or less. The dates and times of the classes will be flexible to meet the needs of those attending. If you or someone you know are interested in becoming communicant members of Immanuel, please contact Pastor Mahnken.

Immanuel Confirmation students grades 5-8: reminder to sign-up for summer acolyting times! Each student only needs to volunteer for one Sunday.

Church garage sale: May 29-31. Please do not bring your items until May 22 or after as we will not be ready to receive them. Help is needed to pack up the remaining items after the sale at noon on Saturday. Please call Janice Jepsen at 712-676-3608 for details. Thank you for helping with this Mission project.

Upcoming Ascension Service. A Special Ascension Service will be held Thursday, May 29, 2025 at Mission Central. The meal will begin at 5:00 p.m. Pastor James Sharp will be the guest speaker for the Ascension Worship Service that begins at 6:30 p.m. Rev. Sharp will have a very, very special message for everyone, sharing the exciting work that our Lord Jesus is doing in the mission fields of Latin America.

MOVING VETERANS FORWARD: From now until May 31 the Schleswig VFW Auxiliary will be collecting donations to help the *Moving Veterans Forward* project. Donation boxes have been placed in United Bank of Iowa, Bank Iowa, KCK’s and Dollar General. We appreciate anything you can help us with. Some items needed are: new socks, new t-shirts, razors, shampoo, hygiene products, TP, Swiffer cleaning products, detergent, Comet, toilet bowl cleaners, trash cans, mops, brooms, dust pans, pizza pans, pizza cutters, pots & pans, crock-pots, toasters, 7-inch electric skillets, mixers—just about anything—just no furniture. Gently used items will be accepted. Thank you for helping our Veterans!!

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: 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: The Promotion of “Rogue” Seminaries in the LCMS, The Movie “Thunderbolts,” A Christian’s Joyful Countenance, The Biblical Foundation for the Nicene Creed 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: Each person’s experience with grief following an important loss is unique, yet we share one thing in common: we all need someone to hear us, listen to our stories, and be witness to our deep loss, without becoming overwhelmed or needing to fix it for us. Many are struggling with grief. Lutheran Family Service’s grief specialist Dr. Mark Vande Braak—a life-long LCMS Lutheran—is available to you or anyone you know who has suffered traumatic loss or grief. Meet with Dr. Mark in-person in Sioux Falls, South Dakota or via your phone, tablet, or computer from anywhere in the United States. Reach out to LFS today for more information or to schedule a time to talk with Dr. Mark. It’s why we’re here. Email info@lutheranfamilyservice.org, call 605-271-1081, or use the “contact us” link on the LFS website. We’ll be happy to hear from you. **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.

<input type="checkbox"/> MONDAY: Zechariah 3:1-10	<input type="checkbox"/> THURSDAY: Zechariah 6:1-15
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<u>Gifts:</u>		<u>Attendance:</u>	
Church Plate:	\$ 4,176.95	Sat., May 10	5 p.m.: 38
Sunday School:	\$ no plate	Sun., May 11	9 a.m.: <u>121</u>
Adult Bible Class:	\$ no plate		159

Acolytes today:
Cameron & Hailey Brown

Sunday School: **28**
Adult Bible Class: **18**

Librarian today:
Chris Mahnken

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~
May 18-25, 2025

Sunday: <i>May 18</i>	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 Mahnken 1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship 2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship
Monday: Tuesday:	~ <i>Immanuel Messenger</i> deadline for June/July issue
Wednesday:	6:30 p.m. Library potluck 6:30 a.m. Bible Study 3:30—5:15 p.m. 5th/6th Grade Confirmation 6:30—8:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
Thursday:	9:00 a.m. Quilting 6:30 p.m. Bible Study
Friday:	Last Day of School @ Schleswig and Denison CSD
Saturday:	5:00 p.m. Saturday Worship w/HC
Sunday: <i>May 25</i>	9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, High School and Adult Bible Class

About the Cover: When Jesus told His disciples that in a little while they would not see Him, He was preparing them for His death on the cross. There would be a time for trial for the followers of Jesus, but this would not be the end. For Christ has been raised from the dead. He has won for us the forgiveness of our sins, and eternal life. In our times of trial, Jesus’ words remind us of His promises that He indeed is still with us in His Word and Sacraments. He has not abandoned His church; all who believe in Him shall be raised on the Last Day.

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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.”***

