Immanuel's News and Notes ~ May 24 & 25, 2025

<u>Welcome!</u> Our merciful God welcomes us into His presence, and gathers us around His Word! We pray the Holy Spirit will open our hearts to receive His gifts. "May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us" (Psalm 67:1). 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>: Barb Quandt (recovering from shoulder surgery) 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.

We Thank God for the healing He has given to Roger Walde.

<u>Door Offering</u>: 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 lowa District West.

<u>Memorial Day Services</u> will be held Monday, May 26 at 10:00 a.m. out at Morgan Cemetery. Jason Schultz will give the address.

<u>The Immanuel Messenger</u> will be assembled on Wednesday, May 28 at 8:45 a.m. All help will be appreciated.

Special 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.

<u>There will be NO</u> Thursday evening Bible Study due to the Ascension Service at Mission Central.

<u>Pre-Sale Plant Sale!</u> Perennials are available before the garage sale/plant sale. Feel free to stop by 114 Valley View Drive or call Rachel Mentink 712-221-1286. So far there are: hostas, iris, liatris, coral bells, stargazer lilies, lilies, dahlias, cone flowers and geraniums (pink, violet and orange).

<u>Church garage sale</u>: May 29-31. Please bring your items to the garage anytime between now and before the sale begins on Thursday, May 29 so they can be properly displayed. 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.

Readings for next Sunday: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Eph. 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53.

Schleswig Sharks 4-H will meet in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, June 1 at 1:00 p.m.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, May 26-31, Pastor Torreson is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Peitsch will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

<u>The Lutheran Hour</u>: "What's Your Story?" by Guest Speaker Rev. Gregory Manning. Our difficulties often become the backdrop against which God reveals His faithfulness. Each challenge is an opportunity for Him to display His power. (John 9:1-11) 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 Begins This Week: Pastor Mahnken will be starting a new member class this Wednesday, May 28, 6:15 p.m. 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.

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, crockpots, toasters, 7-inch electric skillets, mixers—just about anything—just no furniture. Gently used items will be accepted. Thank you for helping our Veterans!!

<u>Schleswig Community School</u> 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.

"We rightly honor our dead who are near to us in time, realizing this is but a passing phase of memory, that in another already-determined Time, all the graves shall be opened, and all shall rise to meet the Judge of the Living and the Dead, whose Kingdom shall have no end. Memory eternal." James M. Kushiner, Fellowship of St. James—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life

Building Healthy Families: Attention, all worry warts—does this thought pattern sound familiar to you? God's Word tells me not to worry (Matthew 6:25), and I feel like an even bigger failure because I can't stop worrying. Good news for all worry warts...you're not alone! Lutheran Family Service counselors are available to help you break through this pattern, even if you've dealt with it your whole life. Through a combination of education (helping you understand where your worry comes from) and building a few new skills (teaching you practical ways to respond to worrisome thoughts so they no longer have free reign in your head), solid mental health education and support consistent with God's Word and the Christian faith is helpful. Call us. It's why we're here! 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: Zechariah 9:1—10:12	☐ THURSDAY: Zechariah 14:1-21
□ TUESDAY: Zechariah 11:1—12:14	□ FRIDAY: Malachi 1:1—2:17
□ WEDNESDAY: Zechariah 13:1-9	☐ SATURDAY: Malachi 3:1—4:6

Gifts:

Church Plate: \$ 14.855.78 Sat., May 17 5 p.m.: 22 118 140 Sunday School: 17.00 Sun., May 18 9 a.m.: Adult Bible Class: 39.00

Attendance:

Acolytes today:

Sunday School: 22 Calvin Segebart and Logan Stoppel 31 Adult Bible Class:

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~ May 25-June 1, 2025

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship

10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class May 25

1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Peitsch

1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship 2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship

Monday: Church Office closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday:

6:30 a.m. Bible Study Wednesday:

8:45 a.m. *Immanuel Messenger* assemblage

6:15 p.m. New Member Class

Thursday: 5:00 p.m. Meal at Mission Central

6:30 p.m. Ascension Worship at Mission Central Ascension Day

City-wide Garage Sales May 29-31

Friday:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC

10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class June 1

1:00 p.m. Schleswig Sharks 4-H Meeting

About the Cover: The lamb, an animal that appears vulnerable and weak, is the picture Scripture gives us of Jesus as the one who carries the ultimate standard of victory. Christ is that "Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29). His victory was not won by a worldly military conquest but by giving Himself up for us by dying on the cross. Christ's victory is not the way of the world, but it is the only victory that accomplishes forgiveness of sins and eternal salvation!

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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."

