

Immanuel's News and Notes ~ May 3 & 4, 2025

Welcome to worship! As Jesus met Saul (later called Paul) in a powerful light and voice on the road to Damascus, so He meets us here. It might be less dramatic, but it's no less real. "Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning" (Psalm 30:5). Lord, You meet us in every time of life and in every situation. You know our needs. Speak to us here through Your Word and Supper to renew our hope and our strength. 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: Janet Beeck and Roger Walde. 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.

Chris & Pastor Mahnken will be on vacation in the coming days. If you are in need of Pastoral care, please call Pastor Kaiser (712-269-8452) or the Church Office.

Scholarship presentation: At the conclusion of today's service a member of the Board of Ed will be presenting one of Immanuel's graduates with the Linda Weifenbach-Russell Memorial Scholarship.

A High School Graduate Reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall following our Sunday worship. We honor this year's graduates from Immanuel: Kamden Bruhn, Josie Jepsen and Savannah Steinkuehler. Please join us to hear of their future plans. The Adult Bible Class will follow the reception.

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

There will be no Wednesday morning Bible study this week.

The Quilters will meet on Thursday, May 8 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 20:17-35; Psalm 23; Rev. 7:9-17; John 10:22-33.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, May 5-10, Pastor Trunkhill is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Torreson will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

The Lutheran Hour: "An Old Place, A New Beginning" by Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola. God is the Searcher Who will not stop looking for us. In our lonely hiding place, He says, "I knew I would find you here." (John 21:1-19) 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.

Painting Opportunity! We are planning to paint some of our Sunday School rooms. We would like to do this in the coming weeks before we have the new flooring installed. If you are interested in helping with this project, please inquire in the Church Office.

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!!

Immanuel Lutheran Preschool: Would you love to be a part of helping children grow in their faith? Come join our team! Immanuel Lutheran Preschool is accepting applications for a part-time associate for the 25-26 school year. Please contact the Church Office or text Leslie at 712-854-0104 with any questions.

Just a reminder: When you do your "spring" house cleaning, please remember to donate any unwanted or unused "treasures" to our annual Church Garage Sale which is scheduled for May 29-31. Please don't bring the items until later in May but we will be grateful for your support. Thank you! ~ The Mission Board

"By the washing of water, John made God's divine intentions clear. Jesus was our brother indeed, on a heavenly mission to rescue and purify us from all sin. Dear Lord, keep us patient as we wait for You. Amen." *Rev. Paul Koelpin, Martin Luther College—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

Building Healthy Families: Are you ever tempted to dwell on the thought that some people are more gifted (or talented, or creative, or beautiful, or smart, or successful, or athletic...) than you are? Eleanor Roosevelt once famously said, "No one can make you feel inferior without your consent." Child, stop comparing yourself critically to others and remember instead who you are, because of Whose you are: *But to all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become **children of God.*** (John 1:12) Let each temptation to think otherwise remind you of this verse and the truth it boldly proclaims! **Lutheran Family Service**

Food Distribution in Mapleton: The monthly food distribution in Mapleton has been re-established. Distributions will occur the second Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. at the Mapleton Community Center, 511 Main Street. They are also open to volunteers ages 18 and over. For more information call 712-269-0056 or email hbmopencupboard@gmail.com.

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: Micah 1:1—2:23

☐ THURSDAY: Micah 6:1-16

☐ TUESDAY: Micah 3:1—4:13

☐ FRIDAY: Micah 7:1-20

☐ WEDNESDAY: Micah 5:1-15

☐ SATURDAY: Nahum 1:1—3:19

<u>Gifts:</u>		<u>Attendance:</u>	
Church Plate:	\$ 2,595.00	Sat., April 26 5 p.m.:	35
Sunday School:	\$ 11.50	Sun., April 27 9 a.m.:	88
Adult Bible Class:	\$ 29.00		123

Acolytes today:
Isla and Reed Meseck

Sunday School: 16
Adult Bible Class: 19

Librarian today:
Denice Schultz

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~
May 4-11, 2025

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC
May 4 10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
10:15 a.m. Immanuel’s High School Graduate Reception
1:00 p.m. Schleswig Sharks 4-H Meeting
1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Torreson
1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship
2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship

Monday: 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

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Wednesday: No Bible Study
11:45 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
3:30—5:15 p.m. 5th/6th Grade Confirmation
6:30—8:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

Thursday: Pastor @ IDW Board of Directors Meeting in Fort Dodge
8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
9:00 a.m. Quilting
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Friday: ~

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

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May 11 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, High School and Adult Bible Class
Mother’s Day

About the Cover: Paul fell to the ground, and the Lord raised him up in Baptism. What a reversal! Paul went from persecuting the faith to proclaiming it. What a Lord that He still unites people to His death and resurrection by Baptism. Our Baptism is death to sin and being made “alive to God in Christ Jesus” (Romans 6:11). When we remember our Baptism, we live in this reality by daily repenting and believing the Gospel!

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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.”*

