

Immanuel’s News and Notes ~ October 25 & 26, 2025

Welcome to worship on Reformation Sunday! We rejoice in God’s unchanging Word and saving grace. “Heavenly Father, on this Reformation Sunday, we pray that our church and our lives may be always open to the movement of the Holy Spirit, that we will humbly trust and follow Jesus our Savior. Amen.” We welcome our visitors and ask you to please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us again!

Prayer Requests: Barb Quandt (recovering from shoulder surgery) and Travis Aldag. *If you have a concern for which you would like us to pray, please call the Church Office or send an email to: immansch@iowatelecom.net.*

We Give Thanks to God for blessing Lillie Petersen with **106** years of life on October 30! You can send Lillie a card at 1540 HWY 59, Schleswig, IA 51461.

We Thank God with Caleb and Emily Schroeder for the birth of their daughter Nora Lynn, who was born Thursday, October 16.

We Thank God with Phil and Makayla Millar for the birth of their daughter Maeve Helen, who was born Friday, October 17.

We pray for God’s Blessings for Kyle and Katie Segebart who were married here at Immanuel Saturday, October 25, 2025.

Trunk or Treat: UCC Schleswig will be hosting Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 26 from 12-2 p.m. in their parking lot. Everyone is welcome! Children will be able to roast hot dogs and s’mores. If you would like to have a trunk, please contact Jessica at 712-269-8380.

The Immanuel Messenger will be assembled on Wednesday, October 29 at 8:45 a.m. All help will be appreciated.

My Peace I Leave You: Christ’s Comfort in the Storms of Life is the title of our Thursday evening study. We meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in our Fireside Room. Please join us as we learn how Jesus meets us with His treasures to answer our troubles.

Readings for next Sunday: Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17; Psalm 149; 1 John 3:1-3; Matt. 5:1-12.

Immanuel’s Youth & Families will be going to Mercy Meals of Siouxland in Sioux City this Sat., Nov. 1 at 10:30 a.m. Minimum age required is 8 years old and guests are welcome to join! Please **RSVP by Wed., Oct. 29** by calling the Church Office or Angela Korner at 712-229-5460.

Mark your calendar: We will receive a door offering the next two Sundays, November 2 & 9, in support of the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces. This year’s door offering will support the publication of the new Armed Forces Devotional, which is scheduled to be released in Fall 2026. This devotional will be a meaningful resource for our LCMS chaplains, service members, and their families. The funds collected will help cover the cost of printing and distributing the devotional to those on our Ministry-by-Mail list. Our goal for this offering is \$2,500. Our generosity will help bring the comfort of God’s Word to those who serve.

Preschool is asking if anyone has extra egg cartons to please bring them in.

The Lutheran Hour: “Worn In” by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Are you feeling worn down or worn out? Through faith, God conforms us to the pattern of Christ. (Numbers 20:13) Listen to *The Lutheran Hour* every Sunday morning on Denison’s KDSN 104.9 FM at 6:30 am and KDSN 1530 AM at 10:30 am, and anytime at www.lhm.org.

DANKE SCHOEN: A big THANK YOU to those who donated in any way with the Octoberfest meal. ~ Immanuel Mission Board

Crossroads of Crawford Co. is hosting their annual coat drive. Clean, gently used or new coats of all sizes, boots, snow pants, hats and gloves for kids are also welcome. Drop off will be October 27-31 at the main front door from 9 am-6 pm at Crossroads, 139 N. 7th Street in Denison. Pick-up is November 3-5 from 3-6:30 pm at Crossroads. For any person in need one coat/one stop per person and each person must be present.

Schleswig Community Blood Drive at the Community Building, Monday, November 3 from 1:00 to 4:30. Appointments are required, please call 800-287-4903.

Redeeming Grace Retreat: Have you or someone you love experienced abortion and now seek healing, peace or forgiveness? Redeeming Grace is a confidential retreat for women who have experienced abortion at any point in their lives. This small-group, Christ-centered experience offers emotional and spiritual renewal through reflection, fellowship, and activities that draw participants gently toward the hope found only in Jesus. The retreat takes place November 13-16, 2025, at Wildwood Hills Ranch in St. Charles, Iowa. The cost is only \$75, with generous financial assistance available. Learn more at word-of-hope.org/rgr.

LOOKING AHEAD: We are planning to have a meal following our midweek Advent services. We still are open to an Immanuel group to prepare and serve our meal on Wednesday, December 10, 6:30 p.m. Our other two meals are covered. Please contact our Church Office.

“Thy Strong Word” every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, October 27-November 1, Pastor Merrill is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Wade will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

“We need pro-life laws and alternative-to-abortion options to provide bridges and buy time for us to share the Gospel of salvation in Christ. Yet we cannot settle for a favorable court ruling, a strong piece of legislation, or a life-favoring politician ... Ultimately, though, changed hearts provide the alternative of eternal hope when despair and desperation tempt us to do bad things.” *Pr. Robert Fleischmann, Christian Life Resources—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

Building Healthy Families: Despite living with physical, emotional and financial challenges and through social and political upheaval which often separated them by many miles and at times threatened life itself, Martin & Katie Luther created and sustained a marriage and family life characterized by faithfulness, mutual respect, teamwork and a good degree of humor. As we remember and give thanks for the great reformer and the blessing that his life and work have been to the church, we also give thanks for God’s work in their lives which provides us with an example of Christian family life today. May the lives and marriage of Martin and Katie and their love for their children (and other people’s children) remind us of Christ’s love for His church and of the Father’s great love for us, His redeemed children. **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.

☐ MONDAY: 2 Timothy 3:1—4:22	☐ THURSDAY: Titus 3:1-15
☐ TUESDAY: Titus 1:1-16	☐ FRIDAY: Philemon 1-25
☐ WEDNESDAY: Titus 2:1-15	☐ SATURDAY: Hebrews 1:1-14

<u>Gifts:</u>		<u>Attendance:</u>	
Church Plate:	\$ 3,837.00	Sat., October 18 5 p.m.:	28
Sunday School:	\$ 64.00	Sun., October 19 9 a.m.:	<u>141</u>
Adult Bible Class:	\$ 26.00		169
<u>Acolytes today:</u>		Sunday School:	37
Ava Jacobson & Izzi Miller		Adult Bible Class:	25

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~ October 26-November 2, 2025

Sunday:

October 26

Reformation Sunday

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 Wade

1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship

2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

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6:30 a.m. Bible Study

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

11:45 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

3:30—5:15 p.m. 5th/6th Grade Confirmation

6:15—8:00 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

November 2

All Saints' Sunday

No Preschool

6:30 p.m. Bible Study

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5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC

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

About the Cover: Martin Luther's seal symbolizes the rock-solid confession of the Reformation. It was not about Luther. It was about Christ and His cross at the center of everything. Christ enlivens our hearts, makes us holy, gives us joy, and has won eternal life for us. We have a firm foundation of refuge and strength to stand on because Christ is our rock.



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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.”***

