

Immanuel's News and Notes ~ October 2 & 3, 2021

Welcome to worship! Today we observe Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Sunday. Our theme is "Our Hearts in HIS Hand," based on 1 Peter 4:8: *Above all, keep loving one another earnestly. Verse 11b goes on to say: that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.* We glorify God by sharing His love with others. Together with the LWML we thank God for His saving love by sharing the Gospel throughout the world. "Lord, open our hearts to receive Your love given through Jesus our Savior that we may also grow in loving others. Amen." A special welcome to our visitors, please sign our guest book in the Narthex, and come again!

Please Remember in Your Prayers: Cathy Namanny; Charlie Beeck; Evan and Gavin Bral, who were seriously injured in separate accidents in the past weeks. They are the sons of Jesse and Kara Bral, grandsons of Jim and Joanie Bral; Jonathan Kaiser, nephew of Pastor Kaiser, who underwent a kidney and pancreas transplant this past Thursday; Diane Taylor; Charlie Harm; and, Adam Burns. *If you have a concern for which you would like us to pray, please call the office, 676-2235, or send an email to: immansch@iowatelecom.net.*

We Pray for God's Comfort for the family of Glen Quandt, father of Gordon Quandt, whose funeral will be at 10:30 a.m., Monday, October 4 at Zion in Denison. Visitation will be Sunday from 3-5 p.m. at the Huebner Funeral Home in Denison. We also pray God's comfort for Dorothy Ruser and her family as they mourn the death of Dorothy's sister, Phyllis Freed; a private, family, graveside service will be held.

Private Graveside Service for Donna Meeves next Saturday, October 9 at the Morgan Cemetery. Donna died this past August 20. We pray for God's comfort for her family.

Community Flu Clinic here at Immanuel on Tuesday morning, October 5 from 8 to 9 a.m. The adult Influenza regular and high dose vaccines will be available for \$30, and \$60. Also available will be the Covid-19 (Johnson & Johnson), free of charge.

Today is LWML Sunday. The LWML will meet on Thursday, October 7 at 1:30 p.m. All ladies are welcome.

Pastor Mahnken will be on vacation October 7-13. Pastor Kaiser will be available for your pastoral needs-712-269-8452.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week—October 4-9, Pastor Mahnken will have the message each day. Pastor Merrill of Charter Oak will preach at Denison Care at 1 p.m.; Silveridge at 1:40; and Eventide at 2:15.

The Lutheran Hour: "Approval Cannot Equal Love" by Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God places Christians in neighborhoods, among neighbors who necessarily share their beliefs. How should they relate? Dr. Michael Zeigler talks about avoiding the pitfalls of isolation and approval. (1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1) 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.

The Crawford County Fine Arts Council will present their first concert on Friday, October 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Donna Reed Theater. David Shannon, Ireland's Greatest Showman.

Readings for Next Sunday, October 10: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Psalm 90:12-17; Hebrews 3:12-19; Mark 10:17-22.

Our Preschool has loaded the apple tree full of goodies. You will notice a variety of items requested including sticky tack, paper towels, and ice cream buckets. While not on any apples, we would appreciate napkins for snack time also. We would also like to purchase a restaurant center for our dramatic play area and have therefore included some monetary requests. Once we achieve the financial cost needed, we will go ahead and place the order. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Hope When Your Heart Breaks—*Navigating Grief and Loss* by Pr. Michael Newman is the title of a new study that will begin on Thursday, October 21. This opportunity will be offered in the Fireside Room on Thursdays at 10 a.m. with Pastor Kaiser, and at 6:30 p.m. with Pastor Mahnken. Ruth Koch, a mental health educator writes this about *Navigating Grief and Loss*: "Life after loss doesn't follow an ordered and predictable path, but looks more like a tangled plate of spaghetti. Navigating confusing emotions and thoughts requires a reliable guide, and you've got [one] in Michael W. Newman." This book presents us with what we need the most in the midst of grief—hope. You don't need to come every week, so please don't stay away if you have an occasional schedule conflict. Samples of the book are on the Narthex table, the cost will be \$15; ebook versions are available for \$15.99. Please call or speak with one of our pastors if you have questions.

Ring Found: Please come to the office and identify it.

"Life ministry is about walking together, bearing one another's burdens, and celebrating the lives God has given us. Life ministry is assisting the mother who is struggling in the pew with her 'busy' preschooler. Life ministry is encouraging the father whose unbelieving wife just left him. Life ministry is visiting the sick and elderly, preparing meals for the grieving, celebrating with the newlyweds. Christ's Church continues to bring the message of new life into each and every heart. And that is a beautiful thing!" *Deaconess Rachel Geraci, former Mission and Ministry Director for Lutherans For Life—A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life.*

Did You Know: About 70% of the world is covered by oceans! You may have seen the ocean up close, flown over it, or seen pictures. God speaks of His love and forgiveness in relation to the depths of the sea. The next time you see a picture of or visit the ocean, consider this verse, and remember completely you are loved: "*You will again have compassion on us; You will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.*" Micah 7:19. **Lutheran Family Service. www.LutheranFamilyService.org.**

Family Crisis Centers: Offers free & confidential services 24/7. There are a lot of things love does not do. Hurting you physically, emotionally, financially, or sexually is not love. If you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship, please call us we can help, 1-800-382-5603, or familycrisiscenter.org. Love does not hurt. It doesn't threaten you, make you feel crazy or worthless, or tell you it's your fault. Please take a tag from the Narthex board.

About the Cover: Though certainly loved by their parents, children during the time of the Gospels were not looked to as role models for spiritual life or the kingdom of heaven. Children are dependent on others for everything. But it is their dependence that Jesus points to as the key component of faith. While recognizing our dependence on the Lord for everything, we see a Savior who welcomes us with open arms into His kingdom, won by His cross and resurrection.

Gifts:

Church Plate: **\$2,863.00**
 Sunday School: **\$ 21.00**
 Adult Bible Class: **\$ 8.00**

Attendance:

Saturday, Sept. 25—5 p.m.: **31**
 Sunday, Sept. 26 9 a.m.: **101**
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Sunday School: **29**
 Adult Bible Class: **15**

Acolytes Today:

Tyson & Clayton Stoppel

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~
October 3-10

Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship w/HC ~ LWML Sunday
October 3: 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
 1 p.m. Denison Care—Pastor Merrill
 1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship
 2:15 p.m. Eventide Worship

Monday: 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Preschool

Tuesday: 8-9 a.m. Flu Clinic Shots
 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Preschool

Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Bible Study ~ Fireside Room
 11:45 a.m.-3 p.m. Preschool
 3:30-5:15 5th & 6th Grade Confirmation
 6:15-8 p.m. 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation

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 1:30 p.m. LWML Meeting

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Worship:

Saturday ~ 5 p.m.
 Sundays ~ 9 a.m.

Communion: Every
 Saturday, & 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 .

**The LWML Pledge**

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

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***“Together in
 Christ, we grow
 through the Word
 and Sacraments,
 serving our Lord
 and sharing
 His saving grace
 with all people.”***