

## Immanuel's News and Notes ~ August 31 & September 1, 2024

**Welcome to worship** this Labor Day weekend. May God be in our work and our leisure, our fellowship and our praise. "Lord...whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts. ("Lord of All Hopefulness' Jan Struther). 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:** Marlene Hight, Grant Clausen (recovering from knee surgery), Jordan Richardson, Gloria Schmidt, Kandi Teut, Carolyn Schroeder, and Laurie Ricke. *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 Give Thanks to God** for the healing He has given to Coleen Fredericks.

**We Give Thanks to God** for blessing Gerald Pedersen with 99 years of life on September 2!

**Confirmation Classes** will begin Wednesday, September 4. The 5th & 6th grades will meet from 3:30-5:15 p.m. and the 7th grade will be from 6:15-8:00 p.m.

**The LWML** will meet on Thursday, September 5 at 1:30 p.m.

**Thursday Evening Study:** This Thursday, September 5, we will be considering an article *The Quest for Peace in the War Against Anxiety*. We meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in our Fireside Room. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Mahnken.

**Honor Flight Fundraiser:** VanWall in Denison is hosting a community cookout as a fundraiser for the Honor Flight on Friday, September 6. From 10 am—2 pm, there will be various veteran benefits, programs and information available. The Crawford County Cattlemen will be serving hamburgers and cheesy potatoes from 11 am-1 pm. Free will donation and carry-outs will be available. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Readings for next Sunday:** Is. 35:4-7a; Ps. 146; James 2:1-10, 14-18; Mark 7:(24-30) 31-37.

**Sunday School Rally Day** will be next Sunday, September 8. During Sunday School, each family will participate in a Bible scripture scavenger hunt and enjoy a picnic lunch. We hope to see everyone there!

**Come have breakfast with the IKE's** Sunday, September 8 from 8:00 a.m.—noon at Bartlett's Park (Hwy 39 between Kiron & Deloit). Serving pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice. Free-will donation with proceeds used to promote Izaak Walton League programs.

**Schleswig Community Blood Drive** at the Community Building, Monday, September 9 from 1:15 to 4:30. Appointments are required, please call 800-287-4903.

**Calf Show Dinner** Saturday, September 14 following the parade. The sign-up sheets for both food donations and workers are on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please consider serving our congregation and our community for this special event as Schleswig celebrates its 125th quasiquicentennial! It's only for an hour or two of your time. Thanks! ~ Calf Show Committee

**All 6th and 7th Graders:** Registration forms for the District Junior Youth Gathering in West Des Moines the weekend of October 19-20, need to be completed and signed by both parents and youth and returned to the Church Office by Wednesday, Sept. 11. Your cost is only \$85; our congregation pays the rest! Additional forms are available in the Church Office.

**Worship schedule during Schleswig's Quasiquicentennial:** On Saturday, September 14, Immanuel will still be holding our regular 5:00 p.m. worship service at the church with Holy Communion. On Sunday, we will be hosting the community worship service uptown under the big tent at 9:00 a.m. In lieu of Sunday School, a special children's event is in process of being planned. Stay tuned for more details!

**Community Church Service Choir:** On Sunday, September 15, the 125th committee has scheduled a Community Worship Service to take place under the big tent uptown at 9:00 am. We would like to have a Community Choir sing at this service. Practices would be held prior to September 15. Any and all are welcome! If you would like to participate, please call Wendy Bumann 712-269-0575 or Nancy Bielenberg 712-269-1815.

**Beginning Thursday Evening, September 19** we will begin reading the short book *I Trust When Dark My Road: A Lutheran View of Depression* during our study from 6:30-7:30. Please contact Pr. Mahnken if you would like a copy of this book, and we invite you to join us as we read and reflect on this book during our time together. There is no charge for this book.

**"Thy Strong Word"** every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. Pastor Trunkhill will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

**Orphan Grain Train Update:** Would you believe the bunker room at Iowa West Branch of Orphan Grain Train is EMPTY? We need good used clothing of ALL sizes, good used shoes, belts, purses, caps, gloves, warm scarves, sheets, pillowcases, blankets, quilts, comforters, medical equipment. NO pillows. We are open at our headquarters in Ida Grove on Tuesday mornings from 8-11 a.m. Sharon Ann Irwin, Iowa West Branch Manager, 712-660-1380

**The Lutheran Hour:** "The One" by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Universe does not have a plan for your life—but God does! (Genesis 24:14) Listen to *The Lutheran Hour* every Sunday morning on Denison's KDSN 1104.9 FM at 6:30 a.m. and KDSN 1530 AM at 10:30 a.m., and anytime at [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org).

**Building Healthy Families:** In today's culture, death is often suggested as the answer in response to life's challenging situations, like facing an unplanned pregnancy. The world tells her that she can make the situation better by ending her child's life through abortion. As Christians, we have the best response; Jesus' love, mercy, and forgiveness. We can love her like family, support her in choosing life, and offer tangible help like transportation, meals, child-care, diapers, clothing, and other household items. *1 John 4:19—We love because He first loved us.* **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 Ch. 1:1—2:18

THURSDAY: 2 Ch. 8:1—9:31

TUESDAY: 2 Ch. 3:1—5:14

FRIDAY: 2 Ch. 10:1—11:23

WEDNESDAY: 2 Ch. 6:1—7:22

SATURDAY: 2 Ch. 12:1-16

**Gifts:**  
 Church Plate: \$ 3,069.00  
 Sunday School: \$ 8.01  
 Adult Bible Class: \$ 20.00

**Attendance:**  
 Sat., August 24 5 p.m.: 36  
 Sun., August 25 9 a.m.: 97  
 133

**Acolytes today:**  
 Morgan Jepsen & Sophia Morgan

Sunday School: 11  
 Adult Bible Class: 23

**Librarian today:**  
 Elaine Teut

**~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~  
 September 1-8, 2024**

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC  
*September 1* 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class  
 1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Trunkhill  
 1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship  
 2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship  
*Church Offices Closed*

**Monday:**  
*Labor Day*

**Tuesday:** 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

**Wednesday:** 6:30 a.m. Bible Study  
 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 Grade Confirmation

**Thursday:** 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool  
 1:30 p.m. LWML Meeting  
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

**Friday:** ~

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*September 8* 10:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class  
*Rally 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.



**LCEF Insert:** The rate for the Lutheran Church Extension Fund pamphlet inserted in your bulletin today is only guaranteed through September. It “may” change in October.

**About the Cover:** The Law was written by the finger of God (Ex. 31:18). Forty years later, as the people of ancient Israel were about to enter the Promised Land, Moses pointed again to that Law, reminding them to listen to and do the Lord’s rules and statutes that they may live. However, the ancient Israel, like the whole world, failed to keep God’s good Law, for sin has produced death under the Law (Romans 7:13). However, God has also given us the Gospel-pointing finger of John the Baptist that directs us to Jesus, who kept the Law perfectly, died in our place, and forgives us as “the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world” (John 1:29).

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