Immanuel's News and Notes ~ September 9 & 10, 2023

Welcome to Rally Sunday worship in the name of God, the maker of all; Jesus, the Savior; and the Holy Spirit, divine guide of our lives. "We are tenants, not owners, of this 'vineyard' — this earth, this life. God, as we live and work in Your vineyard, teach us to cultivate love. Amen." A special welcome to our visitors, please sign our guest book in the Narthex, and come again!

Please Remember in Your Prayers: Jerrie Wigg, Karen Wood, Ken Winsor, Linda Prussing (recovering from knee replacement surgery), Neal Nahnsen, Ryan Kragel, Barb Quandt, Carol Neddermeyer, Cindi Paulsen, Jan Schultz, Marcus Lee, Tom and Cathy Bubke, Ramona Anderson, Betty Lou Olson (Amanda Bruhn's mother recovering from hip replacement surgery), Brenda Prussing and Mindi McKibbin. If you have a concern for which you would like us to pray, please call our Church Office, 712-676-2235, or send an email to: immansch@iowatelecom.net.

TODAY-Sunday School Rally Day: Rolls and donuts will be served by our Board of Education following the service.

The LWML Mite Box is in the Narthex today for your donations.

Board of Ed Meeting will be Sunday, September 10 at 11:30 a.m.

Schleswig Sharks 4-H will meet in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, September 10 at 1:00 p.m.

Our Adult Instruction Class will have its final class Sunday, September 10 at 4:00 p.m.

Cancelled. There will be NO Wednesday morning Bible Study or Quilters meeting this week.

Readings for Next Sunday: Gen. 50:15-21; Psalm 103:1-12; Rom. 14:1-12; Matt. 18:21-35.

<u>Calf Show Dinner</u>, Saturday, September 16 following the parade.

<u>Library items</u>. Parents— please look around your homes and vehicles for books and DVD's from our childrens library. We have quite a few items that have not been returned. Letters will be sent home in a couple weeks if they are not returned.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, September 11-16, Pastor Wrede is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Trunkhill will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

<u>The Lutheran Hour</u>: "Not Just a Formality" by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. After trust has been broken, forgiveness is more than a mere formality. (Psalm 32) 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.

"There is no more valuable work for God and for all of Christendom than bringing up your children in the faith and trust of Jesus! It's not hard to believe that if this were our primary aim, that our children would not question their gender, that they would respect their neighbor and love their spouses, that they would welcome the opportunity to serve the public with politics that reflect solid biblical values, and that they would continue to attend church well after confirmation!" Rev. Jeff Duncan, Lutherans For Life — A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life.

Have you seen it? Did you hear it? Oh yes! It's the sound of little people who may or may not be sprinkled with paint and glitter, and they're back in the preschool! We want to thank you for your prayers and support as we kick off the new school year. You may have noticed our rainbow of envelopes on the back window. We opted to forego the Apple Tree this year and are instead taking a more colorful approach to support. Would you prayerfully consider taking an envelope (or two or three) and placing the dollar amount listed on the inside? Your financial support will be directed towards supplies and operating expenses procured in the ministry to the children at Immanuel Lutheran Preschool. Thank you for supporting sharing Jesus with children! He's an eternal investment!

Grace at Ground Zero: Hope and Healing as Constants in Chaos: the Reverend. Bill Wrede, Intentional Interim Pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Denison, Iowa was a volunteer chaplain on September 11, 2001, in Lower Manhattan. Chaplain Wrede was four blocks away from the North Tower when it collapsed. After serving bystanders and first responders that day, Chaplain Wrede returned to the site one to three times a week through June 2, 2002, serving first at a respite center for recovery workers and then at the onsite morgue. Chaplain Wrede will give a one-hour presentation on September 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. The presentation will be given in the sanctuary of Zion Lutheran Church, Denison. This event is free and open to all. This will be an in-person event only. Zion Lutheran Church, 712-263-2235.

<u>lowa West Branch of Orphan Grain Train</u> will be loading a container on Tuesday, Sept. 19th at 9 AM. This container will be going to The Women for Justice Organization in the Republic of Georgia. Any people that can come and help will be greatly appreciated. Sharon Ann Irwin, lowa West Branch Manager, Orphan Grain Train, <u>jerryirwin2@gmail.com</u> 712-660-1380.

<u>Pill Bottle Recycling</u>: They will now only accept prescription bottles, washed and free of label residue. They are no longer accepting vitamin or other bottles.

Building Healthy Families: Spend \$1.50 on a new ink pen and you can use it to write 45,000 words before it runs dry. For such a small cost and an investment of a few minutes of time, you can use a cheap ink pen to make an incredible difference in someone's life. This week, use that pen to write an encouraging note to an older man or woman living alone or in a care center in your community, or a grandchild or previous Sunday School student who has moved away, including your favorite hymn or Bible verse or prayer among the encouraging words you share. Perhaps at a critical moment of loneliness or doubt, God will use your note to remind them that they have not been forgotten—by Him or you. Bonus points for extending the value of your investment in that pen: with an average of 40 words per note counting the recipient's name and address on the envelope, you can bring life, light, and joy to the lives of 1,125 people this year before that pen runs dry! Happy note writing! Lutheran Family Service www.LutheranFamilyService.org

<u>"There is nothing new under the sun</u>," is a well-known and oft used phrase. However, the LCRL is happy to announce our refreshed website, containing new information. See <u>www.LCRLFreedom.org</u> and check out the new site. Your comments are solicited and appreciated. **Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty**

Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians: KIDS HAVE QUESTIONS SERIES... Have your children or grandchildren ever asked you questions about Science & Faith, The Problem of Evil & Suffering, Sexuality & Identity, Heaven, Death & Dying, Relationships, Life Issues and Mental Health? Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, has a series that can help you answer those questions. You can listen to the entire series on-demand at issuesetc.org/kidshavequestions.

Gifts: Attendance:

 Church Plate:
 \$7,861.00
 Sat., Sept. 2
 5 p.m.:
 36

 Sunday School:
 \$ 27.85
 Sun., Sept. 3
 9 a.m.:
 118

 Adult Bible Class:
 \$ 18.00
 154

Acolyte today:
Karsen Bruhn and Gavin Schneider
Sunday School:
Adult Bible Class:
25

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~ September 10-17, 2023

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship

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

Rally Sunday 11:30 a.m. Board of Ed meeting

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

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

1:35 p.m. Silveridge Worship 2:10 p.m. Gracewell Worship 4:00 p.m. Adult Instruction Class 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

Wednesday: NO Bible Study

Monday:

Tuesday:

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: 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool Friday: Calf Show Activities Begin

Saturday: 10:30 a.m. Parade

After parade-1:00 p.m. Immanuel's Chicken Dinner

@ Community Building

5:00 p.m. Worship w/HĆ

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.-noon Pancake Breakfast @ Comm. Bldg.

September 17 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC

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

About the Cover: Like the piercing shofar trumpet blast that made the people tremble before Mount Sinai (see Exodus 19:16), Ezekiel was called to sound forth the warning of God's Law. God gives the warning of His Law before the final judgment to lead us to repentance and faith in the Gospel of Jesus' death and resurrection for our forgiveness. God sounds the "note of judgment" so that we might hear and join in singing the notes of "gladness," "pardon," and "triumph" in Christ (LSB 511).

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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."

