Immanuel's News and Notes ~ September 13-14, 2025

<u>Welcome to worship, friends</u> — new and familiar! The psalmist reminds us: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). May our hearts be open today to God's presence, peace, and purpose. "You are the Good Shepherd, Lord—You lead, protect, and restore (Psalm 23). As I enter worship, guide my heart back to Your peace. Amen." We welcome our visitors and ask you to please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us again!

<u>Prayer Requests</u>: If you have a concern for which you would like us to include in our prayers in worship, please call the Church Office 712-676-2235 or send an email to: immansch@iowatelecom.net.

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

Schleswig Sharks 4-H will meet in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, September 14 at 1:00 p.m.

<u>Pastor Mahnken</u> will be at the Concordia Seminary in St. Louis for a conference this week from Monday until Thursday. If you are in need Pastoral care, please call the Church Office or Pastor Kaiser at 712-269-8452.

<u>Immanuel Messenger</u> articles for the October issue are due on Tuesday, September 16. Thanks!

LWML Mission Possible Day: Join us on Tuesday, September 16 as we come together, in faith and action, to make an eternal impact through the mission grants we support. The first \$10,000 donated on Sept. 16 will be matched, effectively doubling the impact of your contribution. This generous matching gift presents an exceptional chance to extend the reach and effectiveness of your support. Your donation will have double the impact, funding organizations sharing the Gospel around the world. To donate, visit lwml.org/givingday.

<u>There will be no</u> Wednesday morning Bible study this week due to Pastor being out of town.

LWML Retreat will be held Saturday, September 20 at Mission Central.

<u>Fill your freezers!</u> Under The Son Childcare center is having a sub sandwich fundraiser. The sub sandwich will have ham, turkey, salami, white and yellow American cheese on each one. The cost is \$6.00 each. Forms are located on the table in the Narthex. Orders can be placed by dropping them in the boxes in the Narthex at either church in Schleswig (UCC or Immanuel) or dropping them off at Under The Son Childcare center. Thank you for your support!

Readings for next Sunday: Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-15.

Elders' Meeting will be next Sunday, September 21 at 11:30 a.m.

"Thy Strong Word" every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, Sept. 15-20, Pastor Merrill is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Wade will lead worship today at Denison Care, Silveridge and Gracewell.

Former members of Trinity Lutheran Church—Grant Township: In an effort to preserve the history of Trinity, a group of former members is seeking information/pictures about the church. The information will be cataloged and kept in a file at Immanuel in Schleswig. For more information, contact Immanuel at 676-2235 or these former members: Sandra (Aldag) Voss, Janice (Grell) Jepsen, Jerry Ernst or Larry Abbe. Thank you for helping us preserve this precious history of Trinity, Grant Township.

<u>POW/MIA Prayer Day</u> falls on National POW/MIA Recognition Day, which is observed on the third Friday of September each year. It is a day dedicated to honoring the sacrifices of prisoners of war (POWs) and those still missing in action (MIAs), and to express hope and remembrance for their safe return.

<u>Crossroads of Crawford Co.</u> is hosting a take-out Staley's chicken dinner on Tuesday, September 23 serving from 4:30-7:00. Carry out dinners by preorder/prepay & drive-through. Look for signs and follow traffic directions, located at Crossroads, 139 N. 7th Street in Denison. Cost is \$16, all proceeds go to Crossroads' ultrasound site and project expenses.

<u>Call for Nominations</u>: Our Denison Circuit will hold a Circuit Forum on Sunday, October 5, at 4:00 p.m. at Our Savior in Denison to elect our Circuit's Pastoral and Lay Delegates (and alternates) to the 2026 Convention of our LCMS in Phoenix, AZ. If any member of Immanuel has questions about what is involved and/or would like to be considered on the ballot for our Lay Delegate, please visit with Pr. Mahnken. Nominations need to be submitted by Fri., Oct. 3.

<u>The Lutheran Hour</u>: "It's All on God; It's All on Us" by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. A paradox doesn't make sense, mathematically. But it can be an accurate description of real-life experience. (Deuteronomy 1:31) 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.

"If we expect to be the one to change hearts by sowing seeds of judgment rather than love, we are changing the mission we have been sent to fulfill. Please use your Gospel-motivated voice For Life in love and may God bless your efforts!" Virginia Flo, Lutherans For Life—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life

<u>Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians</u>: The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pr. Weedon recently started a study on the Book of Proverbs. You can listen at your convenience at <u>thewordendures.org</u>, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, Tune In, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

<u>Building Healthy Families</u>: So often we slip into the habit of living for the approval of others, which leads to frustration, disillusionment, and disappointment in life and relationships. Jesus was aware of this risk and reminds us in Matthew 6 not to do things for the approval of men. He assures us that our Father who sees and knows us inside out is the One who can and will meet all our needs, including our need to be seen, recognized, valued and loved. Whew! What a relief! Life begins to look different (and oh so much better) when we look through eyes of faith to our loving, gracious, living and forgiving God. Fix your eyes on Jesus — not your boss, co-worker, spouse, child or neighbor—and live in the light of His great love this week! **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 Cor. 5:1-21	☐ THURSDAY: 2 Cor. 10:1—11:33
☐ TUESDAY: 2 Cor. 6:1—7:16	☐ FRIDAY: 2 Cor. 12:1—13:14
☐ WEDNESDAY: 2 Cor. 8:1—9:15	☐ SATURDAY: Galatians 1:1—2:21

Gifts: Attendance:

 Church Plate:
 \$ 6,061.25
 Sat., Sept. 6
 5 p.m.:
 41

 Sunday School:
 \$ 13.00
 Sun., Sept. 7
 9 a.m.:
 140

 Adult Bible Class:
 \$ 12.10
 181

Acolytes today:

Kyler Bruhn & Reed Meseck

Sunday School:

Adult Bible Class:

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~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~ September 14-21, 2025

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship

September 14 10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

10:00 a.m.-noon Pancake Breakfast uptown 1:00 p.m. Schleswig Sharks 4-H Meeting

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

1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship

Monday: No Preschool

Pastor at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis Sept. 15-18

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

Immanuel Messenger Deadline for October

Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. No 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/8th Grade Confirmation

Thursday: 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool

Friday:

Saturday: LWML Fall Retreat @ Mission Central

5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC

September 21 10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

11:30 a.m. Elders' Meeting

<u>About the Cover</u>: The crucifix can bring about many different reactions. On the one hand, it reminds us of the suffering and death that Jesus encountered upon that Roman form of execution, the horror of our sin, and God's wrath poured out upon it. On the other hand, the crucifix is, above all, a reminder of the lengths to which Jesus was willing to go to have us as His own forever. It is a symbol of His outstretched love, as He shed His own blood to forgive and save sinners.

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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."

