

Immanuel’s News and Notes ~ September 20 & 21, 2025

Welcome to worship! Here God attends to our real needs! God calls us back to our need for forgiveness and His mercy, grace, help, and love. We come to repent of our sin and failure, and to receive forgiveness and new life and hope. That forgiveness and hope comes solely from the God who “loved the world” so much “that He gave His only Son” to die for you (John 3:16). “Lord, fill me with Your grace again today, that I may go out refreshed to serve You, my great God and Savior! Amen!” We welcome our visitors and ask you to please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us again!

Prayer Requests: 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.

We Pray for God’s Comfort for the family and friends of Gerald Pedersen who died this past Thursday, September 18. Arrangements are still pending at the time of this printing.

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

Crossroads of Crawford Co. 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.

The Immanuel Messenger will be assembled on Wednesday, September 24 at 8:45 a.m. All help will be appreciated.

The Quilters will meet on Thursday, September 25 at 9 a.m. Anyone is welcome to help.

LWML Fall Rally will be held Thursday, September 25 at Our Savior, Denison and hosted by Christ Lutheran.

Beginning Thursday Evening, September 25 we will begin reading the book *My Peace I Leave You: Christ’s Comfort in the Storms of Life* during our study from 6:30-7:30. Please contact Pastor 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.

Under the Son Childcare is having a sub sandwich fundraiser. The sub sandwich will have ham, turkey, salami, white and yellow American cheese on each one. Forms are available on the table in the Narthex. *Orders are due by September 26* and can be placed by dropping them off at Under the Son Childcare center or in the box provided at the back of the church.

Readings for next Sunday: Amos 6:1-7; Psalm 146; 1 Timothy 3:1-13; Luke 16:19-31.

Thank you to everyone who donated, worked at, and attended the Calf Show Dinner. Your participation blesses our community and congregation.

Mark your calendars! Next weekend Gary Thies will be at Immanuel both Saturday evening and Sunday morning worship to give an exciting and interesting presentation on what is happening in the Mission field of your church around the world. Gary will also be speaking at our Bible Class. Don’t miss this chance to invite a friend! You, too, are a missionary.

“Thy Strong Word” every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, Sept. 22-27, Pastor Peitsch is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Torreson 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.

Call for Nominations: 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.

The Lutheran Hour: “Someone Worth Having” by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. We lost God’s name along the way, but God found us and gave us the Name by which we can know Him: Jesus—”God saves.” (Numbers 6:27) 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.

“Good things take time. Your smiles, your encouraging words, your time and talents donated for pro-life work done in Christ are sure to be effective, even if you can’t immediately see the effects.” *Marie MacPherson, author—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians: Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pr. Todd Wilken. You can listen to a series of interviews with Pr. Timothy Winterstein, author of the new book “Worshipped & Glorified: A Study of the Nicene Creed” at issuesetc.org/nicenecreed.

Building Healthy Families: *I think I can, I think I can, I think I can...* Remember the repeated line from the 1930’s children’s book *The Little Engine That Could?* Yesterday and still today the story lines and themes of popular books, songs, movies or TV shows provide opportunities to begin a conversation with a young person that will influence their thinking and faith development. *I think I can...* provides a great opening for sharing the importance of hard work and persistence, but also how many times “I” can’t, but that *all things are possible with God*. Watch one episode of *The Bachelorette* with your teenager and you’ll find multiple opportunities to talk about how best to choose a spouse and what’s really important to look for in a marriage partner! Keep your eyes and ears open for opportunities to share Biblical truths and God’s good design for life with those in your family 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.
You can start at any time. The entire reading plan is available in the Church Office.

<input type="checkbox"/> MONDAY: Galatians 3:1-29	<input type="checkbox"/> THURSDAY: Ephesians 1:1-23
<input type="checkbox"/> TUESDAY: Galatians 4:1-31	<input type="checkbox"/> FRIDAY: Ephesians 2:1-22
<input type="checkbox"/> WEDNESDAY: Galatians 5:1—6:18	<input type="checkbox"/> SATURDAY: Ephesians 3:1-21

	<u>Gifts:</u>		<u>Attendance:</u>	
Church Plate:	\$ 3,724.00	Sat., Sept. 13	5 p.m.:	19
Sunday School:	\$ 5.00	Sun., Sept. 14	9 a.m.:	<u>111</u>
Adult Bible Class:	\$ 30.00			130
<u>Acolytes today:</u>		Sunday School:	13	
Nash Heiden & Gavin Schneider		Adult Bible Class:	32	
<u>Librarian today:</u>				
Denice Schultz				

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~	
<u>September 21-28, 2025</u>	
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
	1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Torreson
	1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship
	2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship
Monday:	8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
	Pr. Mahnken at Fall District Pastors’ Conference @ Ft. Dodge 22-23
Tuesday:	8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
Wednesday:	6:30 a.m. Bible Study
	8:45 a.m. <i>Immanuel Messenger</i> 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:	8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
	8:30 a.m. LWML Fall Rally @ Our Savior
	9:00 a.m. Quilting
	6:30 p.m. Bible Study
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Saturday:	5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC
Sunday:	9:00 a.m. Worship
September 28	10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

About the Cover: The Lord declared that judgment was coming upon those in Israel who tipped the scales in their favor and dealt deceitfully with the poor. However, the scales of God’s judgment cannot be rigged. Our attempts at good deeds will never outweigh our sinfulness. Yet Christ provided what Martin Luther called the greatest exchange when He took the full weight of our sin to the cross and gave us His righteousness in return.

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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.”***

