

**Immanuel’s News and Notes ~ September 27 & 28, 2025**

**Welcome to worship!** Come as you are—weary or joyful, hopeful or unsure. Here, in God’s house, we are met with grace. May worship today draw us closer to the heart of Jesus and the peace of God’s presence. “Jesus, You welcomed the little children (Mark 10:14). Help me come to You today with childlike faith—curious, honest, and ready to receive Your love. 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.

**Please join us** in welcoming Caleb, Emily, Ada and Lane Schroeder as members of Immanuel!

**This weekend** Gary Thies will be at Immanuel both Saturday evening and Sunday morning 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 Sunday Bible Class.

**The LWML** will meet on Thursday, October 2 at 1:30 p.m.

**My Peace I Leave You: Christ’s Comfort in the Storms of Life** is our new Thursday evening study. We meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in our Fireside Room. The pages within point you to the inexhaustible, eternal well of peace that is Christ Jesus and His love for you. Knowing that single truth will help you overcome a multitude of dark thoughts. For every trouble, there is the treasure of Jesus, your compassionate Savior, and His love for you. All are welcome. 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.

**Readings for next Sunday:** Hab. 1:1-4; 2:1-4; Psalm 62; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:1-10.

**Ricketts Volunteer Fire Department** will be hosting their annual pancake breakfast next Sunday, October 5 from 7:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m. at the Ricketts Community Center. Serving pancakes, biscuits & gravy, eggs, hashbrowns, ham and rolls.

**Fire Prevention Week Cookout.** The Schleswig Fire Department will be hosting their annual cookout next Monday, October 6 starting at 5:00 p.m. Dine-in and carry-out will be available. We look forward to seeing everyone!

**“Thy Strong Word”** every weekday morning at 6:25 a.m. on KDSN radio, 104.9. This week, Sept. 29-Oct. 4, Pastor Torreson is scheduled for the daily message. Pastor Peitsch 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.

**The Ladies Circle of Faith Lutheran Church, Deloit** is hosting a “Basement Bargains” event on Saturday, Oct. 18 from 9 a.m. — noon. All purchases will be by donation, with proceeds to fund the LWML mites. The church is located one block off Hwy 39, just south of the city park.

**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:** “On the Way, Already Home” by Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God made us to move—toward Him in faith and toward our neighbor in love. (Numbers 9:18) 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](http://www.lhm.org).

**“Being a child is a calling.** Being a parent is a calling. Being a student is a calling. Being a citizen is a calling. Each so-called occupation is a calling. The role one fills in one’s church is a calling. As God crafts each of us in our callings, He places us in the presence of neighbors whom we are to love on His behalf.” *Rev. Adam Osier, Free Lutheran Bible College, Plymouth, Minnesota—A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life*

**Talk Radio and Podcasts for Thinking Christians:** PROMISES OF GOD SERIES... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to teachings on God’s promises for you with Pastor Will Weedon of “The Word of the Lord Endures Forever.” You’ll find the entire series at [issuesetc.org/promisesofgod](http://issuesetc.org/promisesofgod).

**Building Healthy Families:** *Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit...therefore, honor God with your body. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)* Guess what? This instruction isn’t just for young people! How are we—young and old people alike—doing at taking care of our physical bodies where God’s Spirit dwells? No matter what your age, do something this week that will make your body stronger and healthier. Choose a healthy snack, drink less, or go for a walk and invite a friend or neighbor to join you. Shared activity makes it more fun and creates an open door for conversation about wellness, including spiritual wellness. This week, honor God with your body...no matter how many years it’s been around!  
**Lutheran Family Service**

**Word of Hope:** *Lutherans for Life offers help, healing, and forgiveness for anyone who bears the burden of overwhelming guilt through our 24-hour Word of Hope hotline (888-217-8679). This free service is available to men, women, and youth for information, referrals, and Scripture-based spiritual care to address life issues such as surprise pregnancy, abortion recovery, suicide, doubting salvation, and physician-assisted suicide. **word-of-hope.org***

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: Ephesians 4:1-32	<input type="checkbox"/> THURSDAY: Philippians 2:1-30
<input type="checkbox"/> TUESDAY: Ephesians 5:1—6:24	<input type="checkbox"/> FRIDAY: Philippians 3:1—4:1
<input type="checkbox"/> WEDNESDAY: Philippians 1:1-30	<input type="checkbox"/> SATURDAY: Philippians 4:2-23

<u>Gifts:</u>		<u>Attendance:</u>	
Church Plate:	\$ 5,647.00	Sat., Sept. 20 5 p.m.:	33
Sunday School:	\$ 54.00	Sun., Sept. 21 9 a.m.:	<u>137</u>
Adult Bible Class:	\$ 29.00		170
<u>Acolytes today:</u>		Sunday School:	29
Ty Jacobson & Kimber Wood		Adult Bible Class:	32

~ The Week Ahead in Ministry ~	
<u>September 28-October 5, 2025</u>	
<b>Sunday:</b>	9:00 a.m. Worship
<b>September 28</b>	10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class
	1:00 p.m. Denison Care Worship—Pastor Peitsch
	1:40 p.m. Silveridge Worship
	2:15 p.m. Gracewell Worship
<b>Monday:</b>	8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
<b>Tuesday:</b>	8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
<b>Wednesday:</b>	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/8th Grade Confirmation
<b>Thursday:</b>	8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Preschool
	1:30 p.m. LWML Meeting
	6:30 p.m. Bible Study
<b>Friday:</b>	~
<b>Saturday:</b>	5:00 p.m. Worship w/HC
<b>Sunday:</b>	9:00 a.m. Worship w/HC
<b>October 5</b>	10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

**About the Cover:** In life and in death, Lazarus was comforted by the Word of the Lord, while the rich man sought only comforts that did not last. The rich man, even after death, believed that Lazarus was there to serve him and his family. His family already had everything they needed to find the comfort of God: the Law and the Prophets. We have everything we need today. Whether rich or poor, true comfort is found only in God’s Word made flesh, Jesus, who has indeed risen from the dead.

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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.”*

