

**Welcome to
Immanuel Lutheran Church**

A Congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

July 26, 2020

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. (Matt 13:44)

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“Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!” (Psalm 105:1). These words from the Introit give us cause to celebrate the gifts God provides, especially the gift of life. This Sunday’s bulletin is given to the glory of God in honor of Tom Hoekstra’s birthday (today!) by his loving wife, Lisa. It’s the 35th anniversary of his 35th birthday! Happy birthday, Tom, and may God grant you many more years of life and love in Christ!

If you would like to dedicate a bulletin in memorial of a loved one or celebration of God’s grace in your life, please contact the church office.

Welcome to Immanuel! We ask all members and guests to please check in with the attendance person as you wait to be seated in the CLC. We hope you are blessed by God’s grace in the worship service. Members, please inform the church office of needed prayers and visits.

Liturgy: 8:00 & 10:00 am: Divine Service Setting One, p. 151

Sermon: “Treasure Worth Keeping” – Matthew 13:44-53

Hymns: 651 – I Love Your Kingdom, Lord

Pianist: Kayla Augustine

Elders/Ushers:

8:00 a.m.: Jim Larson, Bob Lamprecht, Bob Walkes

10:00 a.m.: Brent Wohlers, Chris Stelling, Gene Schnell

Attendance Assistant:

Altar Duty July: Don & Cindy Lien, Sarah Dohrn

Busy Bags: Will be available once COVID19 concerns are past.

Our Mission

Immanuel Lutheran Church exists to spread the Gospel in its truth and purity through Word and Sacraments in accordance with the Confession of The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod. Immanuel Lutheran School exists to share the Gospel, so children become disciples of Jesus.

Holy Communion Statement

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may proclaim His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked to first speak with the pastor.

For our communicants: gluten-free host is available along with grape juice in the center of the individual cups for those who have allergies or sensitivities to those respective elements. Please request it as you approach the pastor or the elder.

OUR OFFERING OF WORSHIP:

Sunday, July 19th: 103 Souls

OUR OFFERING OF MATERIAL GIFTS:

Sunday, July 19th: \$ 3,904.00

OUR OFFERING OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

Those known to be hospitalized - The office is unaware of anyone hospitalized at this time. For any prayer requests wanted on the Congregational Prayer Chain, or in public worship services, call the church office (534-3700) or Barb Larson (534-2623) or E-mail office@immanuelplainview.org

God's richest blessing on those celebrating birthdays this week:

July 26: Deloris Smith, Chad Murphy, Thomas Hoekstra, Brittany Timm

July 27: Don Luckstein, Laurel Krage, Patti Hoffman

July 28: Brennan O'Reilly, Nick Aarsvold

July 29:

July 30: Neil Pierce, Jon Brehmer

July 31: Rosalynn Wilson

August 1: Hannah Hoekstra, Donald Lien, Elsie Thompson, Theodore Meyer

If someone's name was inadvertently omitted, please call the church office.

WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of July 26, 2020

All events will be held in the CLC (Christian Life Center)

Sunday, July 26: Divine Service 8:00 am & 10:00 am
Special Voters meeting following each service*

Monday, July 27: Women's Bible Study 9:00 am
Stephen Ministry 7:00 pm

Sunday, August 2: Divine Service 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Monday – Friday office hours 9:00 a.m. – Noon

***Special Voters' Meeting** is today, July 26, 2020 for the sole purpose of issuing a call to rostered teacher(s). Voting members (communicant members age 18 or older) after each service can vote at the table on the way out of the CLC lobby. Contact Butch Mussell with questions.

Mask Requirements – Per Governor Walz' executive order #81, masks are now required as of July 25 for all indoor gatherings. Several options are available and described on signage. The Elders request your cooperation with this effort to love our neighbors who may be vulnerable to COVID19.

Home Communion Visits – If you or a loved one are sheltering at home during the pandemic and desire Holy Communion, please know that Pastor is willing to set up a visit to bring you the body and blood of Jesus for your forgiveness and strength. He can meet in your home or outside; masked or unmasked; for a short visit (scripture, devotion, and Supper) or a longer visit with you for the Lord's consolation and care during this time of social distancing. We were not created to live in isolation. If you need this precious medicine for your body and soul, please call the church office to schedule a visit.

Gladiolus for Sale - Immanuel Potsdam is unable to hold their annual Ice Cream Social this year. Therefore, they have decided to sell Gladiolus at the Plainview Farmer's Market held at Bennett's Food Center on Wednesdays from 4 to 7 pm. Part of the proceeds will benefit Immanuel Lutheran School.