Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church

A Congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

December 27, 2020 The First Sunday after Christmas



"Simeon took Jesus up in his arms and blessed God and said, 'Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word" (Luke 2:28-29)

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Rev. J. Philipp Augustine, Pastor



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: Setting Three

Sermon: "The Death of 2020" from Luke 2:22-40.

Hymns: 390 - Let Us All with Gladsome Voice

389 - Let All Together Praise Our God (1, 3, 5, 7) 924 - Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

Pianist: Kayla Augustine

Elders/Ushers: 8:00 am: Mark Bartsh, Chris Stelling

10:00 am: Brent Wohlers, Don Luckstein

Altar Duty December: Don & Becky Luckstein & Lisa Hoekstra

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, December 20: 109 Souls

OUR OFFERING OF MATERIAL GIFTS:

Sunday, December 20: \$8,207.00

OUR OFFERING OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

<u>Those known to be hospitalized</u> – 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 (251-2138) or E-mail office@immanuelplainview.org

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

December 27: Sara Nault, Nancy Irish, Sidney Brown, David Smith

December 28: Luke Lamprecht, Kris Gernes, William Schultz

December 29: Tammy Schneider, Lonni Kautz, Kennedy Standinger

December 30: David Heddlesten, Roger Irish, Justin Davis, Jamie Ratz

December 31: Brenda Bennett, Josephine Luckstein

January 1: Karen Haack, Nicole Lehnertz, Dixie Lien, Allen Koepsell

January 2: Kyle Iverson, Lazarus Karpyak



Finding new Stephen Ministry Leaders is the next step for growing our congregation's Stephen Ministry. Right now, we are praying for the individuals God is calling to serve as Stephen Leaders. Please include this need in your prayers. God answers our prayers because He is faithful. More info on Leadership training can be found at www.stephenministries.org/LTC. With the COVID19 pandemic around for some time yet, Leadership training is now available online in a 5 or 10 week course. We are praying to sign you up for the next available cohort in February 2021! For more information or questions, contact Becky Luckstein (534-2236 or 951-1716) or Pastor Augustine (884-7390).