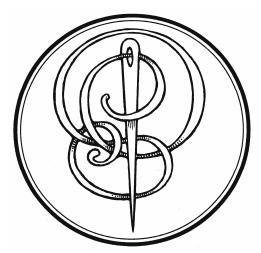
Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church

A Congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

October 17, 2021 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost



"It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." Mark 10:25

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Rev. J. Philipp Augustine, Pastor

Welcome to Immanuel! We ask all <u>guests</u> to please fill out the Communication/Communion Card, which has been placed at the entrances. You can place the completed card in the offering plate, hand to an usher or elder, or drop in the basket as you come forward for Holy Communion. We hope you have enjoyed our worship service, and we invite you to join us again soon. <u>Members</u>, please fill out the Communion Card to inform the church office of your attendance today and any needed prayers and visits.

Sermon: "Making the Impossible Possible in Christ" – Mark 10:23-31

Elders/Ushers: 8:00 am: Mark Bartsh, Bob Walkes, Darvey Sloan

10:15 am: Brent Wohlers, Don Luckstein, Butch Mussell

Acolyte & Cross Bearer: 8:00 – Brooklyn Staudacher

10:15 – Bryson Boettcher

Altar Duty October: Todd & Sandy Wohlers, Jean Wingert

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, October 10th: 167

OUR OFFERING OF MATERIAL GIFTS

Sunday, October 10th: \$ 5,701.00

OUR OFFERING OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

<u>Those known to be hospitalized</u> – *no one at this time. Praise God!* 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:

Oct 10: Richard Fuerstneau, Heston Zabel

Oct 11: Deborah Neumann

Oct 12: Sandra Bonow, Brad Hauschildt, James Hiebert Jr.,

Dennis Senst

Oct 13: Duane Timm

Oct 14: Raymond Mussell, Jr.

Oct 16: Thomas Bartz, Andrew Bigelow, Ellen Bratberg, Jill Hayes

Dorine Sloan



(259-3586)

As fall settles in and the leaves change color, we marvel at how God provides beauty in our lives. But for many people, the beauty is lost because they are hurting due to the loss of a loved one, a cancer diagnosis, divorce, job loss, or some other significant life challenge. These experiences can make an ordinarily joyous season difficult, lonely, and perhaps even painful. If you or someone you know are hurting, consider a Stephen Minister to come along side you and walk with you. Contact one of our Stephen Leaders: Becky Luckstein (534-2236 or 951-1716) or Val Aarsvold

Support the Pastoral Formation of PJ Aarsvold



PJ, Melanie, and son, Talek, Aarsvold

Immanuel's own PJ Aarsvold is in his fourth (and final) year at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis!

How can I help?

- > Prayer: For the Lord to raise up faithful pastors and to sustain PJ and family in his final year of study and formation
- Personal: Remember the family during the holidays or on their birthdays with a card or note. PJ's birthday: May 30, Melanie: May 18, Talek: January 22. Their address:

6531 San Bonita Ave #2W Saint Louis, MO 63105

- ➤ Mark your calendars for April 26, 2022 when PJ will God willing receive his call to serve in the Lord's Church!
- > Financial:
 - o Special "PJ" envelopes available by offering baskets
 - o Make checks payable to "Immanuel Lutheran Church" and note "PJ support" in the memo. If giving cash, please put in an envelope and note "PJ Support" on the outside
 - o Put in collection plate or bring to the church office
 - Please donate by the end of the year so we can send it on to Concordia Seminary and PJ in January

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCMENTS October 17, 2021

Monday – Friday office hours 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Sunday, October 17: Heritage Fest Sunday

Polka Service 8:00 am & 10:15 am

Education Hour 9:10 am
Heritage Fest Lunch & Silent Auction 11:00 am

Monday, October 18: LifeLight Bible Study 9:00 am High Rise Church 1:00 pm

Tuesday, October 19: ILCW 6:30 pm Wednesday, October 20: Chapel 8:25 am

Choristers 6:30 pm Saturday, October 23: Road Ditch Clean Up 10:00 am

Sunday, October 24: Divine Service 8:00 am & 10:15 am

Education Hour 9:10 am
Quarterly Voters Meeting 11:30 am
Youth Campfire Night (CLC) 6:00 pm

Thank you for joining us today for our Heritage Fest Celebration We invite you to a wonderful lunch in the CLC (take outs available). Please check out the silent auction, also in the CLC. The bulletin insert has all the details. There will be a free will donation after each service today to help defray the cost of the band. Thank you on behalf of the Immanuel Think Tank Group.

<u>Pastor Appreciation Month</u> The Elders encourage everyone to support our Pastor's with cards and gifts if you so choose. Thank you.

<u>ILC Fall Highway 247 road ditch</u> cleanup will take place on Saturday, October 23rd beginning at 10 a.m. Meet on the West side of Doane's parking lot. All helpers are welcome - many hands make light work!

<u>ILCW-LWML</u> (Immanuel Lutheran Church Women- Lutheran Women in Mission) will meet Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 6:30 pm in the church basement. Come for a bible study and hearing about LWML mission grant #2 - Healing the invisible Wounds of War through Horses.

Also join us for fellowship as we make plans for our Old Fashion Country Christmas fundraiser and other mission outreach. All women of Immanuel are welcome. If questions call Becky at 507-951-1716.

<u>The October Quarterly Voters Meeting is October 24th after the 10:15 service</u>. Agenda items are: election of officers and board members, 2nd vote on the By-law Amendments and the 2022 proposed spending guidelines. The bylaw amendments and proposed spending guidelines are at the church entrances for your review.

Board of Christian Education is looking for new members. Eric Swanson & Kari Welti have fulfilled their terms and are not running for re-election. We greatly appreciate the support they have given for the past years. This is a 3-year term. You do not need to have children or grandchildren in the school. We are looking for individuals that are supportive of ILS and willing to help guide the future of our school. If you have questions, please contact the office at office@immanuelplainview.org and you will be directed who to contact for further questions. Please consider supporting ILS as a board member.

Confirmation Update – Pastor Augustine wishes to inform the congregation of a schedule change for the rite of Confirmation. For many years our tradition has been to have confirmation on the first Sunday in May. Last year, Immanuel had only one incoming catechumen, Mikki Welti, and she was a student at the Lutheran school. Pastor worked out a time slot for her during the school day for her instruction. This allowed the study of the material to take place more regularly, so the instruction was completed in early October. Rather than delay the reception of the Lord's Supper until May, Pastor is planning to have Confirmation on October 31. Therefore, there will not be Confirmation in May 2022. Pastor picked up several new students with family transfers/soon to transfer to Immanuel. One of them, Seth Harper (from Immanuel-Silo, Lewiston), has been well prepared from his prior instruction. Pastor worked with Seth and his parents and concluded that Seth would also be ready for the rite of Confirmation this fall. Therefore, we will have two confirmands, Seth Harper and MiKadyn (Mikki) Welti, presented to the Lord and His Church at the 10:15 service on October 31. Future confirmation classes may also find Reformation Sunday as the day of Confirmation.

<u>MEA break for ILS students</u> is Thursday October 21^{st} and Friday October 22^{nd} so there is no school on these days. Office hours will be 9 am -1 pm on both days.

New Organ Celebration Service on October 31, 1:30 pm Immanuel Lutheran Church is having a service to celebrate our new organ. This service will include guest organist, Rodney Riese, from Wausau, Wisconsin. Rodney's father, Rev. Riese, was Immanuel's pastor from 1956-1968. Rodney took his first organ lessons at Immanuel, Plainview. A short reception will follow the service. Plan to come and enjoy this afternoon of music.

<u>Please help support our Seminary student PJ Aarsvold</u> during the month of October as he finishes his 4th year at Seminary. There are envelopes for the PJ Aarsvold Seminary Fund in the entrances to the church.