Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church

A Congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

March 19, 2023 The Fourth Sunday in Lent



"As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth." (John 9:1)

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Bulletin Dedication

St. Patrick is remembered by the Church on March 17 as a missionary who brought the message of the Christ crucified and risen to the people of Ireland in the 5th century. We praise God for those who have witnessed to the one true faith over the years, including those in our families who have gone on to the Church triumphant. Today's bulletin is dedicated to the glory of God in honor of Sue Miller's parents, Herman and Irene Brunner, who were married at Immanuel by Pastor Theodore Schoewe on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 1934. May we also be faithful unto death and receive the crown of life when we see Jesus face to face!

Welcome to Immanuel! We ask <u>everyone</u> to please fill out a white postcard-sized Communication/Communion Card, which has been placed at the entrances. Offerings can be put in the marked grey baskets.

- >> <u>Guests</u>, please fill out the card with your name and address. Place in the offering basket, hand to an usher or elder, or drop in the basket as you come forward for Holy Communion. If desiring to commune, please visit with the pastor (see Communion statement below) and note your home congregation. 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.

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.

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 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.

Busy Bags: Available at the entrance are 'Busy Bags' = activity bags of color crayons/books, for any child. Borrow and use them for the service and return them to their hook for the next time!

Liturgy: Setting Three, page 184

Sermon: "Open Eyes" – John 9:1-41

Hymns:

914 - Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten

849 - Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

744 - Amazing Grace

545 - Word of God, Come Down on Earth

421 - Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing

Organist: Debra Eggenberger

Elders/Ushers 8:00 am: Mark Bartsh, Bob Walkes, Leo Larson

10:15 am: Brent Wohlers, Eugene Schnell, Jim Gensmer

Acolyte/cross bearer: 8 am: Bryson Boettcher

10:15: Bo Brinkman

Altar Duty March: Debra Eggenberger, Don & Cindy Lien

OUR OFFERING OF WORSHIP

Sunday, March 12: 129 Wednesday March 15: 64

OUR OFFERING OF MATERIAL GIFTS

Wednesday, March 8: \$375.00 Sunday, March 12: \$6,940.00

OUR OFFERING OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

<u>Those known to be hospitalized:</u> *Donald Dohrn, Bob Lamprecht (Rochester).* For any prayer requests wanted on the Congregational Prayer Chain, or in public worship services, call the church office (534-3700) or Kim Zabel (507) 272-6301 or E-mail office@immanuelplainview.org

God's richest blessing on those celebrating birthdays this week

March 19: Jerilyn (Horton) Goihl

March 20: Renee Anderson, Steven Johnson, Douglas Gilbertson,

Bryan Evans

March 22: Dawn Schroeder

March 23: Ezra Karpyak, Jodi Koehler

March 24: Justin Bauer, Isabell Blattner

March 25: Kayla Hall, Brinley Miller



Immanuel Lutheran Church 150th Year **Celebration is coming!**

Come be part of planning Immanuel's 150th Anniversary Celebration

Kickoff meeting on Thursday, March 23rd

6:30 pm in the school library

There is something for everyone to participate in.

- Celebration Date Celebration Theme
- Worship Services Guest Speakers
- Advertising Email and Address Search Document History from year 2000 (125th Anniversary) to current
- Fundraisers (cook books, ornaments, dunk tank, other ideas)
 Social Events / Meals
 Decorations / Flowers
- Music / Choir Youth Ministry / Activities Slide Show / PowerPoint Photo Taking During Events
- Registration / Name Tags Ambassadors / Greeters Set up / Cleanup Other

Open to ideas and suggestions for us to Celebrate Immanuel's 150 Years!