

News and Notes of Interest

DIVINE SERVICES are on Sundays at 9:00 am with Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible classes from 10:15-11:15 am. The service is livestreamed on Facebook live.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is very beneficial for our children because it is a time spent hearing and studying God's Word, through which the Holy Spirit creates and sustains saving faith in Jesus Christ. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to lead your children in the way of the Lord.

TUESDAY MATINS & BIBLE STUDY: Join us for a service of scripture, prayers and hymns at 9:00 a.m. Following the Matins Service is our Bible study where we are currently studying the Epistle of Jude.

USHERS FOR 2024: The sign-up sheet for 2024 Ushers is posted the bulletin board. There are still 4 spots available. Please sign up for the months you are able to usher.

UPDATE OF MEMBER PHOTO BOARD: It is time for our annual update of the Member Photo Board in the parish hall. We would love to add members that are not presently represented on the board and anyone is free to update their picture. Please give a 4 x 6 (portrait orientation) photo to Jolene McLaughlin. Don't have a photograph? No problem. Jolene would be happy to take one of you. Please see her for any questions. Thank you.

WORSHIP INSTITUTE: The Institute on Liturgy, Preaching & Church Music will be held July 9-12, 2024, at Concordia University-Nebraska in Seward. The theme this year is "Songs of Deliverance: Psalms in the Great Congregation." Our own A.J. Reimer will be a Featured Musician. For more information and to register, go to lcms.org/worshipinstitute

EAGLE FOOD BANK: LWML continues to collect food for the Eagle food bank. Donations can be left in the tote by the church entrance. Thank you for your donations!

PORTALS OF PRAYER for Jan-March are available on the Guest Book table in the narthex.

HIGHER THINGS DEVOTIONALS: A booklet of daily *Reflections* for Epiphany are available on the guest book table. Go to <https://higherthings.org/reflections> to see other formats that are available.

OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS OF NEBRASKA:

Taxpayers in Nebraska (individuals, businesses, estates, trusts) can claim a tax credit to fund scholarships for eligible students at our LCMS congregations/schools. More information can be found at www.ndlcms.org/tax-credit/scholarships/

BE AWARE: Pro-abortion groups have launched a ballot initiative in Nebraska which would enshrine a right to abortion until birth in our state Constitution. This would allow abortion throughout the entire pregnancy. If asked to sign the petition, simply refuse and say that the children in the womb have a right to life. Make sure your family and friends are aware of this ballot initiative.

EAGLE FIRE & RESCUE SOUP SUPPER &

AUXILARY: EF&R is looking to create an auxiliary to assist their work for our community. If you are interested please contact Pastor. A good time to support their work, and to meet some of the EF&R people is at their Soup Supper on Saturday, February 17th, 4:30-8:00 p.m. at the fire barn.

DAILY LUTHERAN CHAPEL SERVICE:

You can listen to live chapel services from Concordia Theological Seminary (Ft. Wayne, IN) at 8:35 a.m. CST and on-demand at issuesetc.org and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

ISSUES, ETC. ... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Responding to the Clichés of Pop American Christianity, The Epiphany Hymn "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise," An Update on an Attempt by Concordia University Texas to Reject the Governance & Oversight of the LCMS, The Benefits of Liturgical Worship and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



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WELCOME TO IMMANUEL: We are glad that you are here as we gather around the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you have not already done so, we ask that you would sign the guest book at the entrance to the church. If you do not have a church home, we would love for you to find a home here at Immanuel. If you have questions about the Christian faith and Lutheranism, please contact Pastor Porath, 781-2190.

THE LORD'S SUPPER IS A GIFT ... and as with all our Lord's gifts, we desire to give and receive them as He intends. The Lord's Supper is given for our benefit, but God's Word also says: "Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord" (1 Corinthians 11:27). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord, and in love for you, Immanuel follows the historic practice of closed communion.

ALL GUESTS are therefore asked to visit with our pastor before coming to the altar to receive the Lord's Supper. If you do not have opportunity to visit with him prior to the service, he is more than willing to visit with you during the week.

Prayers of the Church

+ **Birth** + Eleanor Leola Hohman (born to Nathan & Bobbi) + **Military** + Alily Kliever (Dallas & Becky Obenland's niece), Konner Lamb (Mike & Leila Karle's nephew), Matthew Brynsted (Kevin Bolin's friend) + **Hospitalized, Suffering, Ill or Recovering** + Dale Kuker (A.J. Reimer's step-father), Hallie Hohman (Tom & Barbara's granddaughter), Tom Hohman, Sue Weishahn (Washington's friend), Kevin Schroder, Rev. Dennis Arndt (Millers' friend), Troy Schmidt, Charlene Miller, Christa Surman, Don Luedders (David's brother), Bonita Severson, Carol Luedders, Randy Sweley (Carolyn Jensen's cousin), Linda Maloy (Bonita Severson's sister), Brian (Bonita Severson's nephew), Kim Tatum (friend of the Bakers), Larry Kimble (Frank & Gloria Umland's son-in-law), Lori Koepsel (Obenland's friend), Maverick Roland, John Rader (Kenny's brother), Michael Gay (friend of the Colemans), Larry Harschfield (Marlene Schroder's brother-in-law).

We ask that you would include these people in the prayers during your home devotions. Also include all Christians, our families, the governing authorities, and all who suffer in body or soul.

Please call 781-2190 if you have a petition to be included in the prayers.

In His Service

Pastor: Rev. Scott T. Porath (Cell: 440-4965; Parsonage: 781-2776)
 Organist: Barbara Hohman
 Acolyte: Tenley Peery
 Altar Guild: Debbie Kuebler and Abbie Porath
 Elders: Kevin Bolin (450-3043) and Shawn Luedders (960-0659)
 Ushers: Terry Kuebler, Scott Washington, Jameson Hofker, Terry Reynoldson

Gifts of Time and Treasure

Divine Service:	94	Sunday School:	14
<u>Last Week's Offerings</u>		<u>Year To Date Offerings</u>	
*Sunday Divine Service	\$ 2,088.75	General Fund Offerings	\$ 10,171.50
Sunday School	\$ 19.70	Sunday School	\$ 28.50
Building Fund	\$	Building Fund	\$ 100.00
Other Offerings	\$	Other Offerings	\$
**Total Offerings	\$ 2,108.45	Offerings Received	\$ 10,300.00
<u>Last Week's Budget</u>		<u>Year To Date Budget</u>	
General Fund Needed	\$ 4,176.85	General Fund Needed	\$ 16,707.38
Difference	\$(2,088.10)	Difference	\$ (6,535.88)

**Includes only General Fund Offering towards the Budget*

***Total Received includes all offerings-General Fund, Building Fund, & other offerings (special funds)*

The Lord's Week

Sunday, February 4 th	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	Joint Opening SS/Youth/Adult Bible Study
Monday, February 5 th	6:30 pm	Didache
Tuesday, February 6 th	9:00 am	Matins
	9:30 am	Bible Study
Wednesday, February 7 th	9:00 am	Evangelism Meeting
	6:30 pm	Catechesis
	7:00 pm	LWML Meeting
Thursday, February 8 th	7:00 pm	Didache
Friday, February 9 th		
Saturday, February 10 th		
Sunday, February 11 th	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	SS/Youth/Adult Bible Study

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are Monday-Friday 9 to 12 pm. The office may be closed on occasion, so please call ahead.

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