News and Notes of Interest

<u>DIVINE SERVICES</u> 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.

<u>CHRISTIANS IN A WOKE WORLD</u> is the title of our current Adult Bible Study that meets in the parish hall after the Divine Service. It's never too late to jump in. Grab a cup of coffee and join us.

TUESDAY MATINS & BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Tuesday mornings for a Matins Service (prayer, Scripture, hymns) at 9:00 a.m. A Bible study follows from 9:30-10:30 a.m. We are currently studying the Book of Exodus.

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR</u>: The Sunday School children will be singing during the Offering on Palm Sunday (April 2^{nd}). Please have your children here by 8:30 am so we can rehearse upstairs before the service. During the Hymn of the Day the children will make their way upstairs, and will be dismissed back to their parents when they are done singing.

LENTEN DINNERS will be served at 5:45 p.m. before each midweek Lenten Service. Youth will be having a baked potato bar this week. Please sign up to bring food for these dinners. Sign-up sheets are located in the parish hall by the kitchen.

LENTEN DINNER DONATIONS: The Board of Evangelism has designated the Lenten Dinner free-will offerings for the Youth Group trip to the Higher Things Conference this summer.

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

<u>PORTALS OF PRAYER</u> for April-June are available on the Guest Book table in the narthex.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: Eligible Thrivent members who have available Choice Dollars have until March 31st to direct them. If you so desire, you can direct them to Immanuel Lutheran Church. If you have any questions, please contact one of our Thrivent coordinators (Sharon Hestermann, Paula Persinger).

LAWN MOWING SIGN-UP: If your family (or a couple of families) would be willing to mow the lawn on a particular week, please sign up on the sheet posted on the Bulletin Board. The church has two riding lawnmowers that can be used. If you have any questions, contact one of the Trustees. (*Tom Hohman, Jeramy Yelkin, Terry Kuebler, Scott Hrabik*)

<u>PICTORIAL DISPLAY IS UP!!</u> The pictorial display is up, but there is still room to add your photo if you are missing from the display. Please give a 4 x 6 photo in the portrait orientation to Jolene McLaughlin or text/email her a digital copy (contact information in the church directory) or let us take a photo of you. Any questions please talk to Jolene or a member of the Board of Evangelism. Thank you.

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!

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. You can listen on-demand at <u>issuesetc.org</u>, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LIFE ESSAY CONTEST: Nebraska Lutherans for Life would like to invite students in grades 6-12 who are members of a Lutheran congregation or attend a Lutheran school in Nebraska to participate in this year's Lutherans for Life Essay Contest, based on the 2023 Conference theme: *Just As ... I am* with the Bible verse: *For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them*" (Ephesians 2:10). Local winners will be awarded \$100 each and their essays entered in the national contest. Entries must be submitted electronically by April 1, 2023. Please request a copy of the rules and rubrics from Bob Saeger, NE LFL president, at saeger001@windstream.net.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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MARCH 26, 2023

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.

<u>**THE LORD'S SUPPER IS A GIFT</u></u> ... 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.</u>**

<u>ALL GUESTS</u> 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

Marriage + Adam Vrbka & Heather DeLong + **Military** + Alily Kliewer (Dallas & Becky Obenland's niece), Ryan Merrill (Scott & D'Ann Washington's relative) + **Hospitalized, Suffering, Ill or Recovering** + Jay Berry (friend of the Bakers), Jennifer Umland (Bill & Verda's daughter-in-law), Brenda Ivy (Carolyn Jensen's daughter), Denise Ortlieb (Art's wife), Larry Kimble (Frank & Gloria Umland's son-in-law), Siouxsee Taylor (Bonita Severson's cousin), Lori Koepsel (Obenland's friend), Carol Luedders, Maverick Roland (Dan & Cheri's son), Bill Umland, John Rader (Kenny's brother), Michael Gay (friend of the Colemans), Jenny Henderson (relative of Larry Severson), Larry Harschfield (Marlene Schroder's brother-in-law).

We ask that you would include these people in the prayers during <u>your home</u> <u>devotions</u>. 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: Lainee McDowell

Altar Guild: Elizabeth Hofker and Leila Karle

Elders: Birk Baker (419-8008), Tom Cosby (659-2618)

Ushers: Tim. McDowell, Kevin Bolin, Wyatt Baker, Mike Karle

Gífts of Tíme and Treasure

Divine Service:	112	Sunday School:	17	,
Last Week's Offerings		Year To Date Offerings	<u>.</u>	
*Sunday Divine Service	\$ 2,488.50	General Fund Offerings	\$	42,078.64
Special Service	\$ 833.00			
Sunday School	\$ 8.76	Sunday School	\$	59.79
Building Fund	\$	Building Fund	\$	1,010.00
Other Offerings	\$ 25.00	Other Offerings	\$	185.00
**Total Offerings	\$ 3,355.26	Offerings Received	\$	43,333.43
Last Week's Budget		Year To Date Budget		
General Fund Needed	\$ 4,218.15	General Fund Needed	\$	50,617.85
Difference	\$ (896.65)	Difference	\$	(8,539.21)

*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, March 26 th	9:00 am 10:15 am	Divine Service Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Study
Monday, March 27 th		
Tuesday, March 28 th	9:00 am 9:30 am	Matins Bible Study
Wednesday, March 29 th	5:45 pm	Catechesis Lenten Dinner Midweek Lenten Service
Thursday, March 30 th	6:30 pm	Didache
Friday, March 31st		
Saturday, April 1 st		
Sunday, April 2 nd	9:00 am 10:15 am	Divine Service Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Study
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<u>**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**</u> are 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The office may be closed on occasion, so please call ahead.