

News and Notes of Interest

DIVINE SERVICES are on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. with Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible classes from 10:15-11:15 a.m. The seating in the parish hall will be socially distanced. The service is livestreamed on Facebook live.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS this morning continues our study of the Epistle to the Romans. Everyone is invited to attend. Grab a cup of coffee and join us.

TUESDAY MATINS & BIBLE STUDY: Matins is a service of Scripture and prayer that begins at 9:00 a.m. We are currently studying the Gospel of St. Matthew, and that study begins at 9:30 a.m.

CATECHETICAL RETREAT: Just a reminder to the students in the Catechesis One and Catechesis Two classes who desire to attend the Catechetical Retreat; the registration form and \$25 deposit are due next Sunday (April 25th). If you have any questions/concerns ahead of time, please speak with Pastor.

“EQUALITY ACT”: The Equality Act that is being considered by Congress seeks to elevate sexual orientation to a protected class, bringing sweeping changes to current laws, to the great detriment of the religious and constitutional freedoms of biblically faithful churches, institutions, Christian schools and individuals. The Equality Act effectively outlaws the words of Christ and our free exercise of religion. Please read LCMS President Matthew Harrison's letter (search for “LCMS President statement on Equality Act”). The Nebraska Catholic Conference has created resource sheets that focus on the issues (search “necatholic.org nde health standards”). Please take the time to give feedback to the Nebraska Department of Education by filling out their online survey (search “Nebraska Department of Education health standards survey”).

VBS – SAVE THE DATES: Vacation Bible School will be held June 28-July 2. Please mark the dates on your calendars, consider who you might invite to attend, and watch for more information. Thank you to Bobbi Hohman who has volunteered to serve as our VBS Director again this year.

ACELC CONFERENCE: The Association of Confessing Evangelical Lutheran Congregations will be holding their annual conference here at Immanuel on July 27-29, 2021. The theme for this year's conference is, “Christ For Us: Ecclesiastical Supervision.” For more information on the ACELC, check out the website at acelc.net.

MISSING CHURCH KEY!! We are missing the hide-a-key for the church. If you have it, please return it to the Office Mailbox.

CHURCH REMODEL LOAN: The projects for the church remodel have been completed. There is still an outstanding loan balance of \$5,231.97. You can help to pay off the loan by giving an offering to the Building Fund (please mark your donation accordingly).

PORTALS OF PRAYER for April-June are available on the guest book table in the narthex. Take one for your family devotions, or take one to a friend.

IF YOU NEED HELP in these days (finances, help with groceries, pick up medications, a ride, etc.), please contact Pastor or the church.

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 teachings include: The TV Series “The Falcon and the Winter Soldier;” The Historical Reliability of John's Gospel; The Word “Resurrection” in the Bible; The Calling of the Prophet Isaiah and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LAWN MOWING: 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.

April 22-24

April 29-May 1

May 6-8

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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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

+ **Catechumens** + **Military** + Daniel Yslas (Dan & Susan Vrbka's grandson), Jonathan Umland (Bill & Verda's grandson) + **Hospitalized, Suffering, Ill or Recovering** + Julie Bolin (Kevin's mother), Gary Sindelar (Suzanne Yelkin's brother-in-law), Dan Vrbka, Bill Umland, Billy Corum (Carol Luedder's brother), Brad Lahm, Carolyn Jensen, Diane Bolin, Duane Arends, Larry Ikenberry, Stuart & Jenny Henderson (Larry Severson's cousin & wife), Mike Johanek (Sheryl Stine's cousin), Baby Anselm (Suzanne Yelkin's relative), John Foede (friend of the Colemans), Jordon Powell (Lisa Schmidt's brother-in-law), Peggy Pauley (Jodi Manley's friend), Raven Curtis (Gregg Fusselman's granddaughter), 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 the governing authorities, those in medical professions, those suffering because of the coronavirus, and all who mourn the death of loved ones. 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: Hailee McDowell
 Altar Guild: Diane Bolin and Sharon Hestermann
 Elders: Dallas Obenland (786-7277), Shawn Luedders (960-0659)
 Ushers: Owen & Joe Reimer, Cliff Schildt, Wyatt Baker

Gifts of Time and Treasure

Divine Service:	84	Sunday School:	10
<u>Last Week's Offerings</u>		<u>Year To Date Offerings</u>	
*Sunday Divine Service	\$ 4,007.00	General Fund Offerings	\$ 52,482.00
Special Service	\$		
Sunday School	\$	Sunday School	\$ 40.16
Building Fund	\$ 155.00	Building Fund	\$ 3,360.00
Other Offerings	\$ 10.00	Other Offerings	\$ 100.00
**Total Offerings	\$ 4,172.00	Offerings Received	\$ 55,982.16
<u>Last Week's Budget</u>		<u>Year To Date Budget</u>	
General Fund Needed	\$ 3,820.50	General Fund Needed	\$ 57,307.50
Difference	\$ 186.50	Difference	\$ (4,825.50)

**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, April 18 th	9:00 am	Divine Service
	10:15 am	SS / Youth / Adult Bible Study
Monday, April 19 th	9:30 am	Didache
Tuesday, April 20 th	9:00 am	Matins
	9:30 am	Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Didache
Wednesday, April 21 st	6:30 pm	Catechesis
Thursday, April 22 nd		
Friday, April 23 rd		
Saturday, April 24 th		
Sunday, April 25 th	9:00 am	Divine Service with Rite of Confirmation
	10:15 am	SS / Youth / Adult Bible Study

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The office may be closed on occasion, so please call ahead.

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