# announcements~1.28.24~Immanuel Lutheran Church



## **Worship Participants:**

Ushers: Roland Drew, Colleen Schmidt Song Leaders: Cindi Lehmann, Scott Bertelsen, Steve Olmstead Band: Piano-Karen Post, Guitar-Geno Lopes, Drums-Antonio Lopes

Scripture Reader: Marla Betz Communion Set Up: Tasha Banta Altar Care: Jean Yeager Assisting Minister: Olivia Banta

Sound/Video Techs: Karl Wooldridge/Cooper Blaser Communion Servers: Tasha Banta, Joy Newcom

**2024 FIRST QUARTER MISSION EMPHASIS:** Forest City Neighborhood Food Bank with emphasis of CANNED SOUPS for SUPER BOWL SUNDAY February 11. Donations accepted anytime!

**Wednesday Community Meals:** Serving each week 4:15-6:15 in the fellowship hall—eat in or takeout. Menu this week: enchiladas, rice, pudding. Come enjoy the fellowship with others for this free community meal. Bring the family, invite a neighbor, friend, or someone who could use a meal.

**BOOKS, BOOKS, have you checked out the tables of FREE BOOKS** in the fellowship hall? Browse through and take as many as you want. The books are gifts from the Immanuel Library Board.

**Prayer Chain Contacts:** Jaci Thorson in church office (585-3152) or email jaci@immanuelfamily. **The prayer intercessors** are praying together on Zoom from their homes. Please notify office with any additions or corrections. **Pastoral Hospital Visits:** If you or your family members are hospitalized, please let us know.

**Consider automatic giving:** We invite you to consider supporting the mission and ministry of Immanuel through automatic giving by following the link on the website or calling the church office for assistance. OR USE IMMANUEL'S QR CODE TO GIVE ELECTRONICALLY. Thank you for your consideration. Mailing in your gifts is another way to support our mission and ministry.



**FEBRUARY MESSENGER** is available around the church in print or on the website, immanuelfamily.com. Check out the articles and upcoming events and the church season of Lent.

#### Around the community:

**Pyramids, Pharoahs, Petra, the Dead Sea...:** Come to the YMCA at 9:30 on Wednesday, January 31 for a slideshow presented by Audrey Olmstead on her trip to Egypt and Jordan. Imagine riding a camel, a donkey, cruising on the Nile, visiting the tomb of Tutankhamen.... watching on the big screen from your chair in the golf simulator room.

MARRIAGE RETREATS: OKOBOJI: Enjoy your own Valentine's Getaway weekend at Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp, February 9-11. Enjoy a wonderful weekend with a banquet dinner, evening entertainment, free couples photo shoot, breakfast café, great sessions... whether you've been married many years or just one year, take time to re-vison your marriage together. Guest speakers: Pastor Jeremey & Michelle King. Cost: \$219 for the weekend per couple. Register, or for more info, <a href="https://www.okoboji.org/marriage-retreat">www.okoboji.org/marriage-retreat</a>. RIVERSIDE: February 23-25 is their weekend dedicated to you and your spouse. Enrique ("Q") & Martha Ochoa are the guest speakers. Cost is \$245/couple for onsite lodging. Register, or for details at this location, <a href="https://www.riversidelbc.org/marriage-retreat">www.riversidelbc.org/marriage-retreat</a>.

Are you or your kids attending Bible camp this summer? February is the month to sign up to receive the discounts. A representative from Ingham-Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp will visit with us on next Wednesday, Jan. 31. Check out all the camp websites of the 3 that we help support: Riverside Lutheran Bible Camp, Lutheran Lakeside Bible Camp, and Ingham-Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp.

**NIACC** is hiring ESL Instructors for a variety of locations, including Forest City. They are looking for dedicated individuals to teach ESL (English as a second language) part-time during the day or evening. Four-year degree required, teaching experience preferred, no need to be bilingual, training provided, need a passion for helping students succeed. *Teaching ESL is like traveling the world in a classroom!* Questions? NIACC.edu/ESL or call 641-422-4358 to learn more.

**Forest City Community Blood Drive,** Thursday, Feb. 15, 1-6pm, First Baptist Church. Appointments are encourage: text: LIFESERVE to 999-777, call: 800-287-4903, visit: lifeservebloodcenter.org. *Roses are red, violets are blue, blood donors are sweet, and they save lives too!* 

### This Week at Immanuel:

TODAY: 9:15am Worship, communion

10:15am Coffee, Fellowship Hall

10:30am Promiseland

TUESDAY: 3:30pm Intercessor Prayer Group, Zoom

WEDNESDAY: 4:15-6:15 Meal, Fellowship Hall

5:25pm Promiseland / Middle School Ministry / Adult Class, Lounge

6:30pm Worship, KIDS SINGING

7:15pm Choir

7:30pm High School Youth Group

THURSDAY: 9am Women's Bible Study, Lounge

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15am Worship, communion

10:15am Coffee, Fellowship Hall

10:30am Promiseland

# Parents Night Out

Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> 5:00PM-8:00PM

Hosted by the High School Youth and Adults, in the Fellowship Hall Proceeds go towards the Gathering

Food Games Crafts Fun



Please contact Jaci, Pastor Zech, or Intern Elizabeth to sign your kids up for this event by February 6<sup>th</sup>.