announcements~10.8.23~Immanuel Lutheran Church



Welcome to the Waldorf University Choir and director Emilie Bertram, Waldorf Alumni during this Homecoming Weekend, and members of Bethany Lutheran Church of Thompson with us today as we worship and celebrate Pastor Appreciation together!

Scripture Readings: We have been using the semicontinuous scriptures. Regular readings for today are Isaiah 5:1-7, Psalm 80:7-15, Matthew 21:33-46 if you would like to read them on your own.

LARGE Printed Scriptures: If you prefer to see the scriptures as they are read at worship, copies are available in the narthex for you to read along in larger print.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX FOR READERS AND NON-READERS.

OCTOBER MESSENGERS: AVAILABLE IN PRINT AROUND THE CHURCH OR ONLINE: IMMANUELFAMILY.COM.

Big change this year: CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING, Sunday, November 12. Meeting will open at 10:45am in the fellowship hall following worship and a potluck brunch. **Nominations for Council members** will be taken thru October 29th. You may nominate yourself or someone else, with their permission. Pass on these names to President Kathy McEnelly or Pastors Rod or Zech.

PASTOR APPRECIATION FUN & POTLUCK BRUNCH, TODAY. All are welcome to the Fellowship Hall following worship for a potluck meal and fellowship fun. Mission & Outreach board members are in the kitchen to take care of your food. Freewill offering at the meal for Missionary Karen Anderson.

Round #2 of 'God's work. Our CANS' trailer is here TODAY. Look for the trailer parked outside church in the alley to donate your redeemable cans and bottles. *Thanks for saving these for your church!*

Have you signed up for Immanuel Family Texting? If you want some fast updates or reminders on big things happening at Immanuel sign-up on the sheet in the narthex or email Pastor Zech your name and cell phone number. Yes, we may already have your number in the directory, but we only want to sign people up who want the updates. We are using the Remind App so you will get a text asking you to say yes to joining the group, and when it snows, or we have something special taking place, or have big changes at the last minute we'll send out a text and you'll know what's going on. If you have any questions talk to Pastor Zech.

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

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.

October Mission Emphasis: ELCA Global Missionary Karen Anderson, serving in Santiago, Chile. In her 41st year of EPES (Popular Education in Health) working to promote justice and dignity in health for the poor in Chile.

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.



Join in the LWR Packing Day fun on Friday, October 13, 8:30am in the fellowship hall. Many hands and quick work get all the quilts and backpack school kits out the door and onto locations chosen by Lutheran World Relief.

THANK YOU, Immanuel Family, for your donations of food and paper bags! From the Forest City Neighborhood Food Bank

An invitation for a 4-week remarkable series! Beginning next Sunday, Oct. 15, following worship in the Shalom Room, you are invited to 'FAITH, WORK, AND ECONOMICS'. Embark on this 4-part series led by Rev. Wayne N. Miller, Bishop Emeritus (via the web). Discover the interplay between faith and work, and gain insights into living a fulfilling life. If attending in person at church doesn't work for you and you prefer on your own time, register at www.lstc.edu/events with sessions starting TODAY, Oct. 8 or Wednesday sessions starting on Oct. 11. Series presented by Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago Learning Community.

Immanuel has signed up to participate in *Forest City's TREATS ON MAIN 2023* on Halloween evening, Oct. 31st 5-7pm. We are looking for donations of candy – and we will need A LOT! (Bring your candy donations to the office.) And if you want to join in the fun of handing out candy that night, great! This will be happening out front on Clark Street. Costumes optional!!

Around the community:

Become a LIFESAVER! Forest City Community LifeServe Blood Drive, Thursday, Oct. 19, 1-6pm, First Baptist Church. Text: LIFESERE to 999.777 | Call: 800.287.4903 | Visit: lifeserve.info/schedule to make your appointment. *Your blood. Your hospital. Your neighbors.*

Fall Dinner @ West Prairie Lutheran Church, TODAY, 11am-2pm. BBQ meatballs, cheesy potatoes, southern green beans, dinner roll, dessert & beverage - \$10 adults, \$5 children ages 5-10, 4 and under free. Dining options: church fellowship hall or carryout; 40041 150th Ave., Leland, IA.

This Week at Immanuel:

TODAY: 9:15am Worship-joint service with Bethany Lutheran, communion, Waldorf Choir

10:15am Potluck Brunch / Pastor Appreciation, Fellowship Hall

10:30am Promiseland

MONDAY: 5pm Trustees, Shalom

6:30pm Council, Shalom

TUESDAY: 3:30pm Intercessor Prayer Group, Zoom

4:30pm Education Board Meeting, Kitchenette

5:30pm Bell Choir, Fireside Room

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

4:45pm Mission & Outreach Board Meeting, Zoom

5:25-6:25 Promiseland

5:25pm Middle School Ministry, Shalom Room

6:30-7:10 Worship

7:15pm Choir, Fireside Room

7:30pm 9th Grade Confirmation, Shalom Room 7:30pm High School Youth Group, Youth Room

THURSDAY: 9am Women's Bible Study, Lounge

6:30pm Good Grief Group, Shalom

FRIDAY: 8:30am LWR Packing Day, Fellowship Hall

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15am Worship, communion

10:15am Coffee, Fellowship Hall

10:30am Promiseland / 'FAITH, WORK, ECONOMICS' 4-part study begins, Shalom

Immanuel's Stewardship Series: How is God calling you to be a good Steward?

If you don't have a take home sheet yet, pick one up in the narthex today and discuss the 'AT HOME PRACTICE' questions with your family or friends. It is good to talk about money!