

announcements~12.12.21~Immanuel Lutheran Church



Worship for the family!

- Nursery staff available during worship on Sundays and Wednesdays in nursery below the narthex. (Also, during Whirl Wednesday in the education wing nursery.)
- Note: you and your children are welcome and celebrated here! We now have space in the south transept for you and your kids to use as is helpful because we love that they are a part of our worship community.

If you are not already giving automatically, 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 the mission and ministry here at Immanuel.



ZOOM Coffee Fellowship for anyone to join in on Sundays following 9:15 worship. Link button on the home page at immanuelfamily.com. 'Bring your own coffee' and join in the conversation!

Wednesday Meals: Serving out of the kitchen each week – **servicing time: 4-6pm** – to eat in the fellowship hall and for takeout. Signup online at immanuelfamily.com only if you need delivery. Menu this week: hot dogs, macaroni & cheese, ice cream.

Good Gifts Trees: Stop by a tree and pick out an ornament and purchase ELCA Good Gifts to give a gift that matters. (Find trees by south entrance and in the narthex.)

USHERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS EVE: 3:00 & 5:15 services; 4 ushers for each. Please sign up in the narthex, or leave your name in the office.

Prayer concerns:

Prayer Chain Contacts: Barb Johnson (585-2998) or Jaci Thorson in church office (585-3152). Or you may email Barb at barbjohnson104@gmail.com. **The prayer intercessors** are praying together on Zoom from their homes. Please notify office with any additions or corrections.

Around the community:

Forest City Community Blood Drive: LifeServe Blood Center will be set up on Thursday, Dec. 16, 1:30-6pm at First Baptist Church. To schedule an appointment, text LIFESERVE to 999-777 or call 800-287-4903.

The North Iowa Choral Society, under the direction of Linda Ferjak and accompanied by Jackie Burk, will be presenting its' Christmas Concert entitled "**Light Beyond Shadow**", TODAY at 2:00 in the North Iowa Community College Auditorium. We are excited to be singing again after being shut down due to COVID restrictions and look forward to sharing our music with the surrounding communities. Our program celebrates the season with both old and familiar holiday songs as well as new pieces by contemporary composers. Guest musicians appearing with the ensemble are Maria Meyer on flute and the string quartet of Patty Guetzgo, Ken Bahls, Kathy Rogotzke, and Kerry Anderson. Also appearing are guest vocalists from Forest City High School, Brooke Olson, Eimmy Candelaria Vasquez, Cesar Lechuga, Gracie Lackore, Abbie Jo Segerstrom and Elsa Anderson, all under the direction of Annika Andrews, and The NordKor Children's Choir under the direction of Melissa Shellsburg. Admission is \$5.00 and tickets are available from any member of the Society or at the door. We welcome one and all to share in our celebration of the season!

Forest City's BrickStreet Theatre presents: IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE! Dec. 16, 17, 18 @ 7:00pm and Dec. 18, 19 @ 2pm at the Boman Fine Arts Center. Adult tickets: \$16; Students (18 and under): \$12; Saturday Matinee: Half price family day. Get your tickets of this 'Christmas classic' through Boman Fine Arts Center website or the BrickStreet Theatre website, or call the box office at 585-2020.

Remember the FC Neighborhood Food Bank! Non-perishable food items and toiletries may be brought to the church anytime during office hours or Sundays. Place in grocery cards by the office or in the narthex.

This Week at Immanuel:

TODAY: 9:15am Worship, communion, 3rd Sunday of Advent
10:15am Promiseland / Coffee, Fellowship Hall
1pm Good Grief Group, Shalom *NOTICE NEW DAY AND TIME*
2pm Children's Christmas Program, Sanctuary, pie & ice cream follows

MONDAY: 5pm Trustees
6:30pm Council

TUESDAY: 2:30pm Intercessor Prayer Group
5:30pm Bell Choir, Fireside Room

WEDNESDAY: 4-6pm Meal, Fellowship Hall
5:30pm Whirl Wednesday
5:30pm Middle School Youth Group
6:30pm Worship, communion
7:30pm HS Youth Group
7:30pm Choir

THURSDAY: 9am Women's Bible Study, Lounge
10:30am Good Samaritan Communion Service w/pastor
1:30pm Sarah Circle, Lounge

FRIDAY: after BB Immanuel hosts 5th Quarter @ Y following home basketball games

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15am Worship, communion, choirs
10:15am Promiseland / Coffee, FH

CHRISTMAS EVE: 1pm Christmas Eve Worship @ Forest Plaza for residents
3pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship (2:30 pre-service music) livestreamed
5pm Radio broadcast on KIOW 107.3FM will be 3:00 service pre-recorded
5:15pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship (4:45 pre-service music)

All are welcome to come enjoy the Immanuel Children as they present their Christmas Program on TODAY, 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Enjoy pie & ice cream following the program in the Fellowship Hall.

