## announcements~2·18·24~Immanuel Lutheran Church



## **Worship Participants:**

Ushers: Gary McCarthy, Jim Lund, Tina Berg Song Leaders: Scott Bertelsen, Jaci Thorson

Piano: Linda Ferjak

Communion Servers: Renae Hopp, Carolynn Korth

Comm Set Up: Ruth Melby

Sound/Video Techs: Brody Hopp, Jacob Beenken

Immanuel's January General Offerings: January 2024 General Offerings: \$29,496.39

Monthly Budget: \$41,169.22

January 2023 General Offerings: \$28,025.53

Altar Care: Julie Damm Assisting Minister: Patti Strukel Greeter: Shirley Rollefson Scripture Reader: Leah Boyd

Choir: Linda Ferjak
Bell Choir: Ruth Melby

**WELCOME to worship!** If you are a guest, let us know you are here by signing the guest book in the narthex and help yourself to a welcome gift also in the narthex. For all of you, communication cards are available in the pews to let us know you communed or to pass on any other information you might want to share with us.

**Visitation Team:** We are putting together a team to make regular visits to congregation members who are homebound, to spend some time together and share Communion with them. These visits are very meaningful for all involved and help us all feel like the close extended family that we are. I invite you to prayerfully consider setting aside a few hours of your time every month for this vital ministry. Please contact me if you have any questions and to be added to this team. ~Intern Elizabeth

**Wednesday Community Meals:** Serving each week 4:15-6:15 in the fellowship hall—eat in or takeout. Menu this week: chicken & noodles, carrots, peaches, chocolate cake. 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.

**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.





**WE ARE HIRING:** Taking applications for 15-hours-per-week Custodian and a part-time position, approx. 10-hours-per-week, Property Manager. For more information contact Jaci or Kim in the office, or check out the job posting on Immanuel's Facebook page.

Western Iowa Synod Assembly: 'Stir Us Up To Be', Friday-Saturday, April 19-20 in Council Bluffs. Would you like to attend as a voting member representing ILC? Registration is open now through March 15. Let us know of your interest through the office or pastors. (Expenses paid by the church.)

We are starting the collection for LWR Personal Care Kits. Each kit has a new light-weight bath towel (darker colors preferred), two bars of soap, a toothbrush, nail clipper, and a wide-tooth sturdy comb. Your purchased items may be left in the office and/or office hallway box. A Thrivent Grant has also been gifted to help purchase additional supplies. Thank you for helping with this Lutheran World Relief meaningful project! These simple items provide much-needed self-care, critical germ fighting, and the chance to regain dignity amidst situations of fear and uncertainty to those that receive these Kits.

## **Around the community:**

Are you or your kids attending Bible camp this summer? February is the month to sign up to receive the discounts. 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.

Waldorf University Oxfam Hunger Banquet, Wednesday, Feb. 21, 6-7pm, Waldorf University Atrium. Hosted/RSVP: Waldorf Human Rights <a href="Club/David.greder@waldorf.edu">Club/David.greder@waldorf.edu</a> or Rachel.Harms@waldorf.edu. What is an Oxfam Hunger Banquet? It is an interactive event that helps people understand poverty and inequality statistics. Guests randomly select tickets that match real people who are high-, middle-, or low-income earners. The tickets assign guests to different income levels.

**MARRIAGE RETREAT @ 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>.

**Pianist Dr. Jonathan Korth in Concert** – Boman Fine Arts Center, Forest City, Tuesday, Feb. 27 @ 7pm. Tickets: \$15 available at the Center's website or at the door. Jonathan is a piano faculty member at University of Hawaii Music Dept. and has traveled the world performing. (Jon grew up at Immanuel and is a FC graduate.)

JONATHAN WILL BE PLAYING FOR SPECIAL MUSIC @ WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, FEB. 25

**ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Leland,** Saturday, March 2, 4:30-7pm; Chili, Homemade Chicken Noodle, Vegetable Beef, Wild Rice w/Ham, Bread, Pies – freewill offering.

**Jason Gray in Concert** -The Dock, 500 Main Ave, Clear Lake, Saturday, March 2 @ 7pm (doors open at 6:15). Tickets: \$15 general admission. Tickets available at zionclearlake.org/jasongray. Jason is a contemporary Christian singer-songwriter, incredible musician, and fellow Midwesterner.

## This Week at Immanuel:

TODAY: 9:15am Worship, communion

10:15am Coffee, Fellowship Hall

10:30am Promiseland

MONDAY: 2-4pm Prayer Shawl Ministry, Shalom TUESDAY: 3:30pm Intercessor Prayer Group, Zoom

MARCH MESSENGER DEADLINE

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

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

6:30pm Lenten Worship

7:15pm Choir

7:30pm High School Youth Group, Youth Room

THURSDAY: 9am Women's Bible Study, Lounge

6:30pm Good Grief Group, Shalom

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15am Worship, communion, special music from Jonathan Korth

10:15am Coffee, Fellowship Hall

10:30am Promiseland