

# announcements~3.3.24~Immanuel Lutheran Church



## Worship Participants:

Ushers: Chad & Quincey Benson family  
Song Leaders: Mark & Joy Newcom  
Piano/Choir Director: Linda Ferjak  
Scripture Reader: John Chisholm  
Communion Servers: Matt Welp, Leah Boyd

Altar Care: Mary Lund  
Assisting Minister: Kathy McEnelly  
Greeter: Shirley Rollefson  
Sound/Video Techs:  
Communion Set Up: 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.

**2024 FIRST QUARTER MISSION EMPHASIS:** Forest City Neighborhood Food Bank. Some needed items suggested from the Food Bank: (commercially packaged only) canned vegetables/fruits/soups, cereal/oatmeal, mac & cheese/Hamburger Helper, pasta/spaghetti sauce/spaghetti O's, canned tuna/chicken, peanut butter/jelly & jams, flour/sugar, pancake mix/syrup, toothpaste/toothbrush, shampoo, bodywash, deodorant, dish soap, laundry soap, toilet paper, Kleenex. *LOTS of items to consider donating; thanks for helping our friends and neighbors!*

**We are collecting 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.*

**POTLUCK BRUNCH next Sunday, Mar. 10,** following worship. Just drop your food in the kitchen before worship and Mission & Outreach Board members will take care of it. *Freewill donations for 50 years of World Hunger.* Thanks to Matt Welp, he will have the can/bottle redemption trailer parked out front by the alley on Sunday.

**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: French toast, ham & sausage, yogurt & fruit. 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.com](mailto:jaci@immanuelfamily.com). **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.



**Sign one of the retirement cards in the narthex leading up to Mike Oleson's last day as our Custodian/Property Manager on March 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**March Messengers** are available around church and on the [immanuelfamily.com](http://immanuelfamily.com) website.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade communion class** is Thursdays, March 14 & 21, 3:30pm. A time when the 5<sup>th</sup> graders gather with the pastors to learn more and talk about the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Even if the 5<sup>th</sup> grader is already communing or waiting for this class, all 5<sup>th</sup> graders are encouraged to attend. Parents will join in the class on the 21<sup>st</sup> from 5-5:30pm in the sanctuary. Then on Maundy Thursday worship, March 28, at 6:30pm, the parents will be washing the feet of their student like Jesus who washed the feet of his disciples showing his love for them and for them to go out and show their love for others.

**Around the community:**

**'1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month' Pancake Breakfast**, March 3, at FC Legion. Serving 8am-noon; freewill donation.

**CLOTHES CLOSET at Fertile Lutheran Church.** Open every Wednesday evening from 5:30-7pm. This clothing ministry provides clothes and shoes of all sizes for FREE to those in need. All families and individuals in the surrounding area are welcome to see what is in the Clothes Closet. Racks and shelves of clothing sorted by size from newborn to adults. Donations may also be brought on Wednesday evening or call the church and leave a message (641-797-2767) about donations. There is a convenient drop-off box located at the back entrance.

**This Week at Immanuel:**

TODAY: 9:15am Worship, communion  
10:15am Coffee, Fellowship Hall

*Spring Break week for FC Schools and Waldorf University*

TUESDAY: 3:30pm Intercessor Prayer Group, Zoom  
4:30pm Parish Life Board, Lounge

WEDNESDAY: 4:15-6:15 Meal, Fellowship Hall  
6:30pm Lenten Worship, communion  
7:15pm Choir

THURSDAY: 9am Women's Bible Study, Lounge

SATURDAY: *turn your clocks ahead before bed*

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15am Worship, communion  
10:15am Potluck Brunch hosted by Mission & Outreach, Fellowship Hall [freewill for 50<sup>th</sup> year of World Hunger]

**Easter is Sunday, March 31**

Remember or honor someone at Easter with a lily. If you would like to help beautify the sanctuary on Easter, please fill out the form and return to church by FRIDAY, MARCH 22.

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ plants at \$10.50 each. Amount paid \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_



You are welcome to take the lily home following the Easter Sunday worship or share with someone!

*The white lily, mentioned many times in the Bible, symbolizes purity, rebirth, new beginnings, and hope associated with the resurrection of Jesus Christ as observed on Easter.*