

announcements~6.29.25~Immanuel Lutheran Church



MISSION EMPHASIS: May-June Mission Emphasis: **LUTHERAN SERVICES IN IOWA.** LSI is one of Iowa's largest nonprofit human services agencies. Thanks for your help as we help support our Iowa neighbors through LSI! ***Our gifts will be supporting these areas of LSI: 1) Foster Care & Adoption and 2) Mental Health.* **THANKS FOR YOUR NOISY (& SOFT \$) OFFERING TODAY!** July-August mission Emphasis is Global Refuge (formerly known as Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service).

The Character of a Christian: This July, we'll be studying The Character of a Christian together on Facebook. Quincey Benson will host and lead conversations around the Fruits of the Spirit! Each week we'll focus on how God grows love, joy, peace, patience, and more in our lives. There will be actionable steps you can take to grow your faith. This is open to everyone, invite your friends near and far to join along! Come be encouraged and encourage others as we all work to grow in our walk with Christ! July 7th-31st!

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/18zjPuGYvd/>

Wednesday Community Meals: Serving each week 4-6:00pm in the fellowship hall—eat in or takeout. Menu this week: meatloaf, penne cheese casserole, green beans, pudding. Come enjoy the fellowship with others at this free community meal. Talk to Kathy in the kitchen if you would like to help anytime or sponsor with a Thrivent Grant.

You or anyone you know who would like to do special music this summer at worship? Talk to Linda Ferjak, Geno Lopes, or let us know in the office.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: Vanco (the online giving portal) does charge transaction fees. If you decide to give directly through your local bank (MBT or NSB), fees can be avoided. Do not use the QR code if signing up through your bank. See Kim Severson with any questions.

RAGBRAI Committee needs YOUR help! Please consider helping either or all of these ways: 1) Monetary donations, 2) PIES (lots of PIES), 3) Volunteer to help the day of the event—Tuesday, July 22. Look for the sign ups in the narthex or by the church office. THANK YOU TO MANY THAT HAVE DONATED \$\$ AND SIGNED UP TO BRING PIES!

FIRST WELLNESS WALK & POTLUCK @ PILOT KNOB: Please join Pastor Jeniffer and Parish Nurse Rachel for an Immanuel Wellness Walk and Potluck! This will be a time to reflect, worship, and connect with others, decompressing and letting the Lord's work take over for the evening.

When: Friday, July 11th at 5:00pm- we will walk first and then gather for fellowship

Where: Pilot Knob State Park- meet at the Stone Shelter. Follow the handmade signs. This is where you can leave your food/ potluck items during the event. The walk will be on the paved road to accommodate all people. (Please watch for cars)

Who: Anyone! Bring your friends, family, and pets! (Pets must be on a leash at all times per Pilot Knob rules) Children need an adult to accompany them.

What: Wellness walk with signs along the way to allow for time of reflection, and connection with God's work. Join us at the Stone Shelter for a fellowship potluck to follow.

PUCKERBRUSH PARADE: *Want to join in the fun of walking in the parade with the Immanuel entry? Leave your name with Tasha Banta, Pastor Rod, or Jaci in the office. Want to donate bags of candy for throwing out in the parade? Bring to the office. Thanks! PUCKERBRUSH PARADE, SATURDAY, JULY 19, 10AM.*

Thank you, Immanuel family, *for acknowledging the 25th anniversary of my ordination into the ministry of Word and Sacrament. Your cards, prayers, blessings and acknowledgment of Renae's roll in reaching this milestone are greatly appreciated and valued. With love, Pastor Rod.*

Around the community

Ingham Okoboji Travel Camp! Deadline is July 1 to sign up for Travel Camp '25 on a Boston Fall Adventure. Sept. 23-Oct. 1 bus tour to explore Boston and the coast visiting seaport towns in the fall. \$1410 per person, double occupancy. Visit camp's website for more info, www.okoboji.org/travel-camp.

Forest City RAGBRAI Housing Committee needs housing for biking guests on Tuesday, July 22. It could be options like yard space for tent(s), access to electric, shower/bathroom/inside your home—whatever works in your situation. Consider hosting and get signed up. See the signup link on our immanuelfamily.com under events, or find the form on the forestcityragbrai.com/interest-form/ webpage, or there is a paper signup sheet in the church office. Hosts only need to provide a place for riders to rest their heads for the night. This place can be inside or outside. You are not required to entertain guests or provide them with amenities, and you do not need to feed or transport riders.

This Week at Immanuel

TODAY:	9:15am	Worship, <i>noisy offering for Lutheran Services in IA</i>
	10:15am	Coffee, FH
TUESDAY:	3:30pm	Intercessor Prayer Group, Zoom
	4:30pm	Parish Life Board, Lounge
WEDNESDAY:	4-6pm	Meal, Fellowship Hall
THURSDAY:	9am	Women's Bible Study, Lounge
FRIDAY:		church closed for Independence Day
NEXT SUNDAY:	9:15am	Worship
	10:15am	Coffee Fellowship, FH



OUTDOOR WORSHIP OUTDOOR CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

Sunday, July 13, 9:15am
Waldorf University Pond

Bring along your lawn chairs/blankets
And enjoy a morning outside!
Picnic menu: pulled pork sandwiches,
lemonade

Congregation asked to share cookies & chips