

PARISH THREE

Immanuel and St. Johns Lutheran Churches



November 7th - Immanuel 9 am

November 14th St. John's 9 am

November 21st - Immanuel at 9am

November 28th - St. John's at 9am



Sunday, November 7, 2021

Wow is on Wednesday evenings from 6 pm to 7 pm. There will be a Christmas program on Sunday, December 12th with the few children that we have. Please try to attend to watch the young ones with their program.



Confirmation meets by Zoom on Wednesdays at 7 pm. Sign in early to make sure things are working properly. No confirmation on Thanksgiving Eve.



Help support ELCA World Hunger by giving to the benevolence account. Please help support World Hunger by making your check out to St. John's Benevolence and writing in the memo - World Hunger.



If you have had a change of address or are not receiving the newsletter and would like to, please contact the office at 641-926-5798 or at parishthre@wctatel.net.

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PASTORS PAGE
November 2021

Dear Friends In Christ,

November brings many changes to our lives. Step into November like you might step into a house and look around you.

November flings wide her doors welcoming us with **the annual time change**. That Sunday gives us an extra hour of sleep. Along with the time change we notice the days getting shorter and shorter for the next couple of months. We have a lot of darkness.

November flings wide her doors giving us an opportunity to look into the month. Stepping through the doors the first thing we see is **All Saints Sunday**. We take this day to celebrate our loved ones joining the Saints in Heaven in the Church Victorious. Our celebration of life is the celebration of eternal life.

Looking further into the month we see **Christ the King Sunday**, the last Sunday of the Church year. The church year takes us through the life of Christ, from Advent's looking forward to his coming, to the cross, to the celebration of his resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Pentecost season has us learning from Jesus, learning how to be

Christians and the Christian church, to the final Sunday when we proclaim Christ is King over all.

November is a full month. We also pause to **give thanks to God**. As Bess and I have written thank you notes for the gifts for our wedding, we have found ourselves giving thanks for so many people who love us and the privilege for us to love you back.

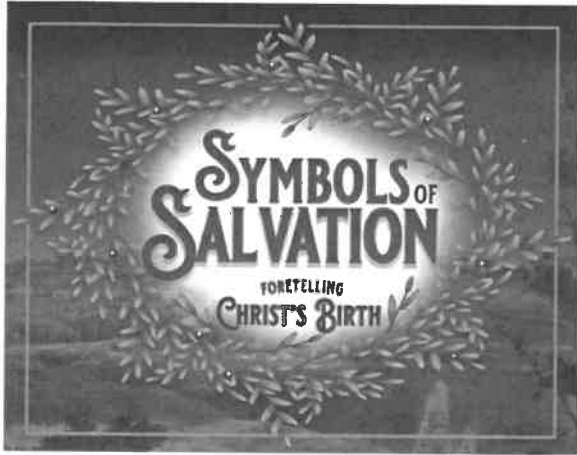
And finally, after Christ the King Sunday we notice things changing in the church. It is Advent. The color on the altar, pulpit, and lectern is blue. Blue symbolizes hope. Christ is the hope of the world so as we anticipate his birth, we also anticipate his second coming.

Be blessed this November as you walk with Christ.

Pastor Kim Peterson

ADVENT

This year our theme for Advent will be
*“Symbols of Salvation,
Foretelling Christ’s Birth”.*



Our services will be
Sunday Evenings
at 7 p.m.

THE FIRST SUNDAY EVENING ADVENT SERVICE
WILL BE

OLD TESTAMENT CHRISTMAS

At this service, we will look at the burning bush and the Lord’s address to Moses. This picture is even more meaningful because it was the pre-incarnate Christ who stood before Moses and spoke through the burning bush, foreshadowing the incarnation itself, which is the focus of Christmas.

The lesson for this service will be
Exodus 3:1–14

The background for the Israelites being in Egypt is primarily in **Genesis 41-50**. Read a chapter each evening as part of your devotions,

As you prepare for this service read **Exodus, chapters 1 & 2**.

Exodus 1:7 Why were there getting to be so many Israelites in Egypt?

Exodus 1:8-10 What was the problem with the new king (pharaoh) of Egypt?

Exodus 1:13-14 What becomes the status of the Israelites?

Exodus 2:1-10 Why was Moses not killed as a baby? Who raised him?

Exodus 2:11-15 Why did Moses flee to Midian?

Exodus 2:23-24 What had the people’s lives become like? Did God care?

Immanuel News

Servant Schedule

Communion/Dossal/Banners

Greg & Julie Finer

Readers

November 7 - Susan Post

November 21 - David Post

St. John's News

Servant Schedule

Ushers - Daryl Brunsen & Dylan Brandt

Communion - Doris Haugland

Bulletin Board - Diana Hayungs

Altar Cloths & Flowers

Shannon Doege

Readers

November 14 - Doris Haugland

November 28 - Pat Gibbs

Joint Council Meeting with
Good Hope

November 9th 7:00pm at

Good Hope

There will be a Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 25th at 7:00 pm at St. John's . Advent service is November 28th 7pm at Good Hope.

St. John's members-- remember to pick up your envelopes for 2021 in the back of the church. If you have been missed or do not care to have envelopes for 2023, talk to Becky Crone. Remember your monetary gifts are needed for the church.

ST. JOHN'S

Nov 4 - Rusty Meyering
Nov 5- John Kurtzleben
Nov 7 - Connie Tegtmeyer
Nov 9 - Marj Squier
Nov 15 - Cheryl Schutjer
Nov 16 - Brett Buns
Nov 16 - Leslie Kofron
Nov 17 - Gary Schutjer
Nov 18 - Keandra Ingrahm
Nov 18 - Landon Weber
Nov 20 - Krystal Albers
Nov 20 - Andrew Schimmelpfennig
Nov 21 - Pam Hanna
Nov 22 - Nancy Beenken
Nov 27 - Michael Schimmelpfennig
Nov 28 - Maurice Buns
Nov 28 - Verlaine Swingen
Nov 29 - Jason Bosworth



IMMANUEL

Nov 1 - Cindy Beenken
Nov 5 - Rande Giesking
Nov 12 - Carolyn Bormann
Nov 14 - Max Bormann
Nov 14 - Georgia Ricklefs
Nov 18 - Jaci Bruns
Nov 18 - Heidi Larson
Nov 19 - Mark Ricklefs
Nov 25 - Adam Senne
Nov 26 - Kenny Post
Nov 27 - Adrien Stohr
Nov 30 - Marlys Bruns



Nov 10 - Dean & Doris Haugland
Nov 21 - Rick & Cassie Schutjer

Nov 24 - Greg & Julie Finer

Cookie Sales and Breakfast

St. John's will have their breakfast and cookie sales on Saturday, Dec. 4th at the Woden Com. Center. The breakfast will start at 6:30 - 9:00 and the cookie sales will be from 7:30 - 9:00 or until they are gone. The price for a bucket is \$9.00 and buckets are provided. **All ladies remember** to bring your 3 dozen Christmas cookies on Friday to the Com. Center between 7:30 - 5:30 pm or else by 7:00 am on Saturday.

St. John's Ladies Thankoffering will be Sunday, November 14th at St. John's. Remember to bring your offering on that day!

Announcements



Val is planning to set up the sharing tree. Please watch and see when this will happen later in November. Stop by and get an Angel from the tree and buy a toy for a child in need. There may be a sign up sheet for food donations as well, so check that out too!! Please help those children and families in need!



Corn and Cash

Remember to support St. John's during this harvest season



Immanuel Corn & Cash

November 7 & 21st.



We will be collecting mittens and hats during the whole month of November and December. There will be a collection box at Immanuel Church! They will be distributed to children in need.



Wreath orders must be turned in by Sunday, November 7th. Delivery will be around Thanksgiving. Money will go to the PNF fund to help someone in need. Order forms are at each church or you can call Phyllis at 926-5247.

Anyone wanting to pay for a 25" wreath to **decorate the church** can do so by signing up with Phyllis before Nov. 7th. This wreath can be used in memory of someone or in honor of someone. The cost of the 25" wreath is \$26.00 and should be paid for when ordering.

CHRISTMAS WREATH SALES

Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____

	Price	Quantity	Total
Door Swag	\$22.00	_____	_____
18" Wreath	\$24.00	_____	_____
25" Wreath	\$26.00	_____	_____
Cross	\$33.00	_____	_____
Cane	\$32.00	_____	_____

Above items are decorated with velvet bow, painted cones and berries

Center Piece \$31.00 _____
 Wicker basket decorated with velvet bow, painted cones and berries
TOTAL DUE _____

Make checks payable to St. John's PNF
 All orders must be in to Phyllis by Sunday, Nov. 7th, 2021.
 Delivery will be around Thanksgiving.
 The proceeds will go to the Perpetual Needs Fund.

November 2021, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

National Adoption Month November is National Adoption Month, a time to honor families who have opened their hearts and homes to children and teens. For LSI, it is a time to celebrate the families we support through Foster Care and Adoption, and to raise awareness for the hundreds of Iowa children in need of a safe, healthy home.

In 30 counties across western Iowa, LSI Foster Care and Adoption recruits, licenses, and supports foster and adoptive families to ensure every Iowa child grows up in a safe, stable environment.

But more work needs to be done. According to the most recent federal data, more than 100,000 children in the U.S. are waiting to be adopted from foster care, and thousands of teens age out of foster care every year without a permanent family. To learn more about supporting Iowa children in foster care, visit LSIowa.org/Foster, or contact Deb Whitford, LSI Director of Philanthropy and Church Relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563.676.2065. LSI is also available to provide a customized virtual shared ministry opportunity for your congregation. If you would like to share the message of LSI with your community, please visit LSIowa.org/church-relations or contact our Waverly office at 319.352.2630 to get started.

Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at www.LSIowa.org and www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa.

Giving Back to Their Community

Amber and Donald had always felt called to provide foster care. But any time they would consider taking the leap and starting the process, the thought of “what if?” would leave them feeling stuck. Now, Amber can’t imagine life without the children her family has cared for over the years. Amber and Donald became licensed to provide foster care and adopt children almost seven years ago. Since then, they have provided foster care for 17 Iowa children and adopted six. Amber says one of her favorite parts of the experience is seeing her adult children bond with each child who enters their home. “It’s crazy to see our 25-year-old so bonded with our two-year-old. We don’t label the kids as ‘adoptive’ or ‘biological’, they’re just all our kids,” Amber says. “That bond is just as huge whether it’s biological or not.” As Iowa continues to see a need for more foster and adoptive families, Amber says becoming licensed is one way Iowans can give back to their community. “God gives us all gifts, and parenting and helping in the community seemed to be what He put in our hearts,” Amber says. “If you haven’t found a place to help in your community, consider foster care and adoption,” she says. “It could be exactly what your purpose is.”