



# PARISH THREE

Immanuel and St. Johns Lutheran Churches

June 7th at Good Hope at **9:30 am**  
June 14th at St. John's at **9:30 am**  
June 21st at Immanuel at **9:30 am**  
June 28th at Good Hope at **9:30 am**

Bring your own lawn chair and a mask.  
Pastor Kim will still have the service on the  
Parish Three website. If inclement weather,  
services will be moved inside.



*Summer Worship  
Schedule*

The Family of Harriet Kurtzleben would like to thank all for the thoughtfulness for every card, phone call and memorial gift. We deeply appreciate your expression of sympathy. Our heartfelt gratitude for the kindness and comfort given to us by Pastor Kim and the Staff at the Titonka Care Center.

Dear St. John -

Thank you for your financial support as I take seminary classes and work toward ordained ministry. Thank you for all the prayers. I greatly appreciate the prayers and encouragement. Thank you for everything you have done to support me in this ministry journey. Thank you - In Peace,  
Denise Lindemann

**Stay  
in the  
Word**



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# Pastor's COLUMN

June 2020

Dear Friends In Christ,

What will we do now? That is the question we must deal with as the restrictions are lifted in the state. How safe is it to go to public places? How long do we practice social distancing? And what about gathering for worship?

All of us are longing to gather for worship. We long to be with each other. We long to gather and sing hymns, hear the word, and pray together. So, what will we do?

First, myself as pastor along with the leadership of Parish Three and Good Hope have struggled with this. We are concerned for the safety of our congregations and communities. The ELCA, the Synod, and the Health Department are providing guidance as to how to return to worship safely.

Our plan:

We will begin meeting for outdoor worship, with plans to move inside if the weather is bad.

Bring a lawn chair, and a mask. We will have masks and hand sanitizer available. We ask you to observe social distancing.

Service will be at 9:30 a.m. – Bring your lawn chair to each.

June 7th we will begin at Good Hope.

June 14th we will be at St. John's

June 21st will take us to Immanuel.

June 28th we will return to Good Hope.

We will begin by worshipping, gathering around the Word. Our next step will be to determine how to serve Holy Communion. Advice is coming from the leadership of the Church and the Health Department. All of us are longing for that Sacrament.

I will continue to offer Zoom Worship for those who prefer to remain in their homes during this time of pandemic concerns. The recorded Zoom worship will be posted on Facebook, our church websites, and in Tintonka on cable TV through TBC Digital.

.Though this is a difficult time, we must never forget that nothing can separate us from the love of God through Jesus Christ. Continue to love your neighbor as Christ has loved us, with the kind of love that is not always easy, the love that places our neighbor first.

In Christ,

Pastor Kim Peterson



## MINUTE BIBLE STUDY

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The Word of God.

Genesis, chapter 1

How did God bring about creation?

Genesis 1:31

What was the quality of all God created?

John 1:1-2

What do we learn about God's Word?

John 1:3

What did God do with His Word?

John 1:14

What did the Word become?

These days we long for the fellowship of worship with one another and with God. We long for the Sacraments. We must note, that the Word of God cannot be taken away from us.

Think about the Word of God as Jesus spoke in the following situations. Reflect on each of these passages and look for the answers to two questions. First, what happened?

Secondly, how long before what Jesus commanded happened?

John 5:1-9

What happened?

How long did it take before Jesus words were fulfilled?

John 6:1-13

What happened?

How long did it take before Jesus words were fulfilled?

Luke 7:11-16

What happened?

How long did it take before Jesus words were fulfilled?

Read through other miracles Jesus did. Ask yourself what happened in each situation and how long it took before the Words of Jesus were obeyed.

# ST. JOHN'S

June 3 - Patrick Gibbs

June 5 - Paige Buns

June 5 - Tracie Foley

June 6 - Sheryl Hanna

June 7 - Matthew Krull

June 8 - Travis Albers

June 8 - Larry Burma

June 9 - Kristi Korte

June 12 - Kaitlynn Feuring

June 13 - Dan Haugland

June 13 - Gary Hayungs

June 14 - Cory Squier

June 15 - Josh Mehsikomer

June 16 - Julie Larson

June 16 - Jaycee Scholl

June 17 - Shirley Vokoun

June 19 - Don Fritz

June 23 - Danielle Buns

June 23 - Kathy Trenary

June 28 - Shannon Doege

June 30 - Crystal Anderson



# IMMANUEL

June 1 - Daniel Boyken

June 1 - Chad Ullmann

June 5 - Heather Fredrickson

June 7 - Shawn Plymesser

June 11 - Kevin Ullmann

June 15 - Sherry Smithart

June 16 - Dean Boyken

June 19 - Matthew Swingen

June 23 - Steve Boyken

June 24 - Kent Ullmann

June 30 - Carl Giesking

June 30 - Allen Post



June 2 Joe & Laura Hanna

June 8 Daniel & Pamela Kloser

June 13 Mike & Deb Schimmelpfennig

June 14 Brad & Ruth Buns

June 14 Bruce & Phyllis Schutjer

June 17 Matt & Jessica Doden

June 24 Larry & Kim Flatebo

June 25 Dan & Laura Webber

June 9 Arvid & Sheri Boyken

June 9 Adam & Barb Parker

June 12 Merle & Betty Ricklefs

June 21 Tim & Heather Ricklefs

June 22 Doug & Lisa Swingen

June 24 Travis & Nicole Shillington

# Immanuel News

# St. John's News

## Readers

June 21- Wendy Harms

## Servant Schedule

Ushers - Denny Smith & Rick Schutjer

Reader

June 14 -

Lent Offerings amounted to \$426 (Keep in mind, Lent was cut short this year) \$142 was sent to each of the three county food banks. Parish Three sent another \$1600 which meant each food bank received \$533.33.

St. John's is planning Vacation Bible School for Monday, July 13th and Tuesday, July 14th. This is a two day Bible School from 9:00 - 3:00. The theme is from "Raindrops to Rainbows". If VBS has to be cancelled, we will decide a week ahead of time. Otherwise we hope to see you for the 2 day event. There will be more information in the July newsletter.

Parish Three Council Meeting  
June 9th at 7:00 pm at  
Immanuel

Thank you's have been received from the area food banks acknowledging our donations. Please continue to remember the food banks and those that are less fortunate.

# Announcements

St. John's has always sponsored Erika Merino and we are continuing to do that this year. Please send any donations to St. John's Lutheran Church P.O. Box 95 Woden, IA 50484. You can also put your donation in the offering plate but mark it that it is for Erika. She is in her first year of going to the University. Please continue to support her!!

Dear friends and sponsors,

I hope and pray that you, your loved ones, and the members of your congregations are staying safe and healthy amid this global pandemic.

I am writing with a couple of updates on our situation in Cameroon. You may have heard that in mid-March, ELCA Global Mission asked all U.S.-based mission personnel to return to the U.S. if possible. It was not possible for me at that time because all commercial flights in and out of Cameroon had already been stopped. Later the U.S. embassy arranged for some charter flights for U.S. citizens who wanted to return. Since it was only for U.S. citizens or those with permanent residency cards, my husband Eric and our children would not have been eligible for the flight or to enter the U.S. Needless to say, leaving them behind was not an option for me, so I have chosen to stay in Cameroon. So far, the pandemic situation here is not dire, although the number of infections is growing. We are taking necessary precautions to keep ourselves as safe as possible.

Another development is that ELCA Global Mission has cancelled "home assignment" for 2020, which means that we will not be able to visit our sponsoring congregations this summer. This decision had to be made for obvious reasons, but we are very sorry that we will not be seeing you all in the coming months. We certainly hope that it will be possible to visit in 2021. In the meantime, if you have ideas for how we might do a "virtual visit" by skype or zoom, we are certainly open to those possibilities.

We are deeply grateful for your prayers for our health and safety. You remain in our prayers as well.

Grace and peace to you all.

Elisabeth and family



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