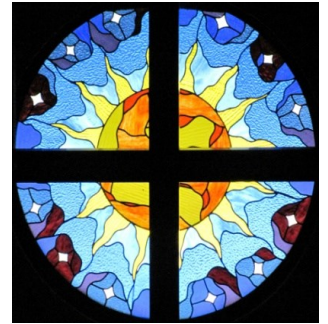


Immanuel Lutheran Church

Hear Love. Eat Love. Share Christ's Love.

April 2021 Newsletter



Weekly Services and Communion

All services are

- * In-Person RSVP
- * Live Streaming
- * Conference Call

Sundays- 9 am

Wednesdays- 6 pm

Car Hop Communion

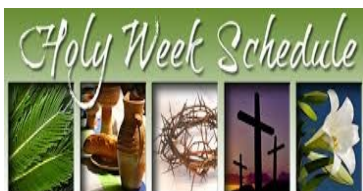
4/1- 7- 7:30 PM

4/11- 11- 11:30 am

Office Hours

Kelly in on
Thursdays

9 am - 1 pm



“How Long, You People, Shall My Honor Suffer Shame?”
by Peter J. Weller

One of the psalms for this month, Psalm 4, reads:

“Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me and hear my prayer.

“How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?”

“But know that the LORD has set apart the the faithful for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him.

“When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent. Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

“There are many who say, ‘O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!’ You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound. I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety.” (Psalm 4)

The psalmist, David offers much for us to ponder in this psalm. David knew the Lord. He knew that the Lord heard his prayers. He trusted the Lord fully and completely. He believed that the Lord would protect him. He had the absolute confidence that the Lord was with him and would keep him safe, even when sleeping.

Yet, David had to deal with serious personal and family difficulties before and during his reign. Despite his many accomplishments, David's personal life was a mess, filled with problems and tragedy: his guilt over his affair with Bathsheba and the killing of her husband; deadly conflicts among his children; and two sons attempted to knock him off the throne. Unquestionably, he had faced many enemies during his lifetime, and many situations toward which to direct his anger. In his psalms, he often asked for God's help to defeat his enemies and those who are wicked.

In Psalm 4 above, David is dealing with exasperation, and he urgently appeals to God, “Answer me when I call, O God of my right!” (Other translations say, “. . . O God of my righteousness.”) He also expresses appreciation to God for giving him the space to voice and deal with his anger and frustration. Addressing his people and his adversaries, he asks, “How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?” Essentially, David is asking, “Why do you not believe me? Why do you shame and dishonor me? Why do you accept the false narratives and the lies, rather than the truth?”

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Palm Sunday, March 28th: 9 a.m. Worship

Maundy Thursday, April 1st: 4 p.m. Worship

Good Friday, April 2nd: Noon Worship

Easter Sunday, April 4th: 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. Worship (Live streaming 10 a.m. only)

Monthly Updates (Month to date)

Account balances as of 3-25-21

General Fund ~ \$7,412.01

Savings ~ \$0

Building/Visions ~ \$3,797.83

Endowment ~ \$3,303.51

Community Assistance ~ \$3,825.94

Mortgage ~ \$66,221.17

Attendance

No Wednesday evening worship
Due to COVID-19

Sunday, February 28 ~ 9 am ~
Live Streaming 461 views

Wednesday, March 3 ~ Compline ~
Live Streaming 196 views

Sunday, March 7 ~ 9 am ~
In Person ~ 45
Live Streaming 173 views

Wednesday, March 10 ~ Compline ~
Live Streaming 95 views

Sunday, March 14 ~ 9 am ~
In Person ~ 24
Live Streaming 274 views
Car Hop Communion ~ 16

Wednesday, March 17 ~ Compline ~
Live Streaming 113 views

Sunday, March 21 ~ 9 am ~
In Person ~ 34
Live Streaming 168 views

Wednesday, March 24 ~ Compline ~
Live Streaming 105 views

In Christian Joy

We extend our Christian Congratulations

Graham Isaiah Blesseman, born March 4th (6lbs 9ozs),
Graham's beaming Great Grandparents are Char and Ron
Andersen. Congratulations Char and Ron!

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! 2 Corinthians 9:15

Christian Sympathy

We extend our deepest Christian
sympathy to the families of

+Curly Steumke (Deidra Baker's Cousin)
+Beverly Hanson (Debbie Jewell's Aunt)

may their families find comfort and peace
in the promise of the resurrection of Christ.



















**IMMANUEL OPENED IN PERSON
WORSHIP; at 9 a.m.**

You have three opportunities to worship our
Triune God as Immanuel Lutheran: in person; live
streamed to Immanuel's Facebook page
(Immanuel Lutheran Washington Iowa), website
(luthwash.org), and uploaded to YouTube
(luthwash); and conference call (319) 656-2663
using participant code 344238#. This phone line
will open at 8:50 a.m. on Sundays and it will end
at the conclusion of worship.

To worship together safely, Immanuel's Council
has approved guidelines we will be following.

**Please note that in person
worship is through
reservation only by
calling the church.**

Immanuel's Guidelines for Safe, Sanctuary Worship

-  In person, sanctuary worship is **by reservation only**.
-  Reservations are to be made by calling Immanuel, 653-3950, by the Wednesday prior to Sunday. Reservations will be taken on a first come first served basis. Kelly will connect with you regarding your Sunday reservation.
-  If the sanctuary meets its maximum capacity prior to your reservation, you will be on the wait list for the following Sunday.
-  It is requested that cancelations are made no later than Saturday morning.
-  All doors will be available to enter and exit the building.
-  Face masks must be worn inside Immanuel Lutheran Church. Masks must be worn properly, covering both the nose and mouth. Face masks will be available if you need one.
-  It is requested that no fellowship occurs in the hallways and that you remain at least 6 feet from one another.
-  It is requested that you are at worship by 8:50 a.m., to receive any instructions prior to worship going live online.
-  Seating in the sanctuary will be assigned, an usher will seat you and dismiss you (from the back to the front).
-  Once seated, it is requested that all congregants remain in their pews for the duration of the worship service.
-  Bulletins will not be printed. Download from Immanuel's website: luthwash.org
-  There will be no congregational singing. Singing by the accompanist only.
-  Liturgical responses will be softly spoken.
-  When sharing Christ's peace, the practice of bowing to each other will be practiced.
-  Offering plates will be located at the back of the sanctuary, no passing the plate.
-  Holy Communion Sundays: prepacked Communion will be taken off a table in the narthex and consumed while seated in the pew.
-  Nursery: not staffed, but available.
-  Contact tracing: If someone tests positive within the week after attending worship, call the church. Pastor Howard will call the people who were in church that Sunday and tell them that an anonymous person tested positive on X date.



Birthdays for April

- 4- Kelly Smith
- 7- Bentley Striegel
- 8- Bonnie Taylor
- 12- Debbie Jewell
- 20- Fran Victor
- 22- April Six
- 25- Stan Kroll
- 26- Grace Taylor
- 26- Kenzie Quigley
- 29- Mark Kendall
- 29- Gary Fischer



Anniversaries for April

- 4- Randy Poos & Nancy Baker
- 8- Tom & Cris Gaughan
- 11- Lynn & Carol Woodruff
- 14- Kyle & Chrissy Middle
- 22- Marty & Joyce Westen

HACAP

Your dollar buys more when HACAP orders food, consider sending a few dollars to:

HACAP

2175 Lexington Blvd # 1 Washington, Iowa 52353

Help your local families during this difficult time.

Thank you, DeAnn

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Education:

Finance: April 6th at 6:30 pm

Worship/Music: April 8th at 11 am

Council: April 11th at 8 am



Luther League

- When: Sunday, April 18th
- Where: Immanuel Lutheran
- Who: Youth 6th – 12th Grades
- Why: Healthy Relationships and Internet safety
- Led by: Xiomara Levsen, Domestic Violence Intervention Program Client Coordinator
Jim Lester, Police Chief
- Time: 11a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Lunch: TBD
- Leadership: Steve Vetter & Pastor Howard



Don't Forget Immanuel Lutheran
 We continue to give God our thanks and praise through our tithes and offerings of thanksgiving for the mission of the church including the care of those in need. We continue to receive you tithes and offerings by: mailing your checks to Immanuel Lutheran (1226 E. Washington St., Washington 52353), call the church (653-3950) to have the automatic withdrawal (Simply Giving) enrollment form mailed to you, or give online through Immanuel's website (luthwash.org). We are grateful for your continued generosity to God through Immanuel Lutheran.

Immanuel's Golden Nuggets

As a people of God, the following are the identifying, non-negotiable characteristics of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

- 1) God's Word and Sacraments (Baptism and Holy Communion) are paramount in the life of Immanuel.
- 2) We are an inclusive congregation; ALL are welcome.
- 3) As disciples of Christ, we live in service to God and others.
- 4) We are an Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) congregation.

As discerned by the 2019 Council.

6 p.m. Wednesday Worship to RESUME!

Beginning on Wednesday, **April 7th** and **every Wednesday thereafter**, Holy Communion worship will be offered at **6 p.m.** Immanuel Lutheran recognizes that not everyone has the ability to worship in person on Sunday mornings. Immanuel has resumed the Wednesday evening worship opportunity. The service liturgy will be "Now the Feast and Celebration" by Marty Haugen ~ liturgy will be spoken not sung. The scripture proclaimed during the Wednesday service would be what was proclaimed the previous Sunday as well as the sermon preached. Can't make it to Sunday worship? Mark your calendars and join us beginning April 7th! No in person reservations need, masks will be required (this service is in person only and will NOT be live streamed or available on conference call).

Hope's Heroes

Ray and Alta Poe are our Hope workers' heroes. For our Lutheran World Relief projects we make what we can make, but we need raw materials. Ray and Alta supply the fillings for the quilts we put together. These fillings make toasty warm coverings for the destitute people who need our quilts. In their behalf we say
THANK YOU to Ray and Alta Poe.

THANK YOU to **Brian Lueck** for all the behind the scenes work you do: overseeing Immanuel's website, YouTube channel, getting the new laptops ready for streaming, and doing the tech work on Ash Wednesday. Your generosity in using your expertise to enhance the ministry at Immanuel Lutheran is a blessing to the church.

THANK YOU to **Linda Six** for providing the stimulating questions and fun "minute to win it" games Luther League and family members played on Sunday, March 21st. It was definitely a fierce competition with the parents squeaking out a win on the questions and the Luther Leaguers squeaking out a win on the games. We laughed and enjoyed the fellowship of each other's company. Following the competition, we enjoyed a delicious feast provided by the families: chicken/noodle casserole, tater tot casserole, Irish soda bread, scotcheroos, and monster cookies (the size of frisbees!).

A remembrance of Lois by Judy Venzke:

It occurred to me that Lois Buchholz was not as known to many of you as she was to me because a few of us knew her before her early onset dementia. I knew her when she still was raising her children and was a happy person. She didn't get upset by many things. Lee and family came to Immanuel a few years after the church started. We were instant friends. She and I were members of the organized women's group. We were both officers. Anything that was asked of her she would do, especially anything that had to do with fixing food. If asked to bring food for a funeral meal, Luther League breakfast, etc. she always volunteered and then ask what else she could bring. I think of her with a smile on her face. When she was pregnant with Brad. she shortened a tent maternity dress I wore. We thought that was neat. Four church couples, which included Lee and Lois, Dale and I regularly played cards together. One of my cookie recipe cards is titled "Lois's Apple Bars". I was going to put it in this newsletter as a remembrance, but it's too long. Here's a short recipe I made every Christmas that was also Lois's.

Holly wreaths:

1 stick butter, 35 regular marshmallows, 1/3 tsp, vanilla, 1 1/2 tsps green food coloring, 4 cups corn flakes. Melt first 4 ingredients, gently fold in corn flakes until all are green, drop by teaspoons onto waxed paper, decorate with a few red hots.

Judy's note: I didn't try to shape wreaths. I dropped a full teaspoon onto the waxed paper and I always had a child or a grandchild or a husband to quickly press 3 red hots into the greenery.

April 2021, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

National Child Abuse Prevention Month According to the most recent Iowa Department of Human Services data, 9,532 Iowa children were subject to abuse or neglect. The most common forms of abuse included denial of critical care, physical injury, exposure to illegal drugs or dangerous substance, and sexual abuse. Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) helps combat child abuse through prevention, safety, and stability services, as well as mental and behavioral health care. Through regular in-home visits to families, LSI Early Childhood Services prevent child abuse by giving parents the support, education, and resources they need to build a healthy, stable home for their children. In 2020, our Early Childhood programs provided more than 18,000 in-home and virtual visits to families. LSI Family Centered Services help children and families already involved in a crisis or abuse situation to become safer and more stable, and LSI's Bremwood and Beloit Residential Treatment Centers serve many children and youth who have experienced trauma from past abuse or neglect. You can make a direct impact on these children and families through your support of LSI. For more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563-676-2065. **Empowering Iowa Families** Gaylene was overwhelmed raising three young boys. Finances were strained and she and her partner, José, worked hard to make ends meet. Suddenly, well into her second trimester, Gaylene learned she was pregnant with her daughter, Julieanna. Left with less time to prepare her home for a fourth child, Gaylene was stressed at the thought of welcoming a little girl into a house with three energetic older brothers. And once Julieanna was born, Gaylene began experiencing postpartum depression. Gaylene enrolled in LSI Early Childhood Services for help, and she and José began meeting with their LSI worker, Kellie. She provided the family with age-appropriate ideas and developmental activities for the kids, and served as a shoulder to lean on whenever Gaylene or José needed guidance or advice. Gaylene recently graduated from college with a degree in early childhood education, and her family is thriving. Gaylene also graduated out of LSI services last year. The family still keeps in touch with Kellie, and Gaylene says she will forever be grateful for the support she received when times were difficult.

"We got so used to Kellie coming to our home for five years, it's going to be different. But now I know where to turn and how to help my family down the road," Gaylene says. "I feel like Kellie and LSI actually care about people and parents."

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But, David knows that God "has set apart the faithful for himself." He has the confidence that God hears him and answers his prayers. Of those who ask of the Lord, "Let the light of your face shine on us," David says of them, "You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound." David also knows that he can trust God to keep him safe and that he can sleep in peace. Ordinarily, kings cannot always count on a sound sleep. As Shakespeare's Henry IV spoke, "Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown."

Not only did David have to deal with unbelief among his subjects, even Jesus could become exasperated. On an occasion when the disciples' were unable to cure an epileptic son whose father then brought him to Jesus, Jesus responded, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I . . . put up with you?" (Matthew 17:14-18)

John cites many incidents in his gospel where Jesus' identity as the Messiah is questioned. Two examples are given here. In the first instance, Jesus gave sight to a man who was born blind. When discovered that he now could see, much argument and debate arose among them as to how this happened. They questioned him repeatedly, and he tried to explain as best he could what Jesus had done. But, his answers did not satisfy the Pharisees and others. John writes, "They said to him, 'What did he do to you?' He answered them, 'I have told you already and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again?' " (John 9:26-27)

In the second illustration, Jesus had just told his audience that he was the good shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep. Then, the Jews asked him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you and you do not believe." (John 10:24-25)

To tell the truth and not be believed is exasperating. You can hear it in both David's and Jesus' voices. But, people find it hard to believe that which they cannot see and defies logic and common sense. Finding God and understanding the mysteries of his presence in our lives is not an intellectual exercise. It is through the Holy Spirit that we come to God. Actually, it is God who comes to us. And, we are reminded of this by Martin Luther, who wrote in his Small Catechism: "I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith. . . . This is most certainly true."

Digital Ministry Synod Grant

The office of the bishop is excited to announce that through a generous gift from Zion Lutheran Church in Davenport and the Southeastern Iowa Synod's shared generosity from congregational mission support, the Synod is now taking applications for digital ministry grants ranging from \$100 to \$2000. The grants will be given to those who are engaged in or seek to be engaged in connecting to their communities, worshipping, or other ministry through the use of technology. Emphasis will be placed on increasing or sustaining the on-going capacity for digital ministry even when public health precautions allow for in-person gatherings.



Immanuel's Council applied for a grant asking \$2,000 for the purchase of a video camera controller (a specialized joystick). The controller will allow for smoother transitions in the live streaming of worship and more settings. The grant was submitted and APPROVED. Immanuel will be receiving a \$2,000 check for the purchase of the video camera controller. Immanuel continues to proclaim the loving Word of God which reaches people across the United States through our streaming of worship.

EWALU Spring Work Day - Saturday, May 1

Volunteers are invited to Camp EWALU to help with a variety of outdoor service projects. The day starts at 9:00 a.m. Sack lunch provided. Please RSVP to camp@ewalu.org or call 563-933-4700.



Altar Easter Flowers

During the season of Lent, no flowers adorned the Altar. For Easter Sunday, let us fill the chancel with potted spring plants or fresh flowers. The beauty of the flowers will point to the beauty of LIFE we receive through our resurrected Lord, Jesus the Christ. Call the church or sign up on the hallway table with your name and who in memory, honor, or celebration your flowers are given in. Please bring your plants/flowers to the church by Saturday, April 3rd, 10 a.m.



Holy Week

Maundy Thursday: Thursday, April 1st, 4 p.m.

Maundy Thursday we remember Jesus' last supper with his Disciples during Passover. During this meal Jesus washes the feet of his Disciples, institutes Holy Communion the bread and wine now his body and blood, and Jesus gave his followers a new command (Maundy) "... that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." John 13:34. We

also remember that Jesus is betrayed and arrested that evening with the stripping of the altar. This service will be available: in person (RSVP by Wednesday, March 31st), live streamed, and conference call (opened at 3:50 p.m.). Let us reflect on this holy night together.

Hand/Foot Washing at Home

Immanuel Lutheran's Maundy Thursday worship (April 1st, 4 p.m.) will not include a foot washing of congregational members. Instead, Pastor Howard will demonstrate what Jesus would have done during the celebration of the Passover on that Thursday night he was betrayed. While Pastor Howard is describing this act of service Jesus gives to his disciples, you are invited to participate at home. Before worship begins have a bowl, pitcher (or glass) of water, and a towel set near your worshipping location. When Pastor Howard begins this part of the liturgy, you may wash your own hands, using the water recalling Jesus washing his disciples' feet. Or, if there are several of you worshipping together, you may wash each other's hands, thinking of Jesus' love poured out on each participant. Or you may choose to wash each other's feet; hold the heel, pour the water, and dry the foot. As you pour water over hands/feet you may say, "Jesus said, 'Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.'" And the recipient responds with "Amen".



Good Friday: Friday, April 2nd, Noon

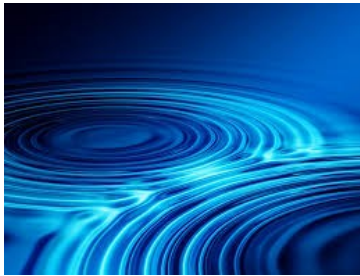
Standing with the disciples at the foot of the cross, we pray for the whole world in the ancient bidding prayer, as Christ's death offers life to all. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life. We depart silently, and we anticipate the culmination of the Three Days in the Easter Vigil (from SundayandSeasons). This service will be available: in person (RSVP by Wednesday, March 31st), live streamed, and conference call (opened at 11:50 a.m.).

JESUS' SEVEN LAST WORDS ON THE CROSS

- +FATHER, FORGIVE THEM; FOR THEY DO NOT KNOW WHAT THEY ARE DOING
- +TRULY I TELL YOU, TODAY YOU WILL BE WITH ME IN PARADISE
- +WOMAN, HERE IS YOUR SON! HERE IS YOUR MOTHER!
- +MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?
- +I AM THIRSTY
- +IT IS FINISHED
- +FATHER, INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMEND MY SPIRIT

Easter Worship; Sunday, April 4th, 7 a.m. AND 10 a.m.

Join Immanuel Lutheran as we proclaim the joyous, good news that Jesus is RISEN! That death could not hold Jesus in the tomb, but God's love raised him from the dead. The day promises to be fabulous! Easter services will be available: in person (RSVP by Wednesday, March 31st), live streamed (10 a.m. worship only), and conference call (opened at 9:50 a.m. for 10 a.m. worship only).



Centered Prayer: April 10th and 24th, 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Deacon Fran Victor will be leading an hour of contemplative prayer in Immanuel’s sanctuary (practicing social caring and wearing masks) the second and fourth Saturday mornings of each month; 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. The hour begins with Centered Prayer and then moving into Lectio Divina (using a verse of scripture as the basis for prayer). No experience is necessary in either prayer practice to participate. No reservations needed, just come and enjoy the hour of contemplation. If you would like to join this intimate group, but are

new to this type of prayer, come at 8:15 a.m. for explanation. Centered Prayer will be offered on Saturdays April 10th and 24th. “God’s first word is silence.” – Thomas Keating

Car Hop Communion: Sunday, April 11th

Pastor Howard will be serving Holy Communion on **Sunday, April 11, 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.** under the portico in the church’s parking lot. **16** people were nourished with the presence of Christ at Car Hop Communion on Sunday, March 14th. Pastor Howard will consecrate the elements (wafers, wine, and grape juice) during worship, 9 a.m. Pastor Howard will be wearing a face mask when consecrating the elements and during distribution. The common cup will not be available only individual, plastic cups. Cars will enter the parking lot through the North entrance and exit through the West entrance. Pastor Howard will give you Holy Communion while you remain in your cars. You will then drive to the garbage can and throw away your plastic cup(s).

A quick glance at Car Hop Communion Dates:

April 1 st	Maundy Thursday	Serving 7 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
April 11 th		Serving 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
May 16 th	(NOTE DATE CHANGE)	Serving 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Communion is served under the portico in the church’s parking lot, regardless of the weather.

Washington Against Hunger: Sunday April 11th

Did you know that 1 out of 6 people do not have enough food to eat? Did you know that 14.8 MILLION children are in poverty in the United States? Immanuel Lutheran will be partnering with other Washington churches on Sunday, April 11th to package 18,000 meals through Take Away Hunger! Sign up by April 4th, sheet on hall table. There will be two, one-hour time slots that packaging will take place: 3 – 4 p.m. or 4 – 5 p.m. at Washington First Assembly Church. Please call Immanuel, or sign up on the sheet in the hallway, to reserve your one-hour spot to assist in eradicating hunger in the United States and the world.



Know of a Graduation?

If you are graduating this year, or know someone who is graduating, please let the church know (luthwash@hotmail.com or 653-3950). We will share in the May newsletter the graduate’s: name, high school, school/college (will be attending in fall), degree, major (or plan on majoring in), and any honors bestowed.



Confirmation

Confirmation Servant Project

During the 9 a.m. worship service, on Sunday, April 18th, confirmand/mentor **Claire Wubbena/Sara Bartlett** will talk to the congregation about the servant project they have been working on. A requirement of the confirmands was to choose a mentor; journey together on specific subjects of faith; and plan and complete a servant project that addresses a need of the church or Washington. Claire and Sara have been working very hard on their project. We look forward to hearing about their project and what they have learned about being a servant. Don't hesitate to ask Claire about her servant project!

Confirmation Year End Celebration

The year has gone by fast! In celebration of a great year of confirmation, Pastor Howard will treat the confirmands to supper on Wednesday, April 21st at 7:00 p.m. The youth will determine our supper plans. It has been a different, interesting, but a great year!

Confirmation Dinner/Rehearsal

The confirmand, her mentor, and family will gather at Immanuel Lutheran for a dinner on Saturday, May 1st at 6 p.m. Following the delicious dinner (prepared by Deb Tisor), we will add Claire's handprint and Bible verse to the hallway wall, get her robe, and have rehearsal for her Affirmation of Baptism.

Confirmation Sunday, May 2nd, 9 a.m.

The following youth from our congregation has been instructed in the Christian faith, as confessed in the teachings of the Lutheran Church, and desires to make public affirmation of her Baptism: **Claire Wubbena**. Please plan to attend the 9 a.m. worship service (in person, live streaming, or conference call) May 2nd, to support Claire as she affirms and underscores God's action in her Baptism.

NEEDING VOLUNTEERS

to help with lawn mowing at church. Mark Kendall gave the church a riding lawn mower. Please call Gary Fisher at (319-461-9487) or Steve Vetter at (319-461-2404) if you can help. We will do a rotating schedule with the volunteers we have sign up. Thank you for helping out.



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