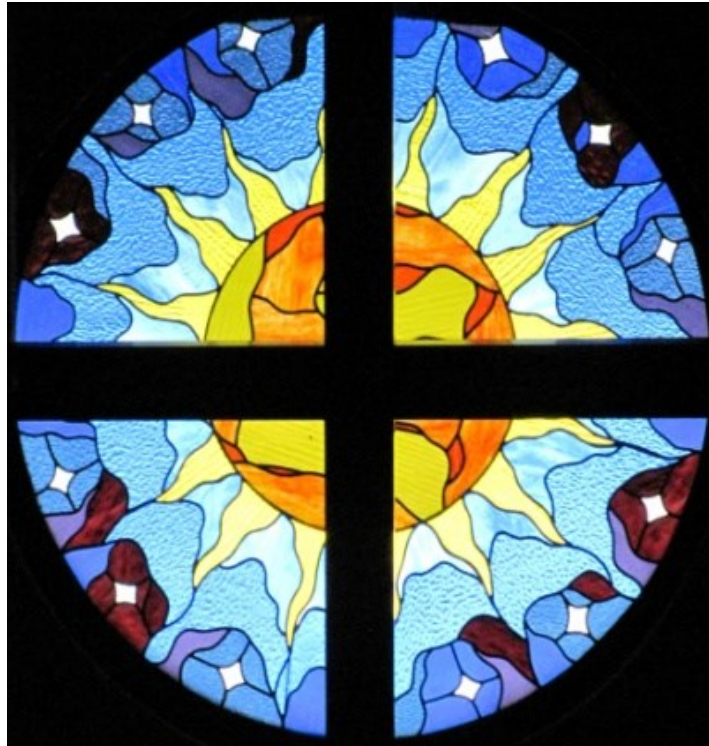


Immanuel Lutheran Church

Share Christ's Love.

October 2023 Newsletter



Worship and Communion
Sunday services ~ 8:30 a.m.
* In-Person * Live Streaming

Faith Formation
Faith Formation ~ 9:45 a.m.

Office Hours
Kelly in office
Tuesdays and Thursdays
9 am - 1 pm

Find us on Facebook at Immanuel Lutheran Washington Iowa and online at luthwash.org

YouTube- [luthwash](https://www.youtube.com/luthwash) * Email us at luthwash@hotmail.com

Come visit us at 1226 East Washington Street, Washington, Iowa 52353

Church ~ 319.653.3950

Attendance

Sunday, September 3
Worship at UP Church Kinnick ~ 22

Sunday, September 10
9 am ~ 68 Views ~ 61

Sunday, September 17
9 am ~ 35 Views ~ 47 Kinnick ~ 17

Sunday, September 24
9 am ~ 55 Views ~ 41

If you aren't signing the register, you aren't counted in these numbers.



Birthdays for October

1- James Almelen
5- Linda Brown
6- Aaron Six
14- Doris Moore
15- Pam Johnston
16- Stan Jones
17- Emma Lueck
20- Ron Brown
21- John Harris
22- Charlane Tanner
23- Paige Woline
25- Linda Six
28- DeAnn Hakert
30- Ryan Woline



Anniversaries for October

5- Rich & Deidra Baker
7- Jason & Angela Taylor
24- Ron & Linda Brown

UPCOMING MEETINGS

To have your meetings listed,
please let Kelly know when they are held.

Council- Sunday, October 8, 2023 at 11:00 am

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

The Faith Formation Preschool class would like to thank the following people for the improvements made to our classroom (located down by former sewing room)

*Deb Simmering for making our rainbow and animal paw print curtains and our big blue sheep floor pillows, also for finding the 3 big sheep to cuddle!!

*Avenley's family for the Thrivent card to purchase our portable air conditioner!

*Steve Vetter for installing the air conditioner and arranging for a new over head light to be put in. It is so nice to have a cool and lit up room!!

We love everything and appreciate it all!

Blessings,

Avenley Six, Ellis Almelien, Kennedy Striegel, Makenzie Middle, and Mrs. Brown



Even though it's weeks away, the Children's Christmas pageant planning is underway. The script is finished, parts are being decided, and music has been chosen.

The pageant will be held at the 8:30 a.m. service on Sunday, December 17th. It will be followed by Jesus' birthday party for everyone.

Practices will be as follows:

*Sunday, November 19th

Kinnick Sunday. HS and MS students do not need to attend the practice.

All elementary students need to attend.

*Sunday, November 26th no practice and no FF for Thanksgiving

*Sunday, December 3rd

*Sunday December 10th

All practices are 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

All students need to attend these practices!

If your child(ren) will not be in pageant or will miss a practice please let me know asap.

The children are excited to tell the story of Christmas to Immanuel again this year.

Any questions or comments please contact me by email camimaudegeorge@gmail.com or text me at 319.863.3387

Thanks

Linda Brown , pageant director

Faith Formation News:

*We are looking for volunteers to sign up for hosting grab and go breakfast after service. Please see the sign up on the table.

*Please update addresses for any college students at the table. The sign up and collection bin is also out for the college care packages.

*Dale Scheibe and Yaro & Mary Chmelar are donating pumpkins for all kids. They will be available on Saturday, October 14th. We are encouraging kids and their families to participate in the Bible pumpkin decorating contest. Grab a pumpkin, decorate at home, and return to the church on Saturday, October 21st. Voting will be the 21st following service. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

*Sunday, November 5th is PAJAMA DAY! Faith Formation students will be wearing pajamas, having a snack, and watching a movie while other church members attend the Congregational meeting.



Luther League News:

All middle school and high school students are invited to attend Luther League on the following dates:

Sunday, October 22nd 5:30-7:30pm: Pizza and Trick or Treat for HACAP

Sunday, November 19th 5:30-7:30pm: Friendsgiving supper

Sunday, December 10th 5:30-7:30pm: Supper and Christmas shopping

Trick or Treat.....

Luther League is planning to trick or treat for HACAP on

Sunday, October 22nd from 6-7:15pm.

IF you would be willing to leave food on your porch that evening for our youth to grab, please contact the office or April Six (319-541-1532) by Friday, October 20th.



Dates to remember:

Sunday, October 1 - Budget requests due

Tuesday, October 10 - Annual committee reports due

Sunday, October 29 - Reformation Sunday **WEAR RED**

Sunday, November 5 - 9:30 am Annual Meeting and Kiddos Pajama Day

Sunday, November 29 - UP comes to ILC to worship, fellowship following

Saturday, December 2 - 9:30 am DECORATE SANCTUARY FOR CHRISTMAS with coffee and pastries to follow. All are welcome!!



October 2023, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

At LSI, we celebrate all the ways professional caregivers help children and adults achieve their goals and build meaningful connections in their communities. LSI's Host Homes program is an innovative way Direct Support Professionals serve adults with disabilities.

Through this program, an individual moves from Supported Community Living into a private family home with a carefully selected Host Homes Provider who provides 24/7 support for the client.

"Working directly with my clients to help them complete goals and work around obstacles is my favorite part of my job," said Erica Hill Murray, a Host Homes Provider at LSI. "I enjoy showing them that there are people in their lives who care about them, are proud of them, and proud to help them."

Erica has helped many clients in the five years she has provided care at LSI, but one client, in particular, has made great strides under her care.

"I worked with a client who wanted to find a job or volunteer position, but she had two obstacles in her way: she had trouble using a computer, and she wasn't confident in her ability to speak in an interview," said Erica. "I offered to look for positions on the computer with her and to call potential employers to explain what she was looking for. After working with her, we found her a volunteer position for a couple of days a week, and she was delighted."

"She thanked me for helping her and said that she was happy that, for once, someone understood her drive to want to work," said Erica. "I like to make a difference – even if it is small. Helping others, no matter at what level, is impactful. I love working at LSI, and I believe my position as a Host Homes Provider has been my favorite position in life."

Stories like these are possible through our many community partners and generous donors. If you would like to learn more about how you can support crucial programming like LSI Host Homes, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI's Senior Director of Philanthropy and Church Relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563-676-2065.

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 LSIowa.org and Facebook.com/LSI.Iowa.



**Centering Prayer:
Saturday, October 14th and Saturday,
October 28th
at 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 Centering 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.

“God's first word is silence.” – Thomas Keating

Ecclesiastical (Church) Balloting

The church council has adopted a Holy Spirit led approach to raising up leaders for Immanuel Lutheran. We invite the congregation to enter into a time of prayer asking God to lead your thoughts to persons who have spiritual gifts in leadership and vision to serve as church council member for 2023-2025. We ask that you begin praying for God's wisdom on **Sunday, September 3rd** concluding on **Sunday, October 1st**.

Please mail or deliver the names God has revealed to you no later than **Sunday, October 15th** to Steve Vetter, Nominating Committee Chair, 114 McCreedy Drive, Washington, IA 52353. The nominating committee will then contact each viable person, to prayerfully consider serving on church council. At the Annual Meeting we will vote from the pool of candidates that have prayerfully accepted the nomination.

August 2023 Finance

Checking	19754.96
Visions	8259.65
Savings	2978.59
Community Assistance	3435.70
Luther League	18318.14
Hills Bank	
Checking	61184.42
Refresh Renew	1131.42
Erma Thompson (Scholarship Fund)	815.92
H.O.P.E.	673.65

Meals for seniors 60+!

Encore Express is “**your second call to enhance your health**”

This **NEW** and **INNOVATIVE** program features

Bi-monthly meals catered by Hy-Vee and Vouchers for meals at Hy-Vee

Suggested voluntary contribution of \$5.00 per meal, Evidence-Based Programs

Chronic Disease Self-Management, Tai Chi, Stepping On,

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***Church at
Tuesdays
days 9 am-***



***(319) 653-3950. Or stop in on
and Thurs-
1 pm***



Encore at Immanuel Meals this month:

Thursday, October 12th and

Thursday, October 26th

Serving at 11:30 a.m.

Check Facebook for the menus.

RSVPs are required. See you there!!



Service Date	Acolyte	Greeter	Reader	Tech	Usher	Communion
October 1	Evan Woline	Clyde Pearce & Fran Victor	Deb Simmering	Brian Lueck	Steve Vetter	Naomi Erickson
October 8	Axel Six	Bev Bailey	Linda Brown	Steve Vetter	Gary Fischer	Bev Bailey
October 15	Vivi Kroll	Tricia Kroll	Molly Zywiec	Caitlin Kroll	Brad Kroll	Tricia Kroll
October 22	Evan Woline	Christina Woline	Peg Harris	Steve Vetter	Gary Fischer	Naomi Erickson
October 29	Clayton Bartholomew	Michelle Bartholomew	Taylor Bartholomew	Aaron Six	Scott Bartholomew	Bev Bailey



Sundays

October 1st

October 8th

October 22nd

November 12th

November 19th



**Meet at Kinnick @ 8:30am,
let someone know if you need a ride – all are welcome!
Contact Brad Kroll @ 641-781-0388 with questions.**