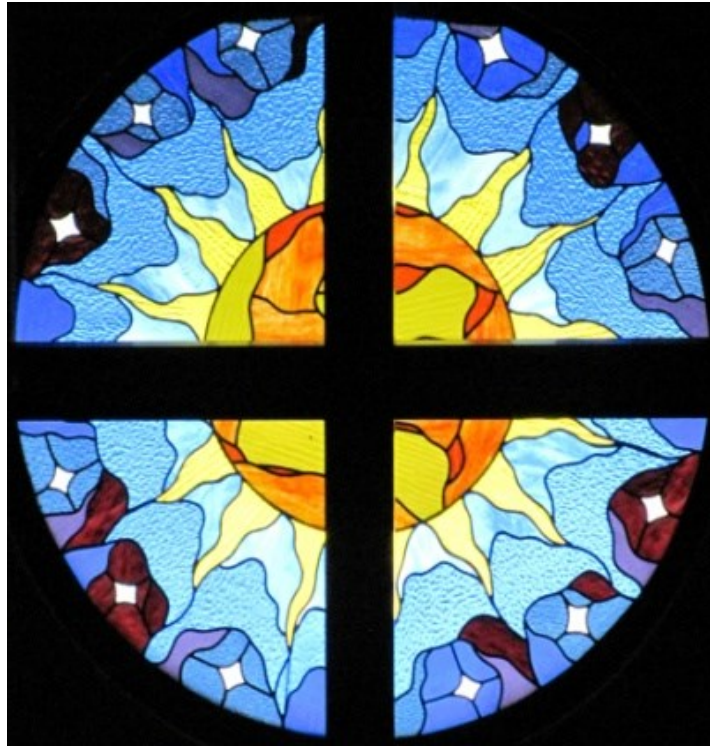


# Immanuel Lutheran Church

Share Christ's Love.

*March 2024 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](http://luthwash.org)

YouTube- [luthwash](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv1Wp0j8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8) \* Email us at [luthwash@hotmail.com](mailto:luthwash@hotmail.com)

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

Church ~ 319.653.3950

## Attendance

Sunday, February 4  
8:30 am ~ 71 Views ~ 128

Sunday, February 11  
8:30 am ~ 64 Views ~ 69

Sunday, February 14 Ash Wednesday  
8:30 a.m. ~ 45 Views ~ 62

Sunday, February 18  
8:30 am ~ 60 Views ~ 77

Sunday, February 25  
8:30 am ~ 64 Views ~ 79

### **Birthdays for March**

- 1- Yaro Chmelar
- 2- Evelyn Brown
- 3- Marty Baker
- 6- Julie Hill
- 7- Sid Manfull
- 8- Clyde Pearce
- 11- Deidra Baker
- 16- Gene Booth
- 17- Margie Runaas
- 20- Ryan Jones
- 23- Taylor Bartholomew
- 26- Cody Jones



### **Anniversaries for March**

- 18- Stan & Kristin Jones
- 24- Ryan & Christina Woline



### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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

**Council- Sunday, March 3 at 11 am**  
**Worship and Music- Tuesday, March 21 at 1 pm**

### **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

## Scholarship Application for the coming year is open

The Immanuel Lutheran Scholarship is for any active members of Immanuel Lutheran.

The scholarship is for students who wish to attend an ELCA college, or any accredited university, private, community, state, or trade school. Contact the Church office or a committee member for an application form. If you have any questions talk to a committee member. If you would like to donate to the Scholarship fund you can do so by sending your donations to Immanuel Lutheran Church. Please designate the donation to the Scholarship fund thank you.

The committee members are Bev Bailey, Mary Chmelar, Linda Six, and Steve Vetter.



ENCORE EXPRESS

  
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Area Agency on Aging

  
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**Encore at Immanuel Meals this month:**

**Thursday, March 14**

**and**

**Thursday, March 28**

Serving at 11:30 a.m. Check Facebook for the menus.

**RSVPs are required. See you there!!**

Dear Immanuel Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$372.28 to ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in American (ELCA) through ELCA Good Gifts.

Your Good Gift is a very good gift indeed. Through resources such as seedlings and seminary courses, vaccinations, vegetables gardens, bibles, and blankets, you equip God's people - around the world and around the corner- with what they need to live abundant lives.

Thank you for your gracious gifts. The glory of God shines through you.

With gratitude,  
Rachel Wind  
Executive for Development

Thank you to all who volunteered to help with meals on wheels. Those who took the route for a week and those who would assist if the weather got difficult to make the deliveries. Those who delivered:

Ron & Char Andersen  
Dave & Deb Simmering  
John & Peg Harris  
Stan & Sharol Kroll  
Bev Bailey

Thank you very much. 25-28 were made through the week!

DeAnn Hakert

Dear Immanuel,

Thank you for the care packages! They were packed full with lots of great stuff!  
We really appreciate you thinking about us and sending us the care packages.

Aden, Avery, Ajay and Addison Six

My heartfelt thank you to the many friends who remembered me on my birthday, February 6th, with cards, phone calls, flowers, and even on "Happy Birthday" serenade- what a nice surprise! I am truly blessed to be part of such a wonderful family of fellow Christians in our beautiful church. I thank God every day for your friendship and love.

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## **March 2024, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story**

### **March is National Professional Social Work Month**

March is National Professional Social Work Month, a time to recognize social workers and thank them for all they do. At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we are grateful for the many social workers who have dedicated their lives to serving our communities across the state!

At LSI, we believe every Iowan deserves the independence they need to thrive. LSI's Host Homes is an innovative way LSI is serving adults with disabilities. Through this program, an individual moves from Supported Community Living into a private family home with a carefully selected mentor. This program is built entirely around an individual's goals and interests, and LSI's extensive matching process ensures the mentor and mentee are a great fit.

Take a moment to read the following story from a Host Homes mentee:

"My journey with LSI's Host Homes started in early 2023. I've known my mentor for a few years while he provided hourly services to me. We learned about Host Homes and thought it would be a good fit for us. I moved into my mentor's home where he helps me maintain a daily routine with schoolwork, household tasks, daily living skills, improving independence, and more.

I attend a college nearby and go to classes a few days a week. I am able to navigate the local bus system to access my community to attend classes and visit friends. My mentor is always available to transport me into the community as needed.

This summer, I went on a trip across the country with one of my classes. While on this trip, I was able to maintain my independence with limited support, but I knew my mentor would be available by phone to assist me with my coping skills and problem solving. This trip was a big success for me knowing I had support only a phone call away.

I like LSI's Host Homes Program because my mentor supports me in the way I want to be supported, assists me with some daily tasks I struggle with, and understands me."

If you are interested in becoming a Host Homes mentor and helping a fellow Iowan achieve independence, please visit [LSIowa.org/HostHomes](https://LSIowa.org/HostHomes) for more information.

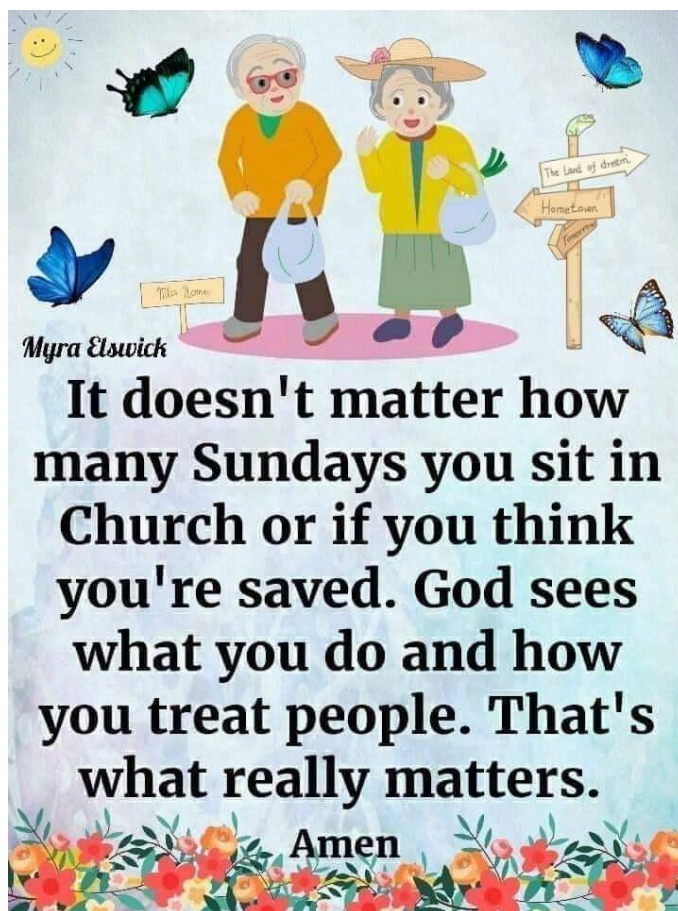
Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people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



**Centering Prayer:  
Saturday, March 9 and  
Saturday, March 23  
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





## Holy Week

### **Palm Sunday-**

Sunday, March 24th- Worship at 8:30 a.m.

### **Maundy Thursday-**

Thursday, March 28th- Worship at Immanuel Lutheran Church with UP joining, time to be determined.

### **Good Friday-**

Friday, March 29th- Worship at United Presbyterian Church, time to be determined.

### **Easter-**

Sunday, March 31st- Worship at 8:30 a.m. (children find their A-words)

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**Due to our worship time this year, Luther League will NOT be hosting an Easter Sunday breakfast. Thank you for understanding.**

**Luther League will be meeting  
Sunday, March 24th from 11:45-1.**

# MARCH

Service Date	Acolyte	Greeter	Reader	Tech	Usher	Communion
March 3	Paige Woline	Deidra Baker	Deidra Baker	Brayden Zywiec	Rich & Deidra Baker	Naomi Erickson
March 10	Axel Six	Clyde Pearce & Fran Victor	John Harris	Steve Vetter	Ray Poe and Gary Fischer	Steve & Kathy Vetter
March 17	Evan Woline	Christina Woline	Peg Harris	Caitlin Kroll	Ryan Woline and Gene Booth	Christina Woline
March 24	Vivi Kroll	Stan & Sharol Kroll	Bev Bailey	Aaron Six	John & Peg Harris	Tricia Kroll
March 31	Clayton Bartholomew	Michelle Bartholomew	Taylor Bartholomew	Brian Lueck	Scott & Michelle Bartholomew	Bev Bailey



*Our next Saturday Kitchen  
is Saturday, May 4th.*