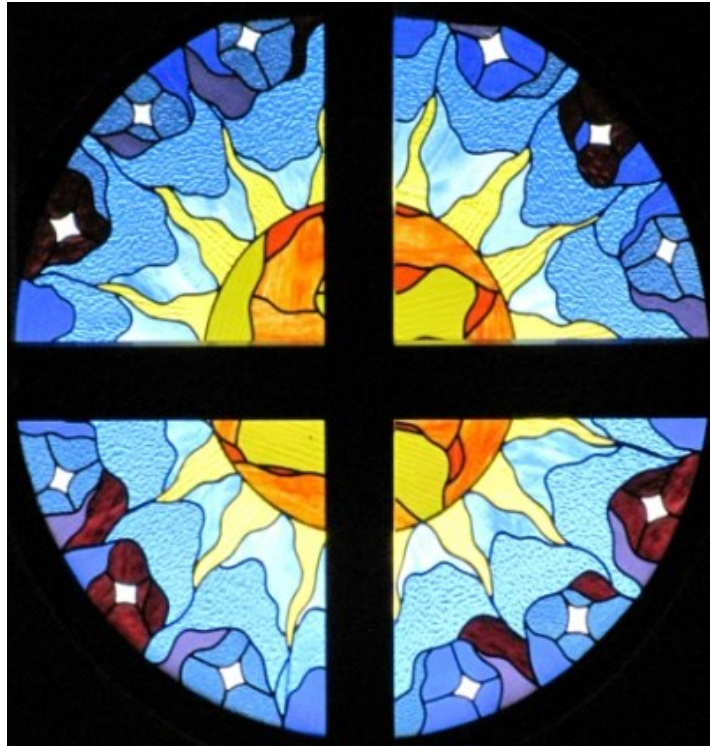


Immanuel Lutheran Church

Share Christ's Love.

September 2024 Newsletter



Worship and Communion
Sunday services ~ 9:00 a.m.
* In-Person * Live Streaming

Faith Formation
Faith Formation ~ 10:15 a.m. (Starting the 15th)

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/channel/UC...) * Email us at luthwash@hotmail.com

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

Church ~ 319.653.3950

Attendance

Sunday, August 4
8:30 am ~ 61 Views ~ 50

Sunday, August 11
8:30 am ~ 42

Sunday, August 18
8:30 a.m. ~ 58

Sunday, August 25
8:30 am ~ 60

As of August 11th, Facebook has changed views to plays. It does not accurately give us a "views" number. It will no longer be added to our attendance count.

Luther League begins Sunday,
September 22nd.
More information to follow.



**Birthdays
for September**



- 8- Audrey Wubbena
- 10- Jon Runaas
- 16- Dale Venzke
- 17- Peg Harris
- 19- Ken Baker
- 21- Marilyn Bennett
- 22- Carrie Lueck
- 24- Brad Kroll
- 25- Randy Poos
- 26- Charlotte Andersen
- 28- Tracy Almelien
- 30- Sara Bartlett

HACAP

Your dollar buys more when HACAP orders food,

consider sending a few dollars to:

HACAP

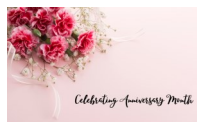
2175 Lexington Blvd # 1

Washington, Iowa 52353

Help your local families during this difficult time.

Thank you, DeAnn

**Anniversaries
For September**



- 2- Yaro & Mary Chmelar
- 5- Ron & Charlotte Andersen

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

Council- Wednesday, September 4 at 5:30 pm



ENCORE EXPRESS

Heritage
Area Agency on Aging

HyVee
EMPLOYEE OWNED

Encore at Immanuel Meals this month:

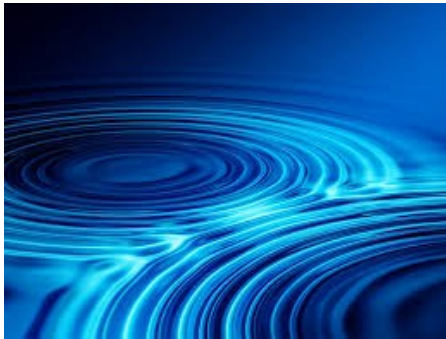
Thursday, September 12

and

Thursday, September 26

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

RSVPs are required. *See you there!!*



Centering Prayer:

**Saturday, September 14 and
Saturday, September 28
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

Church News

September 1- 9 AM Sunday Worship Services begin.

September 9- Pastor Cindy McKenzie begins.

September 15- Pastor Cindy leads 9 am worship.

September 15- Faith Formation kick off!

November 17- Annual Meeting

September 2024 – Impact of In-Kind Donations

At LSI, in-kind gifts (non-monetary) are just as impactful as financial donations. Director of Philanthropy, Deb Whitford, was inspired by the song “If I Could Dream” by Elvis Presley. She wondered, “What would I dream about for our clients? What would our clients dream for?”

A Story by Deb Whitford:

When is a yardage not just pieces of fabric? In the hands of someone learning to sew, fabric becomes a blank canvas of possibilities. A nearly empty closet containing the few items a refugee could fit in their suitcase when traveling to the US turns into a place of pride when filled with hand-sewn clothes made from that fabric. If I could dream...I dream of curtains for bare windows and cloth to cover worn tables. I dream of the magic of small pieces of fabric fitting into beautiful patterns in quilts to brighten homes and become treasured wraps providing comfort and warmth. These dreams are becoming a reality thanks to the generosity of an LSI donor.

Connie Hansen from Audubon, Iowa, is no stranger to fabric and sewing. Connie has enjoyed sewing for much of her lifetime. In her younger years, she shared her passion for sewing, serving as a 4-H leader in Melville Township, sewing clothes for herself and daughter. Through the years, her love and passion for quilting has grown friendships with others who love the craft. Connie dreamed of keeping her newest neighbors warm with her remaining fabric and donated the yards to LSI. This fabric will be used by our newly resettled immigrant and refugee families to create quilts and clothing, helping them feel more comfortable in their new homes. We hear about dreams every day at LSI from our direct service providers, team members, and clients. Thanks to your generosity, these dreams can become reality.

Help our clients’ dreams become reality by donating in-kind gifts to LSI. To learn more, contact philanthropy@LSIowa.org.

For more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI’s 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.

Dear Immanuel family,

We would like to thank our church family for the scholarship we received for college. Your support and generous scholarship is greatly appreciated as we enter our sophomore year in college. Thanks for thinking of us.

Ajay, Aden, and Avery Six

Thank you!

Hearty appreciation to everyone from Clyde Pearce and Fran Victor for the joy you brought us in participating in our 35th wedding anniversary. We thank you for coming and prayer support. We loved your enthusiasm and sharing!!! God bless you as the fall schedules begin.

We cannot adequately express our appreciation for the sympathies and prayers during the difficult time after the loss of my mom. Knowing our Church family was there supporting us was comforting.

Ryan, Christina, Paige and Evan Woline

A huge thank you for the great response to the Children's Sermon of feeding the five thousand. Many "little brown bags" were filled to the brim. Thank you for your donation!

Linda Six

It is school kit time again, school sales are coming up, please keep this in mind. Immanuel will be once again collecting school kit items to send to Lutheran World Relief. You may place items in the grocery cart in the hallway.

Items to be included in each kit are:

Four 70-80 sheet spiral notebooks (8x10 1/2")

One 30 centimeter ruler

1 pencil sharpener

5 unsharpened #2 pencils

1 pair blunt scissors

5 black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)

One box 16 or 24 crayons

One 2 1/2 inch eraser



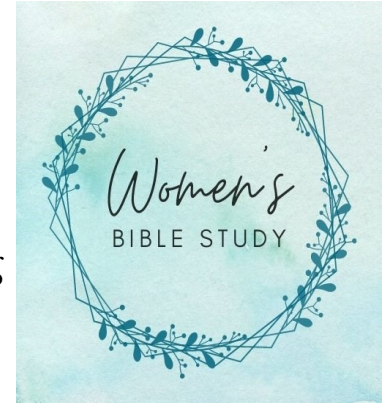
Faith Formation students will be filling school kit bags in September.

The confirmation students will prepare them for shipment in October.

Thank you, Immanuel for your continued support of this project!

Women's Bible Study

We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. We will resume our bible study on Tuesday, September 10th. We will be using the Bible Study in the Gathering Magazine. Come join us for stimulating bible study, fellowship, and sweet treats. See you on September 10th at 1:30 p.m.



Fall is in the air, which means
Hawkeye football and Kinnick clean-up is upon us!

**Please save these dates for
this season:**



Sunday, September 1

Sunday, September 8

Sunday, September 15

Sunday, October 13

Sunday, October 27

Sunday, November 3

***Saturday, November 30**



Such a great fundraiser for Immanuel. Many hands make light work.

ADULT CHOIR at IMMANUEL RESUMES

The first rehearsal for Adult Choir is
Wednesday, September 11, at 7:00 p.m.

All are welcome!

Sunday, September 1- Worship Service Time Changes to 9 AM

Sunday, September 15- Pastor Cindy McKenzie's first Sunday

Please wear name tags

Potluck following Faith Formation at 11:15 AM

Sunday, September 15- Faith Formation Kickoff

Bible Presentation to student moving up to next class

Sunday, November 17- Annual Meeting (more information to come)

Copies of Synod approved Constitution is on table under the mailboxes. Please review the few changes and leave the copy.



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 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 members for 2025-2027. We ask that you begin praying for God's wisdom on Sunday September 1ST concluding on Sunday October 6TH. Please mail or deliver the names God has revealed to you no later than Sunday October 20th to Steve Vetter, Nominating Committee Chair, 114 McCreedy DR., Washington, IA 52353. The nominating committee will then contact each viable person, to prayerfully consider serving on church council. At the Annual Meeting (November 17th), we will vote from the pool of candidates that have prayerfully accepted the nomination.

Attention: All Immanuel Parents

Children's Christmas Program Information

The Children's Christmas Program will be held on Sunday, December 22nd at 9 am service. Parts are being given out, because this is being held so close to Christmas and after schools are dismissed for the holiday, please let Linda Brown (319-863-3387 or camimaudegeorge@gmail.com) know if your child(ren) will not be able to be in the program.



Service Date	Acolyte	Greeter	Reader	Tech	Usher	Communion
September 1 KINNICK	Need Volunteer	Gene Booth and Bev Crandall	Linda Six	Brian Lueck	Need Volunteer	Tricia Kroll
September 8 KINNICK	Evan Woline and Bentley Striegel	Christina Woline	Christina Woline	Steve Vetter	Steve Vetter and Landon Coker	Naomi Erickson
September 15 KINNICK	Evan Woline	Stan & Sharol Kroll	Linda Brown	Steve Vetter	Ron Andersen and Bob Coker	Bev Bailey
September 22	Paige Woline	Aaron & April Six	Tricia Kroll	Thomas Lueck	Ryan Woline and Aaron Six	Christina Woline
September 29	Grace Taylor	Angela Taylor and Emma Taylor	Angela Taylor		Jason Taylor and Rob Taylor	John & Peg Harris

Congratulations!!

The following have perfect attendance for Sunday Worship in the month of August:

Nora Gutierrez
Amaya Gutierrez
Marcus Gutierrez



Linda Brown, Lee Buchholz, Yaro & Mary Chmelar,
Stan & Sharol Kroll, Georgean Roffman, and Jane Runaas.