## **Prayers**

For us to worship the King with our words, our wealth, and all our lives.

For God to give us all we need to see and believe in the Christ.

For forgiveness when we seek to make ourselves king.

For God to have mercy on and heal all those with diseases or disabilities, especially for the sick and recovering, including Ralph Steeve, Joann Humphrey, Marge Freeze, Ardith Sunderman, Dennis Casey, Kaydance Horsley, Morgan Hodges, David Mincer, Dawn Neumann, Jenifer Bowen, Nancy Mann, Kate Thompson, Jackie Schmidt, Sophia Cavin, Caleb Jordan, and Jon Herzberg.

#### **OFFERING:**

(12/25/22) – Home: \$0.00; Missions: \$0.00 **Total:** \$0.00

#### **BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES**

<u>Thursday Early Morning Study</u> meets at **6:30** am at Robin's Nest Café. All are welcome to join us for intense study, lively fellowship, and some of Clarinda's finest dining.

These Bible studies are open to all, and we warmly encourage you to join us to be fed in both body and spirit.

# CLASSES & STUDIES @ CHURCH

## **Sunday School and Adult Bible Study:**

None today

### **Confirmation Class:**

Confirmation classes are Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm at Immanuel. All 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are welcome to come learn about and confess their faith. Please contact Pastor (515-290-7469) for more information.

Bible based yoga flow class: Karen Brandt leads a Bible based yoga flow class in the basement. Participants need a yoga mat or bath/beach towel. Suggested donation of \$5/class, but not required. January Meetings: 1/2 @ 6:30 pm, 1/14 @ 8:00 am, 1/23 @ 6:30 pm, 1/28 @ 8:00 am. Class schedule may change, so it would be best to contact Karen at w.k.brandt@gmail.com if you are interested in attending.

#### **COMMITTEES**

## **COUNCIL & BOARD**

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023 – Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023 – Voter's Meeting @ 2:00 pm

A discussion was held during the October voters' meeting regarding whether or not to renew our order for offering envelopes for 2023. This has been a topic that has come up at meetings the past several years due to a low number of members using the envelopes. I was

informed by the financial recorders that the number has dropped to 12 members, and that all offering donations are by check whether in an envelope or not. I brought this up to the voters and asked for input on whether to renew our order for 2023 or to cancel. I received no input to renew or cancel so I made the decision not to renew our order with no objections from the voting assembly. We will provide generic envelopes in the back of the church for those who wish to continue enclosing their offering in an envelope. Please contact me with any questions. Kevin Clement, Immanuel President

#### **THANKS**

Members of Immanuel: Thank you for your generosity to me and my family this Christmas season. It is a pleasure to be able to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with you, particularly at Christmas. May God bless you all and continue His work among you. In Christ, Pastor Wade

#### LWML

January LWML meeting will be Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.

## STEWARDSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

Luke 2:21 – "And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb." There it is: the shortest Gospel lesson of the whole Church Year. It is for the festival of the Circumcision and Name of Jesus. What more do you need to know than the name of Jesus — "the Lord saves." That's who Jesus is: the Lord who saves us sinners. That simple Gospel message is the foundation of our faith and the strength to live out our faith.

### **LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES:**

7:30 am Sundays on KMA

January 1 "Out of Egypt" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Anthony (Tony) Cook "Out of Egypt I called my son." With these words the Gospel of Matthew reveals the rich and interconnected history of the young nation, Israel, and the young Savior, Jesus. Follow them on their journeys to discover the true Israel and what He means to your life today. (Matthew 2:13-23)

January 8 "Gifted" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
What if we learned to see this world and everyone in it as gifts from God? (Colossians 1:16)

January 15 "Gifts to Share" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

A body of water becomes stagnant when there is no outflow. The same could be said of us.

(Colossians 1:29)

January 22 "Whatever You Do" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge
The mundane just isn't mundane when seen through heaven's eyes. (Colossians 3:17-21)

January 29 "Hopelessly Hopeful" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Having hope for humanity is not the same thing as hoping in humanity. (Colossians 1:27)

Bulletin info deadline (emailed) is **12:00 noon** on Wednesday. Send to: immanuellutheran.clarinda@gmail.com