

Prayers

For Christ to give us his righteousness that it may be fulfilled in us.

For God to declare us and make us His children.

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:

(1/1/23) – Home: \$1270.00; Missions: \$45.00

Total: \$1315.00

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Thursday Early Morning Study 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:

Joseph's Troubles (Genesis 39): The Lord was with Joseph and, through him, saved Joseph's family and others. God promises to be with us in every situation, and through His Son, Jesus, a descendant of Joseph's brother Judah, God saves us from our sin.

Confirmation Class:

Confirmation classes are Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm at Immanuel. All 6th - 8th 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: **1/14 @ 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

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 would like to thank those who donated diapers for our Christmas project. We collected 13 packages of diapers for a total of 456 diapers. They were split between the Red Oak Pregnancy Center and Southwest Iowa Families in Clarinda. Your donations were a blessing!

LWML

The LWML will meet on Tuesday January 10th at 7:00 pm in the church basement. We will be making Baptism Banners as a Service Event. We would like to invite any of the ladies from the congregation to come and help and enjoy the fellowship. If you have them, bring your scissors, measuring tapes, and tacky/craft glue along.

STEWARDSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

Matthew 3:15 – “But Jesus answered him, ‘Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.’” The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. Here, Jesus plunges Himself into our sins and soaks them up in His Baptism, so that in our Baptism we might be cleansed and renewed. The whole of Jesus’ life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES:

7:30 am Sundays on KMA

January 8 **"Gifted"**

What if we learned to see this world and everyone in it as gifts from God?

Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

(Colossians 1:16)

January 15 **"Gifts to Share"**

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

Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

(Colossians 1:29)

January 22 **"Whatever You Do"**

The mundane just isn't mundane when seen through heaven's eyes.

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge

(Colossians 3:17-21)

January 29 **"Hopelessly Hopeful"**

Having hope for humanity is not the same thing as hoping in humanity.

Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

(Colossians 1:27)

Bulletin info deadline (emailed) is **12:00 noon** on Wednesday.

Send to: immanuellutheran.clarinda@gmail.com