

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE UPCOMING WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21	THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25
9:00 Worship/GROW Christmas Program	OFFICE CLOSED
10:00 Coffee Fellowship	
10:30 Christmas Caroling	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26
1:00 Fellowship Hall Reserved	OFFICE CLOSED
MONDAY, DECEMBER 22	5:00 Bruck/Riley Rehearsal
NO MISSION QUILTING	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23	4:00 Bruck/Riley Wedding
NO CF QUILTING	No Evening Worship
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28
	9:00 Worship
4:00 Communion	10:00 Coffee Fellowship
6:00 Communion	NO ADULT BIBLE CLASS

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMC)

December 20-21, 2025		
Advent 4		
Prelude	The Immanuel Instrumental Ensemble	
Welcome	Prepare ye the way of the Lord	
Prelude for Preparation for Worship		
Call to Worship	Psalms 131	on screen
Gathering Hymn	“Your Little Ones, Dear Lord”	LBW 52
Confession and Forgiveness		
Lighting of the Advent Candle	(With Children)	
Hymn of Praise	“Joy to the World”	LBW 39
Prayer of the Day		
Scripture	Isaiah 7:10-14, Romans 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-25	
Special Music	Accordion Solo	By Gavin Sisson
The Apostles Creed	LBW, pg. 65	
Prayers of the Church and Offertory Prayer		
The Lord’s Prayer		
Hymn	“Angels from the Realms of Glory”	LBW 50
Children’s Christmas Program	“The Unexpected Christmas”	
Blessing		
Hymn	“Go Tell It on the Mountain”	LBW 70



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
CHURCH

A fellowship of believers
Committed to be and become:
Christ-Centered
Bible-Based
Family-Focused
Mission-Minded

in all that we do for the glory of God!
Matthew 28:18-20

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Sunday Worship Service: 9:00 am
Saturday Worship Service: 5:00 pm

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Pastor Phil Nielsen

Ministers: EVERY MEMBER OF IMMANUEL

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Deacon On Duty:		Todd Madsen
Pianist:	Ivy Nielsen	Ivy Nielsen
Greeters/ Ushers:	Ken Hursey	Scott and Jean Whitfield
Acolytes:		Kolton Jensen & Gavin Herbst
Lector:		Stephen Lewo
Fellowship Hosts:		Jan Applegate & Vicki Carstens
Projection:	Cheryl Nielsen	Teri Johnson
Sound Tech:		DeAnn Nielsen
Videography:		Rick Chipman

CHRIST IN OUR HOME booklets (January, February, March) are available on the table across from the chapel.

OUR PRAYER LIST: Barbara Sorensen, Hertha Haas, Doris Rasmussen, Sherry Lytle, Ellie Nelson, Ruthe & Pat Pattison, Phil Smith, Arlynn Gittins, Kayla Weis, Kay Koos, Connie & Ed Benson, Grace Ashdown (Randi McEvoy’s sister-in-law), Dan Abendroth (Sandy Sisson’s brother), Dave Burmeister (Sue Olson’s son-in-law), Lindsay Beatty (Brother-in-Law of Todd & Angie Madsen), Phyllis Miller (Mother of Julie Vorm), Waylon Heth (Friend of Dave and Diana Greve), Marilyn Torgersen (Judi Pedersen’s sister).

Jared Walters, Jesse Hansen, Christian Brownlee, Titan Coleman (Dave Pedersen’s great nephew), and Koby Redler (Cousin of Kevin Osborn) serving in the Iowa National Guard on deployment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME! We are glad you are here today. Thank you for joining us in worship. You are welcome to join us for donuts, coffee and juice, and conversation in the fellowship hall after worship. Please sign the fellowship registers at the end of your pew by the center aisle.

THANK YOU to Gavin Sisson and The Immanuel Instrumental Ensemble, for sharing their gift of music today.

THANK YOU to the kids for the wonderful Christmas Pageant today.

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Cora Chapman whose mother Sandra Farr, passed away on Friday, December 12. Services were held here at Immanuel on Friday, December 19.

CHRISTMAS EVE RIDES If anyone is available to help out and furnish rides for Christmas Eve Services, please let the office know. We have a few members in need of rides.

OFFERING ENVELOPES for 2026 are available on the tables across from the chapel. If you would like envelopes but don’t find any with your name on them, please stop into the office. We have some without names. If you find envelopes and do not wish to use them, please bring them into the office.

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS: Do you have a person on your Christmas list that you need an idea for a gift? How about helping an orphan in Kidugala with a uniform for school? For a dona-tion of \$25, an orphan can have a uniform or for a \$45 donation, an orphan can have a uni-form and school fees for a year. Christmas cards are available to give to the recipient about the gift in their name. These cards are available in the church office. Checks can be made out to ILC Tanzania. Thank you for your support.

SAVE THE DATE Ready for a night off from cooking? The Danish Dolls’ 17th annual Aebelskiver and Frikadellar Supper, plus Danish bake sale, will be held here at Immanuel on Saturday, January 24th from 5 to 7 PM (carry-out is also an option). All donations received from this event go toward helping those first-timers who take part in a mission trip to Tanzania. Grab your friends and come join us for an enjoyable evening of food and fellowship!

CHOIR NOTE: There will be no choir the rest of December. We will resume on January 11th at 8:00 am.

PIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS! The Tanzania Team pies are available after church or ask in the church office during the week. We 23 Rhubarb left for \$14 a pie. There are no Apple or cher-ry pies left. All proceeds go to fund the orphans in Kidugala to attend school. Immanuel is currently funding around 160 primary school orphans and over 200 secondary school or-phans. Thank you for the support.

CAROLING: All are welcome to join a group today as we visit a few homes to bring Christmas cheer through Christmas carols. We will meet in the south end of the fellowship hall at 10:30.