

Immanuel Lutheran Church

9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Services



Quarter I, 2022

Message by Pastor Eugene DeVries



Confirmation: 4:15p on Wednesdays

Bible Study: 7:00p Mondays

On Tuesday, January 25 I received a call from Salem Lutheran Church in Owosso, Michigan. They have a ministry very similar to Immanuel. The city of Owosso is roughly the same size as Hutchinson. Salem recently celebrated its 150th anniversary. And their school has about 60 students. On the other hand, Salem has about 800 communicant members. And they have called me to serve as their third pastor. However, their older pastor is planning to retire in 2023. So they would use this year as a time of transition for the new guy.

The call process in our synod operates on a simple principle: No one should serve in the public ministry of the gospel unless he be properly called. I want to explain what that means. But first, I should say what a call is not. To have a call from God does not mean God speaks to you in a dream. It doesn't mean a feeling in the gut or seeing letters in your alphabet soup rearrange themselves in front of you.

The kind of call we're talking about is an external call. A congregation of believers formally asks someone to serve as their pastor. That is, they ask him to preach the gospel and administer the sacraments on their behalf. However, when the congregation makes such a formal request, it's not just a human arrangement. God is speaking through the congregation to issue that call.

So now we have a situation where I am holding two calls: one to Immanuel/Zion and one to Salem. Since I can't do both, I have to decide where I can best serve the Lord. So I ask for your prayers. Ask God to give me wisdom to see the larger needs of his church. Ask God to give me insight into my own abilities and weaknesses. Ask God to strengthen us all in faith that he will provide for our needs in this life and the next.

Pastor DeVries

Sunday School—9 a.m. Sunday Mornings

Teachers:

Pre-School & Kindergarten:
Amanda Weber
Grades 1-3:
Deb Plamann
Grades 4-8:
Barb DeVries



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."



Weather Closings

On days with questionable weather, meetings and/or worship cancellations will be announced on KDUZ-1260 AM radio and on www.immanuelhutch.com



Council Highlights

2022 Church Board Officers:

Chairman: David Rusch

Vice-Chair: Brad Duesterhoeft

Secretary: Mike Brekke Treasurer: Mike Heine

Financial Secretary: Brian Gauer

Delegate: Harold Plath
Trustees: Bruce Trick
Matt Forcier
Open

Elders: Jason Horrmann

Justin Black Steve Plamann

Finance Committee:

Andy Weber Michael Thompson Ron Kohls

Cemetery Board: Dale Kohls

Willard Wendorff

Jeff Hoff

School Board: Jay Mackedanz

Jeremiah Clark

Next Voter's/Congregational Meeting is

Tuesday, April 19

7 p.m.

Everyone Welcome!

The **Quarterly Voter's/ Congregational meeting** was held on Sunday, January 23, 2022.

The **Trustees** reported: The insulation for the parsonage still needs to be completed. There have been problems with the elevator which have been resolved.

The **Treasurer** reported: We were blessed that we didn't use our line of credit in 2021 along with we met our mission goal for 2021.

The **Cemetery Board** reported: Dave and Donna Telecky will be again mowing the cemeteries this summer. We thank them for the great job they do for us. **Old Business:** The new hymnal was tabled until the April Meeting. The Voter's/Congregational meetings will be moved back to the usual Tuesday nights.

New Business: Our Lima commitment for 2022 is at \$1,600. And our Mission commitment for 2022 will be \$18,000.

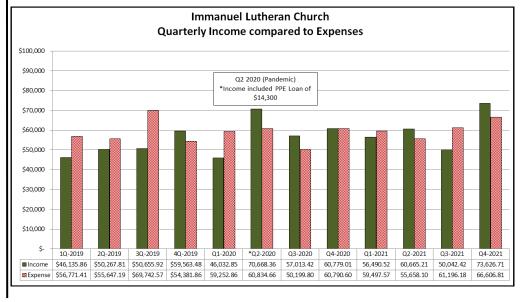
The church services are **live streamed** Sunday mornings on Facebook.

It is also viewable on HCVN on NuTelecom channel 10 or Mediacom channel 107.3 on Mondays at 10 a.m. and Sundays at 9 p.m.

Also, available on the website

www.immanuelhutch.com

Under the tab: video



Ladies Executive Board

2022 Officers:

President: Janel Radunz

VP: Deb Boelter

Secretary/Treasurer: Wanda Gauer

Directors: Brittany Clark, Sharon

Smith, Kim Schmeling

Spring Church cleaning is scheduled for April 9 at 9 a.m.

We will be cleaning the upstairs. The list of tasks will be out all week prior, please feel free to stop in the church anytime to clean for an hour or two.

The Ladies Serving Groups will not be serving a meal before the Lenten Services.

Thrivent Coordinator:

Julie Thompson

Register on line:

www.Thrivent.com

Do you have a Thrivent Policy?

If so, are you aware of the programs at no cost to you that could benefit the church and/or the school?

"Choice Dollars" can be designated to the church or school at no cost to you. "Action Teams" when approved, provides \$250 of seed money to be use towards an event, again at no cost to you.

Applied for and pending status:

- --Christian Education Week
- -- ILS Basketball Tournament

LWMS



For our Home Missions, we will be supporting Cross of Christ Ev. Lutheran Church. 8131 Soule Road in Liverpool, NY 13090-1578—Rev. Benjamin Birner.

World Missions, we will be support WELS Latin America Mission Team, 6055 NW 104th Ave in Doral, FL 33178. - Missionary Michael Harman.

Please keep these congregations in your prayers and if you are so inclined, please send a card offering your support.

Join with other women in our area to learn how you too can support the "Great Commission" the Lord has given us. Simply search for "LWMS Crow River Circuit" and ask to join our private Facebook group.

Ladies Aid

2022 Officers:

President: Marilyn Rusch

VP/Secretary: Wendy Hellwig

Treasurer: MaryAnn Dettman

Next Meetings:

March 1

April 5

Our first meeting for 2022 was held on January 12, 2022. We decided to remain with the current officers: President, Marilyn Rusch; VP/Secretary, Wendy Hellwig; Treasurer, Mary Ann Dettman. Committee assignments were given.

We discussed some activities for the group in 2022, stay tune there might be an activity or two you might enjoy. Our next event will be Ash Wednesday supper, so please keep that in mind. Our meetings are open to all women of the congregation, please feel free to join us for one or all meetings.

In Gods Peace.

Fellowship Committee

Next Meeting:

April 24, 2022 at 2p

Chair: Pastor DeVries Secretary: Barb DeVries Treasurer: Julie Thompson

- Sunday, February 13, 2022 after church—New Member Welcome
- Sunday, July 17, 2022 at 10:30— Joint Outdoor Service at the Fairgrounds

Anyone is welcome to join the Fellowship Committee to help plan various activities for our congregation.

If any questions, please feel free to contact one of the officers.

G.I.L.L. - Grace and Immanuel Luther League

Leaders: Pastor DeVries, Pastor Tobison, Jennifer and Chad Koenen

Next Meeting: February 20

G.I.L.L. stand for "**Grace and Immanuel Luther League**". We serve the youth (4th to 12th grade) of our two congregations through Bible Study and fellowship activities.

In January, GILL went tubing at Powder Ridge in Kimball. Thirteen young people came out to ride the slopes. It was a fun afternoon!

In February, we are looking forward to our 3-D night "Domino's, Devotion, and Dartball." That will be February 20 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Grace.

In March we plan to serve a Lenten supper at Grace. We also hope to have a Buffalo Wild Wings fundraiser again sometime in the next couple months.

Immanuel Lutheran School and Children of Grace Preschool



Principal: Brian Gephart

Grades 4 to 8

Teacher: Kristi Utsch

Grades K-3

Teacher: Mallory Eckstrand

Pre-School

School Board Officers:

Ryan Bushman Tim Utsch Jon Hoff Jeremiah Clark Jay Mackedanz





Hebrews 12:1

Keep your Eyes on Christ



Immanuel Lutheran School and Children of Grace Preschool 20917 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350

Greetings from Immanuel Lutheran School and Children of Grace Preschool. 1st quarter for the church in reality starts the 3rd quarter for school. As we start of new calendar year, we are midway through the school year and running on all cylinders. "Fix your eyes on Jesus," (Hebrews 12:1,2) has been the focus of our school year as we remind ourselves the importance of Jesus in our lives.

We are in the middle of basketball season now. We have a coed B team and a coed A team. So far, we have 2 wins. Our experienced team is having fun and looking forward to getting more wins. We also look forward to our basketball tournament Feb. 19th, MLC's basketball tournament Feb. 25-27, and the Great Plains Lutheran High School tournament March 5th.

We always look forward to March. Not only does it bring promise of warmer weather, it also brings some fun to the classroom with Christian Education Week. This year, we will paint, go sledding, learn Spanish, and go bowling. Our Spring break is from Feb 28 - Mar 4.

On March 13th, we will be hosting a music concert instead of visiting all of the area's WELS churches. The concert will start at 4pm with a spaghetti dinner afterward.

Thank you for all of your prayers and support! We also thank God for his amazing blessings and for all of the hard work our students give.

Sincerely, Brian Gephart, Principal



Award: We are happy to announce that Immanuel Lutheran School has been selected as the Winner for he 2022 Best of Hutchinson Awards in the category of Private Elementary & Secondary schools. The Hutchinson Award Program purpose is to support and offer public recognition of the contributions of businesses and organizations in and around Hutchinson.

Mr. Gephart has received a call to teach math and coach at Shoreland Lutheran High School in Kenosha, WI. However, Mr. Gephart has decided to return the call to Shoreland Lutheran High School in Kenosha, WI and will be staying at ILS.

Thank you, Mr. Gephart, for your continued service to our school!

School Building Update

School Board Officers:

Ryan Bushman Tim Utsch Jon Hoff Jeremiah Clark Jay Mackedanz







Our school board has presented a new building model which will sit on the land south of the parsonage. It also is presented in phases so we can reduce the cost of the initial building of the classrooms. Look for the drawings in the entryway of the church.

We are excited to have commitments of over \$850,000. We will continue our fundraiser efforts for the next year as we reach out to our alumni and community and as we look for grants. We look forward to that number increasing.

Our goal for this Spring is to finalize details on a location for the building and apply for grants.

<u>Plan</u>

Phase 1: 6 Classrooms and Office Space (2.3M)

Phase 2: Gymnasium and Kitchen (2.1M)

Phase 3: 2 Additional Classrooms

Student Teachers

Hello! My name is **Ms. Madelynn Fulton**, and I am a senior at Martin Luther college. I am studying Elementary Education, with a minor in Urban Educational Ministry. I come from Oshkosh, WI and have a large family with 11 siblings. I just recently returned from Kenya, Africa, where I had the opportunity to teach and do medical work among the people in the village. I'm excited to work with these young minds in the 1st – 3rd grade classroom and use my experiences to teach them, as they teach me!



Association
Meeting
Sunday
April 10, 2022
7 p.m.

At Immanuel Lutheran School & Children of Grace Preschool



Hi! My name is **Hannah Wendland**. I am currently a senior at Martin Luther College. My major is Elementary Education and I have a Social Studies minor. My Dad was a missionary in Malawi Africa for 14 years, so I moved there when I was three and I call Malawi home. I now currently live in Mequon, Wisconsin. I am so thankful that I can work with Mr. Gephart and the 4th – 8th graders. I have wanted to be a teacher since I was five years old so I am so excited to help them learn more about the world as they show me how to be a better teacher!



Fundraisers



BoxTops – This is digital. For us to get credit, you will need to download the Box tops for Education App on your smart phone, search Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson and scan your receipt.



Cash Wise More Rewards - Sign up at https://www.morerewards.com/. Designate Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson MN . You can also download the app, MORE Rewards on your smart phone.

Ink cartridges - Empty cartridges from computer printers; can be sent in anytime, no shipping charges!

Loaves4Learning – UPC's found on Country Hearth and Village Hearth products. (Breads).



School Mall – Like to online shop? Shop through www.schoolmall.com Search for Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson MN.

AmazonSmile – is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization, Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson MN.

CocaCola Gives – Go to www.cocacola.com/give go to donate to school, search for Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson MN, sign up, and enter codes. Codes are found on Coke product bottle tops and inside cartons/boxes. You can also bring the codes to school and we can enter

them! Checks are distributed to the school quarterly.

Scrip – Purchase gift cards from participating retailers. (A percent of the gift card goes to the school) To order scrip gift cards, contact Karen Kohls (Immanuel) kohls@hutchtel.net 320-444-0170 or Teresa Ross (Grace) taross316@gmail.com 320-305-9262.

Thank You for helping support our school!

PTF

Officers:

President: Rebecca Plocher
VP: Brittany Clark
Secretary: Patty Schaefer
Treasurer: Eileen Prieve
Teacher Appreciation:
 Nicole Washburn
Fundraising Chair:
 Beth Podratz

Social Chair: April VonBerge

V.I.P. day is planned for April 1st or April 22nd. Coffee, juice and rolls will be provided in the church basement and V.I.P. guests will join in with Chapel.

Christian Education week: February 21 to 24

Monday: Painting and donated them to local nursing homes.

Tuesday: Spanish Day

Wednesday: Wheel and Cog for pre-K to 3 and Tubing at Powder Ridge for the

Upper Graders

Thursday: Pizza and Bowling

Meetings: Friday: No School

Second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Spring Spaghetti Supper—March 13 at 5:30p after the school concert.

Ash Wednesday March 2 at 2 p.m. Zion and 7 p.m. Immanuel (Ladies Aid serving a meal prior—6 p.m.)

Lenten Service March 9 at 2 p.m. Zion and 7 p.m. Immanuel (no supper served)

March 16 at 2 p.m. Zion and 7 p.m. Immanuel (no supper served)
March 23 at 2 p.m. Zion and 7 p.m. Immanuel (no supper served)
March 30 at 2 p.m. Zion and 7 p.m. Immanuel (no supper served)
April 6 at 2 p.m. Zion and 7 p.m. Immanuel (no supper served)

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Palm Sunday April 10 at 10 a.m.

Mandy Thursday April 14 at 7 p.m. Joint Service at Immanuel with Communion

Good Friday April 15 at 9 a.m. at Zion with Communion

April 15 at 7 p.m. at Immanuel

Easter Sunrise Service April 16 at 6:30 a.m. at Immanuel

Easter Morning Breakfast Served by the Ladies Aid between the services

Easter Sunday Morning Service April 16 at 8:45 a.m. at Zion

April 16 at 10 a.m. at Immanuel



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Weekly **Bulletins** with the Announcements can be found

under the tab: Church/Service

Monthly calendar can be found

under the tab: Church/Calendar







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https://www.facebook.com/immanuelhutch

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Sunday Services are broadcasted





Mondays at 10 a.m. and Sundays at 9 p.m.

NuTelecom—Channel 10 or Mediacom—Channel 107.3

Altar Guild: February: Karen Plath and Betty Rusch

March: Wendy Hellwig

April: Betty Henke and Donna Telecky

Ushers: February: Bruce Trick, Jon Hoff, Don Dettman, Andy Weber, Dylan Weber, Travis Gauer,

Nolan Hoff, Justin Black

March: Kori Leske, Jay Mackedanz, Steve Wendorff, Mike Yerks, Craig Kohls, Carl Horrmann,

Tom Schlueter, Lucas Plamann

April: Jeremy Prieve, Mike Thompson, Alex Prieve, Andy Prieve, Kyle Podratz, Chuck Nisse,

Brad Duesterhoeft

Email, Phone and/or Address Changes

And if anyone has an update to their email, address and/or phone, please let Julie Thompson know at <u>juliethompson@mchsi.com</u> or Church Box #75.

Available:

2022 Church Directory

Copies are on the table in the entryway.

2021 Annual Report (coming soon)

Congratulations!



Amanda and Andy Weber on the birth of their son, Aaron Andrew Mike and Miranda Heine on the birth of their daughter, Cora Marie Matt and Chrissy Forcier on the birth of their daughter, Anna Sue Dylan and Ashley Weber on the birth of their daughter, Renlee Kay

Our Sympathies



To the family of Doug Benage, who passed away January 25th To the family of LeRoy Bunke, who passed away January 28th

Congratulations!



To Adrienne Hill Prieve-Shimanski who is engaged to Brennan Nygaard!

Please check your church mailbox

Some of the items that are placed in your mailbox monthly are the Church Council minutes and Church Calendar.

If you would like to receive these items via email, please provide your email address to Julie Thompson at

juliethompson@mchsi.com

