

**Welcome to Worship at  
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
STORY CITY, IOWA**

**May 31, 2015**

**Mission Statement**

Building Strong Relationships in Christ,  
And Making Him Known to All



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**Holy Trinity Sunday**

**May 31, 2015**

***We Prepare to Meet God***

Prelude

Opening Hymn

*“Come, Thou Almighty King”*

No. 8

Prayer

Time for Greeting

Announcements

Worship Song

*“Father, I Adore You”*

No. 191

***We Hear God’s Word***

Lesson – Ephesians 4: 1-6

*Paul reminds the Ephesians that there is one Lord, one Faith,  
one Spirit*

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. <sup>2</sup> Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. <sup>3</sup> Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

<sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; <sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism; <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Gospel – John 3: 5-7, 14-17

*Jesus teaches Nicodemus about salvation*

<sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.

<sup>6</sup> Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. <sup>7</sup> You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’

<sup>14</sup> Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, <sup>15</sup> that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.”

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

### ***We Confess Our Faith***

The Athanasian Creed (a portion of the creed is on screen)

### ***We Respond to God's Blessings***

Offering

Offertory "We Are An Offering" (on screen)

### ***We Hear God's Word Proclaimed in Song and Word***

Anthem

"Just a Closer Walk" John F. Wilson

The Senior Choir – Susan Amensen, Director

Sermon

"The Mystery of the Trinity" Pastor Anenson

Hymn

"Holy, Holy" No. 69

### ***We Receive God's Promise to Go with us into Daily Life***

Prayers of Praise and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Anthem

"Go Now and Pass It On" Price, Besig

The Senior Choir – Susan Amensen, Director

Hymn

"Thanks to God Whose Word Was Spoken" No. 409

Postlude

**Organist:** Emily Anderson

**Ushers:** Ron & Susan Kinyon, Kent & Lisa Handeland, Terry Greenfield

**Greeters:** Edgar & Jaynee Christian

**Reader:** Jaynee Christian

**Sound Engineer:** Trent Whipple

**Visitors:** A special welcome to our guests today! We sincerely desire that everyone present will feel welcome in the Lord's house.

**Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship** and refreshments downstairs in the Social Hall following the worship service. The Board of Education is serving today.

**Attendance last Sunday:** 233

**Lost/Found** in a pew last Sunday after church, a small bottle of medicine. Please contact the Church office to identify!

**Our Christian sympathy** to the family of Sonjia Amensen who passed away Tuesday. The memorial service was held at Immanuel yesterday.

**The Immanuel Lawn Chair Brigade** will **NOT** be able to participate in the Scandinavian Days Parade this year.

**Bridal Shower** - An open house bridal shower for Tara Hamilton will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church for Tara Hamilton, daughter of Tim & Tami Marienau, this afternoon at 2 P.M. Please come and celebrate with the bride-to-be. Tara is engaged to Blair Posegate.

**Day Camp** will be held at Immanuel June 8-11. Volunteers are still needed to help the week run smoothly. We need lunch providers each day of camp for the Riverside staff and also for a meal for them on Sunday evening. Other needs are snack providers, class helpers, ice cream for the Thursday night program and registration day helpers. Helpers for both the preschool and older day camp classes are also needed. Sixth grade students and above are invited to help with the preschool. Please contact the church office or Patty Rathmacher at 733.4779 or Jaynee Christian at 733.2710 with any questions or to volunteer in any way. Enrollment is open to any children in the area.

### **Upcoming Events**

- **Young Adults Event:** Backyard Grilling and Games at the Jensens'! Come grill and chill with us at 324 Elm Sunday, this afternoon starting at 4 P.M. We'll have bocce, Frisbee and other lawn games, plus the playset and sand table for the little kids. Bring some food to share and your own lawn chairs and beverages. Hot dogs will be ready around 5 P.M. If there's rain, we'll go to the Social Hall at church instead. Hope to see you there.

### **Reminders**

- **Nursery facilities** are available across from the restrooms on the main floor of the educational wing. Please feel free to take your child there if needed during the service.
- **Hearing devices** for those who have a difficult time hearing the service can be found on the shelf in the narthex. If you have been thinking of trying a unit, please ask an usher to assist you. We have several extra units at this time.
- **The Children's Activity Bulletins** are available from the ushers for young children.

- **The next issue** of "The Lutheran Digest" magazine is available on the shelf in the new narthex.



As a congregation, let's be in prayer for:

- Cooper Leeman as he waits for a new heart.
- Leonard Anderson at Mary Greeley
- Those suffering from the flooding in Texas
- Our Scandinavian Days Festival next weekend, for all to go well.

We praise God for:

- those members who are using the \$50 they were given as seed money for various projects to extend God's Kingdom.

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### **Youth Activities**

#### **High School Youth Activities**

**Our next meeting** - Will be this Wednesday the 3rd from 7:15-8:30 PM. Bring a friend and get ready for some fun! If the weather cooperates with us, we will go outside and play some outside games.

#### **Middle School Youth Activities**

**Our next meeting** - Will be this Wednesday the 3rd from 6:00-7:10 PM. Bring a friend and get ready for some fun! If the weather cooperates with us, we will go outside and play some outside games.

Those 6th graders who have completed the Communion classes will receive their first Communion next Sunday

#### **Mission Trip Families**

**Don't forget** - We will be starting our weekly Team Meetings (those who are attending the mission trip) TODAY after church at 10:45 AM. These meetings should be done by NOON. Please let Zachary know if you are unable to join us. It will be a great time of team bonding, ice breakers, meaningful Bible Study and fellowship! Come excited! ALL team members are strongly encouraged to be there!

## ***May 31 - June 7, 2015*** ***Worship & Study Opportunities at Immanuel***

### ***Sunday, May 31***

- 8:00 A.M. Radio Broadcast on KASI (1430 AM)
- 9:00 A.M. Coffee Fellowship (Narthex)
- 9:30 A.M. Worship
- 10:30 A.M. Coffee Fellowship served by Board of Education (Social Hall)
- 10:30 A.M. *Mission Trip Team Meeting #1*
- 2:00 P.M. Bridal Shower for Tara Hamilton
- 4:00 P.M. Young Adults: Backyard Grilling and Games at the Jensen's

### ***Monday, June 1***

### ***Tuesday, June 2***

- 9:30 A.M. Staff Meeting

### ***Wednesday, June 3***

- 6:00 P.M. Middle School Youth Group
- 7:15 P.M. High School Youth Group

### ***Thursday, June 4***

### ***Friday, June 5 - Scandinavian Days***

### ***Saturday, June 6 - Scandinavian Days***

### ***Sunday, June 7 - Communion Sunday, Scandinavian Days***

- 8:00 A.M. Radio Broadcast on KASI (1430 AM)
- 9:00 A.M. Coffee Fellowship (Narthex)
- 9:30 A.M. Worship
- 10:30 A.M. Coffee Fellowship served by Church Officers (Social Hall)
- 10:30 A.M. *Mission Trip Team Meeting #2*