

**Immanuel Lutheran Church - Atwater, MN**

**SAVED By Grace, CALLED To serve**

April 27th 2014 - 2nd Sunday of Easter

Pastor Christa Forsythe

All Members: Ministers

\* indicates the items projected up front

**-WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP-**

Welcome & Announcements

\*Gathering Hymn . . . . . #770 "Give Me Jesus" Red (v. 1-2, 4-5)

Confession & Forgiveness . . . . .Pg. 10 (Blue)

Greeting & Kyrie . . . . .Pg.28 (Blue)

**-WE PRAISE GOD-**

\*Prayer of the Day - Read in Unison

**Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**-GOD SPEAKS TO US-**

Psalm (read responsively) . . . . .Psalm 16

<sup>1</sup> Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

<sup>2</sup> **All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.**

<sup>3</sup> But those who run after other gods shall have their trouble multiplied.

<sup>4</sup> **I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names up on my lips.**

<sup>5</sup> O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

<sup>6</sup> **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup> I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

<sup>8</sup> **I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup> My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

Remembering in Our Prayers

Dale Anderson-healing

Taylor Frericks-healing

John Holm-healing

Chet Johnson-healing

Danny Herdina-healing

Bob Kirk-continued healing

Elaine Wothe-continued healing

Darlene Kirk- continued healing

Linda Burns-continued healing

Melissa Rossell-healing

Bill Hutchinson

Dale Kragenbring-healing

All Immanuel Shut Ins

James & Carol Sack - our missionaries in Japan

*(People will only be listed with their permission. Please contact Pastor Christa if you would like to be listed in Immanuel prayers.)*

Worship Assistants

Lector . . . . .Deb Mickle

Acolyte . . . . .Jeremy Nelson

You may have noticed these words in front of the sanctuary

*"Helighet hofves ditt hus, Herre"*

What do they mean? This is Swedish for

*"Holiness becometh thy house O' Lord" Psalm 93:5*

Financial Report

Total Offering (April 20, 2014) . . . . . **\$3251.00**

Total Attendance (April 20, 2014)(6:30a.m.) . . . . . **40**

Total Attendance (April 20, 2014)(9:00 a.m.) . . . . . **142**

Proposed Monthly Ministry Goal . . . . . **\$14,807.00**

Needed to Meet April Financial Commitments . . . . . **\$3950.00**

<sup>10</sup>**For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

<sup>11</sup>You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forever more.

New Testament Lesson . . . . . I Peter 1:3-9

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the genuineness of your faith — being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup>Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

L: The Word of the Lord

C:**Thanks Be to God**

Children's Message

\*Gospel Acclamation . . . . .Pg. 142 (Red)

Holy Gospel . . . . .John 20:19-31

\*P: The Gospel according to John the 20th chapter

\*C: **Glory to You, O Lord**

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." <sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him,

"We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

<sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"

<sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

<sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

\*P: The Gospel of the Lord

\*C: **Praise to You, O Christ**

Sermon

\*Hymn of The Day . . . "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" (Red)

**-WE RESPOND TO GOD-**

\*Apostle's Creed . . . . .Pg. 33 (Blue)  
Sharing of the Peace

Offering

\*Offertory . . . . .Pg. 50 (Blue) (*Lent to Pentecost*)

Prayers of the Church

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer**

\*The Lord's Prayer

**-WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD-**

Blessing

\*Sending Hymn . . . . #547 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" (Red)

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**Welcome to Worship at Immanuel!**

We invite visitors to sign our guest book in the entry of the church. We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today, and hope you will be back to worship with us again. If you would like more information about Immanuel, contact the pastor or a Council member. Join us for refreshments in the basement Fellowship Hall following worship.

**Thank You** to our Confirmation class for sharing about their retreat experience this morning.

**Volunteers Needed** to refill the children’s church activity bags each week. If interested, please leave your name in the office.

**Vacation Bible School** - Please note the following location change: VBS will now be at Immanuel, June 1-5 (NOT Bethlehem). Registration forms will be distributed next week. PreK-6th Graders are welcome to participate!

**NOTE: Scholarship Applications** are due in the church office by May 1.

**Lenten Service Project** - We have been able to collect 31 complete kits for Lutheran World Relief! We have some extra items that we would love to be able to make them into complete kits, for a total of 37 kits. The remaining items needed are on tags in the narthex.

**Camper Book Sale** - Books for all ages! \$1/hardcover & \$.50/paperback. Thanks for supporting Immanuel’s Bible Campers!

**Email Addresses** - We use the addresses to send out various church info and reminders. Please leave a note with your email address or send a message to [imman@frontiernet.net](mailto:imman@frontiernet.net)

**Meals at the Nutrition Site** - The Atwater Nutrition Site has room for many more diners each day. Meals are nutritious and available for diabetic and fat restricted diets. Tickets for meals are available for purchase at the Atwater City Office and the LAHBNP office. The ticket price is a suggested donation of \$4 or whatever you can afford to pay. Meals must be reserved a day ahead by 12:30 pm. Delivery to your home is also available if you so choose. To reserve or to cancel a meal or to have a meal delivered to your home, call Sue Peterson at 320-262-1180."

**20/20 Club** - Kids that reach the ‘20’ mark will be recognized during worship in May.

**Paper/Document Shredding** - The Kandiyohi County Thrivent Chapter board will be sponsoring a paper and document shredding event Tuesday, May 6, at the Vinje Lutheran parking lot in Willmar. Materials accepted from 4-7 p.m. Open to the general public. In conjunction with this event, we are teaming with Safe Avenues in Willmar for donations of kitchen and bath products that we will accept on their behalf. These are much needed products going to an excellent organization. There will be plenty of help on site to help unload boxes. Check the Safe Avenues web site for specific needed products.

**United Lutheran Salad Luncheon** - Thursday, May 1, at Noon. Join us for a delicious meal with a wide variety of salads, bread and beverages. Short program featuring music, a quiz game and a message by Rev. Amy L. Juel-Palmer, Director of Faith Formation Ministries, from Vinje Lutheran Church. Free will offering will be accepted.

**United Lutheran Pork Chop Dinner** - Friday, May 2, from 4:30-7 p.m. One chop dinner \$10.00, two chop dinner \$18.00. Grilled pork chops, baked potatoes, cole slaw salad, bread/butter, beverages, variety of homemade desserts.

**This Week At Immanuel**

**Today - April 27**

9:00 a.m. ....Worship  
10:00 a.m. ....Fellowship  
10:15 a.m. ....Sunday School  
*Deadline to Register for Bible Camp*

**Monday, April 28** .....Pastor Christa’s Sabbath

**Tuesday, April 29**

10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. ....Pastors’ Text Study

**Wednesday, April 30**

9:00 a.m. ....Fold Outreach

**Thursday, May 1**

9:00 a.m. ....Women’s Bible Study@Peaceful Thymes

**Next Sunday, May 4**

9:00 a.m. ....Worship/ Holy Communion  
10:00 a.m. ....Fellowship  
10:15 a.m. ....Sunday School/Confirmation