

# NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINNESOTA •

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## *Witnesses to Christ: People from His Passion*

John tells us why he wrote his Gospel: “Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name” (John 20:30–31). Life! When we believe that Jesus is the Christ, God gives us life—abundant life, forgiven life, and eternal life.

Historically, the Fourth Gospel is likened to an eagle—an image that suggests John soars to heights of glory and grandeur. That’s because the evangelist paints a stunning portrait of Jesus, who is the bread of life, the resurrection and the life, and the way, the truth, and the life. Life in Jesus. That’s God’s gift to you!

This Lent, our life in Christ will be strengthened as we hear the witness of those in John’s Gospel who journeyed to the cross. Along the way, we’ll meet villains, such as Barabbas and Pontius Pilate, as well as sinners, such as Peter (who denied Jesus *three* times), Mary Magdalene

(who was possessed by *seven* demons), and Judas Iscariot (who betrayed Jesus for *thirty* pieces of silver).

Please join us for worship as we hear the witness of these people in John’s Gospel:

**Ash Wednesday:** *John the Baptist*, John 1:29–34

**Midweek of Lent 1:** *Mary, the Sister of Lazarus and Martha*, John 12:1–11

**Midweek of Lent 2:** *Malchus*, John 18:1–11

**Midweek of Lent 3:** *Peter*, John 18:12–27

**Midweek of Lent 4:** *Barabbas*, John 18:33–40

**Midweek of Lent 5:** *Pontius Pilate*, John 19:1–16

**Maundy (Holy) Thursday:** *Judas Iscariot*, John 13:21–30

**The Resurrection of Our Lord:** *Mary Magdalene*, John 20:1–18



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### MISSION STATEMENT

As members of North Immanuel Lutheran Church and in recognition of the gift of grace we have received through Jesus Christ, our Mission is:

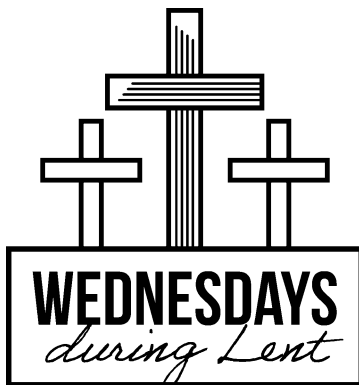
- To develop a personal and Spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ, our Lord,
- To provide an environment for the continuing Education and further teachings of all ages,
- To reach out to welcome all to grow with us in faith through worship and serving others in our community and throughout the world.

### CEMETERY BOARD OFFICERS

Chairman—David Aas (218) 863-5455  
Treasurer—Judy Johnson (218) 863-2204  
Secretary—Bill Osborne (218) 863-7913

### North Immanuel is Online:

<http://www.facebook.com/NorthImmanuelLutheranChurch>  
<http://www.nilchurch.org>



- ✝ 5:45-6:30 p.m. Soup and Bread meal
- ✝ 6:30 p.m. Lenten Service
- ✝ 7:00 p.m. Confirmation

Everyone Welcome

# Quilting

for

## Common Hope Mission in Guatemala And Many Local Area Missions

Imagine the comfort and care you feel when you snuggle under a quilt handmade by someone. That's the feeling you can share with others by coming together to construct quilts. With a simple combination of fabric, thread, and time, you can reach out to people in their time of greatest need with a strong message of Love & Hope.

We would love to have you join us at

### **NORTH IMMANUEL CHURCH**

Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



Bring Potluck Item to Share

## **'20 & '21 Sponsor Alumni Experience, Antigua Guatemala**

Greetings North Immanuel Lutheran Church,

Happy New Year! I hope that 2022 is off to a happy, healthy start for you.

In 2021 your student, Esly Catavi, celebrated their graduation and received their diploma. **Since the graduation trip was canceled due to the pandemic, we would like to invite you to a unique opportunity to come to Guatemala, visit with your graduate, and celebrate with them in person.**

If you recall, once a student graduates, they are no longer part of Common Hope's program. **This means we cannot guarantee we will be able to locate or contact your graduate. If you are interested in going on this trip, we will do our best to contact them and arrange your visit.** No reservation or payment is required until a visit is confirmed.

During this 3-day experience, you can expect to be immersed in Common Hope programs, get a taste for Guatemalan culture, and visit your graduate. More details TBA.

### **'20 & '21 SPONSOR ALUMNI EXPERIENCE**

**May 18-22, 2022**

**Antigua, Guatemala**

***Limited spots available***

***\$650/per person (airfare and accommodations not included)***

**Please reply to Avi Mylrea at [avim@us.commonhope.org](mailto:avim@us.commonhope.org) by February 10, 2022, if you are interested in this experience.** This is no obligation to you. Once your student has been contacted, we will call you to discuss further details of the trip and complete the registration process.

We hope you will consider joining us this May in Guatemala! Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Tannica Larson

Sponsor Relations Manager

## Come Grow old with me, the Best is Yet to Be

The Following is a list of our members who are either in a Senior Living Facility, Nursing Home, or are homebound in some way.

We understand that at times like this, you may want to call ahead to see if a personal visit is encouraged or welcomed. If not, a phone call, a note or card in the mail goes a long way to warm a heart & brighten a day.

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If you know of someone who should or would like to be on this list please call or email the church office 218-863-5447 nilchurch@yahoo.com

The most important thing you can give the elderly is your TIME. Time is the most precious gift of all, and it doesn't cost a thing.



## NORTH IMMANUEL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### **Sunday Worship**

9:00 a.m.

### **Coffee Fellowship**

10:00 a.m. following worship services

### **Confirmation**

Wednesdays Sept-May

6:00 p.m. Youth Meal

6:30 p.m. Confirmation

### **Holy Communion**

First and Third Sunday of each month

### **Sunday School**

10:00 a.m. Sept-May

### **Bible Study**

Wednesdays 9:30 a.m.

Janice Ness's Pelican Rapids

If interested call Pastor Isaiah #541-968-4358

### **Serving Opportunities**

- Serve Sunday Coffee Fellowship  
10:00 a.m. following worship
- Serve Confirmation meal  
Wednesday 6:00 p.m.
- Be a Reader Sunday morning  
Reading material is available ahead of time
- Offer special music for worship service  
Contact Bonnie H, Conni A, or Pastor Isaiah

#### **Isaiah Bai, NILC Pastor**

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## Church Council Minutes

12-14-2021

- 1) Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m.
- 2) Present: Pastor Isaiah, Sandie, Heidi, Wayne, Brian, Conni, JulieAnn, Jacob and Dave
- 3) Absent-Brad
- 4) Pastors Report:
  - a) Devotions presented by Pastor Isaiah
  - b) A motion made to return to the Traditional Communion unless there is an outbreak.
    - i) 1st by Brian
    - ii) 2nd by Dave
    - iii) Motion carried
  - c) Group leaders should reach out to different members to serve during Fellowship
- 5) Secretaries Report:
  - a) Heidi read the Secretaries report and it was placed on file.
- 6) Budget Report:
  - a) Julie Ann reported there wasn't any money transferred out of savings to cover costs for the last 2 years.
- 7) Evangelism:
  - a) They are making post cards to be sent to all members. (\*Correction-open discussion, not making at this time)
- 8) Stewardship:
  - a) They are making post cards to be sent to all members. (\*Correction-open discussion, not making at this time)
- 9) A motion was made to put an announcement for the Christmas Eve service in Barnesville paper.
  - a) 1st by Dave
  - b) 2nd by Jacob
  - c) Motion carried
- 10) Property and Management:
  - a) The Elevator was recertified, but there are possible upgrades to be completed if New Regulations approved.  
\*\*\*Wayne mentioned potential, nothing completed.
  - b) Wayne was to check on having Tyson Wells or others do snow removal.
- 11) Meeting adjourned with the Lords Prayer 8:45

### Correction to above

Wayne was going to talk to different people about snow removal and will take care of it

\* There was discussion of getting New Member Sunday set up

\* This was omitted: Benevolence \$500 to family in need 1st by Conni 2nd by Brian, Motion carried.

Times etc. Annual Meeting Missing > 8 a.m.-8:45 Breakfast

9 a.m.-9:30 Service with annual meeting to follow

## Annual North Immanuel Church Meeting

- 1) 2022-02-06: Church Council meeting called to order at 0930.
- 2) There was 42 members present for the meeting.
- 3) Secretaries report was read by Heidi Fouquette and was placed on file with no exceptions.
- 4) Pastors Isaiah thanked everyone for their work in the kitchen.
- 5) Sandie thanked Heidi and Jacob for the extra months serving on the council due to shift to Calendar year vs. Fiscal year.
- 6) Sandie thanked everyone for their willingness to pitch in and help especially with the increased number of Outdoor Services.
- 7) Jane, Kara, Lois, and Bonnie were thanked for their dedication to teaching Sunday School.
- 8) Wayne stated windows are currently on order for front of the church.
- 9) Motion made to accept Steve Strandlien, Brenda Haugrud, Donna Dunham, and Robbie Shulstad as our new Council Members via Unanimous consent.
  - a) 1<sup>st</sup> by Dave Fouquette

- b) 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Dunham.
  - c) Motion carried.
- 10) Christian Education:
- a) Thanks were given to those who provided meals for the Confirmand's.
  - b) Seeking volunteers to serve coffee during Fellowship hours.
- 11) Pastor Isaiah was dismissed during discussions about increased pay.
- a) Dave Fouquette inquired about Pastoral Reviews and whether there was a formal Job Description.
  - b) There were many positive comments made about Pastor Isaiah's performance including Janice Ness stating he was an excellent counselor.
  - c) Discussions continued and included recommendations to have Council President, Vice President, Secretary conduct a Pastoral Review. Dave Fouquette Volunteered to help with formatting Pastoral review.
- 12) Review and Discussions of the 2022 Budget ensued including:
- a) Discussion of Pastoral Salary Increase.
  - b) Church Secretary pay increase.
  - c) Church Custodian pay increase.
  - d) Organist Pay Increase.
  - e) Ballots were passed out and collected.
  - f) Ballots were counted and resulted in unanimous approval of the presented budget without changes.
- 13) Brad Knorr made motion to destroy the ballots.
- a) 1<sup>st</sup> by Dave Fouquette
  - b) 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dawn Dunham
  - c) Motion carried.
- 14) Motion made to dismiss.
- a) 1<sup>st</sup> by Dave Fouquette
  - b) 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darleen Hovland

Submitted by Heidi Fouquette

## Church Council Minutes February 8<sup>th</sup> 2022

- 1) President Brian Johnson called Meeting to order 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Present: Pastor Isaiah, Brian J, Brenda H, Brad K, Wayne H, Steve S, Dave D, Donna D, Conni A, Robbie S
- 3) Devotions by Pastor followed by Pastors Report.  
Lenten Services will begin Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and each Wednesday Through the 6<sup>th</sup> of April  
Will have a light supper with soup and fellowship before services 5:45 — 6:30, Confirmation will follow.  
This will all be in basement. As well as the service.  
Confirmation will be held on April 24<sup>th</sup>. We have 5 kids being confirmed.  
Also reported SS and Bible study is going well.  
Pastor will be gone May 15<sup>th</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup> for further education.  
Call letter needs to be updated with the pay increase and any other changes
- 4) Secretaries Report read By Secretary Robbie S. Report accepted 1<sup>st</sup> by Dave 2<sup>nd</sup> Wayne
- 5) Treasure report reviewed and placed on file
- 6) Committees: Evangelism-Connie and Brad. Stewardship-Dave and Brenda, Christian Ed Robbie and Donna. Property and Management- Wayne and Steve. Discussion on reviewing everyone's obligations.



7) Communion: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday will be at the altar with fewer gathering at altar, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday will be continuous.

8) Benevolence: set up at \$1500 per Quarter.

9) February 27<sup>th</sup> the Band of Faith is available and will come to perform. Motion made to pay them \$200 to cover costs. 1<sup>st</sup> by Conni 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave

**New Business:**

Discussion on setting a date for new member Sunday. Also, pastor review and having help from the youth serving supper during Lent, and inviting South Immanuel members to join us.

Discussion on Paying Snow removal helpers for their time. Motion made to Pay \$40 per hour by Donna 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve.

Motion to adjourn made by Dave 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne. Closing with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting will be March 8th

Submitted by Robbie Shulstad

Church Finances	
Minnesota National Bank	
Beginning Balance 1/01/2022	\$ 7,491.46
Income	
Member/Loose Offering	\$ 6,245.00
Total Income	\$ 6,245.00
Expenses:	
Budgeted	\$ 6,479.50
Ending Balance 1/31/2022	
Minnesota National Bank	
	\$ 7,256.96
Mail	\$ 4,250.00
1/2/2022	\$ 840.00
1/9/2022	\$ 1,500.00
1/16/2022	\$ 3,635.00
1/23/2022	\$ 907.00
1/30/2022	\$ 2,020.00

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Congregation members are invited to write to these young men who are serving. If you know of someone who is serving in the military and want to include their contact info, please submit their addresses to Kara.



**MAJ Mitchell Johnson**  
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Birthdays are a good time to reflect on the blessings that you have been given by God. Here are our members who have birthdays in March so we can help each other celebrate.

Paul Aarness	03/01
Daniel Lynnes	03/01
Terry Sillerud	03/02
Erik Lynnes	03/03
Mark Follingstad	03/05
Brent Tollerud	03/07
Ryan Lindell	03/07
Colten Dunham	03/08
Charlene Klovstad	03/09
Curtis Tillerås	03/12
Darleen Hovland	03/14
Tate Nelson	03/16
Philip Shulstad	03/21
Emiliano Jasso	03/21
Bonnie Harry	03/22
Brenda Haugrud	03/31

This list is not yet complete. If you have a birthday in March and your name is not here, or if the date we have is incorrect, please call it to Kara so we can update our records. May your birthday be a blessed one!

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## Coffee Fellowship

Serving Schedule

Each month

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

Work Group 1  
Work Group 2  
Men's Squares  
Women's Group  
Church Council



Following Worship service

# MARCH 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> <u>POH</u> : 7:45-10:45 a.m. church & 1:00-4:00 p.m. home	2 ASH WEDNESDAY; 9:30 a.m. BS; 5:45-6:30 p.m. Meal; 6:30 p.m. LS; 7:00 p.m. Conf. NEW MOON	3 7:45 a.m.-3:30 a.m. POH	4 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 8:15-10:45 a.m. POH	5
6 1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT 9:00 a.m. WS/HC 10:00 a.m. SS	7	8 <u>POH</u> : 7:45-10:45 a.m. church & 1:00-4:00 p.m. home	9 9:30 a.m. BS 5:45-6:30 p.m. Meal 6:30 p.m. LS 7:00 p.m. Conf.	10 7:45 a.m.-3:30 a.m. POH  1 <sup>ST</sup> QUARTER MOON	11 8:15-10:45 a.m. POH	12
13 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS; 2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT 9:00 a.m. SS; 10:00 a.m. SS	14	15 <u>POH</u> : 7:45-10:45 a.m. church & 1:00-4:00 p.m. home	16 9:30 a.m. BS 5:45-6:30 p.m. Meal 6:30 p.m. LS 7:00 p.m. Conf.	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY 7:45 a.m.-3:30 a.m. POH	18 8:15-10:45 a.m. POH  FULL MOON	19
20 SPRING BEGINS 3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT 9:00 a.m. WS/HC 10:00 a.m. SS	21 Deadline for April S&F and Calendar	22 <u>POH</u> : 7:45-10:45 a.m. church & 1:00-4:00 p.m. home	23 9:30 a.m. BS 5:45-6:30 p.m. Meal 6:30 p.m. LS 7:00 p.m. Conf.	24 7:45 a.m.-3:30 a.m. POH	25 8:15-10:45 a.m. POH  3 <sup>RD</sup> QUARTER MOON	26
27 4 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT 9:00 a.m. WS 10:00 a.m. SS	28	29 <u>POH</u> : 7:45-10:45 a.m. church & 1:00-4:00 p.m. home	30 9:30 a.m. BS 5:45-6:30 p.m. Meal 6:30 p.m. LS 7:00 p.m. Conf.	31 7:45 a.m.-3:30 a.m. POH	Ushers: Nolan & Candi Dunham (6 & 13); Tom & Conni Axness (20 & 27)	***If you are unable to serve, it is your responsibility to find a replacement.***

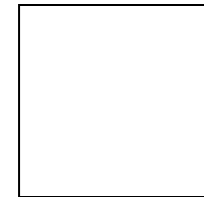
KEY: PTS=Pastors' Text Study; PDO=Pastor's Day Off; LL=Luther League; POH=Pastor's Office Hours; SS=Sunday School; HC=Holy Communion; WS=Worship Service; Conf.=Confirmation; BS=Bible Study; LS=Lenten Service

“Better to do something imperfectly than to do nothing flawlessly.”  
—Robert Schuller

2022  
**MARCH**  


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