

NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINNESOTA •

218-863-5447

AUGUST 2022



To the church of God which is at Norwegian Grove, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their *Lord* and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (Adapted from 1 Cor 1:2-3)

What is the Fourth Commandment?

Honor your father and mother.

What does this mean?

–Answer: We should fear and love God that we may not despise nor anger our parents and other authorities, but give them honor, serve, obey, and hold them in love and esteem.

I understand that we have to honor and obey our parents, but why does this commandment also include others in authority?

On the one hand, our parents uniquely serve as God's representatives through whom He bestows and nurtures human life on earth.

On the other hand, other forms of authority (legal guardians, pastors, teachers, employers, government

officials) also serve as God's representatives for the support and the protection of our life on earth.

This indicates that Christians whose parents have already passed away are not released from this keeping this commandment. Rather they are to keep this charge from God by honoring and obeying other authorities.

How do we keep it? What if my parents or other authorities poorly carry out their vocations from God?

We should still respect them as those who have been given the privilege of representing God to us. However, having said this, the obedience to parents and authorities are done in faith and in accordance with the Word of God which has the ultimate authority.

Simply put, if your parents ask you to lie. Do not obey them. If your employers ask you to do something illegal and/or immoral. Do not obey them.

Let's pray:

Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood on earth is given: give unto us gratitude for the gifts of parents and others in authority and the humility to serve, obey, love, and cherish them as they fulfill the duties and responsibilities you have assigned to them in this life; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Blessings,

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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

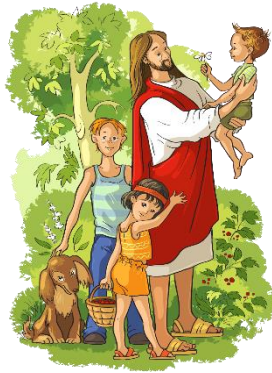
North Immanuel is Online:

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

Do you prefer to get your Seed & Feed emailed to you? If so, please email the church (nilchurch@yahoo.com) and state your preference.



To save postage, the deadline for the newsletters each month will be changing. The date will be sometime between the 15th and 20th of each month. Please see each newsletter for the next month's deadline.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

WILL BE HELD AT NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

DATE: AUGUST 16TH, 17TH AND 18TH

TIME: 5:30 PM TO 8:00 PM

THEME: CREATED BY GOD, BUILT FOR A PURPOSE

SUPPER WILL BE SERVED TO THE CHILDREN WHEN THEY ARRIVE.

THE EVENING WILL BE FILLED WITH BIBLE STUDY, MUSIC,

CRAFTS AND GAMES

ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

PLEASE RSVP BY AUGUST 10TH TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE

JANE KNORR 218-731-4464, LOIS AAS 218-329-3426

ROBBIE SHULSTAD 218-731-7989 OR DONNA DUNHAM 701-238-7885

(CONTACT US WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP)

BY
faith

From the Cemetery Association:

- (1) The charges are: for non-members, inactive members, and persons who do not pay cemetery dues, \$500.00 for single niche and \$750.00 for two urns in one niche. (The niches are large enough for one large urn or two small urns.)
- (2) The next addition to the bylaws pertains to the faceplate on each niche:
The engraving of the columbarium faceplate may include both graphics (pictures) and text.
The engraving must be centered on the faceplate and not exceed (go outside) an area of 10" x 10".
All text shall use the font "Times New Roman" and may include standard, bold and/or italic in any size.
Minimum text must include name, date of birth and date passing.
No colors or inlays are permitted.
An exception to the standard is pre-approved in the case of a veteran's 8.5" x 5.5" plaque which must be attached centered on the faceplate. If two veteran urns are placed in one niche appropriate military medallions may be on the faceplate.

ASK ISAIAH

During the outdoor worship services, Pastor Isaiah asked the worshipers to take an index card and write down a question they have in mind. Pastor Isaiah will try to answer those questions.

However, due to the limitation of time during Sunday worship, only one or two questions will be answered at a time. Therefore, this little section titled "Ask Isaiah" surfaced.

Question: What is the relationship between the Lutheran Church and the Catholic Church? Why do we say we believe in the "holy catholic church" in the apostle's creed?

First of all, we have to define what "Catholic/catholic" (notice the upper and lower cases' difference) means. The Roman Catholic Church and the holy catholic Church sound alike, but they are actually different.

The word "catholic" (the lower 'c') means universal. To say "catholic Church" is the same as saying "universal Church" which is the bride of Christ. This universal/catholic Church is one. This one Church includes all believers whom Jesus has elected and saved by His blood. That means the Christians from the Lutheran, the Episcopalian, the Presbyterian, the Baptist, the Methodist, the Mennonite, the Roman Catholic, the Orthodox Christian, and all other Christian denomination traditions belong to this one Church.

With that being said, "Catholic" (the upper C) becomes exclusively a designated term for the Church of Rome whose ecclesiastical leader is the Pope. Martin Luther, the pioneer of Lutheranism, was a Roman Catholic priest in the Augustinian order. He tried to reform the church by public challenging the teaching of indulgence. Yet this just action brought punishment to Luther. By the papal bull "*Exsurge Domine* (Arise, O Lord)", Pope Leo X excommunicated Luther. Yep, Luther did not leave the church nor start his own "denomination". He was kicked out the Roman Catholic Church. But he refused to leave the church. The Romanists then called the churches which followed Luther "Lutheranism" which was a derogatory term. Although some of the Romanists called Luther traitor and destroyer of the Church, Luther always believed that he was preaching to preserve the "holy catholic/universal Church", not the Roman Catholic false teaching of the Medieval time.

In summary, we Lutherans can proudly declare that we belong to this one holy catholic Church because we are elected by Christ along with many brothers and sisters in other Christian denominations.

North Immanuel

2022



Outdoor Worship Service

2nd and 4th Sundays in June, July, & Aug

Worship @ 9:00 a.m. with Fellowship meal to follow

<u>Date</u>	<u>Guest Musicians</u>	<u>Serving</u>	<u>Location</u>
Aug 14	The Granders	Youth	Church grounds
Aug 28	A-Chord	Work Group	Church grounds

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
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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.

New seat, new perspective

In older sitcoms, family members, especially parents, each had their own chair in the living room. No one else sat there. If its "owner" wasn't present, the on-set chair remained empty. Church can be like that too, with people claiming the same seat week after week. Our view of the service and of fellow worshipers is familiar and comfortable.

Recently, our family was "bumped" back a bit, which felt surprisingly different at first. But we interacted just the same with the service. As a bonus, I talked with different people. And after church we stayed to visit a bit longer.

I'm glad church seats don't have nameplates. And I'm thankful that God nudges me out of my comfort zone from time to time, giving me a new perspective.

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

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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 August so we can help each other celebrate.

Jeffrey Holt	08/02
Lori Frederickson	08/02
Aneta Dillerud	08/05
Kevin Holt	08/07
Joseph Anderson	08/09
Laurie Jo Johnson	08/12
Cody Nord	08/12
Summer Anderson	08/12
Tracy Ross	08/16
Jeremy Lynnes	08/18
Christa Johnson	08/19
Jason Ross Jr.	08/23
Melissa Flerschinger	08/25
Lois Ishaug	08/28
Abby Ganyo	08/28

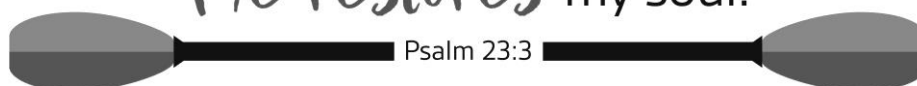
This list is not yet complete. If you have a birthday in August and your name is not here, or if the date we have is incorrect, please call it to Kara so we can update our records. May your birthday be a blessed one!



Following Worship service

North Immanuel Lutheran Church	
June 30, 2022	
Year to Date Income	\$40,066.80
Year to Date Expenses	<u>\$49,126.82</u>
Net	(\$9,060.02)

He restores my soul.



AUGUST 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Pr. Isaiah on vacation → -----	3 -----	4 -----	5 1 ST QUARTER MOON -----	6 -----
7 9:00 a.m. WS/HC -----	8 -----	9 6:00 p.m. Church Council meeting -----	10 -----	11 FULL MOON -----	12 -----	13 ----- ←Pr. Isaiah's vacation ends
14 9:00 a.m. Outdoor WS with the Granders	15 Deadline for September S&F and Calendar	16 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH "work from home" 5:30-8:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School	17 9:30 a.m. BS 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH "church office" 5:30-8:00 p.m. VBS	18 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH "church office" 5:30-8:00 p.m. VBS	19 1:00-4:00 p.m. POH "work from home" 3 RD QUARTER MOON	20
21 9:00 a.m. WS/HC	22	23 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH "work from home"	24 9:30 a.m. BS 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH "church office"	25 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH "church office"	26 1:00-4:00 p.m. POH "work from home"	27 NEW MOON
28 9:00 a.m. Outdoor WS with A-Chord	29	30 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH "work from home"	31 9:30 a.m. BS 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH "church office"		Ushers: Kevin & Katy Holt (7 & 14); Bill & Shelia Osborne (21 & 28)	***If you are unable to serve, it is your responsibility to find a replacement.***

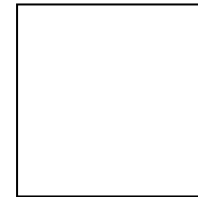
KEY: PTS=Pastors' Text Study; PDO=Pastor's Day Off; LL=Luther League; POH=Pastor's Office Hours; SS=Sunday School; HC=Holy Communion; WS=Worship Service; Conf.=Confirmation; BS=Bible Study; LS=Lenten Service

“Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep.”
—Scott Adams

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