

NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINNESOTA •

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NOVEMBER 2023

The Harvest – October 8, 2023

I will sing for the one I love a song about his vineyard: My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then he looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit. “Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad?” . . . The vineyard of the LORD Almighty is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are the garden of his delight. And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.

Isaiah 5:1-4,7

It was back-breaking work to plant and care for a vineyard—the plowing, the clearing of stones, the planting. You had to wait two years to see any fruit. Yet, this farmer did everything

possible to make his vineyard fruitful. But when he went to find good fruit, all he found was rot.

God told this story to describe the people of Israel. He had given them everything they could possibly need to succeed: a homeland, a guide to live by, a place to worship, leaders to help them, prophets to lead them. Nothing more could have been done. Yet, when the harvest came, God found no fruit. His people had rejected him.

Friends, this isn't a picture of Israel alone. This is a picture of every single person on earth. Even though God has done everything for us, by nature, we hated God. We were God's enemies. We produced only rotten fruit.

But God was determined not to give up on us. He sent his one and only Son, Jesus, to live in our place, to produce the good fruit that God desired. And Jesus not only lived for us, but also died for us to take away all of our sin and establish peace between us and God again. This good news creates a desire in us to do what God desires to produce the good fruit he's looking for. Because of Jesus, we can once again be the garden of God's delight!

Prayer:

Lord, have mercy on me for the times when I take your care for granted. Let me never receive that love in vain, but help me to produce the good fruit that you desire and deserve. Amen.

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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

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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.



The Operation Christmas Child shoebox collection is November 19, 2023. Bring your box to worship that day.

Please visit the website for more information about the ministry and how to pack a shoebox.

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

Church Council Minutes
October 11, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Brad Knorr, Tanner Nelson, Steve Strandlien, Bonnie Harry, Robbie Shulstad, Brenda Haugrud, and treasurer Julie Ann Holt. Absent: Pastor Isaiah, Dave Dunham, Becky Lage, Donna Dunham, and Wayne Hovland.

Pastor opened the meeting with prayer.

Pastor's report: NA

Secretary's report: read, accepted and placed on file.

Treasurer's report: Council reviewed the treasurer's report and placed on file.

Committee reports:

Evangelism: Granders are scheduled to perform on the Wednesday after Thanksgiving.

Stewardship: nothing new to report

Christian Education: nothing to report

Property and Management: window renovation is now scheduled for November.

Old Business: nothing to report

New Business: Benevolence and discussion about next summer's outdoor worship service tabled until next meeting.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting November 8, 2023

Submitted by Brenda Haugrud

North Immanuel Lutheran Church

Sept 30, 2023

Year to Date Income \$177,522.92

Year to Date Expenses \$ 79,165.62

Net \$ 98,357.30

The Granders concert will be on Wednesday, November 29th.

NORTH IMMANUEL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship

10:00 a.m. following worship services

Bible Study

Fridays 9:30 a.m.

Janice Ness's Pelican Rapids

Contact Lois Aas for more info.

Holy Communion

First and Third Sunday of each month

Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Sept-May

Serving Opportunities

- Serve Sunday Coffee Fellowship
10:00 a.m. following worship
- 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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In the absence of Pastor Isaiah, Pastor Roger Michaelson will be filling in for him. If you need to contact him, his phone number is 218-396-0302 and his email is pwjudy8@gmail.com.

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.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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 November so we can help each other celebrate.

Tanner Nelson	11/03	Beverly Mahmood	11/18
Gerald Thompson	11/06	Grant Meyer	11/18
Jayne Lynnes	11/06	Sherry Klovstad	11/19
Johanna Knorr	11/09	Logan Knorr	11/21
Amanda Dunham	11/10	Joseph Roste	11/24
Heidi Fouquette	11/16	Jared Lynnes	11/25
Kelly Osborne	11/16	Allyssa Ross	11/26
Scott Delp	11/17	Kelly Lindell	11/28

This list is not yet complete. If you have a birthday in November 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!

November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 ALL SAINTS DAY	2	3	4
5 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS 9:00 a.m. WS/HC 10:00 a.m. SS LAST QTR MOON	6	7 ELECTION DAY	8 6:00 p.m. Church Council meeting	9	10	11 VETERANS DAY
12 9:00 a.m. WS 10:00 a.m. SS	13 NEW MOON	14	15	16	17	18
19 9:00 a.m. WS/HC & Shoebox Collection 10:00 a.m. SS	20 Deadline for December S&F and Calendar 1 ST QTR MOON	21	22	23 THANKSGIVING DAY	24	25
26 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. WS 10:00 a.m. SS	27 FULL MOON	28	29 Granders Concert	30	Greeters: David & Shelly Dunham (5 & 12); Larry & Jane Hovland (19 & 26)	***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

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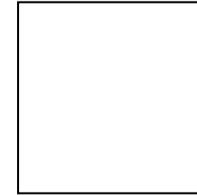
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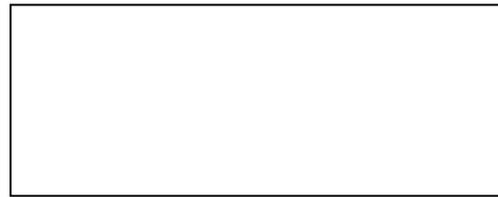
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