

NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINNESOTA •

218-863-5447

JULY 2023



Dear families and friends of North Immanuel,

Peace be with you.

One thing I learned quickly after being married to my wife was to check expiration dates on grocery items. When I was single, I either ate out a lot or only purchased a few items at a time. I never needed to check the expiration date. Contrarily, my wife came from a bigger family, checking expiration dates became a part of her DNA. She would take me to Walmart's grocery area and teach me what to expect. Sounded silly, right? But this exercise was very much necessary since I had never paid attention to the expiration dates.

After a brief exploration at Walmart, I came to an insightful conclusion: Every item had an expiration date. Fresh produce are not meant to sit in the fridge over a week. Packaged fresh meats can only be refrigerated for a few days before being used or frozen. Seasoned meats could last a few weeks. Bacons could stand for 2 months. Canned food will be good for a few years. Yes, even canned food can and will expire.

Food perishes and expires, as we expect. What about non-food items? Do they expire too? For sure. When we knew we were expecting our first child, we announced that good news to everyone we knew. We were gifted many baby clothing, supplies, and even a car seat. One discovery that amazed me (and surprised me) was that car seats do have expiration dates for the safety's sake.

Things expire. Trust me, go and take a look at your local antique store. Do not drink the 6-pack Coca-Cola bottled in 1951. Do not apply the engine oil from 1970 to your 2015 Ford F150. Do you take the advertisement of a 1960 brand Dodge to your local dealer. They will not sell you a brand-new Dodge for \$3600, even with cash!

Are there any things that do not expire? Yes!

Psalm 100 writes, "**For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.**" You can take God's word written thousands of years ago along with His promises to Him, God will cash it and will not turn you away. Trust in the LORD and His everlasting promise!

Peace!

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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
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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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 1-3, 2023

5:30-8:00 p.m.

BigHeart Farms
Where God's Fruit Grows!

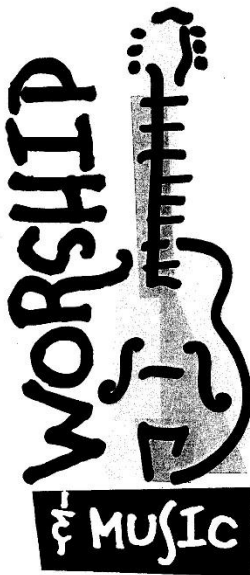
Galatians 5:16-26



NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Join us for
Outdoor Worship Services

with live music!



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

Worship at 9:00 am
with a fellowship meal to follow

June 11 • Lee Brenna
At the NILC West Cemetery

June 25 • The Fladlands
w/ Loy Larson

July 9 • Band of Faith

July 23 • Off The Hook

Aug 13 • The Granders

Aug 27 • A-Chord

Bring your own lawn chair
In the event of rain - worship service
and fellowship will be indoors

12713 County Highway 30, Pelican Rapids, MN
Pastor Isaiah Bai • 541-968-4358

North Immanuel Church Council Minutes

June 14, 2023

Meeting called to order at 5:57pm. Present: Pastor Isaiah, Brad Knorr, Dave Dunham, Steve Strandlien, Wayne Hovland, Becky Lage, Donna Dunham, Bonnie Harry, Robbie Shulstad, and Brenda Haugrud, Tanner Nelson and Julie Ann Holt.

Pastor's Report: Pastor reviewed events since the last council meeting, including the visit from the Norwegian students in May, noting that new students will be invited in the future. New Member Sunday took place on June 4, Allie and Bryant Briard were welcomed as new members. Pastor purchased a new computer per the Council's approval. Pastor listed the dates he will be out of the office: July 15-30 (annual training but wrote the sermon for the 30th already so a volunteer or volunteers can lead the service—or if he happens to be back in time he will), August 9-16 vacation, and then January 19, 2024-April 18, 2024 he will be doing Chaplain Basic Officer Leadership training. Finding an interim for those dates was discussed.

Secretary's Report read, accepted and placed on file.

Treasurer's Report: Julie Ann went through the YTD annual budget for general fund, noting we are 42% into the year and there is nothing concerning to address.

Committee Reports:

Evangelism: All outdoor special music dates are officially filled. Council will serve lunch after the outdoor service on June 25.

Stewardship: No issues with the changes to Seed and Feed mailing list at this time.

Christian Education: Reminder that Vacation Bible School will be August 1-3 from 5:30-8pm, volunteers are needed.

Property and Management: The premises was sprayed for spiders. No update on windows.

Old Business: Flooring and paint were selected for Kara's office.

New Business: A motion was made by Dave to continue the purchase of devotionals, 2nd by Becky, motion passed. Benevolence was discussed and distribution was decided upon for 2 local families and two organizations.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Meeting July 12, 2023

Submitted by Brenda Haugrud

North Immanuel Lutheran Church

May 31, 2023

Year to Date Income \$154,028.18

Year to Date Expenses \$ 42,893.76

Net \$111,134.42

NORTH IMMANUEL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship

10:00 a.m. following worship services

Youth Group

Wednesdays Sept-May

6:00 p.m. Youth Meal

6:30 p.m. Youth Group

Holy Communion

First and Third Sunday of each month

Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Sept-May

Bible Study

Fridays 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 Youth Group 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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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.



JULY 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 July so we can help each other celebrate.

Thea Axness	07/04	Ashton Dunham	07/25
Cameron Johnson	07/04	Ava Osborne	07/25
Everett Hovland	07/05	Sommer Haugrud	07/27
Leon Dunham	07/06	Steven Klovstad	07/28
Lee Thompson	07/07	Vanessa Johnson	07/28
Madison Lynnes	07/08	Kloe Klovstad	07/28
Rebecca Anderson	07/10	Rachel Lynnes	07/29
Teresa Ness	07/10	Lynna Follingstad Martin	07/30
Nicholas Haugrud	07/15	Shyla Strandlien	07/31
Erica Osborne	07/17	Sara Smischny	07/31
Brocke Dunham	07/18	Saige Anderson	07/31
Kylie Lynnes	07/22		
Finnley Klovstad	07/23		
Glen Swenson	07/24		

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

July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:00 a.m. WS/HC	3 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY	5 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH	6	7 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH	8
9 9:00 a.m. Outdoor WS with Band of Faith	10 Pr. Isaiah at Chaplain school	11	12 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH 6:00 p.m. Church Council meeting	13	14 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH	15
16 9:00 a.m. WS/HC →Pr. Isaiah at	17 Annual Training	18 Deadline for August S&F and Calendar -----	19 -----	20 -----	21 -----	22 -----
23 9:00 a.m. Outdoor WS with Off the Hook -----	24 -----	25 -----	26 -----	27 -----	28 -----	29 -----
30 9:00 a.m. WS -----←	31 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. POH				Greeters: Brian & Judy Johnson (2 & 9); Craig & Brenda Haugrud (16, 23 & 30)	***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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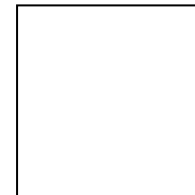
July



Following Worship service

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