

# NORTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINNESOTA •

218-863-5447

JUNE 2022



Dear Brothers and Sisters of North Immanuel,

Peace from the Risen Lord be with you always.

This month we will continue to study the Ten Commandments.

The Second Commandment

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

*What does this mean?*

—Answer: We should fear and love God that we may not curse, swear, use witchcraft, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

There are incorrect uses (abuses) of the name of God, and there are appropriate and encouraged uses of the name of God.

**When do we abuse/misuse the name of God?**

We begin our Sunday service in the name of the triune God, and God is in our midst. If we do not heartfully

worship and be attentive to His Words, we misuse His name.

Christian wedding usually is officiated by a pastor and takes place in the worship setting. When we make the vows, we call upon the name of God. That means, if we are not faithful to our spouses or vows, we also misuse the name of God.

When people are frustrated, they tend to curse and swear to relieve their anger. “Jesus Christ” and “God” become the common swear words. This is also the misuse of His name.

**Are we supposed to be silent about God’s name and never mention it just as how the wizards react to Voldemort (he who shall not be named) in Harry Potter?**

No. We Christians are encouraged and commanded to call up God’s gracious name.

You might already notice, Christians always end their prayer in Jesus’ name. We do this because the Scripture says, “This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.” (1 John 5:14)

Brothers and Sister, let us pray:

Holy Father, purify our lips from every misuse of your name by cursing, swearing, superstition, lying, or deception. Open our mouths to reverence your holy name, calling upon it in every time of trouble, praying for what you promise to give, praising you for your glory, and giving thanks to you as the giver of every good and perfect gift; this we ask in the name that gives us access to you, the name of Jesus, our Lord, Amen.

Pastor Isaiah Bai

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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  
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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](mailto:nilchurch@yahoo.com)) and state your preference.



Dear North Immanuel family,

We are forever grateful for being welcomed in as a part of the family and community for the past nine years. Thank you for the friendship, encouragement, love, prayers, and special blessings. Thank you for letting me serve and sing throughout the years and for encouraging and influencing Maxwell to know what it is like to be a Christian in this fleshly world.

Until we meet again, please know you are all loved and appreciated for leaving lasting impressions in our lives. And if any of you ever road trip to the great state of North Dakota, stop on in.

With love,

Shayla, Jason, and Maxwell Jegtvig  
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North Immanuel Lutheran Church	
April 30, 2022	
Year to Date Income	\$25,057.00
Year to Date Expenses	<u>\$32,296.90</u>
Net	(\$7,239.90)

# North Immanuel 2022



## *Outdoor Worship Service*

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays in June, July, & Aug

Worship @ 9:00am with Fellowship meal to follow

<u>Date</u>	<u>Guest Musicians</u>	<u>Serving</u>	<u>Location</u>
June 12	Heaven Bound Trio	Council	Church grounds
June 26	Lee Brenna	Squares	West North Immanuel
July 10	Rollag Gospel Trio	Work Group	Church grounds
July 24	Band of Faith	Work Group	Church grounds
Aug 14	The Granders	Youth	Church grounds
Aug 28	A-Chord	Work Group	Church grounds

Please Invite your Family, Friends and Neighbors  
Join Us for Worship

## 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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Church Council Minutes  
May 4, 2022

- 1) President Brian Johnson called meeting to order @ 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Present: Wayne H, Donna D, Pastor Isaiah, Brian J, Steve S, Brad K, Brenda H, Dave D, Conni A.  
Absent was Robbie S.
- 3) Pastor began with prayer
- 4) Pastor's report:
  - A. Discussed the pastoral review process and handed out examples of surveys for congregation and evaluation committee forms that could aid in a comprehensive evaluation.
  - B. Pastor would like to meet with Church Committee members (Evangelism, Stewardship, Christian Education, Property & Management) once every other month.
  - C. Pastor proposed "new member Sunday" be held on June 5<sup>th</sup>. He has talked with families and individuals who are interested in becoming members. Potluck following the service, Brian will check with work group, pastor will talk to Kara. Pastor would like to recognize new members in July Seed and Feed.
  - D. Pastor will be gone for Continuing Ed May 15-28, discussed coverage and will discuss children's service options upon return.
  - E. The outdoor service schedule was reviewed, pastor requested creating invitations that he could hand to people when he visits them.
- 5) Secretary's report read. Motion made to accept by Dave, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brad. Report filed.
- 6) Treasurer report read by Julie Ann. Two CDs are coming due on May 22, discussed transferring them into church savings account until we know what June interest rates are doing. Report reviewed and filed.
- 7) Committee reports:
  - A. Evangelism: Conni and Brad working on outdoor worship schedule (July 10 and August 14 still open); The Press is working on the announcement/ad.
  - B. Stewardship: Dave and Brenda will meet with Pastor Isaiah when he gets back.
  - C. Christian Ed: Donna will call churches about VBS collaboration
  - D. Property and management: waiting for it to dry up to install windows. Discussed cell phone booster. Motion made to purchase cell phone booster left to the discretion of Property and Management, 1<sup>st</sup> by Conni, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brad, motion passed.
- 8) Old Business: Bible School and Outdoor services discussed during committee reports. Graduation recognition May 29<sup>th</sup>, council will serve cake and coffee afterwards.
- 9) New Business:
  - A. Discussed expense of mailing Seed and Feed, Pastor mentioned that those who want can subscribe to email correspondence on website; also recommended Kara print her email in the bulletin and have congregation email her if they prefer to receive Seed and Feed via email.
  - B. Discussed transparency in budget shortage/giving shortage and how much income we need to make budget per month; Motion to put year-to-date summary in the Seed and Feed each month, 1<sup>st</sup> by Steve 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna, motion passed.
  - C. Conni provided pen samples/prices. Motion to purchase pens with North Immanuel Lutheran Church, LCMC, website information and facebook symbol on them, 1<sup>st</sup> by Brenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brad, motion passed.
  - D. Conni announced Walk for Hope to raise awareness and money for Common Hope. She will email council members the information.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting set for June 14 at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by Brenda Haugrud

## 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.





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 June so we can help each other celebrate.

Orin Berg	06/02	Donna Dunham	06/15
Gregory Brummer	06/05	Robert Thompson	06/18
Samuel Klovsstad	06/06	Bennett Morey	06/18
Taylor Johnson	06/07	Leslie Dunham	06/21
Jane Knorr	06/08	Jay Axness	06/22
Mitchell Hovland	06/10	Maggie Knorr	06/22
Ole Axness	06/13	George Door	06/23
Lee Follingstad	06/14	Shayla Jegtvig	06/25
Duane Ishaug	06/14	Jason Lynnes	06/29

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

## A standup guy

During the pandemic, a Maryland man used “dad jokes” to lift neighbors’ spirits. Tom Schruben jotted down a joke-of-the-day on a curbside whiteboard. Hearing people chuckle and chat eased the isolation.

Schruben and his wife, Ann, became intentional about seeking joy after two of their children died. They vowed to “find happiness again” and share it. For Father’s Day last year, Schruben held a Bad Dad Joke contest, donating entry fees to a local charity. Here are a few of his favorites:

- If two vegans get into an argument, is it still considered a beef?
- I ordered a chicken and an egg from Amazon. I’ll let you know.
- What do you call a bear with no teeth? A gummy bear.



# JUNE 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Ushers: Brad & Jane Knorr (5 & 12); Leon & Donna Dunham (19 & 26)	***If you are unable to serve, it is your responsibility to find a replacement.***	<i>1</i> 9:30 a.m. BS	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>5</i> PENTECOST 9:00 a.m. WS/HC 10:00 a.m. Potluck & Baby Shower for Cyrus Bai	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>  1 <sup>ST</sup> QUARTER MOON	<i>8</i> 9:30 a.m. BS	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>12</i> TRINITY SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. Outdoor WS with Heaven Bound Trio	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> FLAG DAY 6:00 p.m. Church Council meeting  FULL MOON	<i>15</i> 9:30 a.m. BS	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19</i> FATHER'S DAY 9:00 a.m. WS/HC	<i>20</i> Deadline for July S&F and Calendar  3 <sup>RD</sup> QUARTER MOON	<i>21</i> SUMMER BEGINS	<i>22</i> 9:30 a.m. BS	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>26</i> 9:00 a.m. Outdoor WS at West Cemetery with Lee Brenna	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>  NEW MOON	<i>29</i> 9:30 a.m. BS	<i>30</i>		

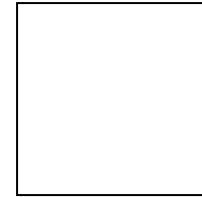
KEY: PTS=Pastors' Text Study; PDO=Pastor's Day Off; LL=Luther League; POH=Pastor's Office Hours; SS=Sunday School; HC=Holy Communion; WS=Worship Service; Conf.=Confirmation; BS=Bible Study; LS=Lenten Service

“The fact that I can plant a seed and it becomes a flower, share a bit of knowledge and it becomes another's, smile at someone and receive a smile in return, are to me continual spiritual exercises.”  
—Leo Buscaglia

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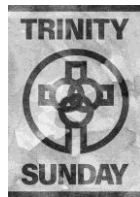
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