

Welcome to Worship at



IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN CHURCH

summer 2026 sermon series

God's
Wisdom
for an unwise world

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight.*

PROVERBS 3:5-6

ORDER OF WORSHIP

8.16.26 || TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST || BANNER #18 "OPEN BOOK"

PRELUDE & BELL	Milianna Carlson
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Pastor Allison
PRAYER & CALL TO WORSHIP	Pastor Allison
OPENING HYMN	#526 <i>The Solid Rock</i>
GREETING	Pastor Allison
CHILDREN'S SONG	<i>I Am the Church</i>
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Pastor Allison
SCRIPTURE READINGS	Laura Severson
<i>Proverbs 2:6-15; James 3:13-18; Matthew 7:24-29</i>	
APOSTLES' CREED	Pastor Andrew
OFFERTORY	#678 <i>We Are An Offering</i>
MESSAGE	Pastor Andrew
<i>Wisdom in Action</i>	
WORSHIP SONGS	<i>Be Thou My Vision//Build My Life</i>
PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER	Grant Severson
BENEDICTION & SENDING	Grant Severson
CLOSING SONG	<i>In Christ Alone</i>

CHURCH & COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Welcome to worship at Immanuel! We come together to "call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised" (Psalm 18:3, NRSV). All are sincerely welcomed to this service of worship and praise.

Sponsor any worship bulletin in honor or in memory of someone - perfect for birthdays, anniversaries, or special remembrances. Sponsorship is \$20 and helps us offset our printing and paper expenses. Contact the church office to schedule your sponsorship!

Check out the cart in the lobby for our **Kringla and Jesus t-shirts** - they are \$15 each. Our **garden produce swap** is also on the cart - if you have extra garden produce you'd like to share, put it on the cart. Leave what you have and take what you need.

Give a secure financial gift to Immanuel online!

You can give via a debit or credit card, Venmo, Google Pay, or directly from your bank. Please contact the church office if you have questions about your giving!



Tonight is our final summer EPIC Night - it's water night! Dress to get wet, and bring a pair of clean clothes. RSVP to Pastor Allison so we can plan for food. Parents of all ages are invited to join Pastor Andrew in the Chapel at 6:30pm for an Adult Study on "Raising Spiritual Champions."

Save the dates for our upcoming events:

- August 23 - Back to School Blessing
- August 26 - EPIC HS and MS School Kick-Off Night
- September 13 - Rally Sunday

General Fund activity for July 2026			
Beg. Balance	Receipts	Expenses	End. Balance
\$10,840	\$30,038	\$36,424	\$4,454
Monthly General Fund expenses average \$37k			
Details are posted on the slatwall next to the printer room.			



HOME-DELIVERED MEALS VIA HEARTLAND SENIOR SERVICES 2026

Immanuel delivers meals via Heartland Senior Services of Ames every September. You can sign up to volunteer for a spot online (using the QR code or the link in our weekly email) or directly with the church office.

Volunteers need to pick up the meals at Immanuel at 10:45am.

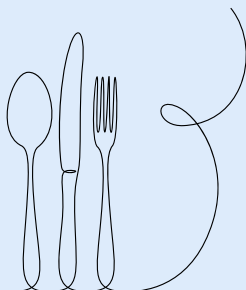
One driver is needed (but you can team up to make it more fun!), and you'll need to allow 1 hour for meal pickup, delivery, and returning the bag to the Heartland volunteer at the church parking lot.

If you have any questions regarding this volunteer opportunity, contact Milianna in the church office.

Note: no deliveries on Labor Day or weekends.

If you or someone you know would benefit from Heartland's Meals on Wheels program, please call 515-357-4573 or check out their website (heartlandofstorycounty.org) for more information and a menu.

SIGN UP HERE!



The Story City Duck Race is Wednesday, August 19th!

There are many activities going on that night:

- BBQ Meal (free will donation): 5 - 6:30pm in front of Fairview Lodge
- Carousel Rides (sponsored, so rides are free!): 5 - 7pm
- Duck Race: 6pm at the Story City Pool
- Kids Chuck A Duck: 6:15pm at the Story City Pool

Order your ducks at the GCC office or online. Great prizes to win while supporting the Story City community!

RS Community Prayer Night - Please join us on Wednesday evening, August 19th, for our annual community prayer night for the Roland Story Schools. We will begin praying at 7pm at the Elementary school, then around 7:30pm at the High School, then in Roland, at the Middle School around 8pm, concluding our prayer time there at 8:30pm.

Grab a copy of our Fall Quarterly Newsletter on the slatwall, or see a digital copy on our website.

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

WELCOME TEAM

Shelly Rivera, Megan and Murphy Thomas, Jaynee Christian

READER

Laura Severson

TECH TEAM

Jim Oberender, Bradey Haberl

ACOLYTE

Elsey Haberl

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Claudia Fuhrman, Cindy Blomberg, Shirley Frette, Janet Oppedal

COFFEE CART

Steve & Miriam Skartvedt

PRAYER PARTNERS

Immanuel Deacons

BANNER/PARAMENT COMMITTEE

Gloria Hill

Contact Milianna Carlson with questions or if you need assistance using Sign-up Genius.





CHOIR FALL 2026 SCHEDULE

Join us this season – all singers from 6th grade and up are welcome! Come when you can – we need 6 singers minimum for our performances.

SUN • SEP 13

Rehearsal after worship

10:45 – 11:15 AM *Anthem selections*

SUN • OCT 11

Rehearsal after worship

10:45 – 11:15 AM

SUN • NOV 8

Rehearsal after worship

10:45 – 11:15 AM

SUN • NOV 29

Advent Performance

during the 9:30 AM worship service

THU • DEC 24

"Peace, Peace/Silent Night"

during the 4:30 PM worship service

SPRING 2027

No rehearsals in December or January. We'll start preparing Holy Week and Easter anthems in February. **Save the dates:**

Sun., March 21 – Palm Sunday
Thu., March 25 – Maundy Thursday
Sun., March 28 – Easter Sunday

SERMON NOTES

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Church Office Hours:

Mondays - Thursdays: 9 A.M. - Noon
Fridays by appointment only

summer Sunday Schedule

8:00 A.M. RADIO BROADCAST

(KASI, 1430 A.M.)

8:30 A.M. ADULT EDUCATION

9:30 A.M. WORSHIP

LIVE STREAM

10:30 A.M. FELLOWSHIP (SOCIAL HALL)



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