

FEBRUARY 1, 2026 || FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

# Welcome to Worship at



## CARRY THE FLAME

2025 - 2026 SERMON SERIES

DEEPER *faith*

DEEPER *hope*

DEEPER *love*

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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2.1.26 || FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY || BANNER #30 "GRAPES"

## PRELUDE & BELL

Milianna Carlson

## WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Grant Severson

## OPENING HYMN     *#682 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grant Severson

## KYRIE & HYMN OF PRAISE

*This is the Feast*

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Patty Rathmacher

*Psalm 119:97-112; Romans 8:1-17*

## APOSTLES' CREED

Pastor Allison

## OFFERTORY

*#678 We Are An Offering*

## MESSAGE

Pastor Allison

*Deeper Hope: Direction*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*#184 Thy Word*

## SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Confession & Forgiveness*

*Words of Institution*

*Lord's Prayer*

*Distribution*

## BENEDICTION & SENDING

Isaac Kubat

## CLOSING WORSHIP SONG

*#712 Be Still, My Soul*

## POSTLUDE

Milianna Carlson

## CHURCH & COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

**Welcome to worship at Immanuel!** Lord, teach me to walk in kindness this month and beyond. May my actions reflect your love, and may others see your heart through mine. "Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you" (Ephesians 4:32, ESV).

Our **quilters** meet this Thursday from 9 to noon in the Social Hall. No experience required, and you're invited to bring a treat to share during coffee time.



**VOLUNTEER WITH  
MYRTLE'S CLOSET!**

Help parents shop for  
baby clothes & diapers!  
Training available for  
new volunteers.



# Myrtle's Closet

## SPRING '26 SHOPPING DATES

(10:00 To 11:30 A.M.)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

MONDAY, MARCH 9

MONDAY, APRIL 13

(5:45 - 7:00 P.M.)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

MONDAY, MARCH 30

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29



You're invited to wear a favorite team shirt or jersey to church on Sunday, February 8th! Bring a can of soup or box of soup crackers to donate to the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry! *Help us fill the cart!*

**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!*

**Have something to share with the Immanuel church community?** All bulletin, worship and/or weekly email announcements are due to the church office by 10 A.M. on Thursday mornings for inclusion in our church communications.

**Access and act on next steps** to get involved at Immanuel by checking out the kiosks in the lobby, browsing our website ([immanuelstorycity.org](http://immanuelstorycity.org)), or signing up for our weekly emails with the church office.

**We're going to South Dakota!** This summer, we have students going to Lake Traverse, South Dakota for a mission trip with YouthWorks! We will be working with the Reservation there, learning about the Dakota culture while partnering with the community to meet their needs. Service opportunities include working at local organizations, serving at local nursing homes, painting, beautification, and minor repair projects to support local homeowners and tribal partners.

**We are raising \$1,300 to finalize our plans for this trip.** Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our trip so far! If you would like to support our trip, you can make a personal donation by following the QR code to pay online (*specify Youth Mission Trip*)



or drop off a check to the church office. We also want to invite you to attend our **Lenten meal on Wednesday, February 18th** prior to the Ash Wednesday service. All free-will donations will go towards supporting our mission trip!

## THANK YOU TO TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

### WELCOME TEAM

*Kent & Lisa Handeland, Brice Haskin, Doug Mechaelsen*

### READER

*Patty Rathmacher*

### TECH TEAM

*Jim Oberender, Bradey Haberl*

### COFFEE CART

*Steve & Miriam Skartvedt*

### PRAYER PARTNERS

*Immanuel Deacons*

### COMMUNION PREPARATION/ASSISTANTS

*Doug & Mary Mechaelsen; Julie Skaar, Kelly Dahl*

### ACOLYTE

*Zayne Leeman*

### FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

*Immanuel Board of Deacons*

### BANNER/PARAMENT COMMITTEE

*Julie Skaar*

*Visit the Immanuel Kiosk in the lobby or contact Mary Mechaelsen to volunteer at church!*

# MY SERMON notes



today's scriptures

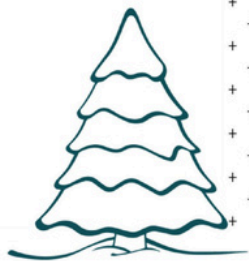
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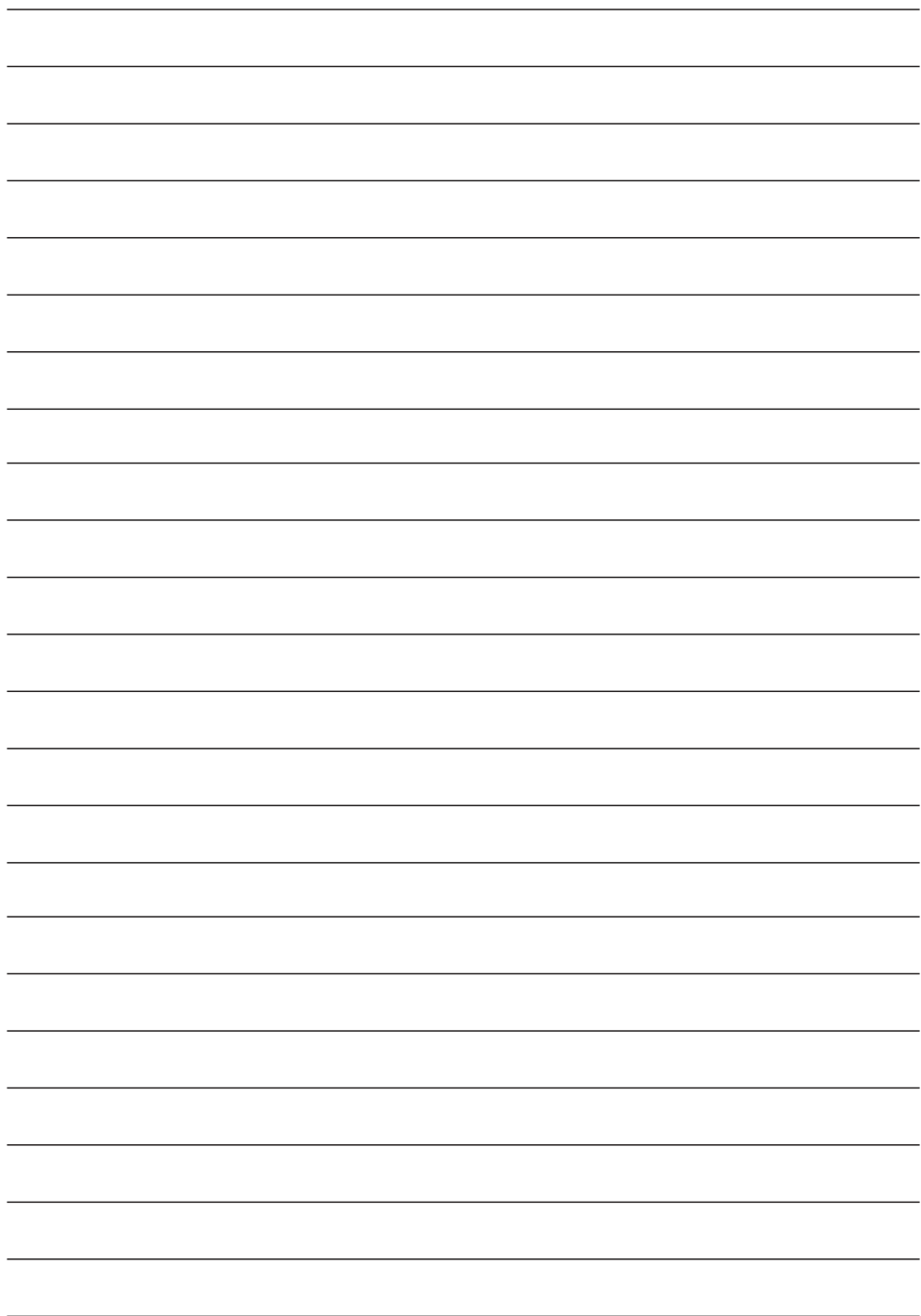


prayers



to study at home:







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LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### Church Office Hours:

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

## Sunday Schedule

8:00 A.M. RADIO BROADCAST

(KASI, 1430 A.M.)

8:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

(CONFIRMATION & ADULT BIBLE STUDY)

9:30 A.M. WORSHIP

**LIVE STREAM**

10:30 A.M. COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



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