

OCTOBER 11, 2026 || TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome to Worship at



fall 2026 sermon series

MORE *to* YOUR STORY

based on the book by MAX LUCADO



your final chapter
becomes a preface

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

10.11.26 || TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST || BANNER #18 "OPEN BOOK"

PRELUDE & BELL	Milianna Carlson
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Grant Severson
PRAYER & CALL TO WORSHIP	Grant Severson
OPENING HYMN	<i>#358 Because He Lives</i>
KINGDOM KIDS SING	Nicole Engelhardt, director
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG	<i>I Am the Church</i>
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Grant Severson
GREETING	Grant Severson
SCRIPTURE READINGS	Leo Hermanson
<i>1 Corinthians 15:12-22; Romans 6:8-14</i>	
APOSTLES' CREED	Pastor Allison
OFFERTORY	<i>#678 We Are An Offering</i>
MESSAGE	Pastor Allison
<i>More To Your Story: Your Final Chapter Becomes a Preface</i>	
WORSHIP SONGS	<i>It Is Well With My Soul//Living Hope</i>
CLOSING PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER	
BENEDICTION & SENDING	
CLOSING WORSHIP SONG	<i>Promises</i>
POSTLUDE	Milianna Carlson

CHURCH & COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Welcome to worship at Immanuel! Fill our minds with holy thoughts, O Lord, that we may think what you would have us think and worship you with purity of heart. Amen.

Today's bulletin is sponsored in honor of **Gladys Sickau** by the Jake & Cassie Edwards family.

We have **choir rehearsal** following worship today! We'll gather in the choir pews at 10:45 to rehearse our Advent anthem. Contact Milianna if you need a copy of the music. We will perform during worship on November 29. All voices and singers (6th grade and up!) are welcome!

Fields of Faith for our EPIC kids is coming up on Wed., October 14 at the Ballard Football Field. Permission forms are on the slatwall in the lobby; contact Pastor Allison if you'd be able to help us with transportation - we need lots of vehicles! Permission slips are due TODAY.

Any articles, pictures, or other newsletter submissions for our **WINTER Quarterly Newsletter** (November - December - January) are due to the church office by October 15th.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! Let's show our love and gratitude for our pastors this month! Drop off a note of thanks, share a favorite sermon memory or simply tell them how they've made a difference.

Give your time by sharing your talent and tithing. What do you spend your time on during the average week? How much time do you dedicate to serving someone else? Praying for someone else? Giving your time is often hand in hand with giving your talent and your tithing. Can you spare some for Jesus this week? Ask Him where and how you can spend some of the time He's given you.



ANNUAL MEETING



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18
AFTER WORSHIP



MEAL SERVED

afterwards by the Deacons.
*You're invited to bring a
dessert to share.*



**ALL CHURCH MEMBERS
ARE ENCOURAGED TO
ATTEND AND VOTE.**

ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

- Election of Council, Committee Members and Delegates
- Ministry Highlights
- Missions Commitment
- Endowment Fund Updates
- Pastoral Compensation for the Next Year



ANNUAL REPORT SUBMISSIONS

(including reports
and pictures) are due
ASAP.



Building strong relationships in Christ and making Him known to all.



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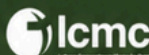
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Church Office Hours:
Monday through Thursday
9am to noon



Save the dates for two upcoming community events hosted at Immanuel: Saturday, November 14 is the LCMC Iowa District Annual Gathering. Members who register through the church office by November 10 will have their registration fee covered by the church. Then, on Sunday, November 22, we'll host the Thanksgiving Ecumenical Community Worship Service. More details will be shared as we get closer to this event.

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!

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!



SERMON NOTES

 Love IN ACTION. Hope IN EVERY DIAPER.

DIAPER DRIVE

Every baby
deserves a
clean, dry
diaper.

HELP US FILL THE NEED!

 This October, Immanuel Lutheran Church is collecting **DIAPERS** to support families in our community through our Church Outreach Ministry.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

BRING DIAPERS – ANY SIZE

Every package can make a difference for a family in need.

ONE PACKAGE
CAN MAKE
A BIG DIFFERENCE.

When families are struggling, a package of diapers can provide comfort, dignity, and relief.

DROP-OFF

Immanuel Lutheran Church
604 Lafayette
Story City, IA 50248

Thank you for helping us
care for families in our community!

LET'S COME TOGETHER
AS A CHURCH AND MEET
A REAL NEED IN
OUR COMMUNITY.



BRING
DIAPERS.



GIVE
HOPE.



MAKE AN
IMPACT.

"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will
fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

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.



Contact Milianna in the church office with questions.



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For more **church and community announcements**, subscribe to our weekly emails (contact the church office!) and grab a copy of our Fall Quarterly Newsletter on the slatwall (or see a digital copy on our website). See the lobby slatwall for more community announcements - have something to post? Contact the church office!

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

WELCOME TEAM

Danny & Ronda Leerar, Steve & Deb Olson

READER

Leo Hermanson

TECH TEAM

Trent Whipple, Ben Carlson

ACOLYTE

Meredith Mullenbach

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Craig & Nancy Sargent

COFFEE CART

Steve & Miriam Skartvedt

PRAYER PARTNERS

Immanuel Deacons

BANNER/PARAMENT COMMITTEE

Charlotte Loots

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



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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. EDUCATION HOUR

9:30 A.M. WORSHIP

LIVE STREAM

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



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