

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026 || SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome to Worship at



fall 2026 sermon series

MORE *to* YOUR STORY

based on the book by MAX LUCADO



discover your place

LISTEN ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE & ON OUR WEBSITE

ORDER OF WORSHIP

9.13.26 || SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST || BANNER #40 "THIS IS THE DAY"

PRELUDE & BELL

Milianna Carlson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grant Severson

PRAYER & CALL TO WORSHIP

Grant Severson

OPENING HYMN

#56 To God Be the Glory

GREETING

Pastor Allison

BIBLES & PRAYER BOOK PRESENTATION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG

I Am the Church

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Grant Severson

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Lori Whipple

John 3:16-21; Ephesians 1:3-14

APOSTLES' CREED

Pastor Andrew

OFFERTORY

#678 We Are An Offering

MESSAGE

Pastor Andrew

More To Your Story: Discover Your Place

WORSHIP SONGS

Who You Say I Am//King of Kings

CLOSING PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION & SENDING

Grant Severson

CLOSING HYMN

How Great Thou Art

POSTLUDE

Milianna Carlson

CHURCH & COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Welcome to worship at Immanuel! With eagerness we approach you, O God. We join with all who love and serve you. We offer ourselves to be your people, ready to let your light shine upon us and through us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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!



CHURCH FINANCIALS

General Fund activity for August 2026			
Beg. Balance	Receipts	Expenses	End. Balance
\$4,454	\$26,357	\$34,856	\$(4,045)
Monthly General Fund expenses average \$37k			
Details are posted on the slatwall next to the printer room.			



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

**DON'T FORGET TO
REGISTER
for
SUNDAY SCHOOL!**

**SCAN HERE
TO REGISTER**



A new Sunday School year is just around the corner!
We can't wait to grow in God's Word together!

*It's going to be a
great year!*





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

OUR CHURCH NEEDS
YOU!
★ Volunteer to ★
**RUN THE
CAROUSEL!**



**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 13**



**1-HOUR SHIFTS
1:00 – 4:00 PM**



Immanuel Lutheran Church
is sponsoring
FREE CAROUSEL RIDES
that day!

Sign up here!



**TREATS WILL BE SERVED
BY THE DEACONS**

*Thank you for sharing
your time and talents!*



IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN CHURCH

My
BIBLE CLASS



**for Second Graders
and Their Parents**

Students will learn with Pastor Allison
how to navigate their first Bible as they
begin their journey with Jesus.

**FOR
SECOND
GRADERS**



**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20**



11:00 AM

*Small steps.
Big faith.*

You Can Help



LOAVES AND FISHES FOOD PANTRY

Items Needed:



PAPER
TOWELS



KLEENEX



TOILET
PAPER



DIAPERS



CANNED
GOODS



Drop off your donations in the shopping cart by the Social Hall.



Thank you for supporting our neighbors in need!

JOIN US AT IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR

lunch & learn

Sunday, September 27 at 11:30 A.M.

Lutheran Distinctives

presented by Brad Waline

FREE EVENT - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - LIMITED SEATING

Event includes lunch, presentation, and Q & A



RSVP on the Sign Up Genius Link or contact the church office directly.

SPONSORED BY THE IMMANUEL DEACON BOARD



What exactly does it mean to be a "Lutheran"? Who was Martin Luther, and what is Reformation Sunday? What makes Lutherans different from other denominations? We'll learn how our Lutheran heritage and theology help us better understand our faith and live out our callings in Christ. Whether you grew up Lutheran or not - this is a class you don't want to miss!

RSVP is required for this event.



VENDORS & MINI MAKERS

11:00AM-4:00PM



FARM TO TABLE (TICKETED EVENT)

11:00AM



FOOD TRUCKS

11:00AM-4:00PM



LIVE MUSIC 🎵

1:00PM-3:00PM



CAROUSEL (FREE RIDES)

1:00PM-4:00PM



MAKE & TAKE KIDS CRAFTS 12:30PM & 2:30PM

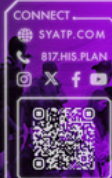
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SILVER CHANDELIER



This annual favorite brings artists, makers, and community members together for a day filled with creativity and connection. Whether you're an established artist, a budding young entrepreneur, or simply someone who loves discovering unique handmade creations, there's something for everyone!



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come to
me

matthew 11:28

SEE YOU AT THE POLE™
GLOBAL DAY OF STUDENT PRAYER

"Come to Me" (from Matthew 11:28) is the theme for See You at the Pole™ 2026, which is all about students praying at their schools. The event is planned for Wednesday, September 23, at schools around the world - including at Roland-Story High School's flag pole at 7:30am.

With diverse schedules at participating schools, students are being challenged to find new and unique ways, places, and times to pray throughout the Global Week of Student Prayer—September 20 - 26. Then on Wednesday, September 23, if possible, students are encouraged to gather at a school flagpole or other community location to pray. This means that, all around the world in every time zone, for 24 hours, students will be praying for their school, friends, families, churches, and communities.

This is the 36th year for See You at the Pole™, a student-initiated and student-led event that started in Burleson, Texas, in 1990. SYATP brings students together to intercede for their leaders, schools, and families, asking God to bring moral and spiritual awakening to their campuses and countries.

DOWNTOWN BLOCKTOBERFEST

— 500 BLOCK OF BROAD STREET —

THUR 10-1-2026 5PM-8PM

PRESENTED BY:
— GNB BANK —
LIBRARY FOUNDATION
NORSEMAN REALTY
RIVER BEND GOLF COURSE
STORY CITY EDC

Story City

HOSTED BY CITY OF STORY CITY



You Are Invited To The Chaplaincy Brunch

Sunday | 11 AM – 1 PM
18 October, 2026

This Is A Free-Will Donation
The Households of Bethany
212 Lafayette Ave.
Story City, IA 50248
In The Family Room

 Bethany Life

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.



A new **Story City Community Choir** is forming this fall, led by Steve & Tressa Reisetter, with rehearsals beginning September 2 at the Story City Public Library. The choir will sing a variety of styles—religious, gospel, patriotic, spirituals, pop, and more—and plans to perform several times throughout the school year. Rehearsals will be held the first three Wednesdays of each month, with a shared meal at 6:30pm and music to follow; participants may attend weekly or learn from provided recordings and join closer to performance dates. Adults, teens, and children able to participate in rehearsal are welcome—contact Steve Reisetter (stevereisetter@yahoo.com or 763-229-4730) if you'd like to be added to the interest list.

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).

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS

WELCOME TEAM

Rhys & Maggie Hermanson Family

READER

Lori Whipple

TECH TEAM

Craig & Nancy Sargent

ACOLYTE

Elsey Haberl

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Al & Karen Hermanson

COFFEE CART

Steve & Miriam Skartvedt

PRAYER PARTNERS

Immanuel Deacons

BANNER/PARAMENT COMMITTEE

Cathy Braathun

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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