

# IMMANUEL ECHO

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

## Hello June!



**IMMANUEL BAPTIST**  
"GOD WITH US" CHURCH




### AT A GLANCE THOUGHTS & MORE




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**Sunday** 9:30 am - Fellowship  
10 am - Worship


**Wednesday** 11:30 am - Soup Kitchen

### June Highlights

- **Women's Retreat @ Camp Bentley**
- **6/7 Taku & Katie are here!**
- **Junior High Camp**
- **Junior Camp**
- **6/18 Prayer Night**
- **6/22 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
- **Camp Bentley Starts! See Calendar**



**MINISTRY TEAM**

<b>Pastor</b> Brian Keithline	<b>Pianist</b> Dawn Bergeron
<b>Youth Director</b> Brittany Lohan	<b>Office Manager</b> Lori Stauffer
<b>Visitation Minister</b> Karen Anderson	<b>Nursery</b> Emily Stauffer/Alice Galeas
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Therefore do not worry about **tomorrow**, for **tomorrow** will **worry** about itself' (Matt. 6:34)



### **Evening Women Fellowship**

We will be going to Prairie Garden & Bistro in Mohall Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> Please meet @ the Church @ 10:30 am to load the van!  
Thanks, **Wanda**

### **Stewardship Report**

**As of May 24, 2026:**

TOTAL BUDGETED TO DATE: \$140,478.19  
TOTAL RECEIVED TO DATE: \$160,921.60  
BUDGETED WEEKLY NEED: \$7070.39  
WEEKLY YTD AVERAGE: \$7662.93



### **Baby Boy!**

**Kailah, Olivia & Eugene's family is growing!**

**They are expecting a son on 7/17!**

**We are doing a diaper and wipe shower!**

**They use Parent's Choice diapers but any unscented diapers and wipes will work!**

**We will collect until the last Sunday in June!**

### **Upcoming Meetings**

- **Trustee Board - Tue., June 9 @ 6:30 pm**
- **Christian Education - TBA**

### **CE News**

Our Sunday School offering this year is going to Broadway Circle. We raised **\$1,727.32!** We were able to take advantage of The Twice Blessed Campaign for the September -December offering! Thank You! We make a difference in our Community in so many ways!



**July 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>  
for children entering Kindergarten  
through 5<sup>th</sup> grade!**



### **VBS Volunteers needed!**

We will have a VBS planning meeting on **Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:15 pm.** We plan to Have a light supper. Please RSVP to Kristy! 720-473-2526. If you are unable to attend but would like to help, please contact her!

## Karen's Corner

Welcome to June!

I will be starting this month off in Florida with my granddaughter, Zoey, on a mission trip. We are joining Brittany and her family in Orlando. We will be serving at Give Kids the World which is a resort where children with various degrees of illnesses and different abilities can bring their families to make memories. I'm so excited to share with the church what we do while we are there! I will update as I can while we're gone. Your prayers are so appreciated for our team while we are doing what God has planned.

Since I'll be gone the first Thursday, we will have two back- to- back Bible hikes in June on the 11th and 18th at 1:00 p.m. where we will be learning about the OT books of Joshua and Judges.

We plan to travel to Powers Lake for the Juneberry Festival on the 25th. We will try to leave from the church at 10:00 a.m. so we can have lunch at The Food Barn before checking out the goodies around town. Please watch the bulletin board for a sign up. I'm sure we'll have as much fun, maybe more, than we did last year!

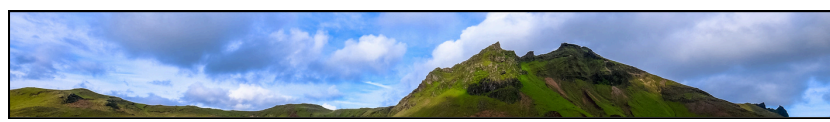
We will have a Senior lunch and Fun Day on June 26th. Please join us in the church Fellowship Hall at 12:15 p.m. for an afternoon that includes lunch, conversation, and perhaps some fun competition.

During the Summer there are several opportunities to attend live music in Oak Park. I plan to attend the 4:00 p.m. concerts on June 14, 21, and 28th, weather permitting, of course.

I hope you're able to enjoy the rest of Spring and you're preparing to entertain Summer. Please let me know if you'd like to visit or there's something I can be praying for you.  
Blessings, **Karen**

***"He has everything  
beautiful in its time."  
Ecclesiastical 3:11***





## THE ROAD LESS TAKEN

As you read this newsletter, I'm on the road to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

With each passing mile, the deep green tapestry of early summer unfolds before me. Fields of tall grass gently wave in the breeze. Rejuvenated trees stretch their winter-worn limbs toward heaven, showing off a fresh coat of leaves. Occasionally, the road bunches up into the arcs of hills and then unwinds into valleys traced with rivers and punctuated by lakes and sloughs.

And all of this conjures up a particular thought: I need to give up control. (Now IF I say that too loudly, my passenger is likely to shout a yelp!). Granted, I need to hold onto the steering wheel while driving, but I need to release my SENSE of control. In reality, that's all we ever have—a sense of control and never a full management of life.

As Jesus addressed the crowds before Him, He recognized their worries and their concerns. He probably felt the collective anxiety nibbling away at their hearts. That's the nature of anxiety—it slowly steals our peace and joy.

In response, Jesus said: "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness ... Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself" (Matt. 6:33-34).

In other words, surrender control and submit to God's reign in our hearts and minds. That doesn't mean abandoning responsibility. It means trusting God with the outcomes we cannot control. It's one of the most difficult lessons of faith to learn, especially in the midst of life's ever-changing circumstances.

If you're like me — and may God help us both! — you sometimes feel as though you need to oversee everything in life. You need to make sure "it" gets done right. And admittedly, I confess there are times when I don't supervise the work of others and it doesn't go well (such as in a recent landscaping project).



But I don't have the time to oversee or micromanage every detail of life. It's exhausting even trying to do so. And life is short. It is but a breeze blowing across the rich green prairie. Which prompts the question: How do we want to spend these precious moments? In anxiety or in thankfulness? In worry or in worship?

When we insist on controlling every outcome, we can lose sight of God's wisdom and care. He is our Creator, our Builder, our Redeemer, and our Sustainer. As Jesus reminds us, worrying about tomorrow doesn't add a single day to our lives.

Yes, we may find ourselves in difficult situations someday. A relationship may end. A job may be lost. A diagnosis may arrive. A check may not make all the ends meet.

But even then, we're not helpless as we travel down the road of life.

We can hand over control to God. Surrender. Repent. Rededicate. Return.

Faith is not believing that tomorrow will unfold according to our plans. Faith is trusting that God will remain faithful no matter what tomorrow brings.

And when we do that, we can finally lift our eyes and see the beautiful world around us — and the faithful God who has been walking beside us all along. *Blessings!* — **Pastor Brian**



# June

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		10:30 am Women's Evening Fellowship meet @ Church to load van		9am Brunch Bunch Homesteaders		
			MISSION TRIP 5/31-6/9			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:30am Coffee Fellowship 10:00 am Worship		5:30 pm Trustees Meeting	11:30 Soup Kitchen	9am Brunch Bunch Parker 1pm Bible Hike	10:00am Bible Study	
					Women's Retreat 5/5-7	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:30am Coffee Fellowship 10:00 am Worship 4pm Senior Sts. Concert in Oak Park			11:30 Soup Kitchen	9am Brunch Bunch Homesteaders 6:30 pm Prayer Night 1pm Bible Hike	10:00 am Bible Study	
		Junior High Camp 6/14-20				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:30am Donuts for Dads 10:00 am Worship 4pm Senior Sts. Concert in Oak Park			11:30 Soup Kitchen Newsletter Deadline Junior Camp 6/21-26	9am Brunch Bunch Parker Senior Sts. leave @ 10am for June Berry Festival	12:15 Senior Saints Lunch & Games	
28	29	30				
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June Birthday's

*Happy Birthday*

1<sup>st</sup> **Kiera VanWinkle Souza**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> **Leah Faul**  
**Micah Holmen**  
 5<sup>th</sup> **David Loock**  
 7<sup>th</sup> **Aaron Roberts**  
**David Schwaiger**  
**Patty Wistoff**  
 12<sup>th</sup> **Kristy Keithline**  
 19<sup>th</sup> **Karen Radke**  
 21<sup>st</sup> **Keely Browne**



**Harmon Faul**  
**Alice Knoop**  
**Clint Wolf**  
 24<sup>th</sup> **Ava Fry**  
**Josh Hegstad**  
 25<sup>th</sup> **Marliss Jenrich**  
 26<sup>th</sup> **David Snyder**  
 28<sup>th</sup> **Jon Anderson**  
**Kim Mehlhoff**  
 29<sup>th</sup> **Kyndelle Anderson**

*next month*

- 7/10-12 Family Camp
- 7/12-18 Senior High Camp
- 7/3 Happy 4<sup>th</sup> Office Closed

**June 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Gene & Joyce Schoenberg

**June 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Jim & Wanda Aspaas

**June 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Max & Shirley Bezanson

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
Bruce & Pat Bolyard

Paul & Cheryl DeWaal Malefyt

**June 26<sup>th</sup>**  
Monte & Bonnie Epse

**June 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Lyndon & Jackie Johnson

**June 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Sheldon & Mary Ann Summers

June Serving Committee

Cassie Haas, Lynae Holmen,  
Nancy Snyder

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