



St. John & Immanuel Lutheran Churches Tecumseh / Sterling

**Newsletter
April 2021**

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Easter Blessing

*John 11:25
(KJV)*

*Happy
Easter!*

*I am the
resurrection,
and the life:
he that
believeth in me,
though he
were dead,
yet shall he live.*



Holy Week

Maundy Thursday
(C) St. John - 7:00 pm

April 1

“One Bread, One Body”

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Good Friday
Immanuel - 7:00 pm

April 2

“Our Great High Priest”

Hebrews 4:14–16, 5:7–9

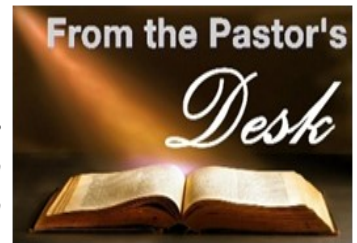
Easter
(C) Immanuel - 6:30 am

April 4

“Holding Fast to the Gospel”

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

(C) St. John - 9:00 am



If Christ Has Not Been Raised?

“Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.”

- 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

There are many movies and television shows that come out each year about the life and death of Jesus. A question that I often have is, “Which Jesus are they talking about?” Now don’t get me wrong. There is only one Jesus who is the Savior of the world! But what movies and television depictions of Jesus often leaves a person wondering if this is the Jesus of the Bible.

I came across a news story this week about the crucifixion of Jesus. Some scholar is claiming that Jesus wasn’t nailed to the cross, saying that the Gospels are silent on this fact. But Jesus clearly shows the marks of the nails and the spear to Thomas and the other disciples in John 20:24-25. Then you have the multitude of liberal scholars who claim Jesus to be an important teacher of love and tolerance, who was crucified but not raised from the dead. Such scholars claim Jesus to be someone who overlooks sin in order to be tolerant and to show his love.

But in the Bible, we have a far different picture of Jesus. This Jesus is someone who does not overlook sin but takes it to the cross, where He bears the punishment, we deserve in order that we may rejoice in the Father’s love for His children. This Jesus has come to undo the terrible effects of sin. He has come to undo death itself. That’s what we celebrate at Easter, the undoing of death. The fact of Jesus’ resurrection is so important for the Christian that Paul says that if Christ had not been raised from the dead **“we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.”** (1 Corinthians 15:19-20). So that now, all those who believe in Jesus, have not just eternal life but the promise that Jesus will raise them from the dead to live in a restored creation (cf. Isaiah 65:17; 2 Peter 3:13 & Revelation 21:1).

While television and movies portray Jesus in many different ways, it is important to hold on to how the Bible depicts Him. As a God who loves you enough to die on a cross so that you may be with Him for all eternity! This is the true Jesus and the only One who has the power to save!

May the joy of the empty tomb be yours forever!

Pastor Kohlmeyer

ST. JOHN AND IMMANUEL NEWSLETTER

Hey, Parents...

Parents, please make sure the Church office knows when your graduate is going off to college. We would like to have their address and email so we can keep them in touch with what is going on in Church.



Happy Spring to everyone from the Preschool room! It is hard to believe that April is almost here. We have been working hard here in preschool and continue to learn many new things.

Our month will be filled with learning about bugs and the ocean. We will also have our Lutheran Schools Week which will focus on the theme Sent to Serve. The week will start out with us having a short program during Church on Sunday April 11th.

We will be learning the rest of our letters this month which are W, X, Y, and Z. We have been learning to recognize our numbers 0-10 (youngers) and 0-20 (olders). We will continue to practice recognizing these numbers as well as continuing to count even further. Learning these along with many other skills has kept us super busy!

In Jesus time we will be getting ready for our end of the year program/graduation. The Bible is God's Word and Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd are what we will also be learning about.

We will be having our open house on Tuesday night April 27th for new and returning preschoolers. I look forward to seeing both new and familiar faces!

We hope everyone has a blessed Spring!

We are looking for a new preschool aide for next school year (2021—2022). If you are interested or know of someone who might be, please call the Church office for more details.

Welcome Confirmands



Seth Dean (Immanuel)
Jackson Haughton (St. John's)
Andrew Kohlmeyer (St. John's)

Welcome New Members
Billy and Amy Frye
To
St. John's Lutheran Church



St. John's Quilters



ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN – is a Christian volunteer network that is the heart of Christ for others; shipping food, clothing, medical and other needed supplies to people in 69 countries, including the USA.

Five of our Quilting/Sewing ladies volunteered at the Orphan Grain Train warehouse in Lincoln on March 11th from 1:00 to 3:30. We sorted and filled boxes with donated items people have given to Orphan Grain Train.

THE LOVE WE PUT IN THE BOX IS THE LOVE THEY WILL TAKE OUT.

If anyone is interested in volunteering with us sometime, please sign up on the list in the overflow. We will be volunteering the second Thursday of every month from 1:00 to 3:30.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN DONATIONS – Our church will start collecting items beginning the week after Easter. There will be an area in the basement to put your donated items. We will be accepting the following:

- Gently used or new clothing: infant, children, men, women
- Shoes: children, men, women
- Bed and bath linens
- Ball Caps (children love the caps)
- Suitcases (to fill with items on mission trips)
- Bibles



ST. JOHN'S
EASTER
EGG TRUNK HOP

SATURDAY, APRIL 3RD FROM 1:00 – 3:00 PM
1260 WEBSTER STREET
TECUMSEH, NE

BRING YOUR BASKETS
AND FILL THEM UP!

(THIS WILL BE SIMILAR
TO OUR TRUNK OR TREAT)



(SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE
PRACTICED)

St. John's Lutheran Preschool

Tecumseh, Nebraska

BBQ Beef Sandwiches

~*~Free Will Offering~*~



Sunday, April 11th
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Delicious Menu includes: BBQ Beef Sandwiches,
Baked Beans, Cole Slaw and a Brownie.
To-Go Orders Only**

~~NOW ENROLLING FOR 2021-2022 CLASSES~~

Give your child an eternal advantage
with a beginning to their education
at a Christ-centered Preschool.
Call TODAY for enrollment
forms!

St. John's Lutheran Preschool

1260 Webster St.

Tecumseh, NE 68450

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ANNIVERSARIES, BIRTHDAYS, BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS & GREETERS

Birthday Celebrations

- 5 Madison Moran
- 6 **Jake Weyers**
- 7 Ron Rathe
- 8 **Henry Thies**
- 9 David Borrenpohl,
Ardis Wentz
- 10 **Hannah Thies**
- 11 Wanda Hizemann
- 12 Kyle Borrenpohl,
Amelia Miller
- 14 Melissa Lowther,
Ron Buehler
- 16 Lisa Bartels
- 17 **Tim Sugden**
- 19 Melissa Kress,
Stephanie Lowther
- 21 Katie Griess,
Kevin McKinney
- 22 Amy Frye
- 26 Cheryl Grove,
Ben Lierman, Suzie Ziegler

Anniversary Celebrations

- 14 Mike & Mary Borrenpohl (20 yrs)
- 16 Anton & Sharon Lintz (55 yrs)
- 19 Lowell & Judy Nolte (52 yrs)
- 23 Myron & Barb Jenkins (5 yrs)
- 28 Larry & LuAnn Carmine (48 yrs)

*Immanuel Members in **Bold***

Greeters

- April 4** Ken & Deb Brinkman
Duane & Rosie Sugden
- April 11** Lowell & Judy Nolte
Jackie Boden
- April 18** Dwyane & Janene Bartels
Hannah Thies
- April 25** John & Amy Borrenpohl
Shirley Bartels

Baptismal Birthdays

- 1 Erica Bartels, Janelle Moran
- 2 Eloise Bartels
- 3 Esther Buethe, Evelyn Buethe
- 9 Eric Bartels, Steven Bauers,
Kathryn Buehler
- 10 **Hannah Thies**
- 13 Howell Parker
- 16 Ashley Juilfs
- 17 Katelyn Beethe
- 21 **Shirley Hestermann**
- 23 Nathan Kuhl, Madison Moran
- 25 Anton Lintz
- 27 Ron Rathe



MONTHLY SERVANTS OF GOD

St. John's

Altar Guild
Cheryl Grove

Elder of the Month
Dave Borrenpohl
(402) 429-5463

Trustee of the Month

Fred Pooch
(402) 335-7044

Immanuel

Flower Committee

Ardis Wentz & Kathy Buehler

Elder of the Month

Galyn Bartzls
(402) 866-1057

Acolytes

- April 1 Wesley Schmid & Sophia Schmid
- April 4 Hunter Haughton (Crucifer) & Jackson Haughton
- April 11 Madalyn Kohlmeyer & Andrew Kohlmeyer
- April 18 Morgan Moran & Leighton Beeche
- April 25 Logan Barras & Blayzen Kress

Acolytes

Wyatt Rathe
&
Joelynn Rathe



Pastor office hours: Please call for appointment
Secretary office hours: Monday—Friday: 8:30 am—12:30 pm

April 2021

(C) = Services with Holy Communion

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Office: 335-3816 Parsonage: 335-9117				1 Maunday Thursday Service w/Communion (St. John's) 7:00 pm	2 Good Friday Service (Immanuel) 7:00 pm	3 Easter Egg Trunk Hop (St. John's) 1 - 3 pm
4 Easter Sunday (C) Divine Service [Immanuel] 6:30 am (C) Divine Service [St. John's] 9:00 am	5	6 Quilting (St. John's) 9 - 3	7 Preschool Chapel 9:00 am Midweek (St. John's) 4:30 pm Joint Elder Meeting (Immanuel) 8:00pm	8 Praise Team Practice 7:00 pm	9 Pastor's Family Day	10
11 Second Sunday after Easter Divine Service [Immanuel] 8:30am Voter's Meeting [Immanuel] 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Adult Bible Study [St. John's] 9:30 am Contemporary Service [St. John's] 10:30 am Preschool Luncheon [St. John's] 11:30-1:00	12 Pastor's Family Day	13 Circuit Meeting (St. Peter's) 9:00 am Quilting (St. John's) 9 - 3 Priscilla's (St. John's) 4:00 pm	14 Preschool Chapel 9:00 am Midweek (St. John's) 4:30 pm Bible Study (Immanuel) 7:00 pm	15	16	17
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25 Fourth Sunday after Easter Divine Service [Immanuel] 8:30am Women of Immanuel [Immanuel] 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Adult Bible Study [St. John's] 9:30 am Divine Service [St. John's] 10:30am Voter's Meeting [St. John's] 11:30 am	26 Pastor's Family Day	27 Quilting (St. John's) 9 - 3 Preschool Open House 6:00 - 7:30 pm	28 Preschool Chapel 9:00 am Midweek (St. John's) 4:30 pm Bible Study (Immanuel) 7:00 pm	29	30	

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